

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Coventry Town Hall Council Chambers
1670 Flat River Road, Coventry, RI
September 22, 2008 - 6:00 p.m.

Present: Kenneth Cloutier, Anthony Colaluca, Justin Pomfret, Frank Hyde

Acting Town Manager Paul Sprague
Asst. Town Solicitor Richard Sullivan, Esq.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Acting Town Sergeant, James Spearman.
Invocation by Councilman Colaluca.
Review of evacuation plan.

Motion made by Anthony Colaluca seconded by Kenneth Cloutier to approve minutes of the September 8, 2008 Town Council meeting. All voted Aye. So voted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Streaker
Walker Lane

Mr. Streaker asked that the Town Council be mindful of veterans returning home and not getting 100% regarding their benefits and exemptions. Also referred to Section 44.2.1 of the General Laws, exemptions from fire and lighting districts.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Tax abatements for month of August, 2008 in the amount of \$39,314.60 with additions of \$23,149.96
2. Resolution reappointing Joseph Spada to the Board of Assessment Review
3. Resolution appointing Town Council member, Anthony Colaluca, to fill the vacancy on the Sewer Subcommittee held by former Town Council member, Bruce Thompson
4. Resolution authorizing sewer tie-in at property owned by Anthony Puerini, 22 Ames Street, AP 96, Lot 61
5. Resolution authorizing interim Town Manager to sign agreement respecting 578-582 Washington Street

Motion made by Frank Hyde seconded by Anthony Colaluca to remove Item #1 from Consent Agenda. All voted Aye. So voted.

President Pomfret recused himself (regarding Item #1 abatements).

Motion made by Anthony Colaluca seconded by Kenneth Cloutier to adopt Items #2 - #5. All voted Aye. So voted.

Charles Vacca – Are the sewer tie-ins on the agenda just routine, or are these on the agenda because there is something different or extraordinary?

Manager Sprague– This is just routine.

Councilman Hyde – Asked for explanation of item #5 regarding 578-582 Washington Street, the purchase of a 5 bedroom house for \$1.00

Pat Shurtleff, Human Services Director – Mrs. Shurtleff informed Town Council that this is an opportunity and will be used for victims of domestic violence or teens and adolescents who find themselves in a homeless situation. It will be kind of a safe house. The house is in good shape, won't have to spend a lot of money on it.

Councilman Hyde conducted vote on abatements. Motion made by Ken Cloutier seconded by Anthony Colaluca to approve Item #1 Tax abatements for month of August, 2008 in the amount of \$39,314.60 with additions of \$23,149.96. All voted Aye (3). So voted.

LICENSES

New Victualling license for Papa Gino's, 1072 Tiogue Avenue

Present: Todd Wade
171 Harrington Avenue
Warwick, RI

Ray Demers
Hope Furnace Road
Hope, RI

Mr. Wade stated they will be open seven days a week; 10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; and 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday. Will open October 27.

Motion made by Frank Hyde seconded by Ken Cloutier to grant license. All voted Aye. So voted.

PUBLIC FORUM

President Pomfret invited anyone who would like to address the Town Council on any issues to come forward at this time.

President Pomfret announced that Executive Session is cancelled.

Motion made by Anthony Colaluca seconded by Kenneth Cloutier to adjourn Town Council meeting. All voted Aye. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Town Clerk