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MINUTES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY & TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF NORTH BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Council Chambers
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Anthony Candelora called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

1. ROLL CALL: Present were Mayor Anthony Candelora, Deputy Mayor Michael Doody, Councilor Rose Angeloni, Councilor Vincent Caprio, Councilor Joseph Faughnan, Councilor Donald Fucci II, Councilor Alfred Rose, Councilor Joanne Wentworth. Also present were Town Manager Richard V. Branigan and Town Attorney John Gesmonde.
ABSENT: Councilor Andrew Esposito

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

a. September 20, 2011 – Special WPCA & Town Council Meeting.

MOTION: Councilor Angeloni moved, seconded by Councilor Wentworth to table acceptance of the minutes of September 20, 2011 Regular Water Pollution Control Authority & Town Council Meeting as they were missing from the packets and could not be reviewed.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY AGENDA:

3. Correspondence/Citizens' Statements: None
4. Unfinished Business: None



5. New Business: None
6. Citizens' Statements and Petitions: None

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA:

7. Reports of Committees, Boards and Commissions:

- a. Economic Development Commission- Councilor Wentworth reported that the commission met last night. One of the proposed members on tonight's agenda attended the meeting to get a sense of the group. They overviewed some of the economic development that is going on.

- b. Permanent Project Building Committee- The Town Manager reported that the committee did not meet and will meet will be meeting next Tuesday.

8. Town Manager's Report:

The Town Manager met with the town audio-visual team and is trying to find out what the issue is with Comcast's broadcast of the town meetings. He is awaiting a response from Comcast regarding the audio signal of the meetings. The fact that the council is frustrated with the lack of ability to bring the meeting to the public has been communicated to Comcast.

64 Crossfield was a subject of a grant that was recently approved. The town engineer reported that both the Federal and State Governments have approved it and they are awaiting this approval in writing.

Hurricane Irene Clean up – Additional curbside brush and tree limb removal began on September 25th and followed regular trash pickup schedules. At this time Public Works has completed approximate 2/3 completed with storm clean up. The Town will seek reimbursement through FEMA for overtime and equipment. There will also be a second phase for reimbursement that will go forward for clean up.

Bond Re-Funding-Later this week the town will receive final proposals on the bond refunding. Pricing on the bond rates will be received on October 6th. The Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) are scheduled for bid on November 1. The town's bond rating is in from Moody's, which has stayed at AA2.

Councilor Rose asked the Town Engineer to check with the State regarding the 139/Valley Road Project and to report back to the council.

9. Community Events and presentations:

a. Representative Vincent Candelora

Re: State Vocational Guide Map Amendment

Representative Candelora spoke to the council regarding the actions taken last week on the Plan for Conservation and Development Policy. He congratulated the town for getting the application in and for working hard for this change. The state developed this plan around 2004, which had more implications for where the state would focus their resources on rather than planning and zoning. This reversal of OPM's recommendation will open up the ability for the town to use state resources for funding on various projects.

10. Citizens' Statements and Petitions and Correspondence: None

11. Resignations and Appointments:

a. Resignation Daniel Armin Hazardous -Waste/Recycling Committee

MOTION: Councilor Faughnan moved, seconded by Councilor Angeloni to accept with regret the resignation of Daniel Armin from the Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

b. Appointment -- Daniel Armin -- Economic Development Commission
(term to expire 12/31/2011)

MOTION: Councilor Wentworth moved, seconded by Councilor Faughnan to appoint Daniel Armin to the Economic Development Commission with a term to expire 12/31/2011.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

c. Appointment -- Eric Hodgson- Economic Development Commission
(term to expire 12/31/2013)

MOTION: Councilor Wentworth moved, seconded by Councilor Faughnan to appoint Eric Hodgson to the Economic Development Commission with a term to expire 12/31/2013.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

12. Unfinished Business:

a. North Branford High School Roof Project -- Update (M.Caputo)

Roofing consultant Mark Caputo reported that the roof project is virtually complete. The old roof was removed and the new membrane was installed before the start of school. There were some small problems with the gymnasium roof that have been resolved. The various spot repairs are all being addressed. The project remains under budget at this time. There was extensive discussion as to how to move forward with the rest of the high school roof once these repairs are complete. It was suggested by Mr. Caputo that the council consider replacing the entire roof as he stated that the roof has been a mess for a long time. Councilor Rose suggested that the High School Roof Project be added to each meetings agenda.

b. Funding the replacement sound system at the auditorium.
The Town Manger addressed the council's question from last months meeting and reported that the expenses associated with the auditorium sound system were done under state contract.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Doody moved, seconded by Councilor Wentworth to approve the reimbursement to the BOE \$10,304.00 for replacement of the sound system.

VOTE: Passed 7-1 in a roll call vote.

NO: Mayor Candelora

c. BOE line item transfers

d. BOE ED049 Application

Town Manager explained that on September 29th he brought the council's questions to the BOE regarding ED049 and line item transfers and has forwarded all responses to the council. There has been additional information regarding ED049 ongoing with the help of Representative Candelora.

e. BOE Forensic Audit –RFP status

The Town Manager was asked to research some proposals from other towns in relation to what a potential scope would be for a forensic audit. He put this research together and has also had conversations with the current auditor's to get an idea of what their charges have been over the last years.

There was discussion among the council including input from the Town Attorney on what might be sensitive issues with regard to the BOE budget.

There was additional discussion regarding the present auditor and whether the council could request specific boards or transactions to be highlighted. The Town Manager announced to the council that David Capeletti is scheduled to be at the October 18, 2011 meeting.

13. New Business – Discussion and Action:**a. Charter Revision**

Deputy Mayor Doody requested that the current charter and charter committee meeting minutes be viewed. The town attorney looked up the charter and reported that a committee should be made up of 5 to 15 electors. Requested information will be included in the next meeting packet.

b. Town Vehicle Use Policy

Councilor Rose began a discussion regarding vehicles use by employees. He requested additional information on days and times of car users. There were specific questions regarding why a Lieutenant was given a car and how this was approved. It was decided that the car policy needs to be updated and the Police Commission would be invited to the next meeting.

c. Dispatch Sub-Committee

Mayor Candelora spoke about the push for regionalization in the state. He asked Chief Seward to speak to the council regarding ways the town can move forward and begin looking into regionalizing.

Chief Seward spoke to the council regarding the importance of regionalization. There is a potential for legislation in the state to mandate regionalization. The chief gave his overview and positive reasons for considering regionalizing, most importantly state funding and reimbursements for doing this. The Chief stressed the importance of having the opportunity of choosing how to regionalize before it is mandated and we are told how to regionalize. The Mayor and Chief talked about finding a sub committee to realistically looking into the cost effectiveness, safety and positive outcomes of regionalizing.

MOTION: Councilor Rose moved, seconded by Councilor Fucci to form a dispatch sub committee.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilor Rose moved, seconded by Councilor Wentworth to appoint the fire chief, deputy fire chief, Mayor, deputy Mayor, a member of the fire commission and a town resident, with the authority for the committee to appoint two other members to form a dispatch sub-committee.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

d. Finance Sub-Committee – Draft Agenda

MOTION: Councilor Angeloni moved, seconded by Councilor Fucci to approve the attached draft agenda. (attachment 1)

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

14. Citizens' Statements and Petitions:

Cliff Potter 1251 Middletown Avenue, Northford. Suggested that with today's technology the town moves to a mileage use policy.

Chief Seward reported that through the town manager's office the fire department has initiated work with the University of New Haven's fire science graduate program to develop it's 5 to 10 year strategic written plan. This has never been done before and is part of business operations. The school will give the town 85% of what is needed to write this plan.

Mayor Candelora read a correspondence from Robert and Faith McCarthy applauding Fran Merola and his team at Public Works along with all town employees responsible with cleanup for doing such a great job with Hurricane Irene's clean up.

Councilor Rose stated that the council needs to hold a special meeting to evaluate the town manager.

15. Adjournment

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Doody moved, seconded by Councilor Angeloni to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

VOTE: Passed 8-0 in a roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted



Mary Caruso
Town Council Clerk

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TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Town Manager's Conference Rm.
5:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - a. September 14, 2011
3. Discussion Items:
 - a. Contingency Transfers (if any)
 - b. Appropriation Transfers (if any)
 - c. Financial Report – September 30, 2011
 - d. Grants - Status Report
 - e. Status of Bids
 - f. FY 2011-12 Budget – Status Report
 - g. Bond Refunding – Update
 - h. Proposed Connection to Municipal Sanitary Sewers –
1370 Middletown Ave
(Northford Volunteer Fire Department – North Branford Company 2)
 - i. BOE Account Balances – September 30, 2011
4. Adjournment

