



# City of Haverhill City Council Minutes

Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 7:00 PM  
City Council Chambers, Room 202

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Present – President Scatamacchia, Councillors Hart, Ryan, McGonagle, Macek, LePage, Daly O’Brien and Sullivan.

Absent – Councillor Michitson

City Clerk – Margaret A. Toomey.

**The March 19, 2013 City Council meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. Agenda items scheduled for that meeting were combined with the March 26 City Council meeting.**

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the March 12 meeting were approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor McGonagle was appointed to read the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor

Communication was received from Mayor Fiorentini submitting an Order to dispose of the Ornstein property, known as 31-35 Railroad Avenue. 35C

ORDERED: That the interest of the City of Haverhill in real property known as 31-35 Railroad Avenue (Map 711, Block 4, Lots 3, 4 and 4A) and Map 712, Block 684, Lots 1 and 2, Haverhill, Massachusetts be declared surplus and that said interest in real property is declared available for disposition. The Mayor is authorized to issue a Request for Proposals for the property. Final approval for the sale of property shall be brought to the Council for authorization.

PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 34D

4. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)

No Schedule

5. Appointments

Confirming Appointments:

No Schedule

Non-Confirming Appointments:

Meredith Warren appointed as Chairperson to the Central Business District Parking Commission, PLACED ON FILE 20K

Resignations:

No Schedule

6. Petitions

Petitions:

Petition was received from Tracy Fuller, Executive Director of the Haverhill YMCA, requesting to display a banner on the parking garage on the Main st side from April 1 to April 15, promoting YMCA Summer Camps.

GRANTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 43

Petition was received from Sonja Nathan, on behalf of Neurofibromatosis Northeast, requesting a permit for a Coast to the Cure Bike Ride on Barker, Boxford, South Cross, Salem, Groveland, Jordan, East Broadway, and East Main sts; on Saturday, Sept 7 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM.

GRANTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 37F

Applications:

Application was received from Anselmo Aleman to Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles at 195 Washington st.

GRANTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 45

7. Hearings and Related Orders

No Schedule

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8. Motions and Orders

Election Warrant –

ORDERED: That the citizens of Haverhill qualified to vote as the law directs be notified and warned to assemble at their respective meeting places on **TUESDAY**, the **THIRTIETH of APRIL**, 2013 to open at seven o'clock in the forenoon and to close at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to cast their votes in the Special State Primaries for the candidates of political parties for the following office:

**SENATOR IN CONGRESS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH**

And be it further

ORDERED: That notice of the above meeting shall be posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and in the Clerk's Office.

PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 40C

ORDERED: That \$2,100.00 be transferred from Capital to City Clerk Expense.

PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 21E

9. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings

Document 32-B

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 240

An Ordinance Relating to Parking

(9 Thorndike St.- Add Handicap Parking) (see document for complete text)

PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 32B

10. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Monthly Reports:

No Schedule

Communications from Councillors:

Communication was received from Councillor Ryan requesting a discussion regarding graffiti on private and public buildings throughout the City.

COUNCILLOR RYAN EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN ABOUT THE GROWING GRAFFITI PROBLEM AND THE NEED FOR AN ORDINANCE.

LETTER TO SOLICITOR TO DRAFT ORDINANCE Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 9-S

Communication was received from Councillor Sullivan requesting a discussion regarding a comprehensive improvement and restoration plan for Winnekenni Park and Plug Pond Recreation area. COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN BRIEFLY EXPLAINED WHAT IMPROVEMENTS HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AT WINNEKENNI PARK AND THE PLUG POND AREA. HE WOULD LIKE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO BRAINSTORM ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THIS AREA.

REFERRED TO NATURAL RESOURCES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

COMMITTEE Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 9-T

Communications from City Employees:

Communication was received from David Van Dam, Mayor's Chief of Staff, requesting to give an update to the Council on the progress of the alley way lighting request by Councillor Daly O'Brien.

POSTPONED TO APRIL 2, 2013 AT REQUEST OF MR. VAN DAM 44

Communication was received from Councillor Ryan requesting a discussion regarding the heliport at Merrimack Valley Hospital.

COUNCILLOR RYAN STATED THAT SOME RESIDENTS AT KENNEDY CIRCLE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE HELIPORT. COUNCILLOR DALY O'BRIEN STATED THAT THE HELIPORT HAS TO BE CLOSE TO THE EMERGENCY ENTRANCE AND THAT WHENEVER THERE IS A FLIGHT LEAVING OR COMING TO THE HOSPITAL THAT THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE PRESENT

LETTER TO HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 9-U

11. Resolutions and Proclamations

**P R O C L A M A T I O N**

Irish American Heritage Month, March 2013

(see document for complete text)

ADOPTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 24E

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PROCLAMATION  
Greek Independence Day - March 25 2013  
(see document for complete text)

ADOPTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 24F

PROCLAMATION  
Days of Remembrance - April 7-14  
(see document for complete text)

ADOPTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 24G

PROCLAMATION  
Donate Life Month, April 2013  
(see document for complete text)

ADOPTED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 24H

12. Council Committee Reports and Announcements

Council Committee Reports:

No Schedule

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 o'clock P.M. Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

Attest: Margaret A Toomey  
City Clerk