CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 7:00 PM

neodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, 4 Summer st, Room 202 In-Person/Remote Meeting

Present: President Sullivan, Councilors Basiliere, LePage, Ferreira, McGonagle, Hobbs Everett,

Lewandowski and Toohey

Remote: Councilors Michitson and Rogers

Absent: Vice President Jordan City Clerk: Kaitlin M. Wright

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

COUNCILOR LEWANDOWSKI STATED SHE REVIEWED THE MINUTES AND FINDS THEM IN ORDER. MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEWANDOWSKI TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON FILE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE YEAS 10, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1 (JORDAN)

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

PRESIDENT SULLIVAN ASSIGNED THE MINUTES TO COUNCILOR TOOHEY

- 5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:
 - 5.1. Mayor Barrett, along with President Sullivan and Councilor Basiliere, wish to announce the Vietnam War Veterans Day Ceremony at Mill Brook Park on March 28th at 10:00 AM

Mayor Barrett thanked President Sullivan and Councilor Basiliere and shared her excitement about participating again. Councilor Basiliere outlined the upcoming ceremony for Vietnam War Veteran's Day at Mill Brook Park on March 28th at 10:00 AM, with a tent, floral arrangements, and a trumpeter. It will be held rain or shine. President Sullivan expressed pride in the improvements made to an unkempt island in the area.

> 5.2. Mayor Barrett submits the following Gift Order for the St. Patrick's Day party at the Citizens Center, to the Council on Aging Department: 35-G

5.2.1. Order authorizing the City Council to accept a gift of \$75.00 from Atwood Memorial 35-GG

Mayor Barrett thanked Atwood Memorial for donating to the party. MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE TO ACCEPT, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY YEAS 10, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1 (JORDAN) PASSED

- 6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS TO INTRODUCE AN INDIVIDUAL(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:
 - 6.1. Councilors Michitson and McGonagle wish to introduce Haverhill resident Gary Bradley to address his brother Tom's crusade for a kidney to save his life 13-D

Councilors Michitson and McGonagle introduced Gary Bradley, who spoke on behalf of his brother Tom, along with his brothers Ken and Richard and Gary's wife Elaine. They raised awareness about living kidney donations for Tom, who has end-stage renal disease and needs a kidney transplant. Tom requires dialysis four times a week. As of September 2024, there are 90,000 people on the kidney transplant

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waiting list. Living donor transplants are key to increasing this number. The family is using yard signs, bumper stickers, and flyers to spread the word and asked for help in sharing this message. Tom expressed gratitude to President Sullivan and the councilors for their support and contact information for further inquiries was provided. President Sullivan asked Gary to bring lawn signs, flyers and bumper stickers to city hall and they help distribute them to get the word out. Visit Tom's Kidney Crusade on facebook.

6.2. Councilor Basiliere wishes to introduce Shana Murrell, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving, *Northern Essex Community College*, to discuss their upcoming "Day of Giving" fundraising effort

Shana Murrell, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving at Northern Essex Community College, addressed the council. She shared that the college is celebrating its 4th annual giving day on Thursday, April 3rd. The initiative encourages community members to donate to the NECC fund, which supports unrestricted funds for the college. Recently, the college launched an internship stipend program for students with money raised. Donations can be made online. Additionally, a kickoff event will be held in downtown Haverhill on April 2nd at G's Restaurant from 4:00 to 6:30 PM, where a percentage of the evening's sales will be donated to the NECC fund.

7. Public Participation-Requests under Council Rule 28

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

8.1. City Clerk, Kaitlin M. Wright, requests to address the City Council to announce the inaugural "I Voted!" sticker contest 20-I

City Clerk Wright announced the launch of the first-ever "I Voted" sticker contest for the upcoming municipal election season. The contest is open to Haverhill residents in grades K-12, regardless of whether they attend Haverhill Public Schools. The contest runs from April 1st to May 16th, and participants must submit hand-drawn designs, with preference given to designs that reference Haverhill. The winning design will be chosen by the City Clerk's Office staff and will become the official "I Voted" sticker for the local election. Entries can be submitted by email at CityClerk@haverhillma.gov or you may hand deliver to our office.

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

10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:

10.1. <u>Document 32</u>: CCSP 25-1: Attorney Magliochetti representing Astro Enterprise LLC, request to build a 4-unit condo building at 0 Nichols st in the RU Zone (residential urban density) *comments from City Depts are included*

City Clerk Wright stated they received a communication from Attorney Magliochetti to continue to May 20, 2025.

President Sullivan opened the hearing.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE TO CONTINUE TO MAY 20, 2025, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY PASSED TO CONTINUE TO MAY 20, 2025 YEAS 10, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1 (JORDAN)

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11.APP	OINTMENTS:
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1	1.	1.	Confirming Appointments	
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Non-Confirming Appointments: 11.2.

- 11.2.1. Water/Wastewater Abatement Review Board, Paul D. Abreu, 53 Blossom st, expires 3/31/2028 16-G MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR LEWANDOWSKI YEAS 10, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1 (JORDAN) **PASSED**
 - 11.3. Constables
 - Resignations: 11.4.

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
 - Marine Corps League Detachment 128 Capt. William D. 12.4.1. Glynn, June 28th 8-J

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- 12.5. One Day Liquor License – with License Commission & HPD approval
- 12.6. **ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWALS:**
 - Hawker Peddlers License- Fixed location w/Police 12.6.1. approval
 - 12.6.2. Coin-Op License Renewals – with Police approval
 - **Christmas Tree Vendor** with Police approval 12.6.3.
 - 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 12.6.6.1. Windfield Alloy, Inc; Brandon Tetler, 81 Hale st 17-C

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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)

14.1. Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic; No Parking on Cottage St,

East side, entire length

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PASSED

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15.Communications from Councilors: 16. Unfinished Business of Preceeding Meeting:

16.1. <u>Document 11-E:</u> Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic; Handicap parking – 24 Fifth av *filed 3/13* 11-E

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16.2. <u>Document 43:</u> Ordinance re: Commission to amend the Code of the City relating to Commission on Disability Issues: Amend Chapter II, Boards and Commissions. Article IV related communication from Lisa L Mead and Michael A Reilly, City Solicitors filed 3/13

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Mayor Barrett addressed the council, explaining that the current commissioners are struggling to meet quorum due to the high attendance requirement. She proposed reducing the number of required attendees to 5, 7, or 9 to ensure meetings can be held and the commission can fulfill its mission. Councilor McGonagle inquired about a recommendation, and Mayor Barrett confirmed the recommendation is to go with 5, as allowed by the ordinance but the ordinance does state 5-7 or 9.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE TO ACCEPT, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY PASSED

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17.RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

17.1 Mayor Barrett presents the following Proclamation: March 2025 as *Women's History Month* in the City of Haverhill 45-C

Councilor Ferreira read the proclamation into the record.

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18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Councilor Ferreira wished to announce International Transgender Day on March 31, 2025
- Councilor Basiliere congratulated Councilor Toohey on his recognition for his contributions at the Downtown Boxing Club

19.DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

20.LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

21.ADJOURN:

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEWANDOWSKI TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY COUNCILOR FERREIRA
PASSED
YEAS 10, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1 (JORDAN) ADJOURNED: 19:37