TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - November 15, 2021

State of Rhode Island

County of Washington

In Hopkinton on the fifteenth day of November 2021 A.D. the said meeting was called to order by Town Council President Stephen Moffitt, Jr. at 6:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 1

Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833.

PRESENT: Stephen Moffitt, Jr., Sharon Davis, Robert Marvel; Scott Bill Hirst, Michael

Geary; Town Clerk Elizabeth Cook-Martin. Town Solicitor Stephen Sypole and

Town Manager Brian Rosso were in attendance at 7:00 PM.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY

COUNCILOR MARVEL TO CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS

TO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER: RIGL SEC. 42-46-5(A)(1) INTERVIEWS:

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: POLICE COMMISSION & CHARTER

COMMISSION.

POLL VOTE:

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY

COUNCILOR DAVIS TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

Council President Moffitt reported no votes were taken in Executive Session.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY

COUNCILOR MARVEL TO SEAL THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE

SESSION.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

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The meeting was called to order with a moment of silent meditation and a salute

to the Flag.

**BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW: ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW** 

ALTERNATE – Frank Landolfi

Council President Moffitt noted that Mr. Landolfi had wished to have his

interview in open session. He asked Mr. Landolfi to give a brief description of

himself. Mr. Landolfi stated that he had served ten years on the Town Council

and a few years on the Planning Board. He wished to give back to the town and

thought that the Zoning Board would be interesting; noting that there is not a lot

of gray area with zoning for they followed the regulations.

Councilor Hirst thanked Mr. Landolfi for holding his interview in public and

Councilor Geary thanked Mr. Landolfi for wishing to help the community, noting

his prior experience would be very helpful.

There were no questions from the Council.

Mr. Landolfi thereafter advised that he had seen a letter which was not very

flattering to him, that had been sent from Carol Desrosiers to, he assumed most of

the Council. He was not sure who leaked the letter and felt that this was very

unprofessional, noting that only the Council and the Clerk's Office should have

known that he was applying for this position. Mr. Landolfi thereafter withdrew

his application suggesting that he would donate his time when a new Council was

elected.

**HEARINGS** 

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY

COUNCILOR GEARY TO SIT AS A LICENSING BOARD.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS

The Council opened a hearing on the renewal of the following Liquor License:

**Class B-LIMITED:** 

Main Street Pizza, Christopher Hoinsky, President, CHS, LLC, 229 Main Street,

Ashaway, RI 02804. The applicant was present.

All fees paid and notices posted.

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No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to this liquor license renewal.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY
COUNCILOR GEARY TO GRANT RENEWAL OF THIS LICENSE SUBJECT
TO ALL STATE AND TOWN REGULATIONS BEING MET AND ALL

TOWN TAXES CURRENT PRIOR TO ISSUE.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

A MOTION TO WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR MARVEL TO ADJOURN AS LICENSING BOARD AND RECONVENE AS COUNCIL.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

**CONSENT AGENDA** 

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR DAVIS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR HIRST TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA AS FOLLOWS:

Approve Town Council Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2021; Accept the following monthly financial/activity report: Town Clerk.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

**OLD BUSINESS** 

DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

This matter was scheduled to discuss Councilor Hirst's meeting with the Public Utilities Commission regarding recurring power outages, future contact and how the Town should proceed.

Councilor Hirst advised that last week he met with three individuals at the Public Utilities Commission and thereafter was contacted by Paul Stasiak of National

Grid. Today he had met with three individuals from National Grid, one being Mr. Stasiak, as well as Joe Shilling from the Public Utilities Commission and Dave Caswell, Public Works Director. Councilor Hirst noted that they discussed putting in three new fuses which will reduce power outages and they suggested that this area was in the cycle to have more tree cutting next year. He believed the meeting was very helpful and suggested they also look at the powers of the Tree Warden, noting that the Tree Warden had the power to make a landowner cut down a tree on private property if it is considered dangerous. He felt with the new fuses and the tree and brush cutting, there should be some improvement. Dave Caswell, Director of Public Works stated that he also attended this meeting and noted that they have a four-year cycle trim for tree cutting which they are currently in the process of doing. This past year they cut the Skunk Hill area and next year they will be doing the Diamond Hill area. The town has put money aside for tree removal and they have completed Phase I of approximately 100 trees. Mr. Caswell suggested that when he and the Town Manager have time, they will start putting together a plan for Phase II with the remaining money. Mr. Caswell indicated that Mr. Shilling from the PUC told him that he was tasked by the Governor to look into these incidents of power outages. Mr. Caswell also noted that National Grid does not own any trees but is spending a lot of money on tree removal; they have gone above and beyond assisting the town in removing targeted trees which will affect the town's right-of-ways, but also National Grid's appliances. Councilor Davis asked Mr. Caswell how many trees would be taken down in Phase II and he responded that this was undetermined at this time and would depend on how far they could stretch the money, noting that it cost approximately \$1,000 to remove a tree. Mr. Caswell noted that they were warned that in two years it was going to get worse for in recent years there have been droughts, gypsy moth damage and damage from Emerald Ash Borer beetles. Mr. Caswell noted there was also discussion concerning the town's right-of-ways which will need to be addressed. Most of the town's roads started as cart paths and expanded over time and there will need to be a determination on what the town's responsibility is and what is private property. Mr. Caswell noted that in most of the newer subdivisions this is addressed and there is a way to measure

what the town is responsible to maintain. Council President Moffitt asked if Mr. Shilling mentioned anything about Pennsylvania Power purchasing National Grid and Mr. Caswell indicated yes, Pennsylvania Power & Light now owns National Grid; they have not come up with a name for the company yet but it will not remain as National Grid. Council President Moffitt asked if there was any concern that any agreements will be different and Mr. Caswell suggested that this was undetermined at this time. Councilor Hirst thanked Mr. Stasiak for reaching out to him after his meeting with the PUC, noting that Mr. Stasiak had indicated that the State DOT was very cooperative regarding the main roads where most circuits were located. He suggested that all persons experiencing a power outages should report it to National Grid as soon as possible. Councilor Geary thanked Mr. Caswell for his assistance in this regard.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# CRANDALL FIELD BID AWARD

This matter was scheduled to discuss, consider and possibly vote to award the bid for the Crandall Field Playground Equipment to Yard Works, Inc.

Town Planner, James Lamphere, explained that they had advertised the RFP in the Providence Sunday Journal and he had sent out several emails to equipment companies requesting them to bid; however, they only received one bid from Playcore Wisconsin Inc. d/b/a Gametime c/o MRC, Inc. in the amount of \$238,965.56 which includes playground equipment and installation. Council President Moffitt asked if this amount was what they had anticipated. Town Manager Rosso indicated it was what they anticipated and this was the company that they originally received a quote from when they put this into the CIP. Mr. Rosso believed the reason for only receiving one bid was because the specifications for the playground were very specific. Council President Moffitt asked if there was a timeframe to have this project completed and Mr. Rosso indicated that the landscapers and engineers needed to first complete their portion of the project. Mr. Lamphere indicated that he had received an email from Yard Works who suggested that they were waiting for the material to come. When that comes in it has to be reviewed and approved by Crossman Engineering.

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Councilor Geary wished to assure that the playground was ADA compliant and

Mr. Lamphere indicated that it was.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR DAVIS AND SECONDED BY

COUNCILOR HIRST TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE CRANDALL FIELD

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT TO PLAYCORE WISCONSIN INC D/B/A

GAMETIME C/O MRC, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$238,965.56.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel, Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

This matter had been scheduled to discuss, consider and possibly vote to appoint a

Municipal Court Judge for the term of November 2021 to November 2023.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY

COUNCILOR GEARY TO REAPPOINT MARGARET STEELE AS THE

MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE. Discussion on the motion:

Councilor Hirst wished to thank Marc Page for his interest in the position. He

noted that Judge Steele lives in North Stonington, Connecticut and there had been

a concern of whether or not a Municipal Court Judge in Rhode Island could live

out of state. It was the legal opinion of Solicitor Sypole that this was not an issue.

Discussion ended.

IN FAVOR: Moffitt, Davis, Hirst, Geary, Marvel

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

DISCUSSION RE SENDING A LETTER TO THE CHARIHO SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Councilor Geary had requested a discussion and consideration of whether a letter

should be sent to the Chariho School Committee regarding their policy

prohibiting teachers, staff and non-parents from filing complaints.

Councilor Geary noted that the School Committee passed a policy on October 26,

2021 barring non-parents from commenting, remarking or inquiring about what

goes on at the school. He was concerned because this was voted on without any of Hopkinton's representatives being present at that School Committee meeting. Councilor Geary noted that 76 cents of every dollar in taxes goes to school resources. When asked, the School Committee reported that this decision came down from their legal team. The role of the attorney is to advise a public body, not run the public body. How can they say we have representative government when the public is not allowed to speak with the representatives of the School Committee. He wished to get a consensus from the rest of the Councilors on sending a letter to the School Committee.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY
COUNCILOR GEARY THAT THE HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL SEND A
LETTER TO THE CHARIHO SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGARDING THEIR
POLICY PROHIBITING TEACHERS, STAFF AND NON-PARENTS FROM
FILING COMPLAINTS REGARDING CONTENT IN LIBRARIES AND
OTHER POLICIES CONCERNING THE CHARIHO SCHOOL DISTRICT.
Discussion on motion:

Councilor Davis read the following statement: "On October 26, 2021 the Chariho School Committee approved changes to the Library Media Center Policy. Rather than "any resident or employee of" the Chariho Regional School District, only "the parent/guardian of any student or a student over the age of eighteen enrolled in the Chariho Regional School District" may address concerns with regard to materials used or not used in the district's educational program. Although several Chariho district residents may object to this change in the Library Media Center Policy, I think it makes perfect sense that the parents of students and students currently enrolled at Chariho have the most legitimate concerns over the appropriateness of library materials. If anyone else has a strong opinion regarding library materials, that person can find a parent to relay these opinions to the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Principal or Library Media Specialist. Per the Library Media Center Policy, the goals and objectives of the school library media centers should adhere to and reflect the policies in the Library Bill of

Rights, the School Library Bill of Rights, and the Freedom to Read Statement listed below:

"Libraries should provide books and other materials presenting all points of view concerning the problems and issues of our time: no library materials should be proscribed or removed from libraries because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval."

I agree with this statement and would like to see more rather than less library materials available to the Chariho students. I do not think the Media Policy should be a political issue and I support the Chariho School Committee's changes. Therefore, I am not in favor of having our Town Council send a condemning letter to the Chariho Superintendent or Chariho School Committee."

Council President Moffitt read a section from the Library Media Center Policy entitled:

### Objections to/Requesting and Reconsideration of Library Materials:

"The parent/guardian of any student over the age of eighteen enrolled in the Chariho Regional School District may address concerns with regard to materials used or not used in the district's educational program. Materials will remain in use until a final disposition as to the appropriateness and/or affordability has been made. Upon receiving a concern, the following will be done:"

He noted that there were many steps in this process and if someone was very concerned about it there were many options available for them to get their point across. The town's school committee members were their voices.

- "1. The school official or library media specialist initially receiving the concern will treat that concern in a courteous manner. The concerned party will be referred to the building principal.
- 2. The principal will request that the concerned party meeting informally with the library media specialist. At this time, the school's selection policy should be reviewed with the complainant. If the complainant still finds the offending material unacceptable, alternate reading materials or assignments will be found for the student.
- 3. If the matter cannot be resolved informally, the concerned party should complete the Request of Reconsideration of Library Materials form. This form should be signed and returned to the library media specialist involved, the building principal and the Assistant Superintendent.
- 4. Upon receipt of the completed form, the Assistant Superintendent will call a meeting of the Library Media Specialists, members of the Library Media Curriculum Committee as well as selected content leaders, lead teachers, department chairs, two parents and one student (at the secondary level) within thirty (30) days to review the specific concern and material. The concerned party, the principal and designee(s) from the committee will be notified and invited to attend this meeting and present their findings at this meeting. The committee will select a representative, who will present the recommendations of the committee, in writing, to the Assistant Superintendent within two weeks. If it is possible to locate the reviews of the materials in question, they will also be presented to the committee.

- a. The selected representative of the committee shall be appointed as long as there is no conflict of interest with the material under review, as credibility is of paramount importance.
- b. The recommendation will be made based on the review of the submitted form and information presented by the concerned party and the principal and/or designee. The recommendation will include a determination to 1) retain the book/material(s); 2) withdraw the book(s)/material(s); 3) limit the educational use of the book(s)/material(s). The recommendation will also include the reasoning behind the determination.
- 5. A written decision will be sent to the building principal and the concerned party of the committee's decision within ten (10) school days.
- 6. The Assistant Superintendent will, at the same time, notify the Superintendent of the complaint and the attempts to resolve the problem.
- 7. If the concerned party is not in agreement with the committee's decision, an appeal can be made to the Superintendent at level two of the district's Appeal Policy. If the concerned party is not in agreement with the superintendent's decision, an appeal can be made to the Chariho School Committee within thirty (30) days at level two of the district's Appeal Policy.
- 8. Any decision to remove a book from the shelf shall be reported to the school committee prior to its removal."

Council President Moffitt did not believe a non-parent should be able to come into the school and say what his kids could or could not read in the library. Councilor Hirst noted that he was chairman of the Republican Committee and they believed that academia is very anti-Republican and very anti-conservative and he felt that he had a responsibility as a leader of a political party to put forward his ideas. He believed the problem was that the political left has a hold on academia in America as well as the public schools and they determine the values. We need freedom of expression in all points of view. Councilor Hirst noted that at the Chariho School Committee meeting the Superintendent of the School berated a member of the School Committee, Bill Day, and he felt that the School Committee should take some action regarding her behavior. He noted that Pastor Stall resigned from the School Committee because the Committee would not put his suggested items on the agenda. This is about restricting people who have conservative points of view. Councilor Davis noted that if there are parents who felt like Councilor Hirst did, they had avenues that they can follow. She did not believe there was anything wrong with restricting the ability to talk about curriculum and books to the parents who have children who attend the school. Councilor Hirst did not believe a parent should have to jump through these hoops.

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He also believed the School Committee has a responsibility to listen to all points

of view and to respect their members and not block people from putting things on

the agenda; he also noted that a couple of years ago there was an eighth grade

English teacher who spoke about Trump and the power of whiteness. Council

President Moffitt felt that Councilor Hirst was including everyone in his

statements and because one teacher made a mistake he should not believe that all

teachers were bad; he believed that this was all about politics for Councilor Hirst

and nothing but a game. Councilor Hirst noted that government was about

politics and they all were politicians. They should be listening to what the public

was saying. Councilor Davis reiterated that parents could use the Library Media

Center Policy to have changes made and Council President Moffitt felt that if they

were not happy with their School Committee members then they should vote in

somebody else; they have the right as taxpayers to vote. Councilor Hirst noted

that it was hard to get people to run for the School Committee. Discussion ended.

IN FAVOR: Hirst, Geary

OPPOSED: Moffitt, Davis, Marvel

MOTION FAILED

DISCUSSION RE SHUTTING DOWN STATE ROAD RTE 3 FOR FIREWORK

PORTION OF HOLIDAY STROLL

Councilor Geary had requested a discussion and consideration of whether a

portion of Route 3 along the Crandall Field area be closed for the fireworks

portion of the Holiday Stroll.

Councilor Geary advised that in the last couple of years there has been a concern

about people crossing Route 3 at night to see the fireworks at Crandall Field. Last

year he saw four or five families with babies in strollers walking to the fireworks

when three 18-wheelers going south on Route 3 passed by and the backdraft blew

them backwards into somebody's lawn.

Chief Palmer noted that he had spoken with Director Sawyer from the Recreation

Department, Chief Sposato of the Ashaway Volunteer Fire Department and Dave

Caswell, Public Works Director. Chief Palmer stated that in order to shut down a

major thoroughfare they would have to get the permission of the RI Department

of Transportation which he believed would be a problem. The other issue is that they would have to shut down roadways and find a diversion and there would be approximately six officers that would be needed at a cost of approximately \$1,000. When traffic is diverted from Route 3, it would be diverted to back roads which are not well lit and many of the people attending the fireworks come from those back roads. He felt they would be putting those people in jeopardy. Chief Palmer believed they can better control traffic on Route 3 where there are now three crosswalks which have been newly painted and nine pedestrian signs. They plan on having two sign boards present during the Holiday Stroll to slow traffic and guide pedestrians to use the crosswalks. There will also be an ambulance and fire trucks with lights on, as well as cones being used as a safeguard. Councilor Geary wished this to be a safe event for all.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Joe Moreau of Old Depot Road indicated that he was present to support Frank Landolfi. He noted that at the last meeting that he had attended there were numerous vacancies on Boards and Commissions and here they had someone who had ten years of experience who felt they should withdraw their application. He indicated that one of his prior positions was as a Human Resource Manager and whenever he held an interview he asked the candidate questions. Only Councilors Geary and Hirst asked Mr. Landolfi any questions. Mr. Moreau advised that he had seen the email that had been sent and for someone to send an email threatening not to vote for someone if they voted to appoint Mr. Landolfi is outrageous and shameful. Mr. Moreau noted that he and Mr. Landolfi disagreed many times regarding solar issues; Mr. Landolfi did what he felt was best for the town financially and he and fellow residents did what they felt was best for them, but they always talked about things. Mr. Moreau wished to thank Councilor Hirst for providing information regarding the pantry at 70 Bowling Lane which is open on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. He spoke with Autumn who is in charge and she is going to donate fifteen gift cards of \$20 each to Stop & Shop for needy residents to purchase turkeys. Mr. Moreau advised that he had spoken with Gloria of Canonchet I and II who will put names of needy residents into a hat to decide who would receive the gift

cards. He noted that Councilor Davis had provided him with a spreadsheet that listed agencies and churches who accepted donations which Ms. Sawyer found to be very helpful. He felt that all elected officials, town employees and residents should try to help those in need. On Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> he sent an email to Town Clerk Cook-Martin and Steve Moffitt asking to have an item placed on the agenda to discuss increasing the awareness of residents of what may be available to them regarding heating and weatherization. He noted that Town Clerk Cook-Martin had provided him with pamphlets from the Tri-County Community Action Agency who provides help with fuel bills and weatherization assistance. On Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup> he had heard nothing back so he called the Clerk's Office to find that Clerk Cook-Martin was out, but his email would be forwarded to the Town Manager. While reviewing the website on Thursday he found that the pamphlets had been added. He indicated that he was disappointed that he had not heard back from the Council President and this matter was not placed on the agenda. He felt if this was an agenda item it might have received more attention and more resident would be made aware of this help. He also noted that he recently found out by looking at the town's website, that the Tax Assessor, Liz Monty, was leaving and he was able to go into the Town Hall to say goodbye, but many residents may not know this, some of whom may wish to also say goodbye. Lastly, he spoke about the School Committee meeting held on November 9, 2021, noting the biggest issue being that residents without children in the school district do not have a say in certain topics. Almost 74% of the school budget, approximately \$20,000,000, goes towards education. He believed this to be taxation without representation and felt that the late Barry Ricci would have been very upset by what occurred at that meeting. At that meeting, there were residents that still wished to speak but the School Committee indicated that was it and they were done because they had business to do. He felt that most people would give up before going through the Library Media Center objection policy. He asked the three Councilors who were not in attendance at the School Committee meeting why they were not there. Council President Moffitt noted that he had been at the meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup> and no one else was there. Mr. Moreau asked why they weren't there to voice the concerns of what they were elected to do for the

residents of Hopkinton. He also noted that every Councilor can attend a School Committee meeting if they sit separately and do not discuss anything. He noted that when he voted for Town Council members he voted for five and there should not be a sixth person influencing some members of the Council. Councilor Davis stated to Mr. Landolfi that she did not have any questions for him because she knew him and she did not feel this was a negative.

Polly Hopkins of Kuehn Road noted that she was present at both of the School Committee meetings mentioned and no one knew that policy was going to be introduced until 24 hours before the meeting. She noted that there were very few parents at that meeting so they had to get the word out. She wished to remind the Council that it takes a village to raise a child and noted as an example that some parents in our community are single parents who work two jobs and their children are being watched by grandparents, neighbors or other relatives. What if a grandparent saw their grandchild with a book that they disagreed with; they may actually be the ones who have the time to sit through a committee of people, but they are now not allowed to speak. She felt they could not deny a part of the tax paying public their right to have a say in what they are purchasing at the school. She believed there are also other issues such as Chariho's legal counsel, who represents many of the other schools in the State and is pushing this issue. She questioned if anyone knew why Attorney Anderson was running around pushing this Library Media Policy through School Districts. Council President Moffitt stated that he would have to hear from Attorney Anderson. Ms. Hopkins noted there was also a previous policy change where teachers, administration and anyone who does not have a child in the school cannot comment on curriculum. She asked if anyone had any idea of what the new curriculum that RIDE was putting out looking like; what the content was? She stated that there was visual pornographic material in some of these books, meant for Middle Schoolers and if her Middle School child got up in the cafeteria and started reading from one of the books that he just took out of the library, he would be suspended. She questioned this and noted that her concern was whether this should be promoted in school. She felt this was a highly sexualized, highly radicalized, highly social justice curriculum that is being pushed into our schools and it doesn't belong. They have

taken out taxpayers' rights to discuss curriculum and now library media and books. On her son's Chromebook she noticed that there were suggested links that the school provides which contain anti-bias training which is very radicalized training with very racialized language built in. If she disagrees she can bring that to the attention of the school; however, if her father, who is babysitting her children, sees that he has to tell her, he cannot go to the school and voice his concern. She felt it was not a good look on the School or the Town Council to be thumbing their noses at the taxpayers. She asked them to think about what is going on for it was not just books. Councilor Davis suggested if there were a lot of parents who felt this way, why did they not object pursuant to the Library Media policy. Ms. Hopkins noted that if the taxpayers do not feel that they have a say in the school then maybe they should be given the option that their tax dollars stay here in the town and not go to the school. Council President Moffitt stated that they cannot affect school policy; they could only advocate to them certain things. Councilor Hirst wished to note that the Town Council can adopt any Resolution they choose to.

## ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR HIRST AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR GEARY TO WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING AND TO ADJOURN.

SO VOTED

Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin

Town Clerk

Marita D. Murray

Deputy Town Clerk