

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Aldermen Minutes
Monday, April 15, 2013

Members present; President Allaire, Aldermen Kiernan, Notte, Donahue, Siliski, Cassarino, Larson, *Wallstrom, DePoy, Davis, City Attorney Romeo, Mayor Louras and City Clerk Heck. Alderman Wallstrom arrived at 7:25 PM.

President Allaire called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (April 1, 2013)

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.
Motion passed.

OUTSIDE THE RAIL

Kam Johnston presented the Board with a resolution, asking the Board to welcome the gun manufacture STAG ARMS to Rutland as they were looking to relocate their production facilities. Mr. Johnston also requested a true listers appraisal on his homestead.

Lynn Walsh from RUN briefed the Board on the upcoming Green Up Day held in May.

A woman by the name of Lorraine asked for a moment of silence for the lady who passed on and for her family. President Allaire stated that he could do that later in the meeting and thanked her for bringing it up.

Brennan Duffy gave a Blighted Ordinance update. Mr. Duffy noted that the steering committee has met several times to fine tune the ordinance and felt that it was good to go.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Untable Mayoral Appointment

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) to untable the Mayoral appointment of Melinda Humphrey. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to circulate the ballot box for Melinda Humphrey. **Motion passed.** A point of order was asked in regards to which appointment, as Mary Moran was appointed as well. It was noted that the first ballot was for Melinda Humphrey. The Ballot box was circulated and tabulated by City Attorney Romeo. President Allaire read the result, 9 yes 0 no. Melinda Humphrey was confirmed. Mayor Louras swore in Melinda and she took her seat.

The ballot box was circulated and confirmed by Attorney Romeo. President Allaire announced the results 4 yes 6 no. Mary Moran was confirmed to the Housing Authority. (It takes 7 no votes to deny the appointment.)

REPORTS AND LETTERS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND OFFICIALS

Evan Pilachowski; City Engineer, RFP Request for Digest Cover

A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Larson) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Siliski) to approve the request for proposal for inspection services and the design, production and delivery of a guide system for a digester cover at the wastewater treatment plant. **Motion passed.**

Wendy Wilton; Treasurer, Amend Fund Name and Purpose, Garofano Memorial Fund

A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Davis) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Davis) to amend the name and

purpose of the Garofano Memorial Fund according to their wishes as spelled out in the letter from April 4, 2013 to the City Treasurer. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Ed Larson; Chair, Public Safety

Alderman Larson read his report for the request of replacing engine #2. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Rutland City Fire Department's request to put out to bid the replacement of engine #2, a 1992 Sutphen Pumper. Bids must meet the Rutland City Fire Department specifications; with funds for such purchase being appropriated from the Fire Equipment Fund, with the ultimate approval of the Board of Finance. **Motion passed.**

William Notte; Chair, Charter and Ordinance

Alderman Notte read his report to discuss the potential of an ordinance change to section 2805 "Life Safety Code of National Fire Protection Association. The report detailed the specific of the request with an outline of the proposed change. A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Larson) recommending the Board approve the ordinance change as proposed at committee. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

There were no reports.

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

There were no reports.

PETITIONS, LETTERS, MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION

S.E.P. R.I.S.E. Coin Drop, June 1, 10AM to 2PM, Standard Location

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) approving the request of the RISE coin drop on June 1st from 10Am to 2PM. **Motion passed.**

S.E.P. Meals on Wheels, Coin Drop, May 4, 10AM to 2PM, Standard Location

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Larson) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Wallstrom) approving the request of the Meals on Wheels coin drop on May 4th from 10AM to 2PM. **Motion passed.**

S.E.P. American Legion, Coin Drop, May 18, 10AM to 2PM, Standard Location

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) to approve the American Legion Post #31 Baseball Coin Drop on May 18th from 10AM to 2PM. **Motion passed.**

S.E.P. DRP, 2nd Annual Devil's Bowl Speedway Car Show, May 4, 9AM to 1PM

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to approve the request of the 2nd annual Devils Bowl Speedway & amateur car show to be held May 4th from 9AM to 1PM on Center St. and Merchants Row. There was brief debate as Alderman Kiernan was concerned about traffic as this event would close two streets and a coin drop earlier passed on upper Merchants Row would impact traffic flow. After brief discussion and some input from Mike Coppinger the **Motion passed.**

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Larson) to suspend the rules and take the next four (4) DRP issues up that evening. **Motion passed.**

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Larson) approving the Solstice Circus, Friday, June 21, 6 to 10 PM, Friday Fun Night, July 12, 6 to 10PM, Friday Night Arts, July 19, 6 to 10PM Friday Night Unplugged, July 26, 6 to 10 PM. **Motion passed.**

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to move into the Board of Control Commissioners.
Motion passed.

Alderman Cassarino abstained from voting as he sits on the Board of Control Commissioners at the State level.

BOARD OF CONTROL COMMISSIONERS

2013 – 2014 Tobacco Renewals; Spencer House of Glass, Haze Glass

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) to authorize the Clerk to sign. **Motion passed.**

2013 – 2014 Entertainment Requests, 3D's Café, Center St. Alley, Magoo's

A motion was made and seconded (Wallstrom, Davis) to send the request of an entertainment permit for 3D's to Special Liquor. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Wallstrom, Davis) to approve the other request. **Motion passed.**

2013 – 2014 Outside Consumption Requests, 3D's Café, Center St. Alley, Elk's Lodge #345, Moose Lodge #1122, Magoo's, Coffee Exchange/Clem's

A motion was made and seconded (Wallstrom, Davis) to approve all request except 3D's. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Wallstrom, Davis) to send 3D's request to Special Liquor. **Motion passed.**

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) to move out the Board of Control Commissioners.
Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Donahue; Request for Referral

Alderman Donahue made a motion to refer the issue of the Rutland City Board of Health to Public Safety. Alderman Donahue stated his reasons for the request. Brief debate ensued on the referral, Alderman Donahue stated that Charter and Ordinance would work as well, Alderman Davis seconded that referral. **Motion passed.**

American Legion Post 31, Fund Raiser

There was brief discussion as to this event. The Clerk noted it was a courtesy notice with no action required from the Board.

At 8PM a motion was made and seconded (Davis, Larson) **Motion passed.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Henry A. Heck
Rutland City Clerk