

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 15, 2010

GCTV-15

7:00 pm

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Farrell.

President Farrell stated this meeting was being recorded. If any other person present was doing the same, they must notify the chairperson at this time. It was noted the Town Council was audio recording and GCTV-15 was video recording the meeting for future broadcast.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor William Martin; Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Marjorie L. Kelly; Town Clerk Maureen Winseck; GCTV-15 staff; and members of the public.

**Order no. FY 11 -016**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously,

**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE RULES OF PROCEDURE, RULE 8, ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS.

**Order no. FY 11-017**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF PAUL R. BITTERS TO FILL THE VACANT PRECINCT 1 TOWN COUNCIL SEAT, UNTIL JUNE 30, 2011, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-11.

**DISCUSSION:** President Farrell reviewed the process for filing vacancies received the Resignation from Precinct 1 Councilor Peter Wood.

It was unanimously

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE THE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 11 -017.

Town Clerk Winseck administered the oath of office to Councilor Bitters.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Roll Call was taken. Councilor Guin and Letourneau were absent.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously

**VOTED:** TO ACCEPT THE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2010.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** Councilor Maloney read the following notice: In accordance with the Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield Town Council will hold a public hearing at the Town Council Meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at GCTV-15, 393 Main Street to consider the following:

- Transfer \$20,000 from Town Insurance to the departments as listed for Fiscal Year 2010, \$6,915 to Accounting - \$ 4,920 to Assessors - \$ 8,165 to Town Hall Maintenance.
- Transfer \$6,960 from Contributory Retirement to Town Hall Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2010.
- Transfer \$14,000 from Non-Contributory Retirement to the departments as listed for Fiscal Year 2010, \$ 3,150 to Licensing - \$ 10,850 to Town Hall Maintenance.
- Appropriate \$107,321.41 for Fiscal Year 2010 to repair and improve Sewer Inflow and Infiltration Systems, by transferring the remaining balances in the following borrowing authorizations:

Maple Brook Culvert	\$18,475.11
Green River/ Oak Hill	\$4,689.08
Green River/ Oak Hill	\$2,682.34
Cooke St Water Main	\$41,246.48
DPW Loader	\$3,152.00
DPW Dump Truck	\$1,535.65
Grinding Road Materials	\$5,173.00
Landfill Construction	\$22,821.76
Smith Street Water Main	\$7,545.99

Materials in alternative format can be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office with reasonable advance request at 413-772-1555 ext. 112. Full copies of the proposals are available for review in the Greenfield Town Clerk's Office, 14 Court Square, Greenfield, MA, from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri.

President Farrell opened the Public Hearing at 7:04 pm. He asked if anyone wished to speak.

Councilor Maloney held the second reading:

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President Farrell noted no public was in attendance and closed the Public Hearing at 7:09 pm.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

MAYOR: None.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: None.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

#### **MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS**

##### **Order no. FY 11 -019**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES OF THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS, BY THE MAYOR TO THE FOLLOWING BOARDS AND/OR COMMISSIONS FOR THE EXPRESSED TERM:

##### **REAPPOINTMENT**

Becky George	Greenfield Parking and Traffic Commission	2-year term, June 30, 2012
Marcia Starkey	Historical Commission	1-year term, June 30, 2011
Becky George	Greenfield Local Cultural Council	2-year term, June 30, 2012

##### **APPOINTMENT**

Sebastian Gutwein	Greenfield Parking and Traffic Commission	3-year term, June 30, 2013
Bonnie Beth Pierce	Human Rights Commission	2-year term, June 30, 2012 (to complete the term vacated by the Resignation of Mary Siano)
Lewis Metaxas	Human Rights Commission	3-year term, June 30, 2013 (replacing Elizabeth Adams)
James E. Capen	Greenfield Housing Authority	4-year term, June 30, 2014 (to complete the term vacated by the Resignation of Matthew Sheirdan)
Jennifer Stromsten	Greenfield Local Cultural Council	3-year term, June 30, 2013 (replacing Lucy Fagella)
Michael Phillips	Greenfield Local Cultural Council	3-year term, June 30, 2013

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Allis stated the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for all of the proposed appointments and reappointments.

It was unanimously

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE THE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 11 -019.

##### **Order no. FY 11-020**

##### ***Fiscal Year 2010 Transfer***

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$20,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM TOWN INSURANCE TO THE DEPARTMENTS LISTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010.

- \$ 6,915 to Accounting
- \$ 4,920 to Assessors
- \$ 8,165 to Town Hall Maintenance
- \$20,000

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Maloney stated the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for the following three (3) orders. He stated this was one of a series of orders to close out the Fiscal Year 2010.

It was unanimously

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE THE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 11 -020.

**Order no. FY 11-021**

***Fiscal Year 2010 Transfer***

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously,

**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$6,960 BE TRANSFERRED FROM CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT TO TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010.

**Order no. FY 11-022**

***Fiscal Year 2010 Transfer***

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously,

**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$14,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM NON-CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT TO THE DEPARTMENTS LISTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010.

- \$ 3,150 to Licensing
- \$ 10,850 to Town Hall Maintenance
- \$ 14,000

**Order no. FY 11 -018**

Financial Order FY10-17

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$107,321.41 BE APPROPRIATED FOR ***FISCAL YEAR 2010*** TO REPAIR AND IMPROVE SEWER INFLOW AND INFILTRATION SYSTEMS, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE REMAINING BALANCES IN THE FOLLOWING BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS SHALL BE TRANSFERRED:

Account	Description	Date Authorized	Balance
4001-499-5861	Maple Brook Culvert	6/28/2000	\$18,475.11
4003-499-5841	Green River/Oak Hill	6/26/2002	\$4,689.08
4004-499-5840	Green River/Oak Hill	6/25/2003	\$2,682.34
4005-499-5845	Cooke St Water Main	6/1/2004	\$41,246.48
4007-499-5870	DPW Loader	5/17/2006	\$3,152.00
4008-499-5871	DPW Dump Truck	2/20/2008	\$1,535.65
4008-499-5890	Grinding Road Materials	5/23/2007	\$5,173.00
4100-499-5890	Landfill Construction	1989	\$22,821.76
4915-499-5840	Smith St Water Main	6/23/1999	\$7,545.99
Total Transferred			<u>\$107,321.41</u>

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Maloney stated the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for the order. He noted these were unused funds after the projects were completed. This would close out the borrowings and allow the remaining funds to be used for other purposes without having to go to Bond Counsel for additional funds. Ms. Kelly discussed the yearly process of reviewing bonded items. She stated the Mayor, Treasurer, Accountant, and DPW Superintendant support the order as proposed.

It was unanimously

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE THE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 11 -018.

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS** None.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

**APPOINTMENTS AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE-** Chairman Allis noted the committee continued discussion regarding the review of Ordinances required by charter. The next meeting would be on a date yet to be determined.

Charter Commission - Chairman Allis stated the commission continued discussion on “the best charter ever written.”

**WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE** – Chairman Maloney expected the Supplemental Budget in October 2010. Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Kelly was holding a financial information meeting on September 29, 2010 for new Councilors and anyone else who wished to attend. Chairman Maloney spoke of State revenue numbers and the ballot initiative on the November ballot to reduce the State Sales Tax.

School Building Committee – President Farrell stated the Committee would meet on Monday, September 27, 2010. He noted by the State’s schedule, the town would be voting on an undetermined amount in June 2011.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** President Farrell stated EDC held a Public Hearing regarding Zoning Amendments. The Planning Board would hold there meeting shortly.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION:** None.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:35 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Maureen T. Winseck, Town Clerk

**GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS**

GCTV-15

Regular Meeting

September 15, 2010

1. Bitters, Paul	P						
2. McLellan, Thomas	P						
3. Allis, Brickett	P						
4. Maloney, Mark	P						
5. Singer, David	P						
6. Letourneau, Danielle	---						
7. Sluter, Shenandoah	P						
8. Vicencio-Rasku, Iris	P						
9. Hirschfeld, Norman	P						
10. Farrell, Timothy	P						
11. Guin, Daniel	---						
12. 12. Devlin, Patrick	P						
13. Sutphin, Tracey	P						