#### **CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

### Tuesday, March 12, 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, McGonagle, LePage, and Rogers Council Administrative Assistant – Laurie A. Brown City Clerk – Kaitlin M. Wright

- 1. OPENING PRAYER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

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

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Councilor Lewandowski assigned the minutes.

- 5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:
  - 5.1. Mayor Barrett requests to introduce the Haverhill High School Varsity Wrestling Team on becoming MIAA All State Champions, Merrimack Valley Conference Regular Season Champions, MIAA Division 1 State Champions, Merrimack Valley Conference Regular Season Champions, Third Place at New England Championship, First Place at Noble Tournament, First Place at Timberland Tournament and Second Place at Bossi Tournament, 23-2-1 record and Tim Lawler MIAA Division 1 Coach of the Year

Mayor Barrett recognized the Haverhill High School Varsity Wrestling Team on their winning season and was honored to have them before the Council presenting them each with a Citation acknowledging their achievements. Council President Sullivan presented each member of the team with a Citation from the Council.

5.2. Mayor Barrett, President Sullivan and Councillor Basiliere request to introduce Commissioner Linda Gambino Baxter of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Commission to give an update on preparations for the celebration of VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY at Mill Brook Park on March 29, 2024

Mayor Barrett stated will be recognizing Vietnam War Veterans at Mill Brook Park on March 29<sup>th</sup> all are welcome to attend. Councilor Basiliere stated will meet at 10 am and it will be a 30-minute celebration with music and a new soloist this year. Will send more information by email.

5.3. Mayor Barrett submits a Salary Ordinance and a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City of Haverhill and the City Hall Clerks Union Group
 5.3.1. Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Haverhill and the City Hall Clerks Group – Teamsters Local 170

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5.3.1.1. Ordinance re: Salaries – City Hall Clerks Group

File 10 days

Motion by Councilor McGonagle, second Councilor Toohey
PASSED Placed on File
All in Favor

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

6.1. Councillors Ferreira and Basiliere request to introduce Executive Director William Kelly, Veterans Northeast Outreach Center, and Noah Berger, MEVA, to discuss coordinated efforts to provide transportation for veterans

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William Kelly, VNOC, appeared before the Council stating they work and support low-income and homeless veterans throughout the area. While working with veterans have come to find transportation is the hardest part of the equation so having a mechanism to get them back and forth to Bedford and around town to appointments is important. Looking into grants to hire a transportation coordinator to help. MEVA is a great partner of VNOC and has donated a van and they have a new program where they provide direct transportation from Haverhill to Bedford twice a week. VNOC will be working with the veterans and MEVA to help veterans with scheduling these services.

Juan Guillermo, Assistant General Manager of MEVA, addressed the Council stating MEVA has a range of services with one major hub in Haverhill the other in Lawrence. Veterans for years have called MEVA for transportation to the VA in Beford but was outside the jurisdiction. In fiscal year 2024 additional funding was made available to launch transportation services to the Bedford VA for veterans including their families. All you have to do is call mini MEVA administrative offices to sign up for services at 978-469-6878 option 3 to book your ride Monday-Friday 8-5pm. VA rides on Wednesday and Fridays. It is free for veterans.

- 7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:
  - 8.1. Christine Webb, City Assessor submits abatement report for month of February 2024

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

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- 9. UTILITY HEARING(S) AND RELATED ORDER(S):
- 10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:
- 11. APPOINTMENTS:
  - 11.1. Confirming Appointments:
  - 11.2.Non-Confirming to expire December 31, 2024

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- 11.3. Constables to expire December 31, 2024
- 11.4. Resignations:

#### **12. PETITIONS:**

- 12.1. Applications Handicap Parking Sign: with Police approval
- 12.2. Amusement/Event Application with Police approval
- 12.3. Auctioneer License:
- 12.4. Tag Days: with Police approval
- 12.5. One Day Liquor License with License Commission & Police approval

#### 12.6.<u>ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWALS</u>:

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

12.6.1.1. FIXD-24-2, license for Kenneth Zibolis to sell hot dogs, sausages, burgers, and fries at 10 Church st, Bradford – Monday-Friday, 10 am to 8 pm and Saturday, 2 pm to 8 pm

Councilor Jordan stated he appreciates Mr. Zibolis changing his time on Saturday to accommodate the Farmers Market, had a question about the approval from last meeting at the Winnekenni location.

Clerk Wright stated he applied for two locations, this being the second one.

President Sullivan clarified that it is possible for one applicant to hold more than one of these licenses just needing Council approval. Has two concerns: (1) had permanent signage posted at Bradford Common and took the sign and not the post, permanent signage is not allowed, and (2) left a chair behind. Wants to make sure that vendors all clean up after themselves.

Motion by Councilor McGonagle , second Councilor Rogers
PASSED Yeas 11, Nays 0 21-D

- 12.6.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals** with Police approval
- 12.6.3. **Christmas Tree Vendor** with Police approval
- 12.6.4. <u>Taxi Driver Licenses for 2023</u>: 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. **Sunday Pool**
- 12.6.8. **Bowling**

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- 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:

13.1.Order – authorize payment of bills of previous years and authorize payment from current year appropriations as listed:

Vendor	Amount	Account	
Rooter-Man	\$660.00	Schoo	l Dept
Rooter-Man	\$230.00	"	"
2B Transportation LLC	\$5,500.00	"	"
2B Transportation LLC	\$4,000.00	44	"
2B Transportation LLC	\$3,500.00	"	"

Motion by Councilor Jordan, second Councilor Lewandowski

PASSED Yeas 11, Nays 0 23-B

- 14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)
- 15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:
- 16. UNFINISHED BUISINESS OF PRECEEDING MEETING:
- 17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:
- 18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY
- 20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST
- 21. ADJOURN:

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

Adjourned 19:36