#### Minutes

## January 7, 2020

**Call to Order:** Mayor David Merchant called the scheduled January 7, 2020, Plymouth Town Council Regular meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., in the Community Room, Plymouth Town Hall.

**Roll Call:** Present were Town Councilman Daniel Gentile, Town Councilman Joe Green, Mayor David V. Merchant, Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, Town Councilman John Pajeski and Town Councilman Tom Zagurski. Also in attendance was Town Attorney William Hamzy.

### Adoption of the Agenda

Town Councilman Joe Green made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to add the following to the January 7, 2020 Agenda: to accept the resignation of Kerry Bamrick from the Parks and Recreation Commission; to appoint Maureen Cappetta to the Parks and Recreation Commission. This motion was approved unanimously.

#### **Fire Exit Notification**

Mayor David Merchant noted the Fire Exits for the record.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Merchant led the Plymouth Town Council and the Public Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Invocation

Mayor David Merchant stated, "God Bless the United States of America and the Town of Plymouth" and noted prayers for safety for all of our troops around the world for the record.

#### Acceptance of Minutes (November 18, 2019)

Town Councilman Joe Green a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to accept the November 18, 2019, Plymouth Town Council minutes as presented. This motion was approved unanimously.

#### Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

No report.

#### **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

No report.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor David Merchant briefly commented, reviewed and updated the following items: The archeological dig on Lot 17 in the Business Park; Historical Survey update; Town Hall renovations/Registrars; Budget Process; Audit; LCD; and SBK closing on Lot in Business Park.

## **Finance Director's Report**

Mayor David Merchant noted the Director of Finance was not in attendance this evening and if anyone had questions on her Monthly Report to please contact him or email the Director.

Discuss and take action, as may be necessary, to refund overpayment of Property Taxes to the following: Vault Trust \$319.35; Cab East LLC \$139.04, \$226.10, \$678.31, \$431.49, \$147.56, \$352.10; Hyundai Leasing Titling \$32.71; James Lajewski \$17.34; Spencer Pelletier \$281.57; Bryon Dougherty \$68.42; Earl Thomas \$19.13

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Appointments/Reappointments/Resignations: To reappoint Joseph Carey, Sr., as a Regular Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022; to reappoint Richard Lyga as a Regular Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to reappoint Steve Luba as an Alternate Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022; to reappoint George Castle as an Alternate Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022; to reappoint George Castle as an Alternate Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022; to reappoint Michael Maffia to the Conservation Inland-Wetlands Commission with a term ending date of 9/1/2022; to reappoint Joseph Longo to the Conservation Inland-Wetlands Commission with a term ending date of 9/1/2022; to reappoint Karen Saccu as a Regular Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 10/1/2022; to appoint Virginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to reappoint with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to reappoint Wirginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to reappoint Wirginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to reappoint Wirginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to reappoint Wirginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 11/1/2022; to appoint Virginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 11/1/2022

Town Councilman Dan Gentile made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Tom Zagurski, to reappoint Joseph Carey, Sr., as a Regular Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Tom Zagurski, to reappoint Richard Lyga as a Regular Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/1/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Joe Green, to reappoint Steve Luba as an Alternate Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Joe Green a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to reappoint George Castle as an Alternate Member to the Public Works Board with a term ending date of 11/01/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to reappoint Michael Maffia to the Conservation Inland-Wetlands Commission with a term ending date of 9/1/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Tom Zagurski, to reappoint Joseph Longo to the Conservation Inland-Wetlands Commission with a term ending date of 9/1/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Joe Green made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to reappoint Karen Saccu as a Regular Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 10/1/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Joe Green made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to appoint Virginia Ulinskas as an Alternate Member to the Human Services Commission with a term ending date of 1/1/2022. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Joe Green, to accept the resignation of Kerry Bamrick from the Parks and Recreation Commission. This motion was approved unanimously.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Joe Green, to appoint Maureen Cappetta to the Parks and Recreation Commission with a term ending on November 1, 2021. This motion was approved unanimously.

# To discuss and take action on the amendment to Chapter 15, Article V., Volunteer Firefighter and Ambulance Personnel Tax Abatement Ordinance

Town Attorney Bill Hamzy stated the original Ordinance was drafted in 1999, noting some of the language pertained to the first year it was valid. He further stated since we are now changing making a change to the amount of the abatement, he thought we would clean it up and make it more relative and briefly elaborated.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile stated he wanted to thank all of the volunteers, noting this was a minimal amount of money for what they do and that he was glad the Council could do it. He further stated these volunteers are second to none, noting they deserve much more.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile made a motion, seconded by Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski, to approve the amendment to Chapter 15, Article V., Volunteer Firefighter and Ambulance Personnel Tax Abatement Ordinance as presented. This motion was approved unanimously.

#### **Town Council Liaison Reports**

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilman John Pajeski stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski stated she had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilman Joe Green stated he had nothing to report on at this time.

Town Councilman Dan Gentile stated the WPCA had transferred monies to the Town. Town Councilman Dan Gentile stated the Board of Education had begun working on their budget.

Town Councilman Joe Green stated he had nothing to report at this time.

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski stated she had nothing to report at this time.

Town Councilman John Pajeski stated he had nothing to report at this time.

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski stated he had nothing to report at this time.

# **Town Council Comments**

Town Councilman Dan Gentile wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Town Councilman Joe Green stated he had no Town Council comments at this time.

Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski stated she had no Town Council comments at this time

Town Councilman John Pajeski stated he had no Town Council comments at this time.

Town Councilman Tom Zagurski stated he had no Town Council comments at this time.

# Adjournment

There being no further business of the Plymouth Town Council, Town Councilwoman Sue Murawski made a motion, seconded by Town Councilman Joe Green to adjourn at 6:58 p.m. This motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Hale Recording Secretary