



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, 4 Summer St., Room 202

In-Person/Remote Meeting

Present – President Sullivan, Councilors Basiliere, Hobbs Everett, Michitson, Ferreira, Jordan, Lewandowski, Toohey, and Rogers

Absent – Councilors McGonagle and LePage

City Clerk – Kaitlin M. Wright

1. OPENING PRAYER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

Motion by Councilor Michitson to approve August 20, 2024 minutes, second Councilor Jordan

PASSED All in Favor

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Councilor Ferreira assigned the meeting minutes.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS TO INTRODUCE AN INDIVIDUAL(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

- 6.1. Councillor Michitson requests to introduce Claire Hailson, Executive Director at *Ruth's House*, to announce two upcoming fundraising events - a Bocce Tournament on October 19th, and a Night of Motown Magic on November 8th 31-W

Claire Hailson, 87 Lowell Avenue, spoke about the two upcoming fall fundraisers for Ruth's House. The first one being a Bocce Tournament on Saturday, October 19th from 5-10PM at the Son's of Italy. It is a Halloween theme event all encouraged to wear costumes. Registration is on the website. The Second event is Night of Motown Magic featuring the band Timeless. It is November 8th from 6-10PM at Michales function hall, \$75 per person which includes dinner and dancing. Go to ruthshouse.org to purchase tickets.

Councilor Michitson asked the Council to form a team of six and challenged the school committee to do the same.

- 6.2. Vice President Jordan requests to introduce Susan Blyth, Eunice Ziegler, and Al Hanscom from *Emmaus, Inc.* to promote their upcoming *Cycle for Shelter* fundraising ride on Sunday, September 15th 31-X

Councilor Jordan introduced Emmaus house representatives. Cycle for Shelter is a big fall fundraiser. Trying to meet a \$200K goal. The event happens Sunday, September 15 at Northern Essex Community College. Can still register right up to the event.

- 6.3. Councillor Michitson and Vice President Jordan request to introduce Keith Boucher to seek students 18-24 years old to enroll in new Cyber Warrior IT certification training program this Fall at *MakeIT Haverhill* 31-Y



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Keith Boucher, MakeIT Haverhill, announced the next job fair will be September 19th. Now working with Cyber Warrior and received grant to for people between 18-24 years old who are unemployed for this paid opportunity and who's second language is English. MakeIT Haverhill will recruit 8-10 people, two classes a week and we will manage them.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

8.1. City Assessor, Christine Webb, submits abatement report for the month of August 2024

Motion by Councilor Jordan, second Councilor Toohey
PASSED All in Favor

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9. UTILITY HEARING(S) AND RELATED ORDER(S):

10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:

10.1. Document 62: City Engineer, John Pettis requests Alteration of a Roadway – Right of Way Alteration on Chadwick rd

10.1.1. Document 62-B: Order – Alter a portion of Chadwick Road as a Public Way
Favorable recommendations with conditions from Planning Board and Planning Director

President Sullivan opened the hearing.

John Pettis, City Engineer: Here for a roadway alteration of Chadwick Road to widen out the right of way where it meets Kingsbury Avenue. This will allow us to make that intersection a four-legged intersection rather than an offset intersection. The intersection is also confusing for drivers. This has come before traffic and safety several times. We have never had funding before and now have Chapter 90 for the consultation and ARPA money for the construction. It will improve the line of sight from 200 feet to 400 feet. At the planning board hearing, the residents' concern was with speeding. The speed counter tracked from August 19 to September 4th, with 34K plus vehicles the average speed was 29 mph, and 85th percentile was 36 mph. The intersection did not meet the five warrants for a four way stop or a flashing yellow.

President Sullivan asked if anyone would like to speak.

Jennifer Hogan, 540 Chadwick Road, thanked Mr. Pettis for the additional information. Asked what criteria needs to be met to have a four way stop sign, blinking light or blinking yellow. There is no safe place to walk on the street. Letting people cross the intersection quicker will increase the speed, which has been a problem for years.

John Pettis stated he does not have all the data available from the consultant. He will send the warrant to the resident and Council.



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President Sullivan closed the hearing.

Councilor Michitson would like to send both Chadwick Road and Kingsbury to Traffic and Safety for the speeding and see what recommendations they would have and do move for what is before us.

Motion by Councilor Michitson to approve and send speeding issue to Traffic and Safety, second Councilor Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

11. APPOINTMENTS:

11.1. Confirming Appointments:

11.1.1. *Board of Appeals:* Michael Soraghan, 108 So Park st, effective September 10, 2024, to expire September 30, 2029

Motion by Councilor Jordan, second Councilor Rogers

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

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11.2. Non-Confirming

11.3. Constables to expire December 31, 2024

11.4. Resignations:

11.4.1. *Board of Appeals:* Kassie Infante, effective August 22, 2024

Motion by Councilor Michitson, second Councilor Jordan

PASSED placed on file

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 1

41-E

12. PETITIONS:

12.1. Applications Handicap Parking Sign: with Police approval

12.2. Amusement/Event Application – with Police approval

12.2.1. EVNT 24-23: Devon Allen for *Vintage Bazaar New England*, requesting to hold a vintage and craft show on October 5 & 6, at *Kimball Farm* from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday and 10 am to 3 pm on Sunday; at 725 East Broadway

Motion by Councilor Michitson, second Councilor Rogers

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

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12.2.2. EVNT 24-22: Crystal Robbins for *Summit Sobriety Services*, requesting to hold a small craft fair to raise money for a charity, on September 28th, being held at 1186 Main st, from 10 am to 3 pm



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Clerk stated event was changed to September 21st

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PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

89-B

12.3. Auctioneer License:

12.4. Tag Days: *with Police approval*

12.5. One Day Liquor License – *with License Commission & Police approval*

12.5.1. Beverly Cepeda requests to have a Beer & Wine license for her *Sweet 15 (Quinceanera)* event to be held at the *Haverhill Senior Center*, 10 Welcome st, on September 21st from 7 pm to 11:30 pm *pending Police and License Commission approval*

Motion by Councilor Michitson, second Councilor Toohey

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

48-E

12.6. ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWALS:

12.6.1. **Hawker Peddlers License- Fixed location** – *w/Police approval*

12.6.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals** – *with Police approval*

12.6.3. **Christmas Tree Vendor** – *with Police approval*

12.6.4. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2024:** *with Police approval*

12.6.5. **Taxi/Limousine License** *with Police approval*

12.6.6. **Junk Dealer /Collector License** *with Police approval*

12.6.7. **Pool/Billiard**

12.6.8. **Bowling**

12.6.9. **Sunday Bowling**

12.6.10. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles** *with Police approval*

12.6.11. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Clothing**

12.6.12. **Pawnbroker license** - *with police approval*

12.6.13. **Fortune Teller** *with - Police approval*

12.6.14. **Buy & Sell Old Gold** – *with Police approval*

12.6.15. **Roller Skating Rink**

12.6.16. **Sunday Skating**

12.6.17. **Exterior Vending Machines/Redbox Automated Retail, LLC**

12.6.18. **Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars** *with Police approval*

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)



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14.1. Ordinance re: Adoption of G.L.c.39, section 23D; also known as the “Mullin Rule”
File 10 days

Motion by Councilor Rogers, second Councilor Michitson

PASSED placed on file

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

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14.2. Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic; Amend Chapter 240, as amended be further amended by deleting the following from section 240-85 Schedule B: Parking Restrictions and Prohibitions:

South Main st, East Side, from Inland st to Doane st – Time Limit: 1 hour, 9 am to 6 pm M-F

Also, that section Chapter 240-85 Schedule B: Parking Restrictions and Prohibitions, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following:

South Main st, East Side, from 20’ South of Inland st, southerly for 280’ - Time limit: 15 min, 7 am to 8 pm M-F

From 300’ south of Inland st southerly for 320’ – No Parking

From 20’ north of Doane st, northerly for 155’ – Time Limit: 1 Hour 9 am to 6 pm M-F

File 10 days

Motion by Councilor Rogers, second Councilor Michitson

PASSED placed on file

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

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15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

16. UNFINISHED BUISINESS OF PRECEEDING MEETING:

16.1. Document 88: Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic; *Add Trail Parking Only Hannan Ridge rd – south side, from 265’ east of Parsonage Hill road, Easterly for 62’* *Filed 8/22/2024*

Motion by Councilor Jordan, second Councilor Toohey

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

16.2. Document 11-F: Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic; *Delete handicap parking for 103 Portland st and Add Handicap Parking for 12 Observatory av and 109 Cogswell st* *Filed 8/22/2024*

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16.3.Doc 11-G: Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic; *Add Handicap Parking at 8 Kimball st*
Filed 8/22/2024

Motion by Councilor Jordan, second Councilor Michitson

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

18.1.Councillor Lewandowski submits the Minutes of the *Natural Resources and Public Property* Committee meeting held on July 31, 2024, for acceptance

Councilor Lewandowski summarized the NRPP minutes from the July 31st meeting.

Motion by Councilor Lewandowski to accept the minutes, second Councilor Basiliere

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

17-M

Motion by Councilor Lewandowski to send back the pertinent content to the drafting authority and the mayor; specially the ice safety piece to the ordinance, the redraft of the ordinances as it relates to camping and the changes coming back before the Council, and establishment of a working Plug Pond committee, second Councilor Basiliere

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

21. ADJOURN:

Motion by Councilor Michitson, second Councilor Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0, Absent 2

Adjourned 19:48