Meredith Boericke
President
District 5

Shannon L. Hume At Large

David M. Ringius, Jr At Large

Julia C. Flaherty
District 1



Charles B. Ryan Vice President At Large

Joseph Reynolds
District 2

Elizabeth Maglio
District 3

Stephen C. O'Brien
District 4

OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Boericke was in the chair.

President Boericke asked for a moment of silence for our first responders and all those serving our military home and abroad.

Clerk of the Council, Susan M. Cimino conducted the roll call.

Present: Meredith Boericke, President

Charles Ryan, Vice President (remote participation)

David M. Ringius, Jr. Julia Flaherty

Joseph Reynolds Elizabeth Maglio

Stephen C. O'Brien (remote participation)

Lawrence C. Mackin, Jr.

Not Present: Shannon Hume

Others: Lisa Fiske-Heger, School Committee Chairwoman

Jen Dolan, former School Committee member

Robyn Houston-Bean

Lyn Frano, Braintree Community Partnership, Chairperson

REMOTE PARTICIPATION of a Council member: We have a Council member who is participating remotely this evening. Councilor O'Brien is on speaker phone and therefore all VOTES are required to be by ROLL CALL.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

• 019 22 Council President: Women in Leadership Award, Robyn Houston-Bean

President Boericke stated we are bringing forth our second Town Council - Women in Leadership Award this evening, appropriately during Women in History Month. For me and others this award is meaningful and significant. Past recipients are also in attendance Lisa Fiske-Heger and Jen Dolan.

Lyn Frano, Braintree Community Partnership Chairperson, presented this award to Partnership colleague Robyn Houston-Bean. Including the facts that Robyn has empowered many women and children and has facilitated many projects to combat and help alleviate the stigma around substance use and opioid overdose and has spearheaded acts of kindness for those homeless and hungry. You have inspired many women and girls to find their voices and help others. We appreciate all you do for this community and beyond. Because of you Robyn, the sun rises for so many.

Robyn Houston-Bean stated she did not realize when she began to do this work that every little thing she did affected and helped another individual. To be a good leader I would not be able to do this without everyone who is behind me. Robyn Houston-Bean stated my son Nick was embarrassed about his addiction and stayed silent. He thought he would be judged. I said we are not staying silent anymore. My community would not have judged him. I thank Town Council for this award. I hope we continue to make the Town proud and we continue to work together to stop the stigma and make Braintree an accepting place for everybody.

• 020 22 Council President: Master Plan Steering Committee Update: Councilor Flaherty

Councilor Flaherty stated the kick off meeting was in February 2022. We have selected a consultant. We were introduced to her company and past with other communities. We filled out form with our hopes, questions that we have and challenges we see for the committee. We are in phase 1 which is discovery and existing conditions. It was good to focus in on what we want to achieve. It is a big process. It is suggested all facets of the community come forward with ideas. We will come out of this with a blue print or road map.

There is a link under the Mayor's department to keep updated. Next meeting is March 24, 2022.

• Council Maglio: FERC Announcement

Councilor Maglio made an announcement that FERC agreed the Compressor Station should not have been authorized to be built where it was built. They call that "cold comfort" to the people of Braintree, Weymouth and Quincy because they are not actually going to shut it down. FRACCS is working hard on the legal front and I suggest you get involved with them.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• February 1, 2022

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to Approve Minutes of February 1, 2022

Second: by Councilor Hume

Roll Call Vote: For (9 – Boericke, Flaherty, Hume, Mackin, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),

Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

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OLD BUSINESS

None

President Boericke stated there is no Old Business this evening.

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Councilor Ryan read the following referrals to Committee(s):

Refer to the Committee on Ordinance & Rules

- 22 011 Landing Apartments LLC: Zoning Petition Amendment to the Table of Principal Uses Section 135-601 take up any action relative thereto
- 22 012 Mayor: Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment Inclusionary Housing and Associated Revisions or take up any action relative thereto

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to refer Order 22 011, and Order 22 012 to the Committee on

Ordinance & Rules

Second: by Councilor Flaherty

Roll Call Vote: For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Mackin, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),

Against (0), Absent (1 - Hume), Abstain (0), Present (0)

Refer to the Committee on the Department of Public Works

• 22 014 National Grid Petition: 22-111 Parkside Avenue or take up any action relative thereto

• 22 016 National Grid Petition: Sampson Avenue or take up any action relative thereto

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to refer Order 22 014, and Order 22 016 to the Committee on the

Department of Public Works

Second: by Councilor Flaherty

Roll Call Vote: For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Mackin, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),

Against (0), Absent (1 - Hume), Abstain (0), Present (0)

Refer to the Committee of Ways & Means

• 22 017 Mayor: Authorization to enter into Tax Increment Financing Agreement for property located at 400 Wood Road or take up any action relative thereto

• 22 018 Mayor: Authorization to Accept Donations or take up any action related thereto

• 22 019 Mayor: Request for Appropriation- CPA Appropriation – Nathan Buliga Park & Street Hockey Rink or take up any action relative thereto

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to refer Order 22 017, Order 22 018 and Order 22 019 to the

Committee of Ways & Means

Second: by Councilor Flaherty

Roll Call Vote: For (8 – Boericke, Flaherty, Mackin, Maglio, O'Brien, Reynolds, Ringius, Ryan),

Against (0), Absent (1 - Hume), Abstain (0), Present (0)

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Topics the Chair does not reasonably anticipate will be discussed

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 5, 2022 @ 7:30pm

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan M. Cimino, Clerk of the Council

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