



Town of Bridgewater
Town Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 27, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being duly present, Town Council President Timothy Fitzgibbons called the meeting of the Bridgewater Town Council to order at 7:30 pm, on June 27, 2017 in the Academy Building Council Chambers, 66 Central Square, Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

PRESENT:

Council members present were, Aisha Losche, William Wood, Edward Haley, Timothy Fitzgibbons, Francis Sousa, Dennis Gallagher, Peter Colombotos, and Shawn George. Town Manager Michael Dutton and Associate Town Attorney Jason Rawlins were also present.

ABSENT:

- Councilor Kevin Perry

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was held for all veterans who have passed including:

- Mr. Faelton Perkins

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

- June 6, 2017

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Losche. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa.

Discussion: None

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0-1 (Councilor Gallagher abstained, Councilor Perry absent)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

- President Fitzgibbons made a brief announcement about the 4th of July celebration.

PROCLAMATIONS - None

CITIZENS OPEN FORUM –

- Mr. James Candito, Stetson Street – Following up to try and get issues completed. Mr. Candito received a letter from Mr. Dutton 6/7/17, but didn't feel the letter was satisfactory. After asking the Councilors who walked Stetson Street, Mr. Candito reaffirmed his issues: 1) Repaving & New Curbs on Stetson, 2) Speed Sign – move from one pole to a different pole. 3) Speed Table – wouldn't generate any noise at all if installed properly 4) No Parking Signs during the day. 5) Elimination of truck traffic (he would like to see the DOT letter stating that there was criteria to eliminate the truck traffic) 6) Residential dumpsters. In closing, Mr. Candito stated it seems to him, this could be a Channel 7 investigative story.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Gallagher to take agenda item F (Hearings) out of order. The motion was seconded by Councilor George.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

HEARINGS (*Taken out of order*)

- **7:35 p.m.:** Order O-2017-022: Loan Order – Massachusetts Clean Water Trust for High Street Water Tower President Fitzgibbons opened the hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Mr. Dutton explained the need for the new treatment facility.

President Fitzgibbons invited any questions from the public – None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in favor - None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in opposition - None

President Fitzgibbons entertained any questions from councilors - None

President Fitzgibbons closed the hearing at 7:42 p.m.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.



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Discussion: Councilor Wood noted the measure had been approved by both Budget & Finance and Finance Committees.

A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:

Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion passed 8-0.

- **7:40 p.m.:** Undesignated Funds Balance Transfers

- Order O-2017-031: Water & Sewer Transfer of Undesignated Fund Balance

President Fitzgibbons opened the hearing at 7:43 p.m.

Water & Sewer Transfer (O-2017-031): Mr. Dutton explained the order and the purpose for the funds.

President Fitzgibbons invited any questions from the public – None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in favor - None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in opposition - None

President Fitzgibbons entertained any questions from councilors:

- Councilor Colombotos asked if there were any specific need anticipated, Mr. Dutton responded the only thing we could possibly anticipate is an RBC.

President Fitzgibbons closed the hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor George. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood.

Discussion: Councilor Wood noted the measure was approved by both Budget & Finance and Finance Committee.

A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:

George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion passed 8-0.

- Order O-2017-032: General Fund Transfer of Undesignated Fund Balance

President Fitzgibbons opened the hearing at 7:47 p.m.

Mr. Dutton explained this is the allocation of free cash into a number of different funds to expend out of as necessary during the next fiscal year or beyond.

President Fitzgibbons invited any questions from the public – None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in favor - None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in opposition -None

President Fitzgibbons entertained any questions from councilors:

- At Councilor Wood's request, Mr. Dutton spoke about the transfer to the Golf Course, noting the letter provided (included in materials) essentially documents the loan and the payback in FY19 and FY20 once the construction of the golf course is paid off in FY18.

President Fitzgibbons closed the hearing at 7:49 p.m.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.

Discussion: None

A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:

Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion passed 8-0.

- **7:45 p.m.:** Order O-2017- Capital Projects Expenditures

President Fitzgibbons opened the hearing at 7:49 p.m.

Mr. Dutton explained the expenditures being covered.

President Fitzgibbons invited any questions from the public – None

President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in favor - None



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President Fitzgibbons asked if there was anyone speaking in opposition - None

President Fitzgibbons entertained any questions from councilors:

- At Councilor Gallagher's request, Mr. Dutton confirmed the funds were coming from Capital Stabilization Fund, not from Prison Mitigation. Finance Director, Anthony Sulmonte further confirmed the Capital Stabilization account balance.
- Councilor Colombotos noted he would like to see the full Capital Plan. Mr. Dutton responded it will be forthcoming. Mr. Colombotos followed up asking if the rebate will go back into Capital Stabilization. Mr. Dutton confirmed that was correct.

President Fitzgibbons closed the hearing at 7:54 p.m.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Sousa. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.

Discussion: None

A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:

George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion passed 8-0.

Return to regular order of business - Appointments

APPOINTMENTS

- Town Attorney - Jason Rawlins

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Gallagher. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa.

Discussion: Councilor Colombotos stated he has great confidence in Mr. Rawlins

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

- Zoning Board of Appeals – Gerald Chipman

Mr. Dutton spoke on behalf of Gerald Chipman who has a long-standing commitment to community service.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Sousa. The motion was seconded by Councilor Gallagher.

Discussion: Councilor Sousa welcomed Mr. Chipman. At Councilor Colombotos' request, Mr. Dutton confirmed this was a full membership appointment.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

- Cable Advisory Committee – Eric Christiansen

Mr. Dutton spoke on behalf of Mr. Christenson.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Gallagher. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.

Discussion: Councilor Gallagher stated he is glad to see Mr. Christenson step forward. Mr. Dutton confirmed there are now are two members and full membership is three.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

- Finance Committee (*Town Council Appointment*) – Justin Vyce
Candidate withdrew.

- Treasurer/Collector – Dianne Lawless

Mr. Dutton spoke briefly about Ms. Lawton.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Gallagher not to appoint a Treasurer/Collector this evening. The motion was seconded by President Fitzgibbons for discussion.

Discussion: Councilor Gallagher explained his motion noting his disappointment in the process and spoke briefly about the process. Mr. Gallagher would have liked to have seen the names of finalists, but was informed that information was confidential. Councilor Fitzgibbons pointed out that the Charter states the Town Manager gets to choose his staff and the Town Council holds the Town Manager accountable. Councilor George agreed with Councilor Gallagher noting his opinion that if the Council is going to have discussion around candidates, we should have some information. Councilor Colombotos would not be supporting the appointment.

A voice vote was taken and the motion not to appoint a Treasurer/Collector passed 6-2 (Councilor Fitzgibbons and Haley in the minority).



Councilor Colombotos stated he felt the motion and vote should have been to appoint and made the following motion:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Colombotos to appoint Ms. Lawless. The motion was seconded by Councilor Fitzgibbons.

Discussion: None

A voice vote was taken and the motion to appoint failed 2-6 (Councilors Fitzgibbons and Haley in the minority).

LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

- Petition P-2017-017: Bridgewater Citizens Club – Extension of Hours
President Fitzgibbons read the petition for the public.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor George.

Discussion: Councilors Wood and George spoke on behalf of the establishment.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

- Petition P-2017-018: Transfer of Common Victualler's License from Indria Rao dba Chessmen's Pizza to Saint Mary & Saint Kirolos Corporation dba Chessman's Pizza, 16 Central Square
President Fitzgibbons read the petition for the public.

Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.

Discussion: Councilor Wood stated his support of the 2:00 a.m. closure time encouraging fellow councilors to support.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

PRESENTATIONS - None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Dutton reported on information about various activities happening around town and highlighted meetings and events. Items of note included: The OCPC is working to update the Housing Production Plan and are developing the first draft. Complete Streets work continues and should be completed by September. This will be used to quantify and qualify for grants by the state. The Duxburrow 40B hearing continues here in the Council Chambers on July 26th. Claremont is expecting to receive their 40B site eligibility from DHCD, then they will go before the ZBA. The BSU Art Department is spearheading the roll out of Fiberglass Bears which will appear around Town. The Town has been awarded a Green Communities Grant for \$176,000. This is the third year the Town has been awarded the grant. The Fountain project should be completed in a couple of days. Mr. Dutton gave Rob Cabral, the Plumbing Inspector a lot of credit for his work. We have brought on a BSU MPA candidate as our Parks and Rec Intern. Anthony Hebert will be looking at ownership records, ensuring proper documentation of the parks the Town owns. The Proclamation for Bridgewater Citizens for Civility and Respect (BCCR) has been hung in the Academy Building. The house on Bedford Street has been demolished. It was a pricey demolition due to the asbestos. Mr. Dutton congratulated the Fire Department who secured a \$57,000 grant for wellness and fitness. Mr. Dutton briefly mentioned residents should have received a letter on the water and sewer rate increases. The Mitchell School Committee held their first meeting yesterday. Mr. Dutton recognized Vale Sime has resigned her position on the S.A.V.E committee and extended thanks for all her work. Finally, Mr. Dutton noted he will tentatively schedule presentations on the DPW, Senior Center and Community & Economic Development for the July meeting.

Councilor Questions:

- Councilor George asked if the Senior Center is done. Mr. Dutton responded the sink is in. There are still some punch list items outstanding. Mr. George asked about if the Town can do some patch work on Cherry Street. Mr. Dutton responded he will ask to have them patched. Finally, Mr. George asked for an update on the company who was interested in Elm Street Development. Mr. Dutton responded; the company was Co-Parts. They essentially purchase totaled vehicles and resell them. It's a very large company with a world-wide presence. They went through the Planning process and became discouraged by issues the Planning Board raised. However, Mr. Dutton thinks there are some other good things in the works. Councilor George expressed concern that we have issues with business having road blocks and issues.



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- Councilor Colombotos asked what some of the Planning Board issues were. Mr. Dutton responded; there were some environmental issues and storm water drainage issues. Councilor Colombotos stated he attended the Planning Board meeting and defended their positions. Mr. Colombotos then asked if Complete Streets, will address some of Mr. Canditito's concerns. In general Mr. Dutton this it will, but cannot be specific at this point.

DISCUSSIONS - None

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Budget & Finance Committee: Councilor Wood stated all items tonight were unanimously approved by Finance Committee. Councilor George asked if there is still an opening on the Finance Committee. Councilor Wood confirmed there was vacant seat.
- Rules & Procedures: Councilor Losche stated the committee has spent some due diligence reviewing all the recommendations and feel the Charter Changes product has a lot of what we were looking to change and improve.

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- Order O-2017-025: Rescind – Senior Center Trust
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.
Discussion: At President Fitzgibbons' request Mr. Dutton explained; in FY 2015, the Town Council voted a Capital Plan that included \$60,000 for the Council on Aging project, which was not intended to be an appropriation. Councilor Gallagher asked if the proceeds from Hunt School sale which went to create this senior center trust fund for use towards senior center upkeep will still exist. Mr. Dutton confirmed it will still exist and the new balance would be approximately \$150,000
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion passed 8-0.
- Order O-2017-026: Rescind and Reduce – Sewer Reline Appropriation
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.
Discussion: None
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion passed 8-0.
- Order O-2017-027: CPA Annual Budget
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.
Discussion: Mr. Dutton briefly explained the order and noted there were amendments to vote.
Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Wood to amend as written and change the amount in the last paragraph to read "\$1,200,000.00". The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.
Discussion: None.
A voice vote was taken and the motion to amend passed 8-0.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion to approve, as amended, passed 8-0.
- Order O-2017-028: General Fund Year End Transfer Adjustments
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Gallagher. The motion was seconded by Councilor George.
Discussion: Mr. Dutton spoke briefly about the order noting this is a much larger list than you'll ever see again. Councilor Wood stated when the order was in committee they discussed it in depth.
Motion: A motion was made by Councilor to amend as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa.
Discussion: None
A voice vote was taken and the motion to amend passed 8-0.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:



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- George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion to approve, as amended, passed 8-0.
- Order O-2017-029: Community Preservation Transfer: Year End Transfer Adjustments
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor George.
Discussion: Mr. Dutton briefly explained, this is just a timing issue.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion to approve passed 8-0.
 - Order O-2017-030: Water & Sewer Transfer Adjustments
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Wood. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.
Discussion: At Councilor Wood's request, Mr. Dutton explained the difference between this order and the one handled under Public Hearings is; this is simply a transfer of funds within the budget.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion to approve passed 8-0.
 - Order O-2017-033: General Fund Transfer Contractual Bargaining Adjustments (CBA)
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor George. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa.
Discussion: Mr. Dutton explained this transfers funds for collective bargaining agreements in FY17.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion to approve passed 8-0.
 - Order O-2017-035: Employee SLBB Liability Transfers
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Haley. The motion was seconded by Councilor Gallagher.
Discussion: Mr. Dutton briefly explained the order.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion to approve passed 8-0.
 - Order O-2017-036: Acceptance of a Gift – Bridgewater Police Association for WWI Memorial.
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor George. The motion was seconded by Councilor Losche.
Discussion: Councilor Gallagher thanked the Police Association.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
Losche – YEA; Wood – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Haley – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; George - YEA. The motion to approve passed 8-0.
 - Order O-2017-034: General Fund CBA Retroactive Settlement Transfer
Motion: A motion to approve was made by Councilor Gallagher. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa.
Discussion: Mr. Dutton briefly explained this transfer funds the retroactive payments for contracts settled prior to FY 2016.
A roll call vote was taken with results recorded as follows:
George – YEA; Colombotos – YEA; Gallagher – YEA; Sousa – YEA; Fitzgibbons – YEA; Haley – YEA; Perry – ABSENT; Wood – YEA; Losche - YEA. The motion to approve passed 8-0.

OLD BUSINESS

- Order O-2016-027: Acceptance of Changes to the Bridgewater Home Rule Charter
Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Losche to accept. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood.
Discussion:
Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Losche to amend as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood.
Discussion: Councilor Losche spoke about the Rules & Procedures Committee's process noting they took many of the recommendations made by the Charter Review Committee (CRC). The committee has had many debates and



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hearings. We have cleaned up scrivener's errors, added MGL where appropriate, and the appointment of Town Clerk. The committee did not accept combining of districts. Councilor Losche listed major changes as: elimination of term limits, addition of stipends, Finance Committee and appointed Town Clerk. Councilor Fitzgibbons noted, changing the Finance Committee comports with all the other committees through the Administrative Code. Councilors briefly asked questions about when the appropriate time to review and edit ballot questions would be. Attorney Rawlins advised there will be another opportunity to weigh in and discuss how many questions. Councilor Colombotos asked Attorney Rawlins if they could vote the amendments tonight and still break out the questions later without re-advertising. Attorney Rawlins responded yes.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Gallagher to strike the amendment of an appointed Town Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa.

Discussion: Councilor Gallagher expressed his opinion about the Town Clerk's position stating the Council has heard from Town Clerk about the role they play. He thinks there is justification in keeping it elected. However, if the amendment doesn't pass, Mr. Gallagher thinks it should be a separate ballot question. Councilor Sousa agreed with Mr. Gallagher noting he feels people would like to keep the position elected. Councilor Losche responded many of the towns have moved to an appointed Town Clerk, noting the role is the same if it's appointed versus elected. The role requires skill, attention to detail and professionalism, therefore a wider pool of candidates is helpful. Councilor Wood spoke briefly about the public input session held by the Rules & Procedures committee on May 22nd and finally explained there is a lot of variability if the position is appointed, we can require the Town Clerk to be a resident through an ordinance. Discussion continued as Councilors George and Colombotos supported the amendment for an elected Town Clerk. Councilor Colombotos noted the Town Clerk oversees elections, therefore should remain independent. Councilor Losche recounted the years of service by the previous Town Clerk and the current Town Clerk pointing out with regard to independence of elections, statute dictates that. Councilor Gallagher asked Councilor Losche if the Town Council would be the appointing authority. Councilor Losche confirmed that was true. Seeing no further discussion, President Fitzgibbons closed the discussion.

A voice vote was taken and the motion to amend the amendment failed 4-4 (Councilors Sousa, Gallagher, Colombotos and George in the minority).

A voice vote was taken and the main motion to amend as presented failed 4-4 (Councilors Losche, Wood, Haley and Fitzgibbons in the minority).

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Fitzgibbons to return the measure back to the Rules and Procedures committee. The motion was seconded by Councilor Losche.

Discussion: None

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- Order O-2017-038: CPC Transfer – Capital Project – Legion Field Lights

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Losche to refer to Budget & Finance and Finance Committees. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood.

Discussion: Mr. Dutton explained it was recommended by CPC to fund \$231,000 at Legion Field. Councilor Colombotos noted his disappointment that there are no other sources of funding listed asking if it's too late to find alternative funding. Councilor Wood noted the letter from Harry Bailey does not ask about other funding. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 8-0.

- Order O-2017-039: Zoning Consultant

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Sousa to refer to the Budget & Finance and Finance Committees. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood.

Discussion: Councilor Sousa began the discussion expressing concern over the need for another report. He suggested either the Community & Economic Development Director handle the project or a citizen committee be formed. Councilors Gallagher and George also expressed concern around the economics and timing. Councilor Colombotos was in favor of the order noting this is quite an undertaking and the Town would see a great return on



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a consultant. He pointed out the language in the order is to rewrite the Zoning Ordinances. Councilor Haley pointed out not having comprehensive zoning may be creating difficulty in attracting businesses to Town, suggesting someone from outside may be a good decision. Mr. Dutton agreed with Mr. Haley and should be done by a consultant to take a comprehensive look at zoning to generate a good product to put before the Town Council. Councilor Wood suggested this be moved to Strategic Planning to see if it fits with the Strategic Plan.

The motion to refer to Budget & Finance and Finance Committees was withdrawn.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Wood to refer to the Strategic Planning Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilor Haley.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- Order O-2017-040: Creation and Distribution of an Informational Postcard

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Wood to strike the word “date” from Order. The motion was seconded by Councilor George.

Discussion: Councilor Wood explained the purpose of the postcard and suggested we leverage BP or BSU to assist with the printing. Councilor Colombotos requested adding Facebook and Twitter to the card. Mr. Wood responded the space was pretty tight.

This measure was not referred to any committee.

- Order O-2017-041: Removal and Replacement of Dead Trees in Downtown Area

Motion: A motion was made by Councilor Sousa to take the measure as a first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilor Wood.

Discussion: Councilor Sousa explained there were many trees that need to be taken down in the Downtown area and it makes a poor first impression. Councilor Wood noted we used to be Tree Town USA at one point and thinks the tree removal is important.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilor George: Wished all a Happy and healthy July 4th of July and congratulated the 4th of July Committee.
- Councilor Colombotos: No comments.
- Councilor Gallagher: Spoke about his opposition to the appointment noting it wasn’t done lightly. He hopes there is another advertisement that goes out for the position. He thanked those who came to talk to him at Bridgewater Bagel. Mr. Gallagher also had a nice time at the BSU Neighborhood meeting. Finally, he wished all a Happy 4th of July.
- Councilor Sousa: Wished all a Happy 4th of July.
- Councilor Haley: Reiterated Councilor Gallagher’s sentiments. He too had a good time at the Neighbors Dinner and was very impressed with the Mandela Fellows.
- Councilor Wood: Attended the Neighbors Dinner at BSU. They have been holding it for a number of years now. It was great to meet the Mandela Fellows. Mr. Wood is also attending the parade.
- Councilor Perry: Absent
- Councilor Losche: Thanked the volunteers who were appointed. Mrs. Losche will be at the parade and thanked the 4th of July Committee.
- Councilor Fitzgibbons: Thanked everyone for a good meeting and for good respectful discussions. Wished everyone a happy and safe 4th of July.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No Executive Session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Losche. The motion was seconded by Councilor George.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted in by: Ann Holmberg



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In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Town of Bridgewater Home Rule Charter and Town Council Rules and Procedures, the Town Council assembled voted, at their meeting on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, to approve the aforementioned minutes, as submitted, by a voice vote (7-0) (Councilor Colombotos not present, Councilor Perry abstained).

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Ann M. Holmberg
Town Council Clerk