A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Ryan was in the chair. Clerk of the Council, Susan Cimino conducted the roll call.

Present: Charles B. Ryan, President
Charles C. Kokoros, Vice President
Timothy P. Carey
Thomas M. Bowes
Shannon L. Hume
Stephen C. O’Brien
Sean E. Powers
David M. Ringius, Jr.
Thomas W. Whalen

Also Present: William Bottiggi, General Manager BELD
Thomas J. Reynolds, BELD Commissioner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to Approve Minutes of December 4, 2018
Second: by Councilor Powers
Vote: For (9 –Bowes, Carey, Hume, Kokoros, O’Brien, Powers, Ringuius, Ryan, Whalen), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

COMMUNICATIONS

001 19 Bill Bottiggi: BELD Update or take up any action relative thereto
Bill Bottiggi, BELD General Manager attended the Town Council meeting to give an update on BELD. The discussion included Broadband statistics and the future of streaming video. Bill stated the replacement of Station 4 115KV to 13.8 KV transformer replacement was completed in November 2018. This was 35 years old and it was breaking down so they replaced it. The installation of 2 MW / 4 MWHR energy storage unit was completed in June 2018. Mr. Bottiggi explained the Electric Vehicle Program including rates and...
rebates. Renewable Energy was discussed which included Hydro, Solar, Wind and Nuclear. Bill discussed a floating solar photovoltaic plant which is a renewable energy source that could be placed on water locations that are not used for recreation. Mr. Bottiggi discussed the 2019 Budget including expenses, generation and electric delivery costs. Mr. Bottiggi explained the future of Potter II. It is 40 years old. If Potter II is requested to go online by ISO New England to help with power we can be fined because it does not start up right away. Replacing Potter II is still a discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

• 18 048 Council President: Reclassification Town Clerk and Clerk of the Council or take up any action relative thereto

Motion by Councilor Kokoros to TABLE Order 18 048 to January 22, 2019

  Motion: by Councilor Kokoros
  Second: by Councilor Powers
  Vote: For (9 – Bowes, Carey, Hume, Kokoros, O’Brien, Powers, Ringuius, Ryan, Whalen), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

NEW BUSINESS

• None

Refer to the Committee on Ordinance & Rules

• 19 001 Town Clerk: Request to Amend General Ordinance Chapter 5.580 Taxicabs or take up any action relative thereto

  Motion: by Councilor Kokoros to refer 19 001 to the Committee on Ordinance & Rules
  Second: by Councilor Powers
  Vote: For (9 – Bowes, Carey, Hume, Kokoros, O’Brien, Powers, Ringuius, Ryan, Whalen), Against (0), Absent (0), Abstain (0)

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:48p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cimino
Clerk of the Council

Documents provided for Meeting

• Minutes December 4, 2018
• 18 048 Council President: Reclassification Town Clerk and Clerk of the Council
• 19 001 Town Clerk: Request to Amend General Ordinance Chapter 5.580 Taxicabs