

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING  
TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES**

**October 23, 2001**

**Council Chambers**

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President Rob Bouvier called the hearing to order at 7:06 p.m.

Present were Councilors Rob Bouvier, Carl Donatelli, Liz Gillette, Jonathan Harris, Jim O'Brien, Andrew Schoolnik, John Shulansky and Al Turco. Councilor Kevin Connors was absent.

President Bouvier: Thank you Mrs. Cronin. We have a copy of an ordinance implementing tax exemption for certain vehicles. Mr. Feldman.

Mr. Feldman: Mr. Mayor has been around a while. It has been through the administration a number of times. It has been recently reviewed with Finance and Budget for further refinement. The Town Assessor is here, Joanne Ferraresso and maybe if you will permit maybe Joanne if you would take just a minute or two and just little bit of description of what the ordinance would allow.

Ms. Ferraresso: The current ordinance in place allows for a tax exemption of vehicles used to transport disabled persons and that has been in place since about 1984. Our Legislature allowed the Town to expand the ordinance if it chooses to include vehicles that have been modified so that handicapped or disabled person can drive themselves so we are asking to have the ordinance expanded to include people who have modified their car so that they can transport themselves.

President Bouvier: Thank you. Would you do me a favor? I am assuming this is going to be adopted. Would you get back on behalf of the Council to the one gentleman who was inquiring and give him a call tomorrow and tell him we did.

Ms. Ferraresso: Yes, I will.

President Bouvier: It is presumptuous on my part.

Councilor Gillette: Well check with Norma first to make sure it did pass.

President Bouvier: Thank you. Mr. Alair.

Mr. Alair: Just for the record, I believe you have a substitute that was passed out at the table just so everyone is on the same page.

President Bouvier: Thank you sir. Thank you Joanne. Any questions from the Council? If not, we will close the public hearing.

The hearing adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Norma W. Cronin  
Town Clerk/Council Clerk