

Minutes
Winthrop Town Council
Special Meeting
Monday, October 24,, 2005 at 7 p.m.

Winthrop Town Office

Attending: Councilors Cookson, Putman, Rheaume, Despres, Buck, MacDonald and Caprara. Town Manager Cornell Knight. Liz Sienko, Dale Ashby, Merrie Hanson, Library Trustees, Chris Churchill KJ reporter. .

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Item #142 Consider the purchase and sale agreement for the Mason's building 33 Bowdoin Street.

The town manager explained that he had filled in the blanks from a form from the town attorney. The purchase price is \$120,000. The town attorney still needs to review it so approval should be subject to minor adjustments from the attorney. It lists an inspection and an environmental review and the Mason's can store their furniture for six months. The building will not be heated this winter.

Councilor Putman asked what the library plans were for the building.

Merrie Hanson said after speaking to the DEP that there is no need for a lead paint study or a phase I environmental study.

Mr. Knight agreed with that the lead paint analysis could wait but to protect the town of future liability in the event a hazard is found, that the study should be done before the property is purchased.

Liz Seinko said that what to do with the building has yet to be determined. It could be moved so new construction could take place on the site at a lower cost than renovating the building.

Motion by Rheaume Seconded by Caprara to approve the purchase and Sale agreement on the Mason's property subject to review by the town attorney. Vote 7-0.

Item # 143 Consider a contract with Stratex LLC to do a Phase I environmental study of the Mason's building.

Moiton by Rheaume Seconded by Caprara to hire Stratex LLC to do an environmental study on the Mason's building. Vote 7-0.

Councilor Rheaume reminded the town manager of the streetlight not working at the post office.

Councilor Cookson asked about the paving at driveway entrances on Buttershill and Lakeshore Drive.

Councilor Buck asked about the replacement of culverts on Birch Street; Councilor Rheaume asked about the drainage on Birch Street. The town manager said he would look into those items.

Motion by Rheaume Seconded by Caprara to adjourn at 7:25 pm.