

Amesbury Municipal Council Minutes  
Tuesday, January 29, 2008  
7:00PM Town Hall Auditorium

Call to Order

Roll Call: Mary A. Chatigny, Stephen J. Dunford, Anne R. Ferguson, Robert Gilday, Robert W. Lavoie, Joseph W. McMilleon, Allen R. Neale, Jonathan Sherwood and Roger S. Benson

Act on Minutes – January 2, 2008, January 8, 2008, January 22, 2008  
Councilor Lavoie moved to accept as submitted, Councilor Neale second – Voted Unanimous

Public Comment – None at this time  
Council Response to Public Comment – None at this time

Licenses and Permits

**2008-006** Auctioneer License – John McInnis, 76 Main Street  
Councilor Dunford motions to accept with the conditions that all inspections and permits have been approved and all monies owed the Town have been paid. Councilor Sherwood second  
Voted – Unanimous

New Business

**2008-005** A Resolution that the Amesbury Municipal Council supports the Town's application for \$800,000 in Community Development Block Grant monies – Councilors Sherwood and Ferguson sponsor  
Vice President Lavoie read 2008-005 into the record.

Councilor Sherwood states the purpose of the resolution is to express the full support of the Council for the town to apply for the \$800,000 grant from the commonwealth. The commonwealth wants it clear that the activities proposed are in line with the community's priorities and existing development plans and goals.

Joseph Fahey, Director of Community and Economic Development – Mr. Fahey states the town applies for this grant every year. The Block Grant Funds are federal funds that are passed through the States Department of Housing and Community Development. The funds will be used for a neighborhood improvement program. They look for areas the town has prioritized for water, sewer, sidewalks etc. and dovetail their projects into that neighborhood. The area will be the Aubin/Nayson neighborhood. The grant will also subsidize after school programs offering grant assistance for those families who can not afford the programs. He states one of the key questions the state looks at is whether the applicant has the support of the community as a whole which includes the city council.

Councilor Chatigny motions to accept the resolution and fully support the grant application. Councilor McMilleon second – Voted Unanimous

Late File

**2008-007** Amesbury Municipal Council Sixth Session Rules & Procedures

President Benson asks for a motion to accept late file 2008-007.

Councilor Neale motions to accept late file 2008-007. Councilor Dunford second – Voted Unanimous

Councilor Lavoie moved the council retain jurisdiction over the Sixth Session Rules & Procedures and not refer it to committee and bring them forward for a second reading on February 12, 2008.

Councilor Dunford second – Voted Unanimous

Councilor Neale motioned to adjourn, Councilor McMilleon second – Voted Unanimous

7:20PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Assistant Town Clerk