



City of Haverhill
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, Room 202

Present – President Michitson, Councillors Scatamacchia, Barrett, Macek, Ryan, Sullivan, Daly O’Brien, McGonagle and LePage.
City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor McGonagle was assigned the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor

Communication from Mayor Fiorentini requesting to introduce Orlando Pacheco, our Energy Director, to answer energy initiative questions.

MR. PACHECO STATED THAT GOVERNOR BAKER RAISED THE CAP ON NET METERING 2%; CITY IS HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH NATIONAL GRID PROVIDING TEMPORARY POWER TO THE HUNKING PROJECT SITE; CITY RECEIVED QUOTE OF \$500,000 TO PURCHASE STREETLIGHTS FROM NATIONAL GRID THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE. HE HAS POSED A SERIES OF QUESTIONS TO NATIONAL GRID TO SUBSTANTIATE THEIR QUOTE

MR. PACHECO WILL PRESENT A MORE COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY STRATEGY AT FUTURE MEETING. PLACED ON FILE

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Communication from Mayor Fiorentini requesting to introduce William Pillsbury, Economic Development & Planning Director and Harbor Place team to address Council regarding several items relative to Harbor Place and also submitting a related Order.

AT THE MAYOR’S REQUEST THIS ITEM WAS WITHDRAWN

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ORDERED: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to reduce certain water, wastewater, engineering and stormwater fees required by City Code of the City of Haverhill relative to the Harbor place project in return for installation of a sewer line in Merrimack st. and also authorize Mayor to reduce their building permit fees; with total amount of reductions not to exceed \$271,952.00

AT THE MAYOR’S REQUEST THIS ITEM WAS WITHDRAWN

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4. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

No Schedule

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

Hearing was held on Document 83, a petition from Verizon New England Inc and Mass Electric Co requesting a joint pole location on Salem st; plan 751. With Joseph Gleason from Verizon, Stephanie Lee from Verizon and Alan Coward Jr. appearing in favor and Joe Arsenault opposed. Hearing closed.

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ORDERED: Order granting permission to Verizon New England Inc & Mass Electric Co for joint pole location on Salem st; plan 751 (see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 6, Nays 3

83B

6. Appointments

Confirming Appointments

No Schedule

Non-confirming Appointment

No Schedule

Resignations:

No Schedule

7. Petitions:

Petition was received from William Pillsbury, Economic Development & Planning Director; requesting Hearing for Street Discontinuance – A portion of Wall Street; in the area of Harbor Place project

REFERRED TO PLANNING BOARD

COUNCIL HEARING AUG 25, 2015

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8. Applications/Handicap Parking Signs

No Schedule

9. One Day Liquor Licenses

Kevin Snyder, Beer and Wine for Wedding Reception, at Winnekenni Castle, Saturday, September 5, 4:00PM – 10:30PM

GRANTED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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Sandra Millette, All Alcohol for Wedding Reception at Winnekenni Castle, Saturday, September 12, 1:00PM – 6:00PM
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 50G
Ernest DiBurro, additional day, Beer and Wine for Haverhill’s 375th Anniversary at Riverside Park, Sunday, September 13, 12:30PM – 7:30PM
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 50H
Kathleen Bresnahan, Beer and Wine for Tattersall Farm Day, Sunday, September 20, 12Noon– 5:00PM with rain date of Sunday, September 27
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 50I
Alice Mann, for Team Haverhill, Beer and Wine for River Ruckus, in the parking lot behind the Tap Restaurant, Merrimack st; Saturday, September 26, 11:00 AM – 9:00PM
All above applications have Police and License Commission approval
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 50J

10. Applications for Permit

Application from Dave LaBrode for 29th Annual Bobby Bell 5-Mile Road Race/Walk to start/end at “Lasting Room Grille” Sunday, October 11, 10:30AM. Application has Police approval
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 28L

11. Tag Days

Ozzie’s Kids/New England Exchange, September 12
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 18T

12. Annual License Renewals:

BUY & SELL SECOND HAND ARTICLES
Uncle Eddies Needful Things, 201 Winter st, Angelo Cerasuolo IV
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 24Y
House of Pawn – new, 24 Emerson st Aidria Torres
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 24Z

JUNK DEALER
No Schedule

BUY & SELL OLD GOLD
Uncle Eddies Needful Things – new 201 Winter st, Angelo Cerasuolo IV
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 103
House of Pawn – new, 24 Emerson st, Aidria Torres
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 103B

PAWNBROKER
House of Pawn – new, 24 Emerson st, Aidria Torres
GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 103C

LIMOUSINES
No Schedule

13 Hawker/Peddler:

No Schedule
Drainlayer 2015 License:
No Schedule

14. Hearings and Related Orders:

Document 56. Petition was received from Robert Ahern for RKACO LLC requesting Special Permit to build 3 buildings totaling 13 units that will be sold as condos at 2 Cross Rd. Related communications from various City Departments with a favorable recommendation with conditions/stipulations from Planning Board and Planning Director, William Pillsbury.
HEARING OPENED. ATTORNEY MICHAEL MIGLIORI REPRESENTED THE APPLICANT WITH DENNIS GRIECCI AND JOHN PETTIS SPEAKING IN FAVOR. ROBERT THOMPSON, KATHY MANGION, RAY KANE, CHARLES ADAMS WERE OPPOSED. HEARING CLOSED.
ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR RYAN TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL PERMIT WITH REDUCTION TO 10 UNITS.

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

Yeas,-Councillors Scatamacchia, Ryan-yes, Sullivan, Daly O'Brien, LePage, McGonagle and President Michitson - 7

Nays,-Councillors Barrett and Macek, – 2

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK, ALONG BRADSTREET AVENUE SIDE AND ALONG CROSS RD. TO REAR, THERE BE AN 8 FOOT PRIVACY FENCE AND SIREN GATE THAT BE NON-TRAVERSABLE BY FOOT; THAT IT BE MADE OF MATERIAL THAT WOULD NOT ALLOW PEOPLE TO GO THRU OR OVER GATE

Yeas 9, Nays 0

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK THAT THE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS AND/OR CONDO DOCUMENTS SHOW A RESTRICTION AGAINST ANY SNOW STORAGE AT ANY TIME AT ANY OF THE PARKING SPACES AS DESIGNATED IN THE ORIGINAL PLAN

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

Yeas,-Councillors Barrett, Macek, Sullivan, Daly O'Brien, LePage, McGonagle and President Michitson - 7

Nays,-Councillors Scatamacchia and Ryan, – 2

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK THAT THE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS AND/OR CONDO DOCUMENTS REQUIRE THAT THE BRADSTREET GATE BE PROPERLY CLEARED OF SNOW AFTER EACH STORM FOR PASSAGE OF EMERGENCY VEHICLES – Yeas 9

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR RYAN TO MOVE THE MOTION AS AMENDED

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

Yeas,-Councillors Scatamacchia, Ryan-yes, Sullivan, Daly O'Brien, LePage, McGonagle and President Michitson - 7

Nays,-Councillors Barrett and Macek, – 2

PASSED AS AMENDED

Yeas 7, Nays 2

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15. Motions and Orders:

ORDERED:- That the following locations are hereby established as Polling Places for all Elections to be held during the year 2015, in accordance with Chapter 54, Section 24 of Massachusetts General Laws: (see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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16 Ordinances (File 10 Days)

No Schedule

17 Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings:

Document 2-1

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SALARIES

FIRE SAFETY SERVICES

(see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR RYAN FOR RECONSIDERATION.

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

There was a related communication from Denise McClanahan, Human Resources Director, submitting salary figures inadvertently listed incorrectly; to **amend** submitted Salary Ordinance

(see document for complete text)

COUNCILLOR RYAN MOVED TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE TO REFLECT CORRECTIONS AS STATED BY HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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Monthly Reports

Abatement report from Board of Assessors for month of July 2015

PLACED ON FILE

Yeas 9, Nays 0

15H

18 Communications from Councillors

Communication was received from Council President Michitson requesting to introduce Roz McKeon to discuss traffic safety issues for residents at Bradford Village Condominiums regarding dangerous left turn onto Route 125

DAVID VAN DAM, CHIEF OF STAFF, STATED HE WILL WORK ON GETTING SIGNAGE INSTALLED AT LOCATION

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Communication was received from Councillor Barrett requesting a discussion regarding a request from Linda Kelly regarding posting of "No Parking" signs on Back Lane
REFERRED TO TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE Yeas 9, Nays 0 74W

Communication was received from Councillor Daly O'Brien requesting to introduce Cindy Balukas, 43 South Kimball st, to discuss the continued odor from the wastewater treatment plant
MS. BALUKAS STATED THAT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & STEWART'S SEPTIC ODORS HAVE BEEN GOING ON FOR 8/10 YEARS. TANKS AT WASTEWATER PLANT ARE NOT COVERED. CAPITOL WASTE PARKS THEIR TRASH TRUCKS AT STEWART'S; MARSHA ROMATELLI, PAULA JALBERT, JOE BALUKAS & JAMES ALLEN MADE STATEMENTS ABOUT ODORS. HANDOUTS FROM JOE BALUKAS ABOUT THE ADDITION OF HONEY MONSTER SEPTAGE RECEIVING SYSTEM AT STEWART'S AND TRUCK LEAKAGE WERE PROVIDED*
ROBERT WARD & RICHARD MACDONALD ANSWERED QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS
LETTER TO MAYOR Yeas 9, Nays 0 74X

Communication was received from Councillor Macek requesting to introduce Ronald MacLeod and Tricia Barrett to discuss speed issues, commercial trucking and weight limits on City roadways, and to discuss signage concerns and related issues
RON MACLEOD TALKED ABOUT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFFING
LETTER TO MAYOR Yeas 9, Nays 0 74Y

19 Resolutions and Proclamations
No Schedule

20 Council Committee Reports and Announcements
Councillor LePage announced the Administration & Finance meeting scheduled for Aug. 26. Agenda items will be Central Business District parking, Food Trucks, and audio and remote participation for Council meetings

21 Documents referred to Committee Study

22 Adjourn
Meeting adjourned at 11:15 o'clock P.M. Yeas 9, Nays 0

*Doc. 74X – Handout from Joseph Balukas – Stewart's Honey Monster Septage Receiving system and truck leakage photos

Attest: Linda Koutoulas
City Clerk