

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WINDHAM TOWN COUNCIL



WINDHAM TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM

Tuesday, April 23, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Eldridge called the Town of Windham Special Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Town Council members present: Mayor Ernest S. Eldridge, Tony Fantoli, Tom DeVivo, Lorraine McDevitt, N. Joseph Underwood, Kevin Donohue, Arnaldo Rivera, Mark Doyle and Dawn Niles.

Charles Krich arrived at 7:03 P.M.

Christel Donahue was excused.

Town Manager Neal Beets was also in attendance.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Eldridge led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Citizens and Delegations: Public Comment

None

4. Town Council Comment

Tom DeVivo noted the Willimantic Service District Meeting scheduled for May 14th will be cancelled due to the Budget Referendum on that day. He stated a Special Meeting would be scheduled if needed.

Dawn Niles informed the Council of the passing of Christel Donahue's mother and asked everyone to keep her in their thoughts. Ms. Niles also spoke in regards to a letter to the editor that was written by a gentleman indicating the Town/Gown was not working and the Council was not doing enough. She mentioned a Nuisance Ordinance had been being worked on by the Public Works, Public Safety Subcommittee at one time and she thinks the Council may want to resurrect that. She noted Mansfield has something similar in place and explained how it worked.

Mayor Eldridge stated he has attended many Town and Gown meetings and noted there has been a drastic change over the past few years. He encouraged the gentleman who wrote the letter and anyone else with concerns to attend the Town and Gown Meetings so their concerns could be addressed. He noted the next meeting will be in May at the Town Hall.

Mark Doyle agreed with Mayor Eldridge and noted in being a resident in the pathways of the party houses it has been extremely better this year.

Lorraine McDevitt noted she had no phone calls from neighbors this year asking for her to clean their sidewalks of debris. She believes it is better this year.

Kevin Donohue stated in Windham there are many parties and they have no complaints.

5. Discuss and possibly move to go into executive session with the Town Manager to discuss the Town Manager's performance relating to the Blum Shapiro assessment of the Finance Department.

DeVivo MOVED, Fantoli seconded, to go into executive session with the Town Manager to discuss the Town Manager's performance relating to the Blum Shapiro assessment of the Finance Department. All were in favor. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

K. Donohue MOVED, Fantoli seconded, to come out of executive session at 8:10 P.M. All were in favor except Krich and Doyle who abstained. MOTION PASSED.

6. Discuss and possibly take action arising out of the executive session.

No Action Taken

7. Adjournment

K. Donohue MOVED, DeVivo seconded, to adjourn the Town of Windham Special Meeting of the Windham Town Council at 8:10 P.M. All were in favor. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted By:

Barbara J. McKinney

Clerk of the Town Council