

Minutes of a Town Council virtual meeting held June 10th, AD 2021 via Video and Tele-Conferencing. Councilor Mataronas, sitting as Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with a roll call of those members present: Paul J. Golembeske, Gary S. Mataronas, Andrew W. Moore and Anya Wallack. Absent: Robert L. Mushen. Also in attendance: Antonio Teixeira, Town Administrator, Police Chief Raynes, Denise Cosgrove, Tax Assessor and Bill Moore, DPW Director.

Motion made by Councilor Wallack, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To approve, as written the Town Council meeting minutes for May 20, 2021.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To place the following Department Head Reports on file:

- 1.Town Clerk
- 2.Police Department
- 3.Fire Department
- 4.Public Works
- 5.Finance Director
- 6.Tax Assessor
- 7.Town Administrator

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To continue until the June 24, 2021 Council meeting discussion of a proposal submitted by the DPW Director for amendments to Chapter 8 of the Town Code relating to transfer station fees and operations.

Two (2) bid proposals received from GIS technology firms to supply services to digitize town Tax Assessor Maps:

Applied Geographics, Inc. Pricing: A. Parcel Mapping Automation \$19,500  
33 Broad St., 4th FloorB. Simplified GIS Interface \$7,000  
Boston, MA 02109C. Needs Assessment & Implementation Plan \$5,800  
D. Parcel Dimension Annotation \$8,500  
E. Easement Automation & Annotation \$3,500

CAI TechnologiesPricing: A. Parcel Mapping Automation \$14,800 (with separate notation)  
11 Pleasant St.B. Simplified GIS Interface \$4,500  
Littleton, NH 03561C. Needs Assessment & Implementation Plan \$1,920  
D. Parcel Dimension Annotation \$4,840  
E. Easement Automation & Annotation \$4,410  
F. Annual Tax Map Maintenance Budget \$1,900

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To refer two (2) bid proposals received from Applied Geographics, Inc. and CAI Technologies to the Town Administrator and the Tax Assessor for review and recommendation as they relate to the RFP for digitizing the Town Tax Assessor Maps.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To approve a request made by the Cystic Fibrosis Association to conduct a cycle ride on September 18, 2021 over roads in Little Compton, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To schedule a special meeting of the Council for Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 6 PM to hold interviews with candidates who wish to fill the vacancy in the Little Compton Agricultural Conservancy Trust.

Motion made by Councilor Wallack, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To ratify the actions of the Council President, through his authority under the current Emergency Order dated March 16, 2020, as amended, to authorize the hiring of Tyler Carr to fill a vacancy in the LC Fire Department, effective 1 June 2021.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To approve of the actions of the Town Clerk to hire Heather Cook as Deputy Town Clerk effective August 1, 2021 and to further authorize the newly created vacancy of office clerk to be posted and advertised.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To accept a single bid for Spring Roadside Mowing services received from Rich McGee & Son Excavating in the amount of \$9,500 and to refer said bid to the DPW Director for review and award if deemed responsible and responsive to the RFP.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To approve a request received from the Buzzards Bay Coalition to conduct the Watershed Ride on Sunday, October 3, 2021 beginning in Little Compton at Sakonnet Point, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To schedule an executive session to be held on June 23, 2021 at 6 PM for the purpose of collective bargaining.

Motion made by Councilor Wallack, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To authorize the Tax Assessor to draft a communication to be considered for delivery to property owners for properties known as “dotted line lots” and to further authorize the Town Solicitor to review said draft for recommendation to the Council at a future date for council approval prior to sending out to the owners of record.

Motion made by Councilor Moore, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To authorize the Town Administrator to sign on behalf of the Town an extension of a contract between the Town of Little Compton and Church Community Housing Corporation for administrative services relating to Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To place on file communication received from Guy Sunny

seeking insight with regard to financial documents gathered during the process of preparation for the Annual Financial Town Meetings.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To place on file a notification received from the LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust concerning annual monitoring for Wilbour Woods.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To grant the renewal of a Refuse Hauling License to Fred Bodington III for a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 4,000 lbs. for the ensuing term expiring June 30, 2022.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To grant the renewal of a Refuse Hauling License to David Elwell for a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 4,000 lbs. for the ensuing term expiring June 30, 2022.

Megan Gonsalves (Boudreau) read the poem entitled: Now More Than Ever.

Jenna Magnuski addressed the Council on behalf of the LGBTQ+ planning committee seeking permission to have the Pride flag flown on June 12, 2021 in conjunction with the Coming Out Party planned at the LC Community Center. Their request is to see the flag flown on the Town Hall below the American Flag as is proper Flag protocol. Chief Raynes mentioned that he did not have details assigned to the event, but his department would make sure it runs smoothly.

Discussion continued with the following comments noted:

- The Armenian flag has been allowed to be flown on the Town Hall.
- Many cities and towns in Rhode and throughout the country as well as other countries have granted permission for flags other than the American Flag to be flown on governmental buildings.
- Jana Porter and Peter Fossel would like to see support for our community by allowing the flag to be flown on the town hall.
- Polly Allen surprised this is an issue and notes that LGBTQ+ suicide rates among our youth are double that of their peers. They need our support.
- Raul Iriarte de Moore stated that he is an immigrant and wishes to support of the LGBTQ+ community.
- Guidelines are currently lacking for flag protocol
- Councilors Mataronas and Golembeske support but would prefer flying at Pikes Peak.

Motion made by Councilor Moore, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To approve a request to fly the Pride flag on June 12, 2021 in conjunction of the “Coming Out Party” to be held at the LC Community Center and to further note that no flag other than the American Flag will be flown on the town hall until a set of guidelines can be approved to set policy for flying of flags on town property.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To approve the renewal of the Private Detective License held by Robert Skiffington for the ensuing year.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Wallack, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): To place the consent calendar on file as follows:

- 1.Copy of a resolution adopted by the Hopkinton Town Council requesting the General Assembly waive the local maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement for schools (Bills H 6287 and S 0871)
- 2.Copy of a resolution adopted by the Bristol Town Council declaring that “Love Has A Home In Bristol” supporting its Police Department and condemning the placement and public display of hate symbols in the community
- 3.Copy of a proclamation adopted by the Bristol Town Council declaring the first Friday in June to be national Gun Violence Awareness Day in Bristol
- 4.Copies of resolutions adopted by the Woonsocket School Committee and the North Smithfield School Committee requesting the RI General Assembly support any and all legislative proposals that would disallow non-law enforcement too carry concealed firearms onto school grounds.
- 5.Copy of a resolution adopted by the Woonsocket School Committee supporting the state reimbursement of transportation services cost for public and private school pupils (Bill H-6030)
- 6.Copy of a resolution adopted by the Woonsocket School Committee expressing support for a Moratorium on the Expansion of Charter Schools.
- 7.Email from Edith S. Borden offering congratulation and gratitude for the efforts taken to have the crosswalk in Adamsville repainted.
- 8.Email from Susan Talbot received 5-18-2021 seeking permission to place 12 American Flags near the Blue Star Memorial for Memorial Day. Permission was granted for this action.
- 9.Copy of a letter sent to the Hon. Daniel McKee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island from the Town of Exeter concerning Senate Bill 2021-S0543 & S0804

Motion made by Councilor Wallack, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore and Wallack): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid: \$131,404.71

Community First National Bank - Amb. Reimb. Fund\$61,523.38

Kofile - Town Clerk\$1,299.00

Aquidneck Mooring - Harbor Management Fund\$100.00

Cox - 32 Commons\$201.43

Cox - Computer\$210.68

Malcolm Bowen - Harbor Management Fund\$100.00

Vision Government Solutions Inc. - Computer\$3,749.00

Denise Cosgrove - Assessor\$38.64

Vision Government Solutions Inc. - Computer\$7,146.00

Modern Printing - Assessor\$1,007.70

East Bay Media Group - Assessor\$72.00

WBMason - Assessor\$33.96

Verizon - Wastewater Treatment Facility\$56.12

Allied Court Reporters - Zoning\$300.00

Nationalgrid - street lights\$75.70

Nationalgrid - Town Dock Street Lights\$13.91

Everlasting Designs - computer\$1,430.00

Misc. individuals - FTM expenses\$210.00

GoTo Services - Town Hall\$1,050.00  
GoTo Services - Public Safety Complex\$1,020.00  
Richard S Humphrey - Solicitor\$4,250.00  
WBMason - Assessor/Clerk/Town Hall/Finance\$41.22  
Petro - Gasoline\$488.91  
Petro - Diesel\$476.25  
Petro - Gasoline\$562.79  
Paychex of NY LLC - Finance \$419.10  
East Bay Media Group - Probate\$30.00  
Church Community Housing Corp. - Contingency Fund\$375.00  
Postmaster - Probate\$130.00  
Department of State - Housing Trust\$20.00  
CS&M Tele-Systems Inc. - Town hall departments\$634.50  
Roger Williams University - Police Dept.\$301.00  
West Place Animal Sanctuary - Police Dept.\$458.00  
Traffic Signs & Safety Inc. - Police Dept.\$15.00  
Verizon - Police Dept.\$82.83  
Wilburs General Store - Police Dept.\$29.95  
Rob's Auto Care Inc - Police Dept.\$798.75  
Rob's Auto Care Inc - Police Dept.\$35.00  
State of Rhode Island - Police Dept.\$60.00  
WBMason - Police Dept.\$78.28  
Rob's Auto Care Inc - Police Dept.\$2,384.08  
RI Dept. of State - Police Dept. \$80.00  
AT&T Mobility - Police Dept.\$48.17\$4,371.06  
Richard S Humphrey - Legal\$370.50  
Wordell Heating & Cooling, LLC - Public Safety Complex\$4,500.00  
Wordell Heating & Cooling, LLC - Public Safety Complex\$250.00  
Sakonnet Plumbing & Heating Inc. - Public Safety Complex\$754.86  
Madden Electric Co. Inc. - Public Safety Complex\$927.55  
F.M. Bodington Plumbing & Heating, Inc - Public Safety Complex\$319.07  
Firex, Inc. - Public Safety Complex\$125.50  
Goto Services, LLC - Public Safety Complex\$1,850.00\$8,726.98  
Clinical1 - Ambulance reimbursement fund\$515.90  
Bound Tree - Ambulance reimbursement fund\$184.30  
The Eagle Leasing Company - Ambulance reimbursement fund\$134.12  
Bound Tree - Ambulance reimbursement fund\$27.15  
AT&T Mobility - Ambulance reimbursement fund\$1,237.86  
Saint Anne's Hospital - Ambulance reimbursement fund\$22.22\$2,121.55  
M&R Auto Body - Fire Dept. \$14,290.18  
Brown Emergency Medicine Fire Dept. \$250.00  
Crystal Rock - Fire Dept. \$62.79  
FSP Books & Videos - Fire Dept.\$123.05  
Rob's Auto Care, Inc. - Fire Dept.\$856.90  
Rob's Auto Care, Inc. - Fire Dept.\$814.55  
Brown Emergency Medicine - Fire Dept. \$250.00

AT&T Mobility - Fire Dept. \$20.09  
R.I. Firefighter's Instructors Association - Fire Dept.\$320.00  
LG Communication - Fire Dept.\$205.00  
Napa Auto & Truck Parts - Fire Dept.\$134.10\$17,326.66  
Hallman Septic Service & Portable Toilets LLC - Harbor Management\$110.00  
Interstate Refrigerant Recovery, Inc - transfer station\$420.00  
Hallman Septic Service & Portable Toilets LLC - Transfer Station\$200.00  
The Eagle Leasing Company - Transfer Station\$228.24  
Seekonk Supply, Inc. - Highway Department\$822.08  
Sakonnet Tree, Inc. - Tree Warden\$6,924.00  
Hallman Septic Service & Portable Toilets LLC - Civic Recreation\$385.00  
Hallman Septic Service & Portable Toilets LLC - Civic Recreation\$110.00  
McGeough's Turf Management, Inc - Civic Recreation\$851.00  
Hallman Septic Service & Portable Toilets LLC - Civic Recreation\$185.00  
Dave's Lawnmower Repair & Kelly's Grain - DPW\$36.83  
Humphrey's Building Supply Center - DPW\$130.16  
Verizon - DPW\$132.36  
Richard S Humphrey - Legal\$888.00

With no further business before the Council Councilor Mataronas declared the meeting closed at 8:05 PM.

Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk