

**SUBJECT: SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**DATE:** January 5, 2006 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Town Hall Community Room

**PRESENT:** Mayor Krampitz, Councilman Goodwin, Councilwoman Murawski,  
Councilwoman Scoville, Councilman Sekorski, Councilman Zagurski

1. Call Meeting to Order – Meeting was called to order by Mayor Krampitz at 5:02 p.m. Emergency exits were indicated by the Mayor for the safety of the audience.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Krampitz requested that Councilwoman Murawski lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval the December 1, 2005 and December 6, 2005 Minutes – MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to accept the minutes of December 1, 2005 . SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to accept the minutes of December 6, 2005 with the correction on page 1 that Kevin Sulek is still the DARE officer. SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
4. Resignations and Appointments – MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to reappoint Mr. James Murdock to the Plymouth Economic Development Commission with a term to expire June 1, 2010 . SSECOND: Councilman Zagurski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilman Goodwin moved to reappoint Mr. David Philbrick to the Plymouth Economic Development Commission with a term to expire June 2, 2009 . SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to reappoint Mr. James Fried to the Plymouth Economic Development Commission with a term to expire November 16, 2009 . SECOND: Councilman Sekorski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilman Sekorski moved to reappoint Ms. Linda Kazmierski to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire November 5, 2008 . SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to reappoint Mrs. Karen Zagurski to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire November 5, 2008 . SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to reappoint Mrs. Barbara Rockwell to the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term to expire November 5, 2008 . SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. Councilwoman Scoville asked if there might be a possible conflict because Mrs. Rockwell is an employee. Mayor Krampitz pointed out there was a legal opinion and asked Mrs. Rockwell to explain the situation further. Mrs. Rockwell indicated that a legal opinion was sought from a previous administration when she was appointed years ago and it was deemed that there were no conflict issues. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman moved to approve the mayoral reappointment of Mr. Lyle Kosikowski to the Fire Commission with a term to expire November 4, 2008 . SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilman moved to appoint Mrs. Susan Boilard to the Board of Assessment Appeals with a term to expire November 11, 2007 due to a clerical error that left her name off of the November 2005 ballot. SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to accept the resignation of Ms. Keri Ann Warner from the Plymouth

Volunteer Ambulance Corps Board of Directors with regret. SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Take action to refund property taxes to: Ford Motor Credit \$1450.40; Joan A. Brown \$9.65 – MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to refund property taxes as presented. SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
6. Take action to approve appointed Comptroller – Manuel Gomes. – MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to approve the Mayoral appointment of Manuel Gomes as Comptroller. SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. Councilwoman Scoville stated that she would not be voting in support of the motion. She felt Mr. Gomes left on his own free will and that the town did not give Ms. Napier a chance. Councilman Sekorski stated that he would not be supporting the motion because he was disappointed in how we got to this point. He felt that the town had a capable person in place at a significantly less amount of money. He thought audit issues reflected back to previous comptrollers and that the contract put the town in a compromising position. Councilwoman Murawski stated that Mr. Gomes was the one person that could get the town back on track and recover the comptroller's office. He can get us back where we should be. Councilman Goodwin stated that sometimes we have to take a step back to take a step forward. We have been floundering along and we need to get back on track as soon as possible. Councilman Zagurski stated that from past history Mr. Gomes has always done a good job for the town and is a valuable asset. Councilman Goodwin- yes, Councilman Sekorski- no, Councilman Zagurski- yes, Councilwoman Scoville- no, Councilwoman Murawski-yes MOTION PASSED.
7. Take action to dissolve Charter Revision Commission – MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to dissolve the Charter Revision Commission that was established on March 2, 2004 and thank them for their service. SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. Councilman Sekorski stated that he hoped that this council would consider another charter revision commission in the future because there are more issues to deal with. Mayor Krampitz encouraged him to give her those suggestions for her folder for future consideration. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
8. Discuss and take action to recommend an appropriation of \$16,250 to the Board of Finance for Police Vests – MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to recommend an appropriation for police vests of up to \$16,250.00 to the Board of Finance and waive bid requirements. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. Chief Krasicky answered council questions that dealt with requirements for officers wearing the vests and what they had to sign if they chose not to wear one. She explained the research she had done with the vendors that made their presentations and explained the differences of the different models of vests. The 50% reimbursement was reiterated. The Chief is going to find out what other towns use this vest and more history of the company chosen. This information will be supplied to the Mayor before the Board of Finance meeting so that Mayor Krampitz can inform the finance board of this additional information as their liaison. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
9. Discuss and take action to authorize the Mayor to sign application for STEAP grant – Mayor Krampitz introduced William Kuehn, Town Planner and Craig Stevenson, Consultant, to give an overview of the grant and answer questions. The discussion centered on the continued improvement of the infrastructure and land acquisition for

Phase IV of the Plymouth Business Park and to establish a business incubator program to provide companies a future location in Phase III and Phase IV. The pump station is planned to be located in the bottom right corner of lot number 2 and there is an easement set aside where there are pipes running right to the edge of the easement. MOTION: Councilman Goodwin moved to approve the following: WHEREAS, the Connecticut General Assembly has authorized funding for municipal grants under Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) Section 4-66g the Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP); and WHEREAS, Public Act 05-194 enables Connecticut municipalities to continue qualifying for STEAP grants in lieu of being eligible for financial assistance under section 4-66c "Urban Act", by a vote of its legislative body, and submitting a written notice of such vote to the Secretary of the Office of Policy; and WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Plymouth make an application under Section 4-66g in the amount of \$500,000 in order to undertake: economic development projects eligible for funding under this grant program. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Plymouth that pursuant to PA 194-05, the Town shall forego its eligibility to seek funds under section 4-66c "Urban Act" and in lieu thereof funds made available through Section 4-66g the Small Town Economic Assistance Program; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby directed to notify the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for a Small Town Economic Assistance Program grant for \$500,000.00 and to execute any amendments, decisions, and revisions thereto. The STEAP grant if approved shall be used to fulfill its purposes under this resolution. SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. Discuss and take action for the temporary employment of counsel – MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to appoint Attorney Richard S. Conti of Diana, Conti & Tunila, LLP as temporary counsel to the Town of Plymouth per the PLYMOUTH TOWN CHARTER. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
11. Discuss and possibly take action on Agreement between the Plymouth Board of Education and Plymouth Education Association July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009 . Dr. Anthony Distasio was requested to highlight the changes in the contract and he listed the longer instruction times, more steps that are in the contracts, the salary increases and the co-pay contributions. Public comment was made by James Murdock, 44 Minor Rd. who felt our town and all towns are being held hostage by public education and teachers and their unions. We cannot afford it. No action taken.
12. Public Comment – Jim Carone, 93 Town Hill Rd. wanted to know the status of the trash pick up and why the town council meetings were not being taped. Mayor Krampitz explained that the RFP for the trash RFP has been extended until March 6 th while the Board of Finance gets their questions answered. Volunteers tape the meetings and need to be trained to do so. There is a student interested in doing this and we hope this will begin soon. Susan MacDonald, 42 South St wanted to know what was going on with the property by the water wheel. Mayor Krampitz replied that the town is exploring all options to pursue creating a park in that area. We are looking at the other two adjacent properties and we have a grant for the testing of the soil. We want to reestablish the ad-hoc water wheel committee and change it slightly so that we can be eligible for grants.
13. Executive Session for real estate negotiations. – MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville

moved to go into executive session for real estate negotiations at 6:24 p.m. and invite in Attorney Conlin, William Kuehn and Craig Stevenson. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. WENT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:12 p.m. BACK IN OPEN SESSION AT 8:13 p.m. Mayor Krampitz noted that Councilwoman Scoville had to leave before executive session was over so she is no longer present.

14. Take action from Executive Session if necessary. No action taken.
15. Adjournment. – MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted by: David M. Denis, Council Clerk