

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2008

Greenfield Community Television

7:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilors Allis and Martin were absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Marjorie L. Kelly; Town Clerk Maureen Winseck; Greenfield School Superintendent Susan Hollins; Greenfield School Committee Chairman Dalton Athey; Mackenzie Issler, the *Recorder*; Dave Vallette, the *Republican*; members of the media; GCTV-15 staff; and members of the public.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ACCEPT THE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF JUNE 12 & 18, 2007

PUBLIC HEARINGS: President Maloney opened the Public Hearing at 7:03 pm. Councilor Joseph read the following Public Hearing notice:

In accordance with the Home Rule Charter the Greenfield Town Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 16, 2008, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at GCTV-15, 393 Main Street to consider the following:

- APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,100.00 FOR MAINTENANCE WORK AT THE GRISWOLD/GTD CONSERVATION AREA.
- TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS TOTALING \$320,000:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
25,000	Health Insurance	Medicare Match
5,000	Health Insurance	Bonded Debt Principal
7,000	Health Insurance	Temporary Interest
75,000	Health Insurance	Veterans' Services
18,000	Health Insurance	Legal-Labor
20,000	Health Insurance	Town Hall Operations
145,000	Health Insurance	Reserve Fund
25,000	Parking Enforcement	Police

The Town Council will consider the same at their meeting on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 which begins at 7:00 p.m. at the GCTV-15 Studio, 393 Main Street.

President Maloney asked if anyone wished to speak regarding the appropriation as read by Councilor Joseph. Seeing none, he closed the Public Hearing at 7:05 pm.

President Maloney asked if anyone wished to speak regarding the interdepartmental transfers as read by Councilor Joseph. Seeing none, he closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 pm.

Councilor Joseph held the second reading:

- APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,100.00 FOR MAINTENANCE WORK AT THE GRISWOLD/GTD CONSERVATION AREA.
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COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR: None.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Chairman Athey spoke of the reorganization of the School Committee. A group of Four Corners School parents (approximately 60) submitted a petition stating they would be choicing-out their children due to the closing of the Four Corners School. If this were true, the cost to the town would be twice the savings of closing the school. He introduced the new School Superintendent, Doctor Hollins. President Maloney welcomed and introduced the Council membership to Dr. Hollins. Dr. Hollins reviewed progress that has been taking place. Chairman Athey affirmed the Schools willingness to discuss maintenance and business consolidation functions.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Joseph, second by Councilor Farrell, it was
MOVED: APPROPRIATE \$1,100.00 FROM THE GRISWOLD CONSERVATION AREA RESERVE FOR MAINTENANCE WORK AT THE GRISWOLD/GTD CONSERVATION AREA.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Joseph reviewed the history of this proposal. He noted the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, APPROPRIATE \$1,100.00 FROM THE GRISWOLD CONSERVATION AREA RESERVE FOR MAINTENANCE WORK AT THE GRISWOLD/GTD CONSERVATION AREA.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Joseph, second by Councilor Farrell, it was
MOVED: THE SUM OF \$25,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM PARKING ENFORCEMENT SALARY LINE ITEM TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SALARY LINE ITEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Joseph noted the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation. He stated the interdepartmental transfer was due to one parking enforcement officer leaving prior to the end of the year.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED,THE SUM OF \$25,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM PARKING ENFORCEMENT SALARY LINE ITEM TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SALARY LINE ITEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Joseph, second by Councilor Farrell, it was
MOVED: THE SUM OF \$295,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM EMPLOYEES’ HEALTH INSURANCE TO THE DEPARTMENTS LISTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

- \$ 25,000 TO MEDICARE MATCH
- \$ 5,000 TO EXPIRED TEMPORARY DEBT PAY DOWN
- \$ 7,000 TO GENERAL FUND TEMPORARY INTEREST
- \$ 75,000 TO VETERANS’ SERVICES
- \$ 18,000 TO LEGAL SERVICES-LABOR
- \$ 20,000 TO TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE
- \$145,000 TO THE RESERVE FUND

DISCUSSION: Councilor Joseph noted the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation. He stated the town had additional funds in the Health Insurance line item. The requested amounts were to be transferred to departments or line items which were underfunded in the beginning of Fiscal Year 2008. Councilor Farrell read a memo from Lane Kelly (see attached).

It was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THE SUM OF \$295,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM EMPLOYEES’ HEALTH INSURANCE TO THE DEPARTMENTS LISTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

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MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Joseph, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously **MOVED:** THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE ATTACHED RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$251,100.00 FOR THE FOLLOWING:

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS FOR FY 2008 YEAR END CLOSING

FROM	TO		
DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT	
POLICE DEPT ELECTRICITY		\$	14,750
POLICE DEPT NAT GAS		\$	4,100
GASOLINE		\$	26,000
TOTAL	\$		44,850
DISPATCH OVERTIME		\$	20,000
TOTAL	\$		20,000
FIRE DEPT OVERTIME		\$	135,000
FIRE DEPT ELECTRICITY		\$	2,600
FIRE DEPT FUEL OIL		\$	3,000
UNLEADED GASOLINE		\$	2,900
FIRE DEPT DIESEL FUEL		\$	6,500
TOTAL	\$		150,000
YOUTH CTR ELECTRICITY		\$	7,700
YOUTH CTR FUEL OIL		\$	9,000
YOUTH CTR REP/MAINT		\$	2,500
TOTAL	\$		19,200
FED ST SCHOOL BLDG MAINT		\$	3,250
4 CRNRS SCH BLDG MAINT		\$	8,000
GRN RIV SCH BLDG MAINT		\$	2,650
NEWTON SCH BLDG MAINT		\$	3,600
MID SCH BLDG MAINT		\$	1,000
HIGH SCH BLDG MAINT		\$	550
TOTAL	\$		19,050

BEGINNING BALANCE

\$ 263,000

TOTAL TRANSFERS \$ 253,100

ENDING BALANCE

\$ 9,900

DISCUSSION: Councilor Joseph stated the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a positive unanimous recommendation. He noted the maintenance issues at the Schools were code issues.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE ATTACHED RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$251,100.00 FOR THE FOLLOWING:

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS FOR FY 2008 YEAR END CLOSING

FROM	TO	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
RESERVE FUND	ACCOUNT		
0100.132.5781	0100.210.5211	POLICE DEPT ELECTRICITY	\$ 14,750
0100.132.5781	0100.210.5213	POLICE DEPT NAT GAS	\$ 4,100
0100.132.5781	0100.210.5482	GASOLINE	\$ 26,000
	TOTAL	\$	44,850
0100.132.5781	0100.213.5130	DISPATCH OVERTIME	\$ 20,000
	TOTAL	\$	20,000

0100.132.5781	0100-220-5130	FIRE DEPT OVERTIME	\$	135,000
0100.132.5781	0100.220.5211	FIRE DEPT ELECTRICITY	\$	2,600
0100.132.5781	0100.220.5212	FIRE DEPT FUEL OIL	\$	3,000
0100.132.5781	0100.220.5482	UNLEADED GASOLINE	\$	2,900
0100.132.5781	0100.220.5483	FIRE DEPT DIESEL FUEL	\$	6,500
	TOTAL	\$	150,000	

0100.132.5781	0100.542.5211	YOUTH CTR ELECTRICITY	\$	7,700
0100.132.5781	0100.542.5212	YOUTH CTR FUEL OIL	\$	9,000
0100.132.5781	0100.542.5240	YOUTH CTR REP/MAINT	\$	2,500
	TOTAL	\$	19,200	

0100.132.5781	0100.303.5200.0082.685.9.4220.01.08	FED ST SCHOOL BLDG MAINT	\$	3,250
0100.132.5781	0100.304.5200.0082.685.9.4220.06.08	4 CRNRS SCH BLDG MAINT	\$	8,000
0100.132.5781	0100.305.5200.0082.685.9.4220.06.08	GRN RIV SCH BLDG MAINT	\$	2,650
0100.132.5781	0100.308.5200.0082.685.9.4220.06.08	NEWTON SCH BLDG MAINT	\$	3,600
0100.132.5781	0100.311.5200.0082.685.9.4220.06.08	MID SCH BLDG MAINT	\$	1,000
0100.132.5781	0100.312.5200.0082.685.9.4220.06.08	HIGH SCH BLDG MAINT	\$	550
	TOTAL	\$	19,050	

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Councilor McLellan stated the Appointments Committee met with the following proposed appointees and believes they would be positive assets to the town boards or commissions.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McLellan, second by Councilor Lashier, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 VOTE NOT TO DISAPPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF SCOTT CONTI FOR A TWO YEAR TERM (2010), TO THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McLellan, second by Councilor Lashier, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 VOTE NOT TO DISAPPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF JACOB G. TOOMEY FOR A FIVE YEAR TERM (2013), TO THE PARKING & TRAFFIC COMMISSION.

PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Joseph held the following first readings:

- THE SUM OF \$200,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE TO THE RESERVE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.
- APPROPRIATE THE FOLLOWING SUMS FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
REPLACE POLICE DEPT. ROOF	\$102,000
UPGRADES TO TOWN YARD	\$50,000
REPAIRS TO HIGH SCHOOL PLUMBING	\$62,000
REPAIR HIGH SCHOOL TERMITE DAMAGE	\$26,000
POLICE CRUISERS	\$35,000

ASSESSOR’S INSPECTION VEHICLE	\$14,500
DPW SKID STEER LOADER	\$35,000
SCHOOL DEPT MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT	\$15,000
PURCHASE & INSTALL HS SECURITY SYSTEM	\$15,000
PURCHASE, UPGRADE, AND INSTALL COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY FOR THE GREENFIELD SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	\$ 30,000
REHABILITATE THE 8 INCH WATER MAIN ON LOOMIS ROAD	\$130,000
IMPROVE AND UPGRADE THE SEWER INFLOW/INFILTRATION SYSTEM	\$60,000
REPLACE TOWN GUARD RAILS	\$85,000

President Maloney stated these issues would be on the August 20, 2008 Town Council agenda for consideration. Questions or concerns should be directed to Ms. Kelly.

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Joseph, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:37 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____
Maureen T. Winseck, Town Clerk

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

GCTV-15
Regular Meeting
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1.	Lashier, Dennis	P						
2.	McLellan, Thomas	P						
3.	Allis, Brickett	Ex.						
4.	Maloney, Mark	P						
5.	Singer, David	P						
6.	Letourneau, Danielle	P						
7.	Martin, William	A						
8.	Joseph, Christopher	P						
9.	LaPointe, Andrew	P						
10.	Farrell, Timothy	P						
11.	Guin, Daniel	P						
12.	Siano, Alfred	P						
13.	Mason, John	P						