

HAMDEN TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting of

October 7, 2010

Attending: W. Folsom, S. Glenn, L. Salay, C. Sette, W. Spalter

Absent: E. Ariori, U.M. Ford, S. Harris

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Chairman Settee

Approval of minutes – Chairman Sette entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 4th, 2010. Mr. Folsom motioned to accept the minutes seconded by Mr. Salay. *The motion carried unanimously.*

Old Business

- a. Chairman Sette addressed the disappointment with the Quinnipiac University project from the Spring as it did not get off the ground for a number of reasons. The faculty member didn't quite understand what the Commission was looking for and the students were looking more to design a program and not do the research the Commission was looking for as in the past. Also, there was some resistance from the Board of Education but it was later discovered that changes at the BOE were what created the situation. Chairman Sette felt the faculty member and the students didn't take any initiative and that the questions the students were asking were not addressing what was needed for the project. A brief discussion ensued regarding the purpose of the Commission, how it would like to be of more help to the Town etc. It is understood that the Mayor being very knowledgeable regarding technology has not approached the Commission for help or research but they would like to be of more assistance. It was agreed that Mr. Spalter will contact the Mayor's office to set up an appointment to meet and go over the role of the Commission what does the Mayor expect, what does he want and how can the Commission benefit the town. Mr. Spalter will get back to the Commission after his meeting with the Mayor.

Department Activity

- a. Update from Dave Richards on the status of IT – Mr. Richards was not present for the meeting and none of the members has spoken with him since May 2010.

New Business

- a. Mr. Salay motioned to add the Meeting Schedule for 2011 to the agenda, seconded by Ms. Glenn. *The motion carried unanimously.* The Commission was provided with the meeting schedule for 2011. The Commission discussed the possibility of not holding meetings in July and August like a number of other Commission's in the town do. The clerk is instructed to contact the Town Clerk to see what the regulations for the Technology Commission are and if they can make the change to not having the meetings in July and August and the clerk will adjust the approved

meeting schedule to reflect that information and submit the approved meeting schedule to the Town Clerk. Mr. Salay motioned to approve the meeting schedule for 2011, seconded by Mr. Folsom. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Adjournment

At 7:55 p.m. Mr. Salay motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Glenn. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

The next regular meeting will be Thursday, November 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room, Government Center.

Recorded by,

Catherine E. Gempka
Commission Clerk