BRIDGEWATER TOWN COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 4, 2014
7:30 PM
BTV Studios
80 Spring Street, Bridgewater MA

AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

F. HEARINGS

a) 7:35 – Petition # P-2014-007 Pole Relocation – Verizon New England, Inc. and Massachusetts Electric Company Petition to Place New Pole - Wall St - P6/19-1

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - NONE

H. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

J. DISCUSSIONS

a) Housing Partnership Application: Submitted by James Paskell (*Councilor Colombotos)*

K. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

a) Transfer #T-2014-001: Steelworkers Contract Obligation
This measure was referred to the Council's Budget & Finance Committee and the Finance Committee. At their meeting held 1/22/14, the Finance Committee voted 7-0 to approve the measure. The Council's budget & Finance Committee meets 2/4/14 and will provide their disposition to the full Council on 2/4/14.

M. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

N. NEW BUSINESS

a) Order #O-2014-001: Acceptance of a Gift – Howard Foundation
b) Order #O-2014-002: Acceptance of a Gift – Bridgewater Savings Bank
c) Resolution #R-2014-001: Purple Heart Community Designation
d) Transfer #T-2014-004: Payment of Bridgewater-Raynham School District Prior Year Invoice
e) Transfer #T-2014-005: Payment of Insurance Prior Year Invoice

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Massachusetts General Laws - Chapter 30A sec. 21, subsection 6 *(To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body)*

R. ADJOURNMENT

Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, January 7, 2014

Council Transfer: T-2014-001

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced:	January 7, 2014
First Reading:	January 7, 2014
Second Reading:	February 4, 2014
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Transfer - #T-2014-001

UNITED STEELWORKERS CONTRACT OBLIGATION

ORDERED, in accordance with MGL, Chapter 44, Section 68, that the Town Council votes to appropriate and transfer the sum of $15,806.29 from the following accounts and to be distributed to the following budget accounts to pay for, or take any other action relative thereto.

TRANSFER FROM STABILIZATION :		
ACCOUNT	**ACCOUNT NUMBER**	**AMOUNT**
Transfer to General Fund	800-145-00-8051-596100	8677.27
Transfer to Special Revenue	800-145-00-8051-596200	2,253.60
Transfer to Enterprise	800-145-00-8051-596500	4,875.42
	TOTAL:	15,806.29
TRANSFER TO:		
ACCOUNT	**ACCOUNT NUMBER**	**AMOUNT**
Golf Department - Longevity	603-655-01-0101-514600	3,876.11
COA - Longevity	001-541-01-0101-514600	1,886.75
Information Technology - Longevity	001-155-01-0101-514600	699.86
Conservation - Longevity	001-171-01-0101-514600	931.09
Recreation - Longevity	206-630-00-2012-514600	2,253.60
Assessor - Longevity	001-141-01-0101-514600	591.64
Town Clerk - Longevity	001-161-01-0101-514600	1,101.82
Town Manager - Longevity	001-123-01-0101-514600	1,652.73
Inspectional Services - Longevity	001-240-01-0101-514600	1,813.38
Sewer Department - Longevity	601-440-01-0101-514600	499.65
Water Department - Longevity	602-450-01-0101-514600	499.65
	TOTAL:	15,806.29

Explanation: The Town Manager settled a collective bargaining agreement with the United Steel Workers, professional union. The amounts of this transfer request will fulfill the town's final contractual obligations for retroactive compensation.

ROLL CALL VOTE: PASSAGE REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF FULL COUNCIL (6)

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
• Referred to Council Rules & Procedures Committee. • Requires consideration by Finance Committee. • 14 day requirement (per Council Rules & Procedures XVIII - Readings) has elapsed, therefore this measure may be finally considered.	• Meeting 2/4/14. Will provide disposition to full Council at 2/4/14 meeting. • 1/22/14: vote approve (7-0)

ROLL CALL VOTE: PASSAGE REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF FULL COUNCIL (6)

Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, February 4, 2014

Council Order: O-2014-001

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced:	February 4, 2014
First Reading:	February 4, 2014
Second Reading:	
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Order O-2014-001

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

ORDERED that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53A ½, the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to accept the gift of $10,000.00 from The Howard Foundation and to expend the gift of in accordance with stated purpose thereof.

Explanation:
The Elder Affairs Director has requested and secured additional funding assistance for senior programs.

Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, February 4, 2014

Council Order: O-2014-002

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced:	February 4, 2014
First Reading:	February 4, 2014
Second Reading:	
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Order O-2014-002

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

ORDERED that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53A ½, the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to accept the gift of $30,000.00 from Bridgewater Savings Bank and to expend the gift of in accordance with stated purpose thereof.

Explanation:
The Town Manager was successful in securing a gift of $30,000 from Bridgewater Savings Bank. The gift will be added to the $90,000 grant from the Department of Housing and Community Development which allows us to improve housing for owner-occupied, income qualifying applicants.

NOT FOR ACTION – FIRST READING ONLY

Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, Tuesday, February 4, 2014

Council Resolution: R-2014-001

Introduced By:	Councilor Timothy Fitzgibbons
Date Introduced:	February 4, 2014
First Reading:	February 4, 2014
Second Reading:	
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Effective Date:	

Proposed Resolution #R-2014-001

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BRIDGEWATER AS A PURPLE HEART TOWN

WHEREAS, the people of the Town of Bridgewater have great admiration and the utmost gratitude for all men and women who have selflessly served their country and this community in the Armed Forces; and;

WHEREAS, Veterans have paid a high price for freedom by leaving their families and communities and placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and,

WHEREAS, the contributions and scarifies of the men and women from Bridgewater who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, many men and women in uniform have given their lives while serving in the Armed forces; and,

WHEREAS, our community has a proud tradition of military service and many of our citizens have earned the Purple Heart Medal as a result of being wounded while engaged in combat with an enemy force, construed as a singularly meritorious act of essential service;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater hereby proclaims the Town of Bridgewater as a Purple Heart Town honoring the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women in uniform that were wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans, and that August 7th of each year be recognized as Purple Heart Day.

Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, February 4, 2014

Transfer: #T-2014-004

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced:	February 4, 2014
First Reading:	February 4, 2014
Second Reading:	
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Proposed Transfer: T-2014-004

PAYMENT OF BRIDGEWATER-RAYNHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT

ORDERED, pursuant to Section 6-4 (d) of the Town of Bridgewater Charter, that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to appropriate and transfer from the Reserve Fund account # 001-132-01-0102-578005 to budget account the Treasurer's budget account # 001-145-01-0101-570000 *(Other Charges and Expenses)* the sum of $720.00 to pay for a prior fiscal year assessment or take any other action relative thereto.

Explanation: As part of the annual audit of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District, it was discovered that $720 is owed to the school district by the Town of Bridgewater for a prior fiscal year assessment. This was an unanticipated cost; and therefore funds were not encumbered for this purpose.