

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

### Minutes of the Meeting

May 2, 2016

1. Vice-President LeBlanc called the meeting to Order at 8:05pm.
2. Vice-President LeBlanc requested that a roll call be taken to record the attendance for the meeting. The Clerk called the roll – all Councillors were present.
3. Councillor McMenimen rose to speak about the passing of long time Waltham teacher, Joan Sheridan. Councillor McMenimen spoke fondly of Ms. Sheridan's accomplishments and her involvement in the community. Councillor McMenimen requested a moment of silence be held in honor of Joan Sheridan.
4. President Marchese moved to accept the minutes of the COW meeting held on April 4, 2016. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes were approved.
5. President Marchese moved to accept the minutes of the COW meeting held on April 21, 2016. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes were approved.
6. A resolution concerning the filling of vacancies in the Clerk's Office was submitted by President Marchese, Vice-President LeBlanc, Councillor Logan and Councillor Vizard. President Marchese moved to waive the reading of the resolution. On a roll call vote of 8 in favor (Brasco, Fowler, Giordano, Marchese, McLaughlin, O'Brien and Vidal), 6 opposed (Darcy, Logan, McMenimen, Romard, Rourke and Vizard) and LeBlanc presiding, the motion was adopted. President Marchese spoke briefly about the resolution and moved to table the matter. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
7. Councillor Fowler moved to take the matter of the homeless shelter (1/11/2016) from the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Fowler had requested the Mayor appear at the COW to discuss the plans for the homeless shelter for next winter. It was learned the Mayor was not in her office this evening. Councillor Fowler moved to table the matter until such time the Mayor

7. Open session was reconvened at 9:40pm.
8. President Marchese moved to place the matter of the 380 Lexington Street property back on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
9. Councillor Fowler moved to take the matter of the homeless shelter (1/11/2016) from the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Fowler moved to request the Mayor attend the next meeting of the COW, 5/2/2016, to discuss plans for the overflow homeless shelter for next winter. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Fowler moved to place the matter of the homeless shelter back on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
10. Councillor Logan moved to take the matter of the Moody Street dock (4/13/2015) from the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Logan expressed his concern and dissatisfaction with the State Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) on their lack of response to attend a COW meeting to discuss the matter despite the multiple attempts by the City to contact them. Councillor Logan moved to place the matter of the Moody Street dock back on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
11. Vice President LeBlanc made two announcements – Waltham Overcoming Addiction forum on 4/20 and a Happy Birthday wish to her mother, Ellie LeBlanc, on turning 90 years of age.
12. A motion by President Marchese to adjourn was adopted on a voice vote, and the Chair declared the Committee adjourned at 9:45pm.

Paul G. Centofanti – Clerk to the Committee of the Whole