



City of Haverhill City Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, Room 202

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

Acting City Clerk – Heather Budrewicz

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor Sullivan was appointed to read the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor

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

No Schedule

5. Appointments

Confirming Appointments:

No Schedule

Non-Confirming Appointments:

No Schedule

Resignations:

No Schedule

6. Petitions

Petitions:

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities regarding Public Hearing and Request for comments regarding An Act Relative to Competitively Priced Electricity in the Commonwealth to establish a cost-based rate design for Mass Electric Company d/b/a National Grid; with Hearing Date October 10th, 10:00 am, at Department's Offices, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, MA

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Applications:

No Schedule

Annual License Renewals:

No Schedule

7. Hearings and Related Orders:

Document 64-K

American Taxi License Renewal –possible executive session pursuant to G.L.c. 30A, §21(a)(1), and G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(7)

HEARING OPENED

Attorney Paul Magliocchetti, 70 Bailey Boulevard, represented American Taxi, and gave opening remarks about the taxi business at 236 Winter Street. The City of Haverhill was represented by Attorney Michele Randazzo of Kopelman and Paige, P.C., 101 Arch Street, Boston, MA.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR HART TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On the question of passage the yeas and nays were as follows:

Yeas,-Councillors Hart, Michitson, McGonagle, Macek, LePage, Daly O'Brien, Sullivan and

President Scatamacchia, 8

Nays, - Councillor Ryan 1

PASSED

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL OFFICE, ROOM 204

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR HART TO RESORT BACK TO OPEN SESSION Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attorney Magliocchetti asked the Council to consider a probationary period with the approval of the Haverhill Police Department. Lt. Pistone, Haverhill Police Department, stated that the Police Department is recommending denial of the license.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR HART TO DENY THE APPLICATION AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RYAN.

A NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN POSTPONING THE MATTER FOR TWO WEEKS. LT. PISTONE STATED HE WOULD SUPPORT A TWO WEEK POSTPONEMENT.

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COUNCILLOR HART WITHDREW HIS MOTION TO DENY THE APPLICATION.
ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR HART TO POSTPONE THE MATTER FOR TWO WEEKS.

On the question of passage the yeas and nays were as follows:

Yeas, -Councillors Hart, Michitson, McGonagle, Macek, LePage, Sullivan and
President Scatamacchia, 7

Nays, - Councillors Ryan and Daly O'Brien. 2

PASSED AND CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 8, 2013

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Attorney Randazzo was asked if the license was suspended and her reply was that technically, there was nothing to suspend because according to the City ordinance, the license had expired.

8. Motions and Orders:

ORDERED: That in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 64, authorize the payment of bill(s) of the previous years and to further authorize the payment from current year departmental appropriations as listed below: (see document for complete text)

Merrimack Valley Planning Commission	\$625.00
Joseph R Piantedosi CPE	\$1,585.25
Haverhill Public Schools	\$15,597.95

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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Ordinances

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER

An Ordinance Relating to Salaries

All Departments – Non Union

Mileage Reimbursement and Furlough Day Reimbursement

(see document for complete text)

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER

An Ordinance Relating to Salaries

Administrative & Professional Positions

Mileage Reimbursement and Furlough Day Reimbursement

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9. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings

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An Ordinance Relating to Salaries

Highway/Park Department

(see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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10. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Monthly Reports:

No Schedule

Communications from Councillors:

Communication was received from Councillor Sullivan requesting an update on the status of Hilldale Cemetery. COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN STATED THAT HE WAS CONTACTED BY TOM SPITALERE, BOARD PRESIDENT OF HILLDALE CEMETERY. HE WALKED THE GROUNDS WITH MR. SPITALERE. HE OBSERVED RECENT IMPROVEMENTS; CITY HAS COMMITTED TO REPAIR RAIL FENCE; SIDEWALK AREA WILL BE MOWED BY CITY; CITY HAS OFFERED TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY OF VETERANS PORTION.

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Communications from City Employees:

No Schedule

11. Resolutions and Proclamations

No Schedule

12. Council Committee Reports and Announcements

Council Committee Reports:

Councillor Hart presented the Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting held September 16 to discuss the problem that the City has with jaywalking. He stated that the Committee unanimously recommended that the Council President send a letter to the School Department asking them to invite Ms.

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Kocher to present her jaywalking program and to discuss possible funding sources offered by the State Department of Transportation.

LETTER TO SUPERINTENDENT &
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Yeas 9, Nays 0

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Councillor LePage presented the Minutes of the Administration & Finance Committee Meeting held September 18 to discuss the sale of secondhand articles. He stated that the Committee reviewed the proposed ordinance and offered an amendment.

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An Ordinance Relating to Pawnbrokers;
Secondhand Articles; Old Gold
(see document for complete text)

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Yeas 9, Nays 0

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Meeting adjourned at 8:52 o'clock P.M.

Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attest: *Heather Budrewicz*
Acting City Clerk