

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2010

GCTV-15

7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Farrell.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilors Wood, McLellan, Allis and Joseph were absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Marjorie L. Kelly; School Superintendant Dr. Susan Hollins; Town Clerk Maureen Winseck; Department of Public Works Superintendant Sandra Shields; GCTV-15 staff; Anita Phillips *the Recorder*; and members of the public.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously **VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2010.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS: President Farrell opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 pm. Councilor Maloney read the Public Hearing notice: In accordance with the Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield Town Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 12, 2010, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at GCTV-15, 393 Main Street to consider the following:

CATEGORY	MAYOR'S PROPOSED FY 2011 BUDGET
LEGISLATIVE	\$ 38,000
EXECUTIVE	\$ 186,500
FINANCIAL ADMIN	\$ 813,425
OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 257,450
LICENSING & REGISTRATION	\$ 212,805
LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT	\$ 119,100
OTHER GEN'L GOVERNMENT	\$ 1,460,000
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 4,928,375
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TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 39,999,015
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND	\$ 2,256,170
WATER ENTERPRISE FUND	\$ 1,613,760

A full copy of the proposals are available for review in the Greenfield Town Clerk's Office, 14 Court Square, Greenfield, MA, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Materials or communications in alternative format can be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office with reasonable advance request. Please contact the Town Clerk's office at 772-1555 ext 112 to make arrangements.

President Farrell asked if anyone from the public wished to speak. Roxanne Wedegartner, 85 Hastings Street – encouraged the Town Council to financially support the School Department in Fiscal Year 2011. President Farrell stated the public could call, visit or email Councilors with comments, questions or concerns regarding the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget. President Farrell closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 pm. Councilor Maloney suggested there would be another opportunity for the public to speak at a future Ways and Means Meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Superintendent Dr. Hollins discussed the following:

- An increase in the number of Kindergarten students within the past two (2) years.
- For Fiscal Year 2011, the department will need one or two additional kindergarten and first grade teachers/classrooms. Confidence in the Schools was growing.

- Greenfield Schools were growing which means the need for more teachers. Fewer students were going out of town for education.
- Greenfield Education Foundation raised over \$40,000.00 this year.
- Consistent understaffing in the school business offices.
- Thanked the Town Council for their continuing support to stabilize the schools.
- May 18, 2010 Volunteer Recognition Breakfast at the High School for which the Town Council was invited.
- Invited Councilors to the GHS Graduation on June 6, 2010.
- Innovation Schools would allow students who were unable to attend school for specific reasons to take part in alternative school such as online education.
- Circuit Breaker funding from the State has been reduced.

President Farrell urged caution when spending the funds raised by the Greenfield Education Foundation because donations were not always the same from year to year.

MAYOR: Lane Kelly introduced Roland Butzke of Siemens Corporation. Ms. Kelly stated the Mayor would be coming to the Town Council within the very near future with an Energy Saving Performance Contracting (ESCO) proposal. Mr. Butzke reviewed the attached document pertaining to ESCO. He responded to Councilors questions regarding:

- ⊕ Maintenance, training and support of Town staff for the systems.
- ⊕ Financial and energy savings.
- ⊕ The buildings to benefit from the ESCO.
- ⊕ There would be capital costs associated with the projects. However, there would be savings associated with the costs.
- ⊕ Historical accuracy for replacement windows for Town Hall.
- ⊕ Life cycle of the equipment used in systems.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Order no. FY 010 -074

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Singer, second by Councilor Guin, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE COUNCIL ON AGING:
ANTHONY MCGEE – THREE YEAR TERM

DISCUSSION: Chairman Singer stated the Appointments and Ordinance Committee did not make a recommendation for the proposed appointment due to the lack of a quorum.

It was unanimously

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 10 -074.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE – Chairman Maloney discussed issues facing the Town regarding the Fiscal Year 2011 Operating Budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Maloney held the second reading on the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget:

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MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Maloney, second by Councilor Letourneau, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:45 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____

Maureen T. Winseck, Town Clerk

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

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 Special Meeting
 May 12, 2010

1. Wood, Peter	A						
2. McLellan, Thomas	A						
3. Allis, Brickett	A						
4. Maloney, Mark	P						
5. Singer, David	P						
6. Letourneau, Danielle	P						
7. Canteen, Jeanne	P						
8. Joseph, Christopher	A						
9. Sullivan, Mary-Catherine	P						
10. Farrell, Timothy	P						
11. Guin, Daniel	P						
12. Siano, Alfred	P						
13. Sutphin, Tracey	P						