GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes August 17, 2011

GCTV-15 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by President Singer.

President Singer 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.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilor Wisnewski was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Marjorie L. Kelly; Assistant Town Clerk Deborah Tuttle; Department of Public Works Superintendant Sandra Shields; School Superintendant Dr. Susan Hollins; Sun Edison representative Paul Curran; Public Safety Commissioner Gary Longley; Management Assistant Audrey LaBonte; GCTV-15 staff; John Tilton, *the Recorder*; and members of the public.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ACCEPT THE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2011.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Councilors Allis read the following portion of the Public Hearing notice: In accordance with Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield Town Council will hold public hearings on Wednesday, August 17, 2011 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at GCTV-15, 393 Main Street to receive public input on the following:

Amendments to the Code of the Town of Greenfield, Chapters 117 – Pawnbrokers; 124 – Peddling & Soliciting; 128 – Pesticide Control; 138 – Public Safety; 163 – Tag Sales; 176 – Underground Storage Tanks; and 182 – Veterans Mall Smoking. Update internal references to reflect changes in Massachusetts General Laws and define references to reflect the current form of government and authorities therein.

Councilors Sutphin read the following portion of the Public Hearing notice:

- From borrowing:
 - o \$50,000 for student transport vehicles.
 - o \$175,000 for repairs to the Middle School Roof.

The Town Council will consider the same at their meeting on Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the GCTV-15 Studio, 393 Main Street. Materials in alternative format and copies can be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office with advance notice at 413-772-1555, from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri.

President Singer opened the Public Hearing at 7:18 pm. He asked if anyone from the public wished to speak. Seeing none, the Public Hearing would remain open.

Councilor Sutphin held the second reading:

- The sum of \$50,000 be appropriated for student transport vehicles and to meet said appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor, is hereby authorized to borrow said sum of \$50,000, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7 (9) or any other enabling statute, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for, contract for, accept and expend any Federal and/or State grants available for this project to be used to reduce the within appropriation, and further, the Mayor is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of these projects.
- The sum of \$175,0000 be appropriated for the repair of the Greenfield Middle School Roof and to meet said appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor, is hereby authorized to borrow said sum of \$175,000, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7 (3A) or any other enabling statute, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for, contract for, accept and expend any Federal and/or State grants available for this project to be used to reduce the within appropriation, and further, the Mayor is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of these projects.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR: None.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: None.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

President Singer reviewed the request before the Town Council to amend the Power Purchase Agreement and contract language with Axio Green LLC relating to the Solar Farm.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL WAIVE THE RULES OF PROCEDURE, RULE 8, ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS.

Director Shields and Mr. Curran reviewed the process to date for the Solar Farm. Ms. Shields explained the amendments to the contract and the Power Purchase agreements between Axio Green and the Town of Greenfield. She discussed the following:

- o The financing agency had requested the timeline of the Power Purchase agreement be changed from 30 years to 20 years with 2 5 year mutually agreeable options to renew.
- o If this issue was not acted upon quickly, the window for construction for this year would be missed as well as complicating the financing.
- o The price the Town would pay for kilowatts would not change.
- o Some of the legal language changes but doesn't affect the outcome.
- o Axio Green LLC. would pay the full amount of the lease within 90 days of the contract change. The payment amount was approximately \$96,000.

President Singer referenced a memo from Town Counsel which opined this was a "neutral situation for the town to be involved in."

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

VOTED: TO INVOKE THE CLAUSE IN ORDINANCE CHAPTER 164, THIRTY (30) DAY CONTRACT REVIEW, TO WAIVE THE 30 DAY SUBMISSION PERIOD PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION, TO CONSIDER THE CHANGES IN THE POWER PURCHASE AND LEASE WITH AXIO GREEN LLC FOR THE SOLAR FARM.

Order no. FY 12-026

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES:

- 1- AMENDMENT # 2 TO THE POWER PURCHASE AND SALE CONTRACT, APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL ON JUNE 16, 2010 AND EXECUTED BY THE MAYOR ON JUNE 25, 2010, AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENT # 1 DATED MARCH 31, 2011, BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AND AXIO GREEN, LLC, BY MODIFYING CERTAIN TERMS THEREOF, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DECREASING THE CONTRACT PERIOD FROM THIRTY (30) YEARS TO TWENTY (20) YEARS AND AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID AMENDMENT #2.
- 2- AMENDMENT #2 TO THE SOLAR LEASE AGREEMENT, APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL ON JUNE 16, 2010 AND EXECUTED BY THE MAYOR ON JUNE 25, 2010, AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENT #1 DATED MARCH 31, 2011, BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AND PIONEER VALLEY SOLAR LLC UNDER AN ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE AGREEMENT AND CONSENT OF LANDLORD DATED APRIL 7, 2011 BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, AXIO GREEN LLC AND PIONEER VALLEY SOLAR, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS WRITTEN IN THE ATTACHED PROPOSED AMENDMENT #2.
- 3- CONSENT, NON-DISTURBANCE AND ATTORNMENT AGREEMENT (AGREEMENT), DATED AUGUST 17, 2011, BY, BETWEEN AND AMONG CCM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT XXI LLC, AXIO GREEN LLC, PIONEER VALLEY SOLAR LLC AND THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS WRITTEN IN THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT.
- 4- SUBORDINATION, NON-DISTURBANCE AND ATTORNMENT AGREEMENT (AGREEMENT), DATED AUGUST 17, 2011, BY AND BETWEEN PIONEER VALLEY SOLAR LLC, BERKSHIRE BANK AND THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS WRITTEN IN THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT.

AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE EACH AMENDMENT AND AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Order no. FY 12 -020

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, 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 BOARD OF LICENSE

COMMISSIONERS: PHILLIP J. CORRINET - THREE YEAR TERM –JUNE 30, 2014 (REPLACING THE SEAT VACATED BY DEE FLEMING)

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the Appointments and Ordinance Committee did not forward recommendations regarding the appointments due to the lack of a quorum at the August committee meeting.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12-020.

Order no. FY 12 -021

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION: ADAM PROVOST - TWO YEAR TERM –JUNE 30, 2013 (REPLACING THE SEAT LEFT VACANT BY THE RESIGNATION OF JEAN MARTIN)

Order no. FY 12 -022

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH - THREE YEAR TERM AS A FULL MEMBER –JUNE 30, 2014 (TO FILL THE SEAT VACATED BY SCOTT COTE).

Order no. FY 12 -023

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS: MARION DAVENPORT - THREE YEAR TERM–JUNE 30, 2014.

Order no. FY 12 -024

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, ORDERED THAT, THE SUM OF \$50,000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR STUDENT TRANSPORT VEHICLES. AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$50,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (9) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Kelly and Dr. Hollins spoke of the following:

- On several occasions, the school administration had suggested the purchase of a school bus for extra curricular
 activities.
- Reviewed the Fiscal Year 2012 Capital request and approval for \$50,000 for student transport vehicles.
- The backup information received at the time of the capital request indicated the purchase of 3 SPED vehicles.
- An opportunity through auction came up to purchase a full size school bus for a little less than \$50,000.
- During a monthly meeting of the School, Executive, and Legislative leaders conversed regarding the purchase of the bus. After investigating whether the town could legally use \$50,000 to purchase the bus, it was bought for approximately \$47,600.
- Reviewed the current SPED vehicles in the fleet.
- The process used was legally correct.
- The initial thoughts for purchasing a large bus were to allow high school students to utilize after school help and provide transporation for them.
- There was no intention to "pull the wool over Councilors eyes" in March during the initial vote.
- If the Town Council insisted, the Capital Improvement Committee could submit a recommendation on the proposal, which could potentially be voted on during the September Town Council meeting.
- There would be leftover borrowings rescinded in September.

• Review the Capital Ordinance to include a "little more teeth to it."

Councilor comments included:

- The Council was told several times during the Capital discussion that the SPED vans were in horrible condition and needed to be replaced.
- A really great deal was only a good deal if you have the money to pay for it.
- Ways and Means Committee forwarded a 4 yes 1 no recommendation to approve the motion on the floor.
- The benefits for the Students having a late bus and newer SPED vehicles far outweighs the cost of the borrowings.
- The Town Council doesn't like to feel like a rubber stamp.
- This was not the way the Town Council liked to see government proceed. The check and balances seems to be a little
 out of order.

Councilor Farrell would vote in favor of the proposed order.

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

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING "STUDENT TRANSPORT" AND INSERT "2 OR 3 SPED" IN ITS PLACE.

Councilor Sutphin read the amended motion.

It was unanimously, 11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, ORDERED THAT, THE SUM OF \$50,000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR **2 OR 3 SPED** TRANSPORT VEHICLES. AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$50,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (9) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS, AS AMENDED.

Order no. FY 12 -025

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, ORDERED THAT, THE SUM OF \$175,0000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE REPAIR OF THE GREENFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$175,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3A) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS.

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

VOTED: TO AMENDMENT THE MOTION BY DELETING "\$175,0000" AND INSERT "\$175,000" IN ITS PLACE.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Sutphin stated the Ways and Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval. Councilor Allis stated this new roof would come with a 20 year warranty. Ms. Kelly reviewed the previous request for funding and the progression of the project. She discussed issues of the Fire Department and the Health Department because of the leaking roof. The Fire Alarm would need to be repaired after the roof was completed. Councilor Devlin referenced a phone call he received from a constituent who stated the School Committee had not been made aware of the roof leaking at the Middle School.

It was unanimously, 11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, ORDERED THAT, THE SUM OF \$175,000 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE REPAIR OF THE GREENFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$175,000, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3A) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE,

AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS, AS AMENDED.

President Singer closed the Public Hearing at 8:45 pm.

Order no. FY 12 -019

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Hoffman, second by Councilor Farrell, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE ATTACHED LEASE TO JUST ROOTS, INC. FOR A PERIOD OF FIFTEEN (15) YEARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ATTACHED LEASE AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID LEASE ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Hoffman stated the EDC forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval. Councilor Sutphin stated the Ways and Means committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation which included an amendment to the lease. It was noted if the Town Council did not approve the funding options outlined in the proposed contract, the Town would not be in breach of said contract. Mayor Martin reviewed the lease and the process with Just Roots. Repairs to the barn were discussed.

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

MOVED: TO INSERT THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN THE CONTRACT AFTER 5 b. "CONDITIONED ON THE APPROVAL OF THE TOWN COUNCIL:"

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the inclusion of this language would add a layer of financial protection so all funds spent by the Town of Greenfield would need to be approved by the Town Council. If the public wanted additional information they could visit www.justroots.org.

It was unanimously,

 ${f VOTED}:$ TO INSERT THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN THE CONTRACT AFTER 5 b. "CONDITIONED ON THE APPROVAL OF THE TOWN COUNCIL:"

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12-019 AS AMENDED.

Councilor Allis announced the Appointments and Ordinance Committee had forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation regarding the next six orders. He noted the majority of amendments were changing the word "bylaw" to "ordinance" and replacing the references to the previous form of government with the current titles of officials.

Order no. FY 12 -001

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH ATTACHED HERETO CHAPTER 117, PAWNBROKERS, SECTIONS 117-1, 117-2, 117-4, 117-5, AND 117-6 AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 117

PAWNBROKERS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 4-21-1993, approved by AG 7-19-1993 (Sec. 3.12 of the 1985 Bylaws). Amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

GENERAL REFERENCES

Junk dealers — See Ch. 83.

§ 117-1. Terminology; applicability.

A. Definitions.

PAWNBROKER — Any person, corporation or other legal entity engaged in the business of lending money secured by taking possession of personal property, with the right to sell the personal property if it is not redeemed. A person, corporation or other legal entity shall be deemed to be a pawnbroker whether the transaction takes the form of a loan the pawnbroker secured by the property, or a sale to the pawnbroker with the right to repurchase

within a stated period of time.

B. This bylaw ordinance shall not cover persons, corporations or other legal entities that sell items covered by these bylaw ordinance but purchase the same from dealers, manufacturers or wholesalers and do not purchase such items from the public nor to the provisions of MGL c. 140, §§ 76 and 86 to 112 inclusive. ¹

§ 117-2. Licenses; fees; bond. [Amended 5-15-1996; approved by AG 8-6-1996]

The Board of Selectmen shall grant any licenses which shall be issued by the Town Clerk. License Commissioners may license suitable persons to carry on the business of pawnbrokers. The fee shall be one hundred dollars (\$100). Each licensee shall file a bond with the Town Clerk Board of License Commissioners in the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) with two (2) sureties approved by the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners. The Board of Selectmen License Commissioners may revoke any license at its pleasure.

§ 117-3. Retention of articles.

All nonperishable articles deposited in pawn with a pawnbroker shall be kept at least four (4) months after the date of deposit. All perishable articles shall be kept at least one (1) month after the date of deposit. The provisions of MGL c. 140, § 71, shall apply to all items held beyond the above time periods.

§ 117-4. Photograph required of persons pawning articles.

Pawnbrokers shall photograph <u>and thumbprint</u> any person pawning articles, which shall be kept as part of the records of the pawnbroker.

§ 117-5. Inspection of books and articles.

The Chief of Police or the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners may at reasonable times enter a pawnbroker's premises and inspect his books and articles taken into pawn.

§ 117-6. Records.

- A. A pawnbroker shall keep a book when a loan is made that keeps a legible account and description of the articles pawned, the amount of money loaned, the time of pawning, the rate of interest paid on the loan, and the name and residence of the person pawning any articles.
- B. Copies of such records shall be delivered to the Chief of Police each week, and said records shall be open to inspection by the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners or the Town Clerk.
- C. A pawnbroker shall also deliver at no cost at the time of making a loan, a memorandum to the person pawning any articles. Said memorandum shall be signed by the pawnbroker and contain all of the information in Subsection A.

1. Editor's Note: the Pawnbrokers Bylaw was originally adopted by Town Meeting 7-15-1916.

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH ATTACHED HERETO CHAPTER 124, PEDDLING AND SOLICITING, SECTIONS 124-1, 124-3, 124-4, 124-5, 124-7, 124-8, 124-9, 124-10, AND 124-11 AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 124

PEDDLING AND SOLICITING

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 10-16-1985, approved by AG 2-20-1986 (Sec. 3.2 of the 1985 Bylaws). Amendments noted where applicable. Additional related historical information: The Town Meeting adopted the Peddler Bylaw 3-14-1907; and the Solicitor Bylaw 3-19-1949, approved by AG 6-22-1949.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

GENERAL REFERENCES

Pawnbrokers — See Ch. 117.

§ 124-1. Definitions.

For the purpose of these bylaws this ordinance, the following as used herein shall be considered to have the meaning herein ascribed thereto:

REGISTERED SOLICITOR — Shall mean and include any person who has obtained a valid certificate of registration as hereinafter provided, which certificate is in the possession of the solicitor on his or her person while engaged in soliciting.

RESIDENCE — Shall mean and include every separate living unit occupied for residential purposes by one (1) or more persons, contained within any type of building or structure.

SOLICITING — Shall mean and include any one (1) or more of the following activities:

- A. Seeking to sell or offering to sell by sample, list, catalogue or otherwise for future delivery, or seeking to obtain orders for the purchase of goods, wares, merchandise, foodstuffs, services of any kind, character or description whatever, for any kind of consideration whatever; or
- B. Seeking to obtain prospective customers for application or purchase of insurance of any type, kind, or publication; or
- C. Seeking to obtain gifts or contributions of money, clothing or any other valuable thing for the support or benefit of any charitable, religious, political action, or nonprofit association, organization, corporation, or project.

§ 124-2. Certificate of registration.

Every person desiring to engage in soliciting as herein defined from persons in residence within this Town, is hereby required to make written application for a certificate of registration as hereinafter provided. Such certificate shall be carried by the solicitor.

§ 124-3. Application for certificate of registration.

- A. Application for a certificate of registration shall be made upon a form provided by the Office of the Selectmen Board of License Commissioners of the Town. The applicant shall truthfully state in full the information requested on the application, to wit:
 - (1) Name and address of present place of residence of the applicant and business address.
 - (2) Name and address of the person, firm or corporation or association whom the applicant is employed by or

represents.

- (3) Purpose of solicitation.
- (4) Description sufficient for identification of the subject matter of the soliciting in which the applicant will engage.
- (5) Period of time for which the certificate is applied, in any event not to exceed twelve (12) months the end of the calendar year, said time period to be at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners.
- (6) Date, or approximate date, of latest previous application for certificate under this ordinance, if any.
- (7) Has certificate of registration issued to the applicant under this ordinance ever been revoked?
- (8) Has the applicant ever been convicted of a violation of a felony under the laws of the state or any other state or federal law of the United States?
- (9) Names of magazines, journals, or books.
- (10) Proposed method of operation.
- (11) Signature of the applicant.
- B. All statements made by the applicant upon the application or in connection therewith shall be made under the penalties of perjury.
- C. No certificate of registration shall be issued to any person who has been convicted of the commission of a felony under the laws of the commonwealth or any other state or federal law of the United States, nor to any person who has been convicted of a violation of any provisions of this ordinance, nor to any person whose certificate of registration issued hereunder has previously been revoked as herein provided.
- D. All applications for a certificate of registration shall be made at least seven (7) twenty one (21) days before desired date of initial soliciting. and the Board of Selectmen shall approve said applications. Said Board of Selectmen may waive this seven day requirement.
- E. The Police Department shall keep a permanent record of all applicants and issuance of certificates of registration for soliciting.

§ 124-4. Revocation of certificate.

- A. Any certificate of registration issued hereunder shall be revoked by the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners if the holder of the certificate is convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance or has made a false material statement in application, or otherwise becomes disqualified for the issuance of a certificate of registration under the terms of this bylaws ordinance. Immediately upon such revocation, written notice thereof shall be given by the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners to the holder of the certificate in person or by certified mail addressed to his or her residence set forth in the application.
- B. Immediately upon the giving of such notice, the certificate of registration shall become null and void.
- C. The certificate of registration shall state the expiration date thereof.

§ 124-5. Notice to regulate soliciting.

- A. Every person desiring to secure the protection provided by the regulations pertaining to soliciting contained in this bylaws ordinance may comply with the following directions, to wit:
 - (1) Notice of the determination of the occupant of the refusal of invitation to solicitors, to any resident, may be given in the manner following: A weatherproof card or sign, approximately three (3) inches by four (4) inches in size, shall be exhibited upon or near the main entrance door to the residence, indicating the determination by the occupant, containing the applicable words as follows: NO SOLICITORS INVITED.
 - (2) The letters shall be at least one (1) inch in height cards shall be provided by the Town Clerks Office of the Town to persons requesting at the cost thereof.
- B. A card or sign so exhibited shall constitute sufficient notice to any solicitor of the determination by the occupant of the

residence of the information contained thereon.

§ 124-6. Duties of solicitors.

A. It shall be the duty of every solicitor upon going onto any premises in the municipality upon which a residence as herein defined is located, to first examine the notice provided for in this ordinance, if any is attached, and be governed by the statement contained on any notice.

B. Upon reading the sign, the solicitor shall immediately and peacefully depart. Any solicitor who has gained entrance to any residence, whether invited or not, shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises when requested to do so by the occupant.

§ 124-7. Uninvited soliciting prohibited.

It is hereby declared to be unlawful for any person to go upon any premises and ring the doorbell upon or near any door or create any sound in any other manner calculated to attract the attention of the occupant of such residence, for the purpose of securing an audience with the occupant thereof and engage in soliciting as herein defined, in defiance of the notice exhibited at the residence in accordance with the provisions of § 124-5 of this **bylaws ordinance**.

§ 124-8. Fee for solicitation certificate.

Upon approval by the Board of Selectmen <u>License Commissioners</u> of the application for a certificate of registration, the applicant shall pay the Town a fee in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25) <u>determined by the Board of License Commissioners</u> except that the Board of <u>Selectmen License Commissioners</u> shall waive said fee for any charitable, religious, social, political action, or nonprofit group, including, but not limited to, veterans' groups, hospitals, United Way, YMCA, and the American Red Cross. In the event that any organization or group shall have more than one (1) solicitor, the fee shall be of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per solicitor unless such fee is waived by the Board of <u>Selectmen License Commissioners</u> as provided above.

§ 124-9. Time restrictions for soliciting.

It is hereby declared to be unlawful for any person, whether registered under this ordinance or not, to go upon any premises and ring the doorbell upon or near any door of a residence located thereon, or rap or knock to attract the attention of the occupant of such residence, for the purpose of securing an audience, with the occupant thereof and engage in soliciting as herein defined, prior to 9:00 a.m. or after 9:00 pm dusk of any weekday, or at any time on a Sunday or on a state or national holiday.

§ 124-10. Badge permits.

The Town shall provide each solicitor with a badge size permit for solicitation which must be displayed conspicuously on the outer garment of the solicitor unless the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners otherwise waives this requirement. The actual cost of such badge size permit(s) shall be in addition to the cost of License fee.

§ 124-11. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates this bylaw ordinance or the conditions of their permit may be arrested without a warrant in the place where the offense is committed pursuant to MGL c. 272, § 59. The penalty for such a violation of this bylaws ordinance shall be a fine not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200), which may be recovered upon complaint before the District Court and shall inure to the Town, all in accord with MGL c. 40, § 21.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the License Commission set the fees as outlined in § 124-8.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12-002.

Order no. FY 12 -003

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH ATTACHED HERETO CHAPTER 138, PUBLIC SAFETY, SECTION 138-2 AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 138

PUBLIC SAFETY

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Streets and sidewalks — See Ch. 159.

Water tampering — See Ch. 187.

Tampering with sewers — See § 650-46.

Illegal operation of fire hydrants and gates — See § 689-11.

ARTICLE I

Disturbing of Equipment [Adopted 7-17-1985; approved by AG 9-19-1985 (Sec. 2.39 of the Police Regulations)]

§ 138-1. Prohibited acts.

No person shall, except as authorized or required by law, remove, alter the position of, deface or disturb in any manner, any barrier, sign, manhole cover, or grating, placed or installed in or on any street, sidewalk, or public place within the Town in the interests of safety or necessity.

§138-2. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates this ordinance may be arrested without a warrant in the place where the offense is committed pursuant to MGL c. 272, § 59. The penalty for such a violation of this ordinance shall be a fine not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200), which may be recovered upon complaint before the District Court and shall inure to the Town, all in accord with MGL c. 40, § 21.

Order no. FY 12 -004

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH ATTACHED HERETO CHAPTER 163, TAG SALES, SECTION 163-1, 163-3, 163-6, AND 163-7, AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 163

TAG SALES

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 2-19-1997, approved by AG 6-13-1997 (Sec. 3.14 of the 1985 Bylaws). Amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

GENERAL REFERENCES

Pawnbrokers — See Ch. 117. Signs — See Ch. 149.

§ 163-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this bylaw ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

DAYLIGHT HOURS — From sunrise to sunset.

PERSONAL PROPERTY — That property which is owned, by members of a household.

TAG SALES — All general sales open to the public conducted on residential premises for the purposes of disposing of personal property and shall include but not be limited to all sales known as "tag," "garage," "lawn," "yard," "attic," "porch," "room," "backyard," "patio," "flea market" or "rummage."

§ 163-2. Sales of certain property prohibited.

No person shall sell or offer for sale, at any tag sale, any property other than personal property.

§ 163-3. Permit required.

No person shall conduct a tag sale until a permit for the same has been issued by the Board of Selectmen License Commissioners or their designee. The Board of Selectmen License Commissioners or their designee shall cause a permit log to be kept listing the permit, the address where the tag sale is to be conducted, the dates and times of the tag sale and the name and telephone number of the permittee. Each permittee shall apply for a permit not less than one (1) day before the tag sale date. The permit application may be made in person or by phone during the regular Town Hall hours.

§ 163-4. Limitations.

No person shall conduct a tag sale on more than four (4) days in any calendar year or more than two (2) consecutive days and no premises shall be the site of a tag sale for more than four (4) days in any calendar year. Tag sales shall be conducted during daylight hours only.

§ 163-5. Display of property.

Personal property offered for sale at any tag sale shall be displayed only on private property. No personal property offered for sale at any tag sale shall be displayed in any public right-of-way, highways, streets or sidewalks.

§ 163-6. Signs.

Signs promoting tag sales shall not be erected more than two (2) days prior to any tag sale. No sign promoting any tag sale shall exceed two (2) square feet. All signs shall be removed immediately after the permit expires. No sign shall be attached to traffic signs $\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x}$ utility poles, street lamps, street signs, or shade trees.

§ 163-7. Right of entry; enforcement.

The Chief of Police, the Chief of the Fire Department or the Inspector of Buildings, or persons authorized by them, shall have the right to enter onto private property showing evidence of a tag sale for the purpose of enforcing this bylaw ordinance, and may close any tag sale for a violation of this bylaw ordinance.

§ 163-8. Parking.

Where a tag sale is being conducted, the Chief of Police, or persons authorized by him, may enforce temporary parking restrictions necessary to the safe and orderly flow of traffic and the passage of emergency vehicles.

Order no. FY 12 -005

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH ATTACHED HERETO CHAPTER 176, UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS, SECTION 176-1, 176-2, 176-3, 176-4, 176-7, 176-8, AND 176-9, AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 176

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 4-21-1993, approved by AG 7-19-1993 (Sec. 6.3 of the 1985 Bylaw). Amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

§ 176-1. Authority.

The Town of Greenfield adopts the following measures under its home rule powers, its police powers to protect the public health and welfare, and its authority under MGL c. 40, § 21, Powers and Duties of Cities and Towns, Town -bylaw Ordinances.

§ 176-2. Purpose.

The purpose of this bylaw Ordinance is to ensure the public health and safety of the residents of Greenfield and to protect their surface and ground water supplies by ensuring that discharges of petroleum products which may contaminate the environment and present health risks do not occur, and that, if they do, timely notice of such discharge is achieved and remedial action pursued.

§ 176-3. Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and implementation of this bylaw Ordinance:

ABANDONED — Means being out of service for a period in excess of twelve (12) months for heating oil tanks and six (6) months for gasoline tanks.

CONSUMPTIVE USE — Means fuel oil used exclusively for area heating and/or the heating of domestic water on the premises where stored.

DISCHARGE — Means the disposal, deposit, injection, dumping, spilling, leaking, incineration, or placing of any petroleum product or any constituent thereof onto or on any land or water so that such material may enter the environment or be emitted into the air or discharged into any waters, including ground waters.

LEAK — Means any uncontrolled movement, measurable by a testing method accurate to zero percent (0%) gallons per hour or less, of any petroleum product out of a tank or its components, or any uncontrolled movement of water into a tank or its components.

TANK — Means any structure, either underground or above ground, used or designed to be used for the storage of any petroleum product.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE — Means where ten percent (10%) or more of the tank volume and piping is buried below ground surface, but not including storage in a freestanding container within a building. Septic systems are not considered to be underground storage under this **bylaw Ordinance**.

§ 176-4. Registrations.

A. By January 1, 1994, all owners or users of underground storage tanks used exclusively for consumptive use found within the Water Supply Protection District, as defined by zoning,² must register those tanks with the Fire Department. Even tanks no longer in use, but previously used for heating purposes, must be registered. The Fire Department will provide a form for the purposes of registration which will request the following information:

^{2.} Editor's Note: See Ch. 200, Zoning.

- (1) Name and address of the tank owner.
- (2) Address of the tank location.
- (3) Size of tank.
- (4) Type of tank construction.
- (5) Age of tank and proof of date of installation.
- (6) Location of tank on property.
- (7) Location of any private well on property.
- (8) Any tank permits.
- (9) Tank testing history.
- (10) Name of present oil delivery company.
- (11) Other pertinent information as the Fire Department may request.
- B. There shall be a fee of ten dollars (\$10) for registration. This registration shall be in addition to any permits previously applied for. As of the date of passage of this bylaw Ordinance, any permit application for a consumptive use underground storage tank filed with the Fire Department shall serve as the registration form required in this section. The Board of Fire Prevention Regulations, Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Code, requires that the Fire Department be notified before the installation of any new underground storage tank and that no new or replacement tank or piping shall be buried or concealed until it has been inspected and approved by the Fire Department.
- C. Upon registration, the Fire Department will provide the registrant with a "flag" with which to identify the tank as duly registered. This "flag" must be prominently displayed on the vent pipe.
- D. Owners of tanks for which evidence of installation date is not available shall, at the order of the Fire Department, have such underground tank tested as per the following § 176-4E. If the tank is not product tight, it shall be removed and disposed of under the direction of the Fire Department. The provisions of this section shall be in addition to the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code and Board of Fire Prevention Regulations, Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code.
- E. All underground storage tanks and associated piping for consumptive use within the Water Supply Protection District, as defined by zoning, shall be subject to mandatory testing fifteen (15) years after the date of installation and annually thereafter according to the standards determined by the Greenfield Fire Department. All test results must be provided to the Fire Department within fourteen (14) days of the test being administered. If evidence of the date of installation is not available, the Fire Department may order the testing of the tank.
- F. Nothing in this section shall be construed to replace or supersede the testing requirements of the Fire prevention Code or the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations, Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code.
- G. If any owner fails or refuses to complete a required test within six (6) months, the Fire Department shall require the immediate removal of the tank.

§ 176-5. Abandonment and other concerns.

- A. All tanks not regulated by the Fire Prevention Code shall be regulated as follows:
 - To abandon a tank which is located under a building and cannot be removed from the ground without first removing the building, the owner shall promptly notify the Fire Department, and, subject to the directions of the Fire Department, shall have all materials removed from the tank, the tank purged, and the tank filled with cement, as prescribed by the authority, within ninety (90) days of abandonment. If the tank is located adjacent to a building, the tank owner may obtain a certified, stamped report by a structural engineer. If that report confirms that to remove the tank would impair the structure, the Fire Department may grant permission for the tank to be rendered inert in place. In this case, the tank must be emptied, purged, and filled with cement, as prescribed by the Fire Department.
 - (2) Except as provided in § 176-5A(1) above, no tank may be abandoned in place. Underground storage tanks used

for heating oil, which are out of service for a period in excess of twelve (12) months, shall be considered abandoned, and the tank shall be emptied, purged, and removed under the direction of the Fire Department. The tank must be emptied, purged, and removed within ninety (90) days of abandonment. The product and the tank shall be disposed of at the owner's expense as directed by the Fire Department.

- B. Before any tank or its piping is removed from underground, the Fire Department must issue a permit, and a representative of the Fire Department must be on site during the removal.
- C. All tanks and piping which are removed must be properly disposed of in a facility approved by the Fire Department.

§ 176-6. Defects.

All leaking tanks or associated pipes must be emptied and purged within twelve (12) hours of detection of the leak and removed within ninety (90) days. The tank and its pipes must be removed as per § 176-5 above and the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations, Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code. A permit for the tank and pipe removal must first be obtained from the Fire Department, and a representative of the Fire Department must be on site when the tank and piping is removed. There may be a fee for this permit.

§ 176-7. Enforcement; violations and penalties.

- A. All persons having knowledge of any discharge of petroleum product from an underground storage tank or its piping shall report the discharge to the Fire Department within two (2) hours of the discovery of the discharge. The Fire Department shall alert the Board of Health of the discharge.
- B. The Fire Department, or its agents, may enter upon privately owned property for the purpose of performing its duties under this bylaw Ordinance.
- C. Any person who violates any provision of this **bylaw Ordinance** shall be punished by a fine of up to three hundred dollars (\$300). Each day or portion thereof during which a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. If more than one (1), each condition shall constitute a separate offense. Upon the request of the Fire Department, the Town Manager shall take such legal action as is necessary to enforce this **bylaw Ordinance**.

§ 176-8. Responsibility for costs.

In every case, the owner of the tank and piping shall assume responsibility for costs incurred necessary to comply with this bylaw Ordinance. The owner shall be responsible for all costs of recovering and properly disposing of any product that has leaked and for all costs of restoring the environment, including ground and surface water, to an acceptable condition.

§ 176-9. Severability.

In the event that any of this provision of this bylaw Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, unreasonable or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be stricken from the bylaw Ordinance or modified so as to render it reasonable, and the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect and be binding so long as such remaining or modified provisions reflect the intent of the parties and are valid under existing state law.

Order no. FY 12 -006

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH ATTACHED HERETO CHAPTER 182, VETERANS MALL SMOKING, SECTION 182-1 AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 182

VETERANS MALL SMOKING

§ 182-1. Definition. § 182-4. Penalties.

§ 182-2. Violation. § 182 -5. Charges and fees

§ 182-3. Posting of sign

GENERAL REFERENCES

§ 182-1. Definition.

As used in this section, "smoking" shall mean the lighting of any cigar, cigarette, pipe or tobacco product, hookah, marijuana, or any other substance inhaled into the body, or having possession of any lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or other tobacco product, hookah, marijuana, or any other substance, the lighting of any cigar, cigarette, pipe or tobacco product or having possession of any lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or other tobacco product

§ 182-2. Violation.

No person shall smoke in the space known as Veterans Mall located in front of the Town Hall Annex at 253 Main Street in Greenfield including the sidewalks and alleyway immediately bordering this area.

§ 182-3. Posting of sign

The Trustees of the Soldiers Memorial for the City of Greenfield shall post conspicuously a notice at each entrance indicating that smoking is prohibited in this area.

§ 182-4. Penalties.

A. Any person who violates this section by smoking where smoking is prohibited shall be subject to a civil fine not exceeding \$25 for a first offense. Any person who violates this section in a second or subsequent offense shall be subject to a civil fine of \$100. Each day during which a violation of this section occurs shall be considered a separate violation.

B. Fines assessed pursuant to this section shall be payable to the City of Greenfield. The Police Department and/or Board of Health through it's inspectors shall enforce this section through non-criminal disposition.

§ 182 -5. Charges and fees

The City of Greenfield will establish a fund for the disposition of revenues received from fines levied in accordance with the provisions of this section. Said fund shall be expended under the authority of the Mayor for the purpose of public education on the hazards posed by secondhand smoke, also known as environmental tobacco smoke or for the maintenance of the Veterans Mall area.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Chairman Vicencio-Rasku would bring forth a proposed amendment to the Rules of Procedure relating to the Committee's description of duties. The committee will be scheduling Precinct meetings to occur over the next few months. Details would follow.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: President Singer reviewed the procedure to be taken for filling the Precinct 7 vacant seat. He stated letters of interests would be accepted in the Town Clerk's office until August 19, 2011, 5:00 pm. The appointment would be on the September Town Council agenda.

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:21 P.M.

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Attest:			

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS0

GCTV-15 Regular Meeting August 17, 2011

1. Kelner, Mariann	P			
2. McLellan, Thomas	P			
3. Allis, Brickett	P			
4. Ronhave, Steven	P			
5. Singer, David	P			
6. Hoffman, Hillary	P			
7. Vacant				
8. Vicencio-Rasku, Iris	P			
9. Hirschfeld, Norman	P			
10. Farrell, Timothy	P			
11. Wisnewski, Mark	A			
12. Devlin, Patrick	P			
13. Sutphin, Tracey	P			