



**City of Haverhill**  
**City Council Minutes**  
 Tuesday, February 5, 2019  
 Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, Room 202  
 4 Summer Street

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

1. Opening Prayer
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting  
     The minutes were approved Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1
4. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting  
     Councillor McGonagle was assigned the minutes.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO INTRODUCE AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE REGARDING CHECKOUT BAGS.  
 RULES SUSPENDED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 34

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 173

An Ordinance Relating to Littering

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that Chapter 173, of the Code of the City of Haverhill, as amended, being and is hereby further amended as follow:

By deleting the provisions of §173-10 (B) (2) and (3) in their entirety. (see document for complete text)  
 PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 34

**Councillor Jordan arrived.**

5. Communications from the Mayor:
6. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees:
7. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)
8. Hearings and Related Orders
9. Public Participation- Requests under Council Rule 28
10. Appointments:  
     No Schedule
11. Petitions:

Applications/Handicap Parking Sign – new

Kelly Phillips for 32 Verndale st

REFERRED TO PLANNING Yeas 9, Nays 0 29C

Tag Days:

HHS Soccer Boosters – Boys & Girls, October 4,5 ,6

GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 17T

Haverhill Lion’s Club, October 12

GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 17U

Drainlayer License for 2019:

Michael W Reilly

GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 10H

Taxi Driver Licenses for 2019:

Robin M Harriman, 3 17th av – *renewal*

GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 27E

Nicole Siney, 6 Presidential av - *new*

GRANTED Yeas 9, Nays 0 27F

**12. 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:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Account</u>
Covanta Energy LLC	\$187,795.71	Highway Refuse & Recycling
Motion Industries	\$ 3,674.07	Wastewater

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 32

**13. Ordinances (File 10 days)**

**14. Monthly Report**

Preliminary Financial reports for the month of September 2018 from City Auditor Charles Benevento

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 33

Preliminary Financial Reports for the month of October 2018 from City Auditor Charles Benevento

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 33B

**15. Communications from Councillors:**

Communication was received from Councillor Bevilacqua requesting a discussion regarding Council public hearings

COUNICLLOR BEVILACQUA SUGGESTED THE USE OF THE CITY HALL AUDITORIUM OR UTILIZE SCHOOL BUILDINGS WHEN LARGE AUDIENCES ARE ANTICIPATED. COUNCILLORS SPOKE ABOUT THE CONDITION OF THE CITY AUDITORIUM WITH THE NEED FOR IMPROVED LIGHTING AND AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT.

LETTER TO MAYOR Yeas 9, Nays 0 13O

Communication was received from Councillor Bevilacqua requesting to discuss extending the implementation of the plastic bag ban

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION TO THE FIRST DAY OF SPRING Yeas 1(Bevilacqua) Nays 8 13P

Communication was received from Council President Michitson and Councillor McGonagle requesting to discuss the status and mitigation of gang violence in Haverhill

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCGONAGLE TO POSTPONE TO FEB 26 POSTPONED TO FEB 26 2019 Yeas 9, Nays 0 13Q

Communication was received from Councillor McGonagle requesting a discussion about the potential impact of a future extended government shutdown

LETTER TO MAYOR AND AUDITOR TO INQUIRE ABOUT IMPACT TO CITY PROGRAMS Yeas 9, Nays 0 13R

Communication was received from Councillor Bevilacqua requesting a discussion regarding the lack of snow plowing during the recent storm.

COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA INFORMED THAT THE SIDE STREETS WERE NOT PLOWED. SHAWN REGAN, MAYOR'S STAFF, STATED THAT THE MAYOR WAS AWARE OF THE PROBLEM AND IT WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA TO SEND A LETTER TO THE MAYOR/DPW TO ASK THEM WHEN IT SNOWS TO PLOW SIDE STREETS SO IT WON'T BE UNSAFE

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

Yeas,-Councillors Sullivan, Bevilacqua, President Michitson 3

Nays,-Councillors Barrett, LePage, Jordan, Macek, Daly O'Brien, McGonagle 6

MOTION FAILED

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Communication was received from Councillors Barrett, LePage and Jordan requesting a discussion on the conditions of the HHS track and update on the multi-purpose field at the Haverhill High School

PARENTS HAVE VOICED THEIR SAFETY CONCERNS ABOUT THE TRACK BEING PATCHED. THE GIRLS SOFTBALL/MULTI-PURPOSE FIELD IS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR LEPAGE TO SEND A LETTER TO MAYOR AND PURCHASING AGENT TO HAVE THE CITY SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK Yeas 9, Nays 0 13T

Communication was received from Councillor McGonagle requesting the removal of the handicap parking spaces at 13 Hancock st, 50 Howard st and 14 Meagan's Way as they are no longer needed

REFERRED TO PLANNING Yeas 9, Nays 0 13U

**16. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings :**

**17. Council Committee Reports and Announcements**

Councillor McGonagle presented the minutes and recommendations of the Public Safety Committee meeting held on January 23, 2019 for acceptance and discussion of items Doc. 121-F/2018 –

illegal hunting concerns in the Atlanta st area - the Committee recommended that a letter be sent to the Mayor to form a Hunting Committee to address public safety concerns. Membership would include a representative from the Public Safety Committee and volunteers who attended the meeting. This item will be removed from the Committee Study list. Doc. 38-D/2018 – update on City's emergency management plan

and status of working generators in all public buildings in the City. An update was provided by the Mayor's office on purchase, timeframe and installation of 3 generators for High Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Bradford Fire Stations. This item will remain on the Committee Study list. Councillor Barrett asked for the minutes to be amended to reflect that a member of the Public Safety Committee would be on the Hunting Committee.

Minutes accepted as amended and placed on file. Yeas 9, Nays 0 30B

Councillor Sullivan announcement that the NRPP Committee meeting scheduled for Feb.11<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled and the new date will be Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM.

Councillor Bevilacqua announced that Battle Grounds Coffee is having a blood drive on Feb.9, from 9-3PM.

**18. Documents Referred To Committee Study**

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 o'clock P.M. Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attest: Linda Koutoulas  
City Clerk