

Mayor Festa stated there are two general public announcements he would like to mention prior to calling the meeting to order. One is the upcoming Annual Chamber of Commerce dinner, read into record, on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 to contact Chamber members, Mayor's office, Lisa Aiudi or Nancy O'Donnell. Also the Annual Sweetheart Ball and Silent Auction is February 13<sup>th</sup> and general public is invited to attend and make arrangements in advance.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Plymouth Town Council was called to order on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Plymouth Town Hall Community Room by Mayor Vincent Festa, Jr. Members in attendance: Councilman Martin Sandshaw, Councilman David Sekorski, Councilman Tom Zagurski, Councilman John Wunsch and Mayor Festa. Also present, Robin Gudeczauskas, Clerk of the Council; Tony Lorenzetti, Public Works Director; Sal Vitrano, Town Attorney. Excused absence of Councilwoman DiAnna Schenkel.

2. Fire Exit Notification

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Acceptance of Minutes

a. Regular Town Council Meeting Dated December 1, 2009

**MOTION:** To accept the Minutes from December 1, 2009 by Councilman Wunsch, second Councilman Sandshaw. Discussion: Councilman Sekorski, just a couple typographical things. On page 2, Mayor's Report, a little ways down, Mr. Bertnagel was discussing options about if there was a shortage in the budget due to changes in the State budget. It just says "last year as part of the budget package as you were aware we had scenarios" and it says "as a trud" I believe it was like he said there was a third scenario. Mayor Festa, right, there was an a, b and c. Councilman Sekorski, right, an a, b and c, right just is that could read "scenarios a, b, and c" could be corrected. That didn't make all the sense. And then on the next page at the top of the page under item "d", it says "we have had commercial property owners come and ask us whether or not there were". See up there, Robin. It says "we have had commercial come and ask us". I believe it is "commercial property owners ask us if there were loans available". It could be either commercial loans or commercial property owners. And that was it. Thank you. Vote: unanimous.

**MOTION:** To amend the Agenda to include the Resolution for Municipal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant to be Item #12 and further that Item #12 becomes Item #13, Item #13 becomes Item #14, Item #14 becomes Item #15 and Item #15 becomes Item #16 by Councilman Zagurski; second Councilman Sekorski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

5. Council Rules and Procedures

6. Mayor's Report

a. Human Services Director position has been filled. Mrs. Abbey Eagon has started in the particular position. She is doing an excellent job and already has had several contacts with state agencies and local agencies; working with the general populous dealing with every individual from the youth of the community to the seniors as well. I am looking forward to having a very fulfilling and rewarding relationship with Mrs. Eagon here at the helm.

b. Budget preparation for FY 2010-2011 is underway. Mr. Bertnagel will be meeting with himself and the boards and commissions and department supervisors for the purpose of discussing our moves in the next couple of months. We are looking at a spending and hiring freeze to be activated due to the uncertainty of the state budget outcome.

c. Director of Finance/Mayor – meetings with the particular budgets will start tomorrow with the departments in town hall.

d. Auditor's report to be presented to Board of Finance at January meeting

e. Board of Finance recommendation is furloughs to be considered starting in the month of January and not waiting until April at such time the State may then decide to move to cut expenses and therefore cutting our appropriations. We will be discussing that move within the next several days with department heads and then with board and commissions.

f. Council of Small Towns (COST), Annual Meeting, January 20, 2010 – if anyone is interested in attending please let me know so that we can register you. This particular event fills up rather quickly. One of the important components to it is they do have State legislators there to meet and discuss the particular issues and more importantly, what is taking place at the state level regarding the budget and potential budget cuts. This is a major concern to all in attendance at this particular meeting. As of yesterday afternoon there was word that there was potential for looking at some major cuts from the State to the assistance that we have been receiving as municipalities. If that happens it has a dire impact on the issue of our town and where we go from that point forward.

g. Back Tax Collections efforts are moving forward and they have had some very good results with Linda and Ted working very closely together in terms of trying to bring these back taxes current. We are down to about 250 on the list as opposed to 300 on the back tax issue which is a great improvement. Concern for the current tax collection that are due in February is something that everyone is going to be holding their breath to see what happens relative to how those returns come in to play here.

h. We are posting for bid proposals for Main Street School again. As you may be aware we had no takers the last time the bid went out and now we have 4 individuals who are interested in looking at the prospects and bidding again.

i. Bonding proposal that we have talked about is ready to be moved forward. It will be moved to the Town Council via presentation to various Boards and Commissions for review and discussion and action; and to town meeting for additional purpose of explaining the particular bonding proposal.

j. Ad Hoc Committee on ATV's is going to be scheduling a meeting for their final draft of their legal review. There will be a special meeting with the Town Council after they have their meeting then a public hearing will take place on that for formal action and we will be scheduling that as soon as all these preliminaries are in place.

k. The appropriation for the sidewalk project at the high school has been approved by the Board of Finance and what's left now is to have a public hearing on it for the approval of the appropriation of the \$228,000.

l. There is an appointment of the Deputy Treasurer for the Town. Mr. Barbieri who is the Town Treasurer has requested Mrs. Jeannine Jandreau be appointed Deputy Treasurer and by virtue of the Charter is allowed to do so at the approval of the Mayor and I have given him my approval and consent. The Deputy Treasurer acts in the absence of the Town Treasurer to take care of town business when he is incapacitated to do his role and function of the Treasurer of the Town.

m. 2006 IRS tax returns/penalty update. We are waiting to hear back from the CPA on the issue and the latest we have gotten is that they are about \$4,000 short of the \$4 million and discussion with the tax advocate is the case that we are much more in a greater state than we were the previous month relative to trying to get this penalty reduced and/or removed. However, we are not out of the woods yet until such time as we present our final findings in terms of where we went wrong and how we rectified that situation.

n. In your packet is a copy of State mandates on municipalities enacted 2009. It is an informational piece I put in there to allow you to see the impact of what is enacted by the State legislature and the impact these mandates have on municipalities without the additional funding that comes forward with such mandates.

o. Blight Abatement Ordinance update – We are getting ready to present that ordinance in form to be published in the newspaper for the purpose of holding open discussion on that. Once this has gone to the proper level of commitment on our part through the legal proceedings we will then present an update as to what the final outcome is and whether or not this becomes an ordinance or we have to go back for further review and reconsideration.

## 7. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

a. Melanie Church, 328 Main Street, you know you keep talking about more appropriations and worried about where the state is going to cut. To me we've got to hold back on those things because if the state cuts it affects our taxes. To keep taking and adding more money especially when you are talking about furloughing people to me it is doing things in hindsight and then afterwards we are gonna suffer the consequences. To me this town needs to step back and stop, do all freeze spending. That means to come forward and do any other appropriations or anything else is again putting the cart before the horse. The reason I say that is people are having a hard enough time paying their taxes today. I am sure you are going to be looking for increase in taxes next time. If people are having a hard time today paying their taxes, what's going to happen in June, next June or July when taxes are due again. People are unemployed. Unemployment is up. Everything is going up and peoples pay have gone down. I for instance have worked for over \$20 an hour and I may be taking a job for \$12 an hour. That is what's happening out in the public sector, not in the private sector. Paid jobs that were \$25 an hour now are going into a two tiered system and lowering it down to 12. Do I need a job, yes. Will I take the job, yes. Any more of these \$20 an hour jobs are gone. So when you think of adding anything more to people's taxes you have to look at their pay. House values are going down because people cannot get mortgages for these big houses because

the pay is not there. Another thing I'd like to bring up is there was an article in today's Waterbury Republican on I believe it is called Phoenix. And I think the public has a right to know what exactly happened there and how long have you known about this toxic waste disposal that seeped into the ground or wherever it has been put. I was disappointed not to see that in your mayor's report right where a partial story is in the Waterbury Republican. Another point I'd like to bring up, I keep reading in the paper on this IRS thing. It was 2006 because I asked this question but those tax or your w2's do not go out until January, they have to be out by January 30<sup>th</sup> of 2007. I asked the comptroller how long it would take the IRS or to notify the town. It could take 6-7 months before they found it. And I also called IRS and I said do you just send out one notice. I was told no, there is a notice sent out every month. So I think before we point fingers at former comptroller, former mayors, we need to look at our own and know who received these notices. Because I am sure Vinny you didn't receive them and you didn't know about them in 2007. Maybe you didn't know about them in 2008 but you learned about them in 2009. Somebody had to have been receiving them and I am not looking to point a finger at David Bertnagel, nor am I looking to point a finger at you, nor am I looking to point a finger at Muffy Gomes nor Jan Krampitz. I think we have a problem here where mail is being received and not being directed correctly. I don't not know that for a fact. That is just an assumption. But being a mayor for two years and not knowing about it, may not be even your fault. And I think there needs to be accountability when you do get to the bottom of that of what really happened instead of pointing fingers at any official. Some people want to blame you and some people want to blame Jan. I just think it is wrong until we get to the bottom of this. Thank you. Mayor Festa stated in regards to the comment about the appropriation of \$228,000 that is something that was already in the budget and not something we are looking to appropriate through a special tax revenue, etc. It's been here through an energy conservation program. It came about through the implementations of what took place at the new high school in that particular program. The issue at hand relative to pointing fingers, no one is pointing fingers at anyone. As I explained to you personally until such time as we know exactly what happened no one is to blame for anything. We can't put something forward until we know exactly what has taken place. And anything that you've known, that you have asked about, you have been told. You have been kept informed of; so that you know no one is pointing fingers at anyone at this point in time. And the IRS has submitted documentation to which we knew nothing about until such time as the last one surfaced and came about. So we are investigating that as well and until such time as we have a clear understanding of our investigation, no one is to be put on the firing block, no one is to be put to the shackles and no one is to be pointed fingers at and blamed the blame until such time as it is accurate. So rest assured those will all take place. Anyone else for public comment. Mrs. Church asked if the Mayor could explain about Phoenix. Mayor Festa stated Phoenix is something that has been discussed quite a while back. It is not a new story but an old story. This just broke because the reporter was diligent in her work in trying to get from the state department exactly what the state department was doing about it. The same thing with the corrugated company that was dumping barrels as well. Phoenix is something that was discussed quite a while back relative to the issue. It was brought up through a WPCA meeting relative to them receiving compensation for the damage and the amount of work that had to be done with money that they had to pay out to take care

of the chemical actions and reactions. You are welcome. Any other public comment on non agenda items? Seeing none we will move on to the next level.

8. Appointment and Resignations

- a. To accept the appointment of Joy Stregowski to the Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission to fill vacancy; term to expire 9/1/2010

**MOTION:** To accept the appointment of Joy Stregowski to the Conservation/Inland Wetland Commission to fill vacancy; term to expire 9/1/2010 Councilman Sekorski; second Councilman Sandshaw. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

- b. To accept the appointment of Daniel Wollenberg to the Board of Fire Commissioners to fill vacancy; term to expire 11/4/2010

**MOTION:** To accept the appointment of Daniel Wollenberg to the Board of Fire Commissioners to fill vacancy; term to expire 11/4/2010 by Councilman Wunsch; second Councilman Sekorski. Discussion: None. Vote: unanimous.

- c. To accept the appointment of David Merchant to the Board of Fire Commissioners to fill vacancy; term to expire 11/4/2012

**MOTION:** To accept the appointment of David Merchant to the Board of Fire Commissioners to fill vacancy; term to expire 11/4/2012 by Councilman Wunsch; second Councilman Sandshaw. Discussion: none. Vote unanimous.

- d. To accept the appointment of Janice Shurack as a regular member of the Plymouth Economic Development Commission to fill vacancy; term to expire 11/24/2012

**MOTION:** To accept the appointment of Janice Shurack as a regular member of the Plymouth Economic Development Commission to fill vacancy; term to expire 11/24/2012 by Councilman Sandshaw; second Councilman Zagurski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

- e. To accept the appointment of Michael Ganem as a regular member of the Plymouth Economic Development Commission to fill vacancy; term to expire 3/2/2014

**MOTION:** To accept the appointment of Michael Ganem as a regular member of the Plymouth Economic Development Commission to fill vacancy; term to expire 3/2/2014 by Councilman Wunsch; second Councilman Sekorski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

- f. To appoint John Huria to the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill vacancy; Term to Expire 2/19/2010

**MOTION:** To appoint John Huria to the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill vacancy; Term to Expire 2/19/2010 by Councilman Sandshaw; second Councilman Zagurski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

- g. To reappoint James Deutsch to the Water Pollution Control Authority as a Regular Member; Term to expire 1/21/2013

**MOTION:** To reappoint James Deutsch to the Water Pollution Control Authority as a Regular Member; Term to expire 1/21/2013 by Councilman Zagurski; second Councilman Sekorski. Discussion: none. Vote: Unanimous.

- h. To reappoint Mark Galvin to the Water Pollution Control Authority as an Alternate Member; term to expire 1/21/2013

**MOTION:** To reappoint Mark Galvin to the Water Pollution Control Authority as an Alternate Member; term to expire 1/21/2013 by Councilman Sandshaw; second Councilman Zagurski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

9. To Refund The Following Property Taxes: David B. Smith, \$34.76; Three Leaf LLC, \$53.70; VW Credit Leasing Ltd., \$229.88

**MOTION:** To refund property taxes to David B. Smith, \$34.76; Three Leaf LLC, \$53.70; VW Credit Leasing Ltd., \$229.88 By Councilman Wunsch; second Councilman Zagurski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

10. To Set a Date For Public Hearing To Act upon Request For Special Appropriation of \$228,000 for high school sidewalk project –

**MOTION:** To discuss this item for a date by Councilman Wunsch; second Councilman Sandshaw and the vote unanimous. Discussion: Councilman Sekorski asked the Mayor if he had a suggestion for a potential date. Mayor Festa responded the Council usually meets on Tuesday and would that be a good night for everyone to hold a public hearing. Councilman Zagurski and Councilman Sandshaw stated Monday nights are better. Attorney Vitrano stated he had a question for the Mayor and wondering if the term public hearing and does the agenda really intend to set a town meeting. Mayor Festa stated he apologized and it should be a town meeting. Thank you. Date of January 18<sup>th</sup> discussed noting it is a holiday and will look at the following Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION:** To set a town meeting to act upon a request for a special appropriation of \$228,000 for the high school sidewalk project to be held here in the Community Room of the Town Hall, 7 pm on January 25 by Councilman Sekorski; second Councilman Zagurski. Discussion: none. Vote: unanimous.

11. To Discuss Liaison Role/Responsibility for coverage for day meetings/new requests –

Mayor Festa stated he has had a request from the Early Childhood Development Council who is requesting that they have a liaison assigned to their particular meetings. They meet during the days and I know it is very difficult. We also have a lack of coverage for some particular months for the Plymouth Housing Authority. So the question I raise this evening is that we need to consider at some point in time the role and function that you people play as liaison relative to boards and commissions and whether or not you see an alternate to some of these issues that are coming forward. I for one have no problem sitting in on the Early Childhood Development Council since I am a member of that particular agency on behalf of bringing reports back to you and do have a designee which is Hildegard Siemiatkoski. But if that is the case to take care of the daytime meeting I would gladly do that. However I cannot sit with the Housing Authority so we will have to take some consideration at some point in time of how we perceive the role and

functions as liaison to the boards and commissions. And knowing how there is a number of you that sit on maybe three to four different committees it sometimes becomes very difficult in terms of your work schedule etc. to be away three and four nights out of a month relative to meetings with boards and commissions. So with that I am leaving this open on this item to ask you to go back and take a review of your status as liaison to boards and commissions and then at our next Council meeting to bring this off the table for the purpose of making a decision one way or another.

**MOTION:** To table by Councilman Sandshaw; second Councilman Zagurski and the vote unanimous.

#### 12. Resolution for Municipal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant

**MOTION:** To read, in the form of a Motion, this RESOLUTION: Whereas, there is federal monies available from the Connecticut allocation of funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant; and Whereas, these monies are available through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management Municipal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants; Be It Resolved that Vincent Festa, Jr., as Mayor of the Town of Plymouth, is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of the Town of Plymouth, any and all applications, contracts and amendments and to execute and approve on behalf of this municipality other instruments a part of or incident to such contracts and amendments, effective until otherwise ordered by the Town Council. Approved by the Plymouth Town Council on January 5, 2010 by Councilman Sekorski; second Councilman Sandshaw.

Discussion: Mayor Festa asked Tony Lorenzetti, Public Works Director, to come forward for clarification. Tony Lorenzetti stated this covers what money is available; Plymouth has \$59,779 and the plan was to do environmental on it and based on the audit make up some grades. It is straight forward but with this program also need to verify savings you have. Councilman Sekorski asked how fast do you get the money. Tony Lorenzetti stated it comes down to as you do the project you get reimbursed. The money is set aside specifically for the town and they actually, as soon as we get the paperwork through they reimburse. Councilman Sekorski, so it is a spend and reimburse situation. Tony Lorenzetti, actually it is not as the way it is set up is they want us to do in two phases; so the first phase which is estimated at about \$7,000 will probably be coming to the town and beyond that we get money allocated. Councilman Sandshaw, is this part of the shovel ready projects we had identified early last year. Tony Lorenzetti stated this is just for another part of the program. This basically is an earmarked allocation and each community given money. Vote: Councilman Zagurski, yes; Councilman Sekorski, yes; Councilman Wunsch, yes, Councilman Sandshaw, yes. Mayor Festa stated the record shows 4-0 vote for approval on Resolution.

#### 13. Liaison Reports

a. Councilman Zagurski – Board of Ed cancelled due to weather; Planning & Zoning had a light agenda and Animal Rescue Foundation had trouble with demolition permit and resolved by now; Library Board, volume is up and more people using probably because of economy and resources that the Library can provide. The power was shut off to the back house and the garage is used for Friends of the Library and they use it for used book sales and would like power turned on to organize and have their sales. Mayor Festa

stated the power was on as far as he is concerned and the last time they were there they left the outside light on. Tony Lorenzetti stated they checked and it was on when checked. There is a switch inside the main building that goes to the garage and the breaker was on. The Library sent out bid proposals for fire code upgrades and waiting for return.

b. Councilman Sekorski – unable to attend WPCA due to a previous commitment and the upcoming meeting he has is the Capital Improvements which has meeting scheduled for next week Tuesday and wants to confirm that. Mayor Festa, yes.

c. Councilman Wunsch – Park and Rec had a special meeting to discuss a beaver problem at Lake Winfield and were going to get trappers from the state to alleviate that problem. The Fire Commission, before Thursday nights meeting they will have a get-together to review the knock box ordinance. There is some internal discussion to take further. There is talk that the radios/pagers that they have are 6-7 years old and some are starting to break down and cost of repairs are starting to outweigh the cost of new radios. January thru March all their training will be on recertification, no new training, giving example on h1n1 they all needed special masks and it will take 2-3 nights to go through all the guys to make sure all the masks fit right. The first three months of the year do recertification. Discussion that the commission was going to send a letter, question on computerated dispatching system and money that was allocated for it. Fire Marshal, they recently found out that they are responsible to make sure fire lane painting and parking signs are maintained and have been sending out letters for that. School Building Committee, discussion about the lights and have been replaced. They were wondering that the bid for track is it still being held, Mayor Festa, yes. There were problems with the chairs in the cafeteria and samples delivered on 12/15 for review to see if they will work any better and they will be replaced at no charge to the town. There is a boiler pump at Eli Terry they are having trouble with and reviewing. Spent about 3 hours today with Mr. Lorenzetti and Mr. Schultz for public works to get brought up to speed on where they were and had tour of Fall Mountain.

d. Councilman Sandshaw – Attended two Inland Wetland commission meetings. There is limited applications now and commission is looking at their fees for the upcoming year and reviewing regulations. Economic Development Commission, people that have interest in our industrial park are working with consultant, Craig Stevenson, and one person in particular Mr. Pelletier from CT Truck Builders, located at 72 and Bemis Street right now and also on Todd Hollow Road and Rt 6. He has been working with Craig to see what he can do to get help in expanding his business. There is a company Zenith Environmental looking at land in the Industrial Park and actually looking at putting in a solar panel operation to provide power to a portion of the industrial park which would be interesting and we would be the only industrial park in the State of CT who has some power provided by solar; and with the problems we have had with power in the industrial park this would be an advantage. He is working with those along with Genovese Manufacturing who is starting to look again at his business to relocate to our park. Genovese manufactures Swiss screw machine products and now the economy is turning around and he is looking again. Craig reports we are having a good number of hits on land available and any time there is a vacant building we can fill it within about 4-5 months. Did not attend ZBA due to a previous engagement. Housing Authority, was not able to attend due to a work conflict and sent the Mayor an email on that and would be

willing to attend if they can change to a Tues/Wed or Thursday but there are 4-5 months during the year he cannot attend way it is now.

#### 14. Public Comments

#### 15. Council Comments

- a. Councilman Wunsch – (a) asked the Mayor to elaborate about the email Mr. Golnik sent relative to the flag. Mayor Festa stated Keith was in to see him today relative to the concern that the Governor on Thursday last week requested that flags be flown at half mast. We were closed on Wednesday afternoon for the holiday weekend and did not get that particular notice. Our normal operations, we do have it flagged via the secretary's computer which is earmarked for any of those kinds of things as well as Wayne, the custodian/maintenance supervisor who handles the flag raising and lowering. Keith took it upon himself to go throughout town and he noted today, this afternoon that he not only lowered the flag here at town hall but at America Legion, fire houses, town green, BOE, and noticed there was no flag at all at the ambulance corps. He requested this afternoon that something be done relative to making notification to all these different boards and commissions and my response to him is until such time as we know exactly what the procedure is, we will have to come to that conclusion after we find out who is in charge of the different boards, different departments, different buildings, etc before we go out and make hasty decisions as to whether or not somebody was lax in proper protocol. This afternoon he did come in and did present a flag to us on behalf of the fallen soldier who he seemed to have some knowledge of relative to Keith's service in the military and being in a unit that was a back up unit to the unit this gentlemen served under and served in. So he did dedicate a flag in his honor. We will have a flag raising ceremony relative to. That issue has been resolved. (b) Last month Keith brought up about some type of group to look at the memorial park for Desert Storm and I think it is a fine idea and do not know the town needs to authorize the American Legion or Keith or any other group to get together and come up with a plan but is there a procedure that we need to follow on our part. Mayor Festa, there is not necessarily a procedure we need to follow. The important component would be that if there is anything that is being looked at relative to placing some kind of monument on public property than we need to address that issue and like that relative to codes, violations, that may occur during that process, planning and zoning issues, etc. Other than the fact that Keith is more that willing to take on this responsibility and set up an organizational meeting for various agencies throughout town including the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, etc. He has our blessings to do that. There has been discussion in the past on the part of some veterans group that would like to sell bricks for the sidewalk along the monument on the town side of the park down on Main Street for the purpose of allowing families to memorialize either the members of the family who have served and/or who have lost their lives in serving this country and the proceeds would go to help establish this monument that he has been talking about. So there is an opportunity for someone to move forward and if Keith wants to spearhead that by all means.
- b. Councilman Sandshaw – thank all the people who volunteer to serve on the various boards and commissions for the upcoming terms. We have a hard time getting people and thank you for stepping up to take time to serve. I would like to be excused from the

next meeting as I will be out of state and question if that needs to be in writing. Mayor Festa, thank you for your protocol, but you do not need to do so.

c. Mayor Festa, the only thing I would like to address, under Council comment, is to address the issue of the outpouring of community support and spirit from Thanksgiving right through Christmas. The agencies are too numerous to mention. Civic groups, churches, students, citizens have had such an outpouring and serviced people above and beyond with toys, with monetary donations to provide food, gift cards, clothing anything imaginable including some people giving gifts not only for children but parents as well. Fuel assistance - the number of people coming in looking for fuel assistance since the start of the holiday season has been enormous. Influx of new people looking for assistance and if talk to people at the Congregational Church in Terryville, they have had such outpouring for clothing that clothing ministry numbers of those looking for clothing has increased; the food pantry will tell you as well and each week run out of food. Trish in my office has been handling, by virtue of Charter to handle human services, and outpouring unbelievable and cannot tell scope and spirit in giving of this community. Recently reading a article in Connecticut Magazine comparing towns and Plymouth included in one list of surveys and 23 towns of our similar size and we were tied with Winchester; first on list, Old Saybrook, Easton, Weston, Granby, Somers, and when we had a discussion was one issue if you put a shoreline in our neighborhood or aquarium in our town, we could be one of those as well. One endeavor was to get letter off to CT Magazine and have in draft form to indicate we may not be everything these other communities have in terms of wealth but we have something not lacking which is spirit in this community and God bless all of them.

#### 16. Adjournment

**MOTION:** To adjourn by Councilman Sekorski second Councilman Sandshaw and the vote unanimous.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Gudczauskas  
Clerk of the Council