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MINUTES of a Regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 8th day of January 8, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, N.J.

Present: Mayor Dennis Elwell
Councilmembers: John Bueckner
Richard Kane
Gary Jeffas
John Shinnick
John Reilly

Absent: Michael Gonnelli

The following statement was read by Town Clerk Michael Marra:

"Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Secaucus Home News on January 4, 2008."

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

In the event of a fire or other emergency, please note that there are two exits in the rear of the Council Chamber which may be used."

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2008-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT THE SALARY
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS, NEW JERSEY

Councilman Shinnick moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Kane.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

Town Clerk, Michael Marra announced that the public hearing on all the ordinances will be February 12, 2008.

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2008-2

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 127-58B OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF
SECAUCUS
ENTITLED" DESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS AT OR NEAR PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Councilman Reilly moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Kane.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2008-3

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 67 ANIMAL CONTROL AND PROTECTOR

Councilman Jeffas moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

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The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2008-4

AN ORDINANCE TO RECOGNIZE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS FOR FIRE SERVICES IN
THE COUNTIES OF HUDSON AND BERGEN AND TO EMPOWER THE FIRE
CHIEF/INCIDENT COMMANDER TO MAKE EMERGENT DETERMINATIONS AS TO
REQUESTING MUTUAL AID

Councilman Shinnick moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2008-5

ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE HUDSON
COUNTY OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND TO
OBTAIN \$3,100,000.00 GRANT FOR ACQUISITION OF OAK LAND AND FARM ROAD,
SECAUCUS WATERFRONT PROPERTIES

Councilman Kane moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA-RESOLUTIONS

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Mayor and Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-1

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus wishes to pursue the commodities of a variety of vendors listed below from authorized vendors under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program - N.J.C.P.; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorizing by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, the below listed vendors have been awarded New Jersey State Contracts for the listed commodities:

Able Office Products 105 Sylvania Place So. Plainfield, NJ 07080 NTE \$29,000.00 Office Supplies/Stationary State Contract #59763

American Hose and Hydraulics 700 21st Ave. Paterson, NJ 07513 NTE \$29,000.00 Automotive State Contract #56257

Automotive Brake Co. 314 Railroad Avenue, Hackensack, NJ 07601 NTE \$30,000.00 Automotive State Contract #57739

Avaya Inc. 24009 Network Place, Chicago, IL 60673 NTE \$29,000.00 Telecommunications State Contract # 42285

Command Radio (Authorized Kenwood Dealer) 319 Knickerbocker Ave. Hillsdale, NJ 07642 Radio Communications Repairs State Contract # 53764 NTE \$29,000.00

Custom Bandag (Authorized Goodyear Dealer) 1151 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus, NJ 07094 Tires and tubes State Contract #61419 NTE \$35,000.00

Hudson County Motors 614 New County Road, Secaucus, NJ 07094 Vehicle Parts Repairs State Contract #55071 NTE \$29,000.00

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Gulf Oil PO Box 3440 Boston, Ma 02241 NTE \$165,000.00 gasoline Fuel wit
Credit Card Use State Contract #58885

International Salt PO Box 641944 Pittsburgh, Pa NTE \$35,000.00 Rock
Salt State Contract #70270

Jewel Electric 455 Third Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302 NTE \$29,000.00
Electrical Supplies State Contract #66163

M & G Auto Supplies 6021 Kennedy Blvd. No. Bergen, NJ 07047 NTE
\$29,000.00 Auto Parts State Contract #57013

Saveon/Maco 1000 Kennedy Blvd., Union City, NJ 07087 NTE \$5,000.00
Office Supplies State Contract #59755

Stans Sport Center 528 Washington Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030 NTE
\$35,000.00 Sports Equipment State Contract #66832

Sunoco (authorized Sun CO. Dealer) State Highway 3 Secaucus, NJ 07094
NTE \$110,000.00 Gasoline, Fuel with Credit Card Use State Contract
#58886

Tilcon of NY/NJ Inc. PO Box 34550 Newark, NJ 07101 NTE \$29,000.00
Stone, Sand, gravel State Contract #66769

Verizon of NJ PO Box 4833 Trenton, NJ 08652 NTE \$90,000.00
Telecommunications State Contract #43338

Verizon Wireless PO Box 489 Newark, NJ 07101 NTE \$35,000.00 Wireless
Phones and Service State Contract #64428

Wilfred Macdonald Inc., 10 Central Blvd, So. Hackensack, NJ 07602 NTE
\$29,000.00 Wheels, tires, Motor Vehicle Repairs, State Contract #59074

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-2

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, in
the County of Hudson and the State of New Jersey, that the following
banking institutions are hereby designated as official depositories for
funds of the Town of Secaucus in the year 2008:

Northfork-Capital One Bank
PNC Bank
JP Morgan Chase Bank NA
Sovereign Bank
New Jersey Class - MBIA
Valley National Bank
TD Bank North NA
Commerce Bank
Bank of America

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect on
January 1, 2008.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-3

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus,
County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that Councilman John Reilly is
hereby appointed Deputy Mayor for the Town of Secaucus, serving as
Acting Mayor for any absence of Mayor Dennis Elwell, during the year
2008.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2008-4

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 59:10-4 permits local public entities to indemnify by public employees and officials from damages from civil violations of Federal or State law as long as the governing body believes the acts or omissions did not constitute actual fraud, actual malice, willful misconduct or intentional wrong; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe that this indemnification should include payment of any deductible from any insurance coverage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council do hereby grant all elected and appointed officials and professional employees for the Town of Secaucus indemnification in accordance with N.J.S.A. 59:10-4 for any and all actions taken on behalf of Secaucus for the calendar year January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2008-5

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the attached Rules and Regulations which are available for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk for the year 2008 are hereby approved.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2008-6

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the Secaucus Home News and The Jersey Journal newspapers published and circulated in the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, New Jersey, are designated as the official newspapers of the Town of Secaucus, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2008-7

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the Local Emergency Planning Council (LEPC) is hereby approved with the following individuals, their responsibilities and group Representation Keys;

<u>Name</u>	<u>Duties</u>	<u>Group</u>
Dennis Elwell	Mayor	1
John Reilly	Deputy Mayor	1
David Drumeler	Town Administrator	1
Joseph P. Kickey	OEM Coordinator	2
Vincnet Massaro, Sr.	OEM Operations Manager	2
Robert Kickey	OEM Dpty Coord and Shelter Coordinator	2
Margaret Barkala	Chief Financial Officer	1
Michael Marra	Town Clerk	1
Dennis Corcoran	Police Chief	2
Det/Sgt Dominick Degennaro	Evacuation	2
Robert Parisi	Fire Chief/Haz-Mat Coordinator	2
Vincnet Massaro, Jr.	Fire Official	2
Charles Schumacher	Communications, Alert & Warning	2
Jersey City Medical Center	Director of EMS	2
Vincent Prieto	Director/Construction Official	1
Glenn Beckmeyer	Department of Public Works	2
John Dubiel	Department of Public Works	2
Vincnet Rivelli	Public Health	2
Louis Rittberg	Public Information	3
Sam Maffei	American Red Cross	4
George Jensen	Transportation	2

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Group Representation Key

1. Elected Official
2. Police, Fire, Emergency Management, EMS, Health, Environmental, Hospital, Hospital, Public Works
3. Broadcast and Print Media
4. Community Groups

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-8

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is occasionally necessary for manual checks to be written for the purposes of insurance, postage, lease agreements, permits and license fees, payroll fees, office supplies, hotel expenses for displaced fire victims, replenishment of petty cash and other essential town expenses; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the Chief Financial Officer notify the Governing Body of all manual checks written in the form of a report included with the monthly bill list.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus hereby authorize the Chief Financial Officer to issue relevant manual payments and report them to the governing body on a monthly basis.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-9

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, that Mayor Dennis Elwell is hereby authorized to sign all contracts of the Town of Secaucus.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-10

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL of the Town of Secaucus, that the following temporary appropriations be made for the period beginning January 1, 2008 and termination upon adoption of the Local Municipal Budget for the year 2008.

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Administrative and Executive:		
Salaries & Wages	4,500.00	54,498.15
Other Expenses	0.00	58,914.00
Town Clerk's Office		
Salaries & Wages	2,700.00	33,106.86
Other Expenses	0.00	17,749.80
Office of the Mayor		
Salaries & Wages	9,500.00	37,305.36
Other Expenses	0.00	3,516.75
Treasurer's Office		
Salaries & Wages	7,600.00	90,908.46
Other Expenses	0.00	16,321.50
Assessment of Taxes:		
Salaries & Wages	2,750.00	47,074.50
Other Expenses	0.00	5,292.00
Collection of Taxes:		
Salaries & Wages	2,200.00	34,403.67

Other Expenses	0.00	5,427.00
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Legal Services & Costs:

Salaries & Wages	1,500.00	4,050.00
Other Expenses	0.00	105,443.10

Public Building & Grounds

Salaries & Wages	14,000.00	194,508.54
Other Expenses	00.00	57,915.00

Tax Litigation

Other Expenses	0.00	74,250.00
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Planning Board:

Salaries & Wages	1,250.00	2,160.00
Other Expenses	0.00	675.00

Zoning Costs

Other Expenses		4,050.00
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Board of Adjustments:

Salaries & Wages	1,250.00	2,295.00
Other Expenses	0.00	945.00

Insurance:

Salaries & Wages	0.00	891,941.49
Other Expenses	0.00	117,207.00

Municipal Court:

Salaries & Wages	7,700.00	91,133.37
Other Expenses	0.00	16,699.50

Public Defender

Other Expenses	1,200.00	17,354.25
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Engineering Services and Costs:

Salaries & Wages	750.00	2,430.00
Other Expenses	0.00	66,420.00

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Fire Dept.

Other Expenses	0.00	87,615.00
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Police

Salaries & Wages	140,000.00	1,640,973.87
Other Expenses	0.00	47,601.00

Communications & Security:

Salaries & Wages	1,700.00	17,417.70
Other Expenses	0.00	6,520.50

School Crossing Guards:

Salaries & Wages	4,000.00	51,300.00
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Emergency Medical Service

Other Expenses	0.00	87,750.00
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Emergency Management Services:

Salaries & Wages	1,000.00	2,512.08
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Fire Inspector:

Salaries & Wages	2,200.00	19,353.60
Other Expenses	.00	1,755.00

STREETS AND ROADS:

Road Repair & Maintenance:

Salaries & Wages	50,000.00	579,835.80
Other Expenses	0.00	132,273.00

Sewer System:

Salaries & Wages	500.00	5,400.00
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Solid Waste Management Recycling:

Salaries & Wages	4,500.00	62,320.59
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Other Expenses

0.00

20,047.50

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Garbage & Trash Removal Contractual	0.00	287,550.00
HEALTH & WELFARE		
Department of Social Services:		
Salaries & Wages	4,150.00	66,241.80
Other Expenses	0.00	8,383.50
Board of health:		
Salaries & Wages	500.00	5,189.40
Other Expenses		1,728.00
Mosquito Control:		
Salaries & Wages	0.00	675.00
Community Shuttle Bus:		
Salaries & Wages	3,200.00	29,046.87
Other Expenses		1,350.00
RECREATION & EDUCATION		
Parks & Playgrounds		
Salaries & Wages	1,000.00	14,850.00
Other Expenses	0.00	31,185.00
Supervision of Playground Activities:		
Salaries & Wages	15,000.00	201,339.00
Other Expenses	0.00	52,164.00
Recreation Activities:		
Salaries & Wages	5,000.00	32,859.00
Other Expenses	0.00	12,690.00
STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION		
Construction Official:		
Salaries & Wages	4,400.00	49,149.72
Other Expenses	0.00	41,256.00
Office of Inspections:		
Salaries & Wages	2,500.00	29,586.87
Other Expenses	0.00	1,093.50
Unclassified:		
Street Lighting	0.00	81,000.00
Fire Hydrant Service	0.00	49,950.00
Council of Mayor's Contribution	0.00	17,010.00
Electricity-All Depts.	0.00	128,250.00
Municipal Water Serv.	0.00	9,450.00
Postage-All Depts.	0.00	13,095.00
Telephone - All Depts.	0.00	76,950.00
Gasoline- All Depts.	0.00	47,250.00
Statutory Expenditures:		
Social Security	0.00	160,650.00
Secaucus Municipal Utilities Auth	0.00	1,303,855.38
Secaucus Free Public Library	0.00	319,428.63
Unemployment Insurance	0.00	20,250.00
Municipal Debt Service		
Interest on Bonds	0.00	346,219.00
Interest on Notes	0.00	231,000.00
Hazardous Discharge Loan Principal	0.00	34,748.76
Hazardous Discharge Interest	0.00	18,296.81
Green Trust Loan Principal	0.00	13,628.15
Green Trust Loan Interest	0.00	6,065.57
Bond Principal	0.00	975,000.00
Total	296,550.00	9,535,105.90
Totals:		
Operations		7,910,147.61
Debt Service		1,624,958.29

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2008-11

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, awarded the Contract for Construction Engineering Management Services-Recreation Center to Mast Construction Services, Inc., following response to its Fair and Open Solicitation Process regarding the Recreation Center; and

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from Mast Construction Services, Inc., to amend their contract in the amount of \$73,126.00 for additional compensation, the construction period being from December 1, 2007 to January 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the contract needs to be increased by \$73,126.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, hereby approve additional funds of \$73,126.00 for said contract.

Financial officers
Certification attached.

Councilman Shinnick moved to approve the resolution on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane,, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

J. O'Donnell Contractors, Inc. Lease of Heavy Equipment \$43,364.00
For hauling material for Secaucus
Recreation center.

Councilman Shinnick moved to approve the foregoing Claims Register, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

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BINGO/RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

Councilman Reilly moved that the following application for Raffle/Bingo License be approved, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

R-1037 Unico National- Secaucus Arm Chair Races

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The following correspondence was received:

Dear Mayor and Council:

The New York Sharks Women's tackle Football team is requesting the use of Kane Stadium for our 2008 season practices. Over one-third of our roster are citizens of New Jersey and each year we are proud to add more players who are Jersey based.

Our scheduled practices begin in March and end at the end of July. The days and times we request are as follows:

3/1, 3/2

Weekends all Saturdays 3/8-7/22

All Tuesdays 3/4-7/22

All Thursdays 3/6-7/18

We realize this is a lot of time and would appreciate any of these days if you can not accommodate us for the entire schedule. In return, we would love to sponsor a girl's football clinic at Kane in the spring or fall of 2008 and we will be happy to incorporate some advertising for you at our February, 2008 NFL JPD clinic at Giants Stadium.

As the sport of women's football continues to grow, the NY Sharks proudly remain leaders as we discover new ways to enrich our program, our sport and the lives of women in general. Er would so appreciate your support by lending Kane Stadium to our worthy cause. Please contract me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Andra Douglas
owner
New York Sharks

ATTACHED WAS A LIST OF ACTUAL DATES

January 12 & 26th, February 9, March 7, 8 and 15

Mayor Elwell stated that approval has already been met with the Recreation Department and proper insurance has been received.

Councilman Reilly moved to approve the request of the New York Sharks, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Reilly gave a report on New Years Eve and stated that the police reported very few incidents.

Mayor Elwell reported for the Flood Committee and work has been done on Central Lane and completed today. He said there are other projects to look at depending on the weather.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Jeffas asked if Mr. Constantino could come in and report on the Recreation Center and his findings at the next Caucus meeting.

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Michael Marra announced that the Town Clerk's Office will be open until 9:00pm for late night voter registration. He said this is the last opportunity to register or make any changes prior to the February 5, 2008 Presidential Primary Election. He clarified that it is too late to change party affiliation.

Councilman Jeffas asked for some assistance in policing tractor trailers from coming through the Clarendon School Area trying to access the Fifth Street gate.

Mayor Elwell stated that MAP Quest is sending them that way. He said that he will ask John Dubiel to design larger truck route signs and have them placed throughout the Town. He said signs may need to be put on Flanagan Way on the islands. He asked Mr. Drumeler to look into Map Quest problem.

Councilman Shinnick noted that it is also GPS systems taking them in that direction also.

REMARKS OF CITIZENS

Sam Maffei
Louis Schmitt
Viola Fernandez
Lucia Zucconi
Madeline Chichizola
Frank Mac Cormick
Thomas Troyer

Councilman Shinnick moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 PM, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion carried.

Michael Marra, Town Clerk