

At a meeting of the Town Council holden in and for the Town of Gloucester on October 21, 2021:

I. Call to Order

The meeting was Called to Order at 7:30 P.M.

II. Roll Call

Members present: Julian (Jay) Forgue, President; William E. Reichert, Vice-President; Walter M.O. Steere, III; Stephen Arnold; and William Worthy , Jr.

Also Present: David Igliazzi, Town Solicitor; Jean Fecteau, Town Clerk; Christine Mathieu, Deputy Town Clerk; Adam Muccino, Finance Director; Gary Treml, Director of Public Works; Chief Joseph Delprete; Ken Johnson, Building Official; Robert Shields, Recreation Director

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

IV. Open Forum - For Agenda Items

Councilor Forgue stated that anyone wishing to speak on any agenda items may speak during this open forum. Councilor Forgue stated a procedural note that when a member of the audience wishes to speak, including department heads, we ask that when you are invited up to the podium you state your name for the record. Councilor Forgue stated that we do not need you to state your address, unless it is relevant to your discussion, but we ask for your name for those people that request an audio file of the meeting.

None

V. Consent Items - Discussion and/or Action

- A. Approval of Town Council Minutes of October 7, 2021
- B. Tax Assessor's Additions and Abatements - September 2021
- C. Finance Directors Report - September 2021

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to APPROVE the Town Council minutes of October 7, 2021; to APPROVE the Tax Assessors **Additions** to the 2021 Tax Roll in the amount of \$3,684.60; **Abatements** to the 2020 Tax Roll in the amount of \$33.14, the 2021 Tax Roll in the amount of \$2,212.10; the 2021 Supplemental Tax Roll in the amount of \$551.82; and **to ACCEPT** the Finance Directors Report for September 2021; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Boards and Commissions

1. Appointments - Discussion and/or Action

a. Recreation Commission

1. Position # 2- One unexpired term

Councilor Forgue stated that there is no recommendation at this time and unless a Councilor has a recommendation, Council can table.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE the appointment to the Recreation Commission, Position #2; seconded by Councilor Arnold

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue

NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

2. Position #1- One unexpired term

Councilor Forgue stated that there is no recommendation at this time and unless a Councilor has a recommendation, Council can table.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE the appointment to the Recreation Commission, Position #1; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue

NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

b. Economic Development Commission

1. Ad Hoc Non Voting Member- Term to expire 12/31/2022

Councilor Forgue stated that there is no recommendation at this time and unless a Councilor has a recommendation, Council can table.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE the appointment to the Economic Development Commission, Ad Hoc Non Voting Member; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue

NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

c. Budget Board

1. Position #7 -Three year term to expire 1/31/2023

Councilor Forgue stated that there is no recommendation at this time and unless a Councilor has a recommendation , Council can table.

MOTION was made by Councilor Reichert to TABLE the appointment to the Budget Board, Position #7; seconded by Councilor Arnold

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

B. Sound/Noise Ordinance - Discussion regarding possible amendments to Code-Discussion and/or Action

Councilor Forgue stated that Councilor Worthy and the Clerk are working on a final draft of a proposed amendment to Chapter 174, Entertainment - “Special Event for Liquor Establishments” which will include a section with limitations for amplified music. Councilor Forgue stated that Councilor Worthy and the Clerk will forward it to Council when completed.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE Item. B. Sound/Noise Ordinance to the December 2nd, 2021 Town Council meeting; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: Councilor Arnold stated that along the lines of what is being worked on he has spoken with many of the neighbors of the church since our last meeting and he would like to somehow tackle that issue, not necessarily with the same ordinance but as part of the same subject. Councilor S. Arnold stated he wants the neighbors to know that the Council hears the issues they are having with the Church. Councilor S. Arnold was questioned which church he is referring to. Councilor S. Arnold answered “Glad Tidings Church”. Councilor Worthy stated that he and the Town Clerk are also looking at licensing as to local churches. D. Iglizzi, Town Solicitor, stated that he and the Town Clerk are working on the license requirements and noise ordinance compliance, particularly as it relates to a religious institution.

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

C. Town Council - (Proposed) Rules of Conduct - Discussion and/or Action

Councilor Forgue stated that a draft policy was first read in June and continued to July. Councilor Forgue stated that it was agreed that Council meetings may be easier when in-person meetings resumed so discussion on the proposed rules were again continued to September and now are here before Council tonight.

Discussion: Councilor Arnold stated he has read through the proposed rules and has no problem with them. Councilor S. Arnold stated he doesn't believe it will change the way business is

conducted if we are all doing our job. Councilor Steere stated that he does not think the Council needs these rules as the reason for them was some issues during the Zoom meetings which have since resolved themselves because the meetings are now in person. Councilor W. Steere stated we haven't had any problem. Councilor Steere stated his concerns that if implemented then people will have to be held to the strict letter of the rule. Councilor Steere added that some items may infringe on first amendment speech and that some items are too subjective. Councilor W. Steere stated he does not know where this document came from and, again, stated it was not needed.

MOTION was made by Councilor Reichert to REMOVE FROM THE TABLE the Town Council Rules of Conduct ; seconded by Councilor Steere

VOTE: AYES- Reichert and Steere
NAYS- Arnold, Worthy and Forgue

MOTION FAILED

Discussion: Councilor Reichert stated that the rules are foolish and are not needed. Councilor W. Reichert stated he will not adhere to these rules. Councilor Forgue stated that the Council should be held to rules because the boards and commissions of the town are held to rules. Councilor Worthy asked if these proposed rules would apply to other town boards and commissions. J. Fecteau, Town Clerk, stated that the town ordinance already contains rules for boards and commissions. D. Igliazzi stated that he could review the proposed rules with the rules in the ordinance and report back to Council. Councilor Steere stated that council members are held to a higher standard because they are elected and that they appoint the people to the boards and commissions. Councilors Steere and Forgue discussed the standards to which the Council and other boards are held, as well as stating they are all working for the best in Gloucester. Councilor Steere stated that he feels there is too much power given to the president in the proposed rules that could prevent a council member from speaking and that Robert's Rules allow for a minority member to speak. D. Igliazzi stated that these proposed rules fall to Robert's Rules which are based on parliamentary rules but some of them are outdated and some are inconsistent with the Open Meetings Act. Councilor Worthy stated that the rules may help as to accountability. Councilor Forgue added that maybe more research is still needed.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE the Town Council Rules of Conduct to January 6, 2022; seconded by Councilor Arnold.

Discussion: Councilor Steere asked D. Igliazzi the proper way to cast a vote if he does not want either aye or nay. D. Igliazzi stated that Councilor Steere could abstain from voting.

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy and Forgue
NAYS- Reichert
ABSTAIN- Steere

MOTION PASSED

D. Network Acceptable Use Policy - Discussion and/or Action

Councilor Forgue stated that the Network Acceptable Use Policy has been reviewed by Don Zimmerman, HR Director. Councilor Forgue stated that Mr. Zimmerman made a few suggestions to Matt Floor, IT Director, which are reflected in the draft in Council's packet. Councilor Forgue stated that the only other changes the Clerk needs to make are changing personnel references to Human Resources.

Discussion: None

MOTION was made by Councilor Arnold to ADOPT the network acceptable use policy (with changes as noted), entitled: Town of Gloucester, Acceptable Use Policy - Computer Network Access Rights and Obligations, dated October 21, 2021; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

E. Social Media Policy/Acceptable Use for continued review-Discussion and/or Action

Councilor Forgue stated that at the last Town Council meeting, it was determined that it was important not to adopt a policy with such serious ramifications without sufficient input. Councilor Forgue stated that one of our Board chairs offered to review the policy with other boards and commissions and report back. Councilor Forgue stated that since then there has been discussion about also sharing with our department heads as this type of policy could cause them to have additional responsibilities. Councilor Forgue stated that the Clerk has offered to circulate the proposal to all department heads and then meet with Matt Floor, IT Director; Adam Muccino, Finance Director; Christine Mathieu, Deputy Town Clerk; and Ashley Sarji, EDC Chair, representing for all boards and commissions. Councilor Forgue stated that once all input has been considered and the draft has been finalized it will be presented back to Council.

Councilor Forgue stated that if Council approves of this plan a motion can be made to that effect.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to AUTHORIZE the Town Clerk; Deputy Town Clerk; IT Director; Finance Director; and Ashley Sarji, EDC Chair, to seek input from other town department heads and to review and amend as necessary the proposed Social Media Policy/Acceptable Use and to return to Council when proposed draft is ready for Town Council consideration; seconded by Councilor Arnold

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

VII. New Business

A. Bds. and Commissions

1. Resignation - Discussion and/or Action
 - a. Recreation Commission
Position #5

Councilor Forgue stated that the Clerk has received the resignation of Dana Jorgensen from the Recreation Commission to be effective 9/15/2021.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to ACCEPT, with thanks, the resignation of Dana Jorgensen from the Recreation Commission, effective 9/15/2021; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

2. Appointments - Discussion and/or Action
 - a. Zoning Board of Review
 1. One expired five year Term
Position #4

Councilor Forgue stated that this term is the expired term of Robert Kelman. Councilor Forgue stated that the Chair has indicated that Mr. Kelman wishes to be reappointed.

MOTION was made by Councilor Steere to RE-APPOINT Robert Kelman to the Zoning Board of Review for a five year term to expire 11/1/2026; seconded by Councilor Worthy

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

2. Alternate # 1- correct term end date to 1/2022

Councilor Forgue stated that the appointment to the Alternate #1 position needs to be corrected as the end date of term was incorrect in the motion to appoint and per the code, Alternates are appointed in January.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to CORRECT the term to expire date for Zoning Board of Review, Alternate #1 member, Frank Anderson, to a term to expire 1/2022; seconded by Councilor Steere

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

- b. Historic District Commission
3 Expired Three year terms
Positions #3, 4, & 5

Councilor Forgue stated that this item is for the expired terms of three of the HDC members: member #3 Marjorie Swift; member #4 Stephanie Kane; and member #5 Clayton Lanphear. Councilor Forgue stated that the Chair has stated that all three members wish to be reappointed.

MOTION was made by Councilor Steere to RE-APPOINT member #3 Marjorie Swift; member #4 Stephanie Kane; and member #5 Clayton Lanphear for three year terms to expire 11/1/2024; seconded by Councilor Worthy

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

- c. Recreation Commission
One unexpired Two year term to end 12/31/2022

Councilor Forgue stated that this position is to fill the last resignation, position #5.

Councilor Forgue stated that there is no recommendation at this time and unless a Councilor has a recommendation, Council can table.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE the appointment to the Recreation Commission, Position #5; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

- B. Personnel
 - 1. Police Department - Discussion and/or Action
 - a. Resignation - One Full Time Dispatcher

Councilor Forgue stated that the Chief has submitted memos to the Council and HR for proposed personnel actions. Councilor Forgue stated that Don Zimmerman, HR, has informed the Clerk that he agrees with the Chief's recommendations.

Councilor Forgue stated that the Chief has forwarded to the Clerk the resignation of Dispatcher, Bianca Borges, from the Gloucester Police Department effective 10/24/2021.

MOTION was made by Councilor Arnold to ACCEPT, with regrets, the resignation, of Dispatcher

Bianca Borges from the Gloucester Police Department, effective 10/24/2021; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

b. Appointment(s) - Two Full Time Dispatchers

Councilor Forgue stated that Council has received a memo from the Chief regarding a Dispatcher appointment which he read as follows:

TO: Honorable Town Council Members
From: Chief Joseph DelPrete
Date: October 13, 2021

Subject: Police Department Full Time Dispatcher Appointment

Dear Council Members,

I would respectfully request to make the following employment appointment to the Gloucester Police Department.

Appoint Joseph Misto of Lincoln to a full-time dispatcher position within the Gloucester Police Department. Joseph Misto was appointed by the Town Council in October 2020 as a part-time dispatcher and has formally agreed to accept the full time position vacancy with the October 24, 2021 dispatcher resignation of Bianca Borges.

Mr. Misto will be afforded the first step salary and fringe under the Laborers International Union Local 1322 full-time dispatchers' collective bargaining agreement.

I further request this full time dispatcher appointment become effective on the week of Sunday October 31, 2021 to immediately fill this vacancy.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph DelPrete
Chief of Police
(End of memo)

Discussion: None

MOTION was made by Councilor Reichert to APPOINT Joseph Misto to the position of full-time dispatcher within the Gloucester Police Department at first step salary and fringe benefits under the Laborers International Union Local 1322 full-time Dispatchers' Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective the week of October 31, 2021; seconded by Councilor Arnold

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue

NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

Councilor Forgue stated that Council has also received the following memo which he read as follows:

TO: Honorable Town Council Members

From: Chief Joseph DelPrete

Date: October 13, 2021

Subject: Police Department Full Time Dispatcher Appointment

Dear Council Members,

I would respectfully request to make the following employment appointment to the Gloucester Police Department.

Appoint Tiffany Leonard age 26, to a full-time dispatcher position within the Gloucester Police Department. Ms. Leonard was appointed by the Town Council to begin training as a part-time dispatcher the week of Sunday August 29, 2021. At the time of this appointment Ms. Leonard will have successfully completed the 12 week training program and police background investigation for this full time position.

Ms. Leonard will be afforded the first step salary and fringe benefits under the Laborers International Union Local 1322 full-time dispatchers' collective bargaining agreement.

I further request this full time dispatcher appointment become effective on the week of Sunday November 7, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph DelPrete

Chief of Police

(End of memo)

Discussion: None

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to APPOINT Tiffany Leonard to the position of full-time dispatcher within the Gloucester Police Department at first step salary and fringe benefits under the Laborers International Union Local 1322 full-time Dispatchers' Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective the week of November 7, 2021; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0
RECUSAL- Steere

MOTION PASSED

C. Recreation Department - Discussion and/or Action

1. Plan for amendment and/or clarification to charge of Recreation Commission and Recreation Director's role with Rec. Commission

Councilor Forgue stated that Don Zimmerman and the Clerk are still working on a report for Council with recommendations for consideration. Councilor Forgue stated that the Clerk has asked that this item be tabled until the November 18th Town Council meeting.

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to TABLE Item. C. Recreation Department until November 18, 2021; seconded by Councilor Arnold

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

D. Discussion and/or Action: Consideration of Resolution in support of legislative input on the extension of further COVID emergency Gubernatorial orders

Councilor Forgue stated that Councilor Arnold has a proposal for Council support in the form of a resolution which Councilor Arnold read to Council.

Discussion: After Councilor S. Arnold read his proposed resolution there was no discussion.

MOTION was made by Councilor worthy to consider adoption of a resolution, entitled "Legislative Support Regarding Extension of Covid 19 Emergency Orders" at the November 4th, 2021 Town Council meeting; seconded by Councilor Reichert

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

E. Consideration of Eagle Scout project at Kent Pavilion -Discussion and/or Action

Councilor Forgue stated that the Recreation Director has been approached about a potential Eagle Scout project proposed on Town property.

Discussion: K. Lahey, Eagle Scout presented his proposed project for a permanent book cubby at Kent Pavilion. R. Shields, Recreation Director, passed out a copy of the proposed project to all members of the Council in response to Councilor Worthy's question as to whether K. Lahey had a plan. Councilor Reichert suggested that K. Lahey check with the Department of Public Works to

determine the specific location at the Kent Pavilion. Councilor Steere asked as to the type of cubby. K. Lahey stated that the cubby would be similar to the theme of the pavilion, would be made from pressure treated wood and with a shingled roof. Councilor Worthy asked how the project would work in terms of monitoring. K. Lahey explained it was a take one leave one policy. Councilor Steere asked about the long term maintenance. K. Lahey stated he could give the contact information of the troop leaders to the Council in case there was a need or question. Councilor Steere stated it would be good to have a chain of contact in terms of maintenance. Councilor Arnold stated that K. Lahey could give the final plans to the Council for final approval before he builds it. Councilor Steere asked for K. Lahey's deadline. K. Lahey stated the deadline is March 31st. Councilor Forgue recommended that K. Lahey submit plans to the DPW Director and then the Director can bring it to Council for approval.

MOTION was made by Councilor Reichert to TABLE Item E. Consideration of Eagle Scout project at Kent Pavilion until the DPW brings back to Council a plan for Council consideration; said plan should include proposed materials to be use and proposed location to be installed and should be approved by both the Recreation Director and the DPW Director; seconded by Councilor Worthy

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED

VIII. Town Council Correspondence/ Discussion
None

IX. Department Head Reports/Discussion

1. J. Fecteau invited all present to the annual Veterans Day ceremony on November 11, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Senior Center.
2. J. Fecteau gave an update to the Council regarding a project that has been in the works for a while. J. Fecteau stated that an engraved mill stone would be placed at the Kent Pavilion to honor and always remember R. Dauphinais, a valued town employee for 30 years and the former Chepachet Fire Chief who passed away. J. Fecteau talked about all the work Bob did for the town and how she couldn't have done the Town Pavilion without him. All Council members were in agreement with the tribute.
3. Chief Delprete thanked the Council for their appointments tonight. Chief Delprete stated that he has been working with D. Zimmerman as to a recruitment ad for the police department. Chief Delprete stated that the department has received the budgeted new car and he has an opportunity to acquire a trained canine dog for the department. Chief Delprete requested the proposed acquisition of a canine to be put on the next Council agenda. Chief Delprete stated he spoke with J. Fecteau about a ceremony of promotion and commendation as to several police officers.

X. Bds. and Commissions Reports/ Discussion

1. A. Sarje, EDC chair, stated that the commission is ready to send notices to the business owners in town letting them know about the website as well as asking for feedback , updated information and pictures if desired regarding the EDC website.

XI. Open Forum

J. Field, resident, stated he has been involved with the Ponaganset Basketball Association for the last thirty years. J. Fields stated that during that time they relied on the Recreation Director to handle various matters including the insurance coverage. J. Fields stated that they just found out recently that the Association is not covered by the town's insurance policy. J. Fields stated that when the Association asked a question about the policy this year they were told that they did not have any insurance. J. Fields stated it is hard to believe that they have not been covered by the town over the past 30 years. J. Field asked the Council for help as to insurance based on past precedence. Councilor Forgue asked R. Shields ,Recreation director, and A. Muccino, Finance Director , for comment.

R. Shields stated that he was contacted by the PBA and had a meeting with A. Muccino and a representative from the Interlocal Trust earlier this week. R. Shields forwarded a chain of emails from the past Recreation directors to A. Muccino. R. Shields stated he has been corresponding with PBA as to various ways to fix this problem. R. Shields stated that perhaps the Council would consider assisting with acquiring insurance this year and that he has reached out to insurance companies as to cost.

Councilor Forgue asked as to the cost of the policy. R. Shields and J. Field stated they had received some quotes. J. Fields expressed concern as to the named insured as the volunteers are hesitant of putting their individual names on a policy. Councilor Arnold related their situation to that of the Gloucester Little League . Councilor Arnold stated that GLL has Board of Director's insurance that eliminates personal liability. S. DiGiacomo stated that he was told by the Region that he was not approved to use the building because there was no insurance. S. DiGiacomo told the Region to contact the Recreation Department and that is how this issue developed.

A. Muccino stated that no change was made to the policy and that it has gone on for a long time A. Muccino stated that certificates of insurance were sent to the Region but they named the Town as the insured and not PBA . A. Muccino stated that the Trust does not list PBA on its Town list of boards and commissions. Councilor Forgue asked A. Muccino to contact the Interlocal Trust. A. Muccino stated that the Trust won't insure a separate legal entity that is not part of the town. Councilor Arnold stated that the town can assume control of the league under the Recreation Department or the PBA can request financial help from the town for the purchase of insurance. Kevin Lahey stated he was the previous Recreation Commission chair and that he believed because the Recreation Commission donated money to the league that it brought the PBA under the insurance umbrella of the town. Councilor Reichert asked who told Kevin Lahey that the league was covered. K. Lahey responded that A. Parrillo, a former Recreation Director. did. J. LaRose, Ponaganset Middle School teacher, coach for PBA, stated that the practice to use the high school was to show a certificate of insurance . J. LaRose stated that past practice was for the Recreation Director to provide the certificate of insurance to the Superintendent who would review and sign thus authorizing use of the building. J. LaRose stated her opinion that the league has trusted Gloucester, received funding from Gloucester, and that the Town oversees the program. J. LaRose asked for the Council's help.

Councilor Reichert asked if A. Muccino has spoken with the Trust. A. Muccino stated that he has spoken with the Trust and that in order for the Town to insure the PBA through the Trust that there has to be care, custody and control over the PBA. A. Muccino stated that the PBA would have to become a town program. A, Muccino also stated that giving financial support to a group does not bring that group under the town's insurance policy. Councilor Forgue suggested a special meeting to discuss options. Councilor Steere stated that the goal is to get the kids playing basketball but that the town and the PBA need to decide what each is willing to do in order to achieve that goal. Councilor Steere stated he had volunteered with the PBA and that as a volunteer he had always assumed there was insurance coverage. Councilor Steere agreed that a special meeting would be good but again stated both groups need to think about what each is willing to do and to come to the meeting with options. Councilor Forgue suggested that a special meeting of the Council could be held after both sides get more specific information as to options and costs. Councilor Steere asked if the league would consider the Council donating money this year to give the league time to figure out what their best plan of action would be for next year. J. Fields stated his opinion that the league should come under the town's umbrella and control as that would give the league the most long standing stability. J. Fields stated that he always thought the league was under the direction of the town. M. Hassell, Foster Recreation Director, stated that Foster is half of the PBA which the Council should know. Councilor Steere questioned if the Town could legally take the PBA under the town's umbrella when another town is part of the league and stated that if a special meeting is held that Foster should be noticed. Councilor Arnold stated that Gloucester could assume the policy this year to give the PBA time to figure out what they want to do next year especially as if it comes under the town it makes a new job for the Recreation director. D. Igliazzi suggested that the short term goal is to get a certificate of insurance. D. Igliazzi suggested that the Council consider buying a private insurance policy for the PBA this year and then consider the long term question of whether or not the PBA becomes part of the town's recreation program. Councilor Forgue stated that the funds could come from the contingency fund. Councilor Forgue confirmed with Council members, the Town Clerk and the PBA volunteers that a special meeting was agreeable to all for Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

Councilor Arnold stated that he had received thanks from some juniors baseball coaches for the Department of Public Works as to the fields which enabled the teams to continue playing.

XII. Adjourn

MOTION was made by Councilor Worthy to ADJOURN at 9:09 P.M. seconded by Councilor Steere

Discussion: None

VOTE: AYES- Arnold, Worthy, Steere, Reichert and Forgue
NAYS-0

MOTION PASSED