



TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

TOWN COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES
July 12th, 2021 | 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Julie Smith-Galvin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Julie Smith-Galvin led the body in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Julie Smith-Galvin, Chair; Mehreen N. Butt, Vice-Chair; Jonathan P. Chines; Anne P. Danehy; Edward F. Dombroski, Jr. and Ann McGonigle Santos.

Council Member Absent: Peter J. May.

Administration Present: Sherri A. Dalton, Town Council Clerk and Stephen P. Maio, Town Administrator.

Town Counsel Present: Thomas A. Mullen.

Public Engagement: Janine Fabiano of 29 Lafayette Street provided comment regarding outdoor dining and requested the Town Council reconsider the extension currently through December 2021 to amend through September 2021.

Approval of Minutes: Mehreen N. Butt motioned to approve the June 10th, 2021 meeting minutes as proposed. Ann Santos seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0 by roll call vote. Mehreen N. Butt motioned to approve the June 28th, 2021 meeting minutes as proposed. Ann Santos seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0 by roll call vote.

Police Department: Police Chief Skory provided an update on the July 3rd, 2021 incident that shut down I-95 for hours due to 11 armed men on the side of the highway.

Broadway Update: Town Engineer Renault stated that we are in the 60-day appeal period. The design plans have been finalized and were forwarded to the contractor last week. He is hoping for the work to start within the next week.

Appointments: Joint meeting with the Planning Board to appoint one (1) applicant to the Planning Board. Matthew Lowry, Chair; William Spaulding; Megan Menesale and Theodore Noell were in attendance. Matthew Lowry motioned to appoint James Hogan to the Planning Board to fill an unexpired term through April 26th, 2021 at which time Mr. Hogan can choose to run for the elected position on the April 2022 Town Election ballot. Ann Santos seconded. Motion passed 6-4-0 by a roll call vote with Matthew Lowry; Megan Menesale; William Spaulding; Edward F. Dombroski, Jr.; Ann Santos and Mehreen N. Butt voting in favor of the motion. Theodore Noell; Anne P. Danehy; Jonathan P. Chines and Julie Smith-Galvin voting against the motion. Human Rights Commission Appointment: Mehreen N. Butt motioned to appoint Emmanuella Partyka as the student liaison to the Human Rights Commission as recommended by Superintendent Lyons with a term ending June 30th, 2022. Ann Santos



seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0 by a roll call vote. Youth Council Appointments: Ann Santos motioned to appoint Paige Arkinstall; Matthew Conley; Meghan DeCourcy; Isabella Schwartzberg and Juliana Spaulding as non-voting members to the Youth Council with terms ending June 30th, 2022. Mehreen N. Butt seconded. Motion passed 5-0-1 by a roll call vote with Jonathan P. Chines abstaining.

Sustainable Fleet Policy: Town Engineer Renault provided an overview of the Sustainable Fleet Policy to create guidelines for the purchase and operation of town fleet vehicles in order to reduce municipal GHG emissions and demonstrate leadership in achieving the town's community-wide sustainability goals for the Town of Wakefield. Since this was informational and no vote was taken the policy will be on a future Town Council agenda for a vote.

Donation: Mehreen N. Butt motioned to approve the request of the Library to accept and expend a gift or gifts to the library in the amount of \$350.53 from various donors with thanks. Ann Santos seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0 by a roll call vote.

Announcements: Jonathan P. Chines: the 3rd and final Vision 2030 survey closes tonight; there are resources in town to help anyone who is having anxiety regarding the incident that shut down I-95 last weekend. Mehreen N. Butt: thanked public safety and commended everyone in town regarding the I-95 incident; Movies by the Lake will take place Thursday night; Plaza Jazz is back on Thursdays. Anne P. Danehy: thanked Joanne Scouler; commented that Wakefield is an amazing place to live. Julie Smith-Galvin: 4th Annual Meghan Burnett tournament was a success; Housing Forum is slated for September.

Matters Not Anticipated for Agenda: Mehreen N. Butt asked for discussion at a future Town Council meeting on how to use the money that is coming from the Federal Government.

Adjournment: Mehreen N. Butt motioned to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. Ann Santos seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0 by a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri A. Dalton
Town Council Clerk