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Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Council Resolution: #2011-001

Introduced By:	Councillor Peter Riordan
Date Introduced:	January 25, 2011
Second Reading:	February 8, 2011
Amendments Adopted:	none
Date Adopted:	February 8, 2011
Date Effective:	March 10, 2011

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING PROMOTION OF A FARMER'S MARKET

WHEREAS, in 2010 a small group of organizers came together to form a community market, whose commitment was to work with the business community and service organizations to provide a vibrant community setting that offered fresh, locally grown foods, promotes and supports sustainable agriculture, and connects residents to each other and to local farmers; and

WHEREAS, the Farmers Market offers a place for all ages to enjoy and enhance the spirit of our community, providing a weekly opportunity to meet neighbors and develop communal relationships that will continue to strengthen our Town; and

WHEREAS, the Farmers Market enables residents to purchase local food from local farmers and in doing so, contributes to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the Market would add to the charm of the Town Center, and benefit Bridgewater businesses by increasing the number of shoppers the Market brings to the Town Center on Market days; and

WHEREAS, a Farmers Market may help our community improve quality of life through convenience of having a market here on in Town; through personal health and well being; through reducing our environmental impact; and through an enhanced sense of community;

WHEREAS, this initiative is compatible with our community's interests and goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council promote the concept of a Farmer's Market for promotion within the boundaries of the Town of Bridgewater.

In accordance with the Town of Bridgewater Home Rule Charter, the Town Council assembled voted, at their meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, to approve the aforementioned petition by a unanimous roll call vote (9-0).

ATTEST:



Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Council Resolution: #2011-003

Introduced By:	Councilor William Wood
Date Introduced:	September 6, 2011
Second Reading:	October 4, 2011
Amendments Adopted:	October 4, 2011
Date Adopted:	October 4, 2011
Date Effective:	November 3, 2011

A RESOLUTION ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET

WHEREAS: Article 6 of the Bridgewater Home Rule Charter sets out a process for the development and adoption of the annual operating budget and capital improvement program; and,

WHEREAS: As the Town Council wishes to establish a timeline, consistent with the Charter, by which it will provide policy guidance to the Town Manager on the development of the budget and capital improvement program; and,

WHEREAS: Such a timeline will also give town residents notice of their opportunity to offer input on these important financial matters;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Council of the City known as the Town of Bridgewater establishes the following timeline for the development of the Fiscal Year 2013 operating budget and capital improvement program:

1. The Fiscal Year 2013 Preliminary Budget Overview will be presented to the Town Council on November 15th, 2011.
2. The Town Council will adopt its Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Policy Guidelines by December 20th, 2011.
3. The proposed Fiscal Year 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Program will be presented to the Town Council by January 18th, 2012.
4. The Town Council will adopt its conceptual recommendations on the Fiscal Year 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Program by March 20th, 2012 subject to the availability of funds.



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, October 18, 2011

Council Resolution: #2011-004

Introduced By:	Councilor Scott Pitta
Date Introduced:	October 4, 2011
Second Reading:	October 18, 2011
Amendments Adopted:	None
Date Adopted:	October 18, 2011
Date Effective:	October 18, 2011

Resolution Order #2011-004

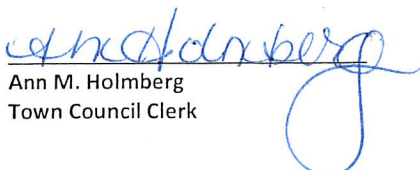
A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE MANAGEMENT LETTER: YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

The Town Council hereby accepts and endorses the document titled Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts Management Letter Year Ended June 30, 2010 by Roselli, Clark & Associates as presented to the Town Council on September 6, 2011.

Furthermore, it is the expectation of the Town Council that the recommendations and suggestions contained therein be implemented.

In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Town of Bridgewater Home Rule Charter and Town Council Rules and Procedures, the Town Council assembled voted, at their meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, 2011, to approve the aforementioned Resolution by a roll call vote (7-0).

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:


Ann M. Holmberg
Town Council Clerk



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, October 21, 2011

Council Resolution: #2011-005

Introduced By:	Councilor Michael Berolini
Date Introduced:	October 11, 2011
Second Reading:	October 18, 2011
Third Reading:	October 21, 2011
Amendments Adopted:	October 18, 2011
Date Adopted:	October 21, 2011
Date Effective:	October 21, 2011

Proposed Resolution Order 2011-005:

A RESOLUTION ON THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE RECALL INITIATIVE EMERGENCY PREAMBLE

EMERGENCY MEASURE:

In accordance with Section 2-7(b) of the Home Rule Charter, An emergency measure shall be introduced in the form and manner prescribed for measures generally except that it shall be plainly designated as an emergency measure and shall contain statements after the enacting clause declaring that an emergency exists and describing its scope and nature in clear and specific terms. A preamble which declares and defines the emergency shall be separately voted on and **shall require the affirmative vote of two thirds of the town council.**

ORDERED: Where there is an active recall initiative with certified petitions delivered to the Town Council on October 19, 2011 necessitating the need to conduct an investigation under uncharacteristically short time constraints, thus creating an emergency which extends to the following legislation:

WHEREAS: The Town Council has the authority under Section 2-11 of the charter to perform inquiries and investigations into the affairs of the town,

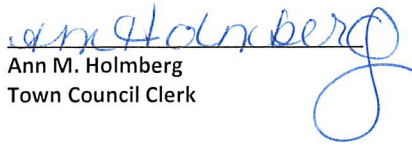
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater hereby moves to inquire and investigate the recall petition of two Councilors and any related matters in Bridgewater.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Referred to Rules & Procedures Committee (10/11/11)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Voted 3-0 in favor of referring to Council 10/14/11<ol style="list-style-type: none">Council will need to suspend rule XVIII to vote in less than 14 days.Charter 8-4(3) should apply.Recommend an Oct 25 investigation.

In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Town of Bridgewater Home Rule Charter and Town Council Rules and Procedures, the Town Council assembled voted, at their meeting on Friday, October 21, 2011, to approve the aforementioned Resolution by a roll call vote (6-1) with Councilor Callahan in the minority.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:


Ann M. Holmberg
Town Council Clerk



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, November 22, 2011

Council Resolution: #2011-007

Introduced By:	Councilor Peter Riordan
Date Introduced:	November 8, 2011
Second Reading:	November 22, 2011
Amendments Adopted:	None
Date Adopted:	November 22, 2011
Date Effective:	December 22, 2011

Resolution #2011-007

A RESOLUTION ON MASSACHUSETTS BEVERAGE CONTAINER DEPOSIT LAW

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Bottle bill, enacted in 1982, has allowed Bridgewater residents to enjoy a cleaner environment by creating an incentive for users of certain beverage containers to recycle those used containers; and,

WHEREAS: States with deposit laws have higher residential recycling rates of beverage containers than those of non-deposit states, and;

WHEREAS: Litter decrease in states with Bottle Bills averages 70-85%, and,

WHEREAS: Through the Massachusetts Bottle Bill, we recycle nearly 80% of containers of deposit containers, but only 22% on non-deposit containers, and

WHEREAS: The Governor of the Commonwealth, and members of the Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives have recognized that the original bottle bill does not take into account those beverages such as bottled water, sports drinks and teas.

WHEREAS: The addition of bottled water sports drinks, and teas to the Bottle Bill will decrease the total volume of municipal solid waste that is needed to be collected, thus saving disposal fees and landfill space.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Council of the City known as the Town of Bridgewater commemorates the 30th anniversary of the implementation of the Massachusetts Bottle Bill.

FURTHERMORE: Be it Resolved that the Town of Bridgewater be placed on record as being in support of the Massachusetts Beverage Container Deposit Law and encourages its strengthening through expanding the list as recommended by the Governor in his proposed budget and currently being considered by the House and Senate Joint committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

FURTHERMORE: Be It Resolved that the Town of Bridgewater goes on record in supporting programs that encourage residents and visitors to return or recycle all beverage containers and other recyclable materials to fully utilize the currently available recycling programs.

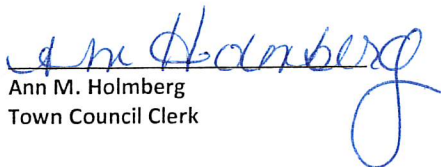
BE IT FUTHTER RESOLVED: That the Town request that our state representatives, state senators and our Governor support and vote in favor of updating the Massachusetts Container Beverage Law.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">No referral necessary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">This measure has met the 14 day time requirement

In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Town of Bridgewater Home Rule Charter and Town Council Rules and Procedures, the Town Council assembled voted, at their meeting on Tuesday, November 22, 2011, to approve the aforementioned Resolution by a voice vote (9-0).

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:


Ann M. Holmberg
Town Council Clerk



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, December 20, 2011

Council Resolution: #2011-008

Introduced By:	Councilor Peter Riordan
Date Introduced:	November 29, 2011
Second Reading:	December 20, 2011
Amendments Adopted:	None
Date Adopted:	December 20, 2011
Date Effective:	January 20, 2012

Resolution #2011-008

A RESOLUTION ON THE SALE OF TOWN-OWNED LAND

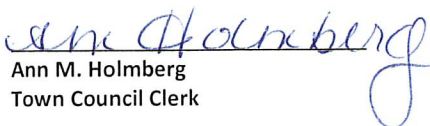
WHEREAS: The sale of any Town owned land parcel shall not increase development on privately owned, land-locked parcels(s) and,

WHEREAS: Green Sale is defined as: Undeveloped land which shall remain undeveloped after the sale.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That all sales of Town owned land shall be made to increase "green space" within the Town of Bridgewater and that due diligence shall include assurance that all the sales of Town owned lands are consistent with a "green sales" goal.

In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Town of Bridgewater Home Rule Charter and Town Council Rules and Procedures, the Town Council assembled voted, at their meeting on Tuesday, December 20, 2011, to approve the aforementioned Resolution by a roll call vote (5-2 with Councilors Wood and Colombotos in the minority) (Councilors Fitzgibbons and Callahan were not present).

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:


Ann M. Holmberg
Town Council Clerk

ROLL CALL VOTE: PASSAGE REQUIRES SIMPLE MAJORITY