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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

During the session, Mr. Roy of Frankin took the Chair, and at his request the members and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Andrew Mario Bissanti, 64, of Franklin who died peacefully January 7 surrounded by his beloved wife and three girls.

Andrew Bissanti.

Andrew was a longtime Franklin resident and dedicated public servant. He served four terms as a member of the Town Council and as Vice-Chair of the town's Master Plan Committee. In addition to proudly serving as a Town Councilor, Andrew was also a member of the Franklin Elks Club, the Lion's Club, the Franklin Rod and Gun Club, and the Masonic Temple. Andrew also owned and operated Bissanti Real Estate and Appraisers in Franklin for many years.

Before taking ill, Andrew continued his valiant efforts in supporting community organizations such as the homeless, our local Veterans, and Gilly's House Rehabilitation Center. His passion was to help make Franklin a better place, especially for those individuals in need.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Walsh of Peabody) congratulating John Garuti on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Walsh of Peabody) congratulating Michael O'Connor on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Walsh of Peabody) congratulating Addison Twiss on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

John Garuti.

Michael O'Connor.

Addison Twiss. Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4321) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Julian Cyr (by vote of the town) that the town of Oak Bluffs be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land to the Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission; and

Oak Bluffs,—land.

By the same members, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4322) of Dylan A. Fernandes (by vote of the town) that the town of Oak Bluffs be authorized to further regulate the rental of mopeds and motor scooters in said town.

Oak Bluffs, motor scooters.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Police, transparency.

By Mr. Holmes of Boston (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Clinton Graham relative to police transparency.

Well water,—regulate.

By Mr. Sena of Acton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Danillo A. Sena and others for legislation to further regulate private well water.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Josh S. Cutler that the bridge on Tremont Street spanning Route 3 in the town of Duxbury be designated the Lewis Sisters bridge;

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Josh S. Cutler that the Congress Street bridge spanning Route 3 in Duxbury be designated as the Cora Wilburn bridge;

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Josh S. Cutler that the intersection of Tremont Street, state Route 3A, and St. George Street in the town of Duxbury be designated as the Charlotte Bradford square; and

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Josh S. Cutler that the bridge on Temple Street spanning Route 3 in Duxbury be designated as the George W. W. Scott bridge;

Severally to the committee on Transportation.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Honan of Boston, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Clarifying call firefighter rights (House, No. 2702);

Exempting the position of apprentice lineman in the town of Norwood from the civil service law (House, No. 4093) [Local Approval Received]; and

Designating a certain node of the Blackstone River Greenway in the town of Millville as the Margaret M. Carroll memorial greenway access area (House, No. 4213);

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Duxbury,— Lewis sisters.

Duxbury,— Wilburn bridge.

Duxbury,— Bradford square.

Duxbury,— Scott bridge.

Firefighters.

Norwood, lineman.

Millville,— Carroll access area.

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill validating the actions taken at the annual town meeting and a certain special town meeting in the town of Rowley (see Senate Bill printed in Senate, No. 2550) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Engrossed bills

Authorizing the disbursement of funds held by the town of Westford (see House, No. 3724); and

Bills enacted.

Establishing a cell tower receipts special account for the town of North Reading (see House, No. 4020);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill relative to town elections in the town of Wilbraham (House, No. 3935), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third reading bill.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Wareham to grant an additional license for the sale of malt beverages not to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2587), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Wareham, liquor license.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4320.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2587, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smola of Warren (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.