



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

Present – President Jordan, Councillors Barrett, Bevilacqua, Sullivan, McGonagle, Rogers, and Toohey

Absent – Councillors Michitson and Lewandowski

City Clerk – Linda Koutoulas

1. OPENING PRAYER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

Motion by Councillor Toohey to approve 9/27/22 minutes, second Councillor McGonagle

PASSED Placed on File

All in Favor

Motion by Councillor Barrett to approve 10/4/22 minutes, second Councillor Bevilacqua

PASSED Placed on File

All in Favor

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Councillor Bevilacqua assigned minutes.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

5.1. Mayor Fiorentini submits information and request for Zoning Hearing regarding
Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and related Ordinance proposal 119

Planning Board Nov 9th

Council Hearing Nov 29th

5.1.1. Ordinance re; Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)

File 10 days

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Toohey

119-B

PASSED

All in Favor

*Mayor addressed the Council; microphone was not working so inaudible

5.2. Mayor Fiorentini submits *Salary Ordinance* and *Memorandum of Agreement*

(MOA) between City of Haverhill and Animal Control Officers, Police Mechanics,
Building Craftsmen (MOA) and Building Custodian Group 40

5.2.1. MOA between City of Haverhill and Animal Control Officers, Police

Mechanics, Police Craftsmen, Custodian/Building Custodian Group –

Teamsters Local 170

105-D

5.2.2. Ordinance re: Salaries – Animal Control Officers, Police Mechanics,

Police Craftsmen, Custodian/Building Custodian Group **File 10 days** 99-G

Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Bevilacqua

PASSED Placed on File

All in Favor

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



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

- 6.1. Councillor Michael McGonagle request to introduce Maureen Menzie, Board Member from Veterans Alliance of Greater Haverhill, to invite the public to attend and support the pre-election breakfast held at the *Amvets Post 147*, 576 Primrose st on Sunday, November 6 from 9am to 11 am 98-I

Councillor McGonagle introduced Maureen Menzie to speak about the pre-election breakfast, then excused himself for conflict as a board member.

Maureen Menzie, 429 Primrose Street, thanked the Council for letting her come before them to give details on the pre-election Veterans breakfast to support Veterans. She invites the Council and all citizens on November 6th from 9-11am at the AMVETS. You can sponsor by buying a star or flag by contacting Mike McGonagle at 978-502-7967, website or Facebook page.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

- 8.1. Abatement report from *City Assessor*, Christine Webb, for September 2022
Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett
PASSED All in Favor 9-J

- 8.2. John Pettis, City Engineer requests 4 Fernwood av, Permit NGRD be opened to repair a gas leak 32-H

- 8.2.1. Order-approve request to open 4 Fernwood av to repair a gas leak
Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Bevilacqua
PASSED Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2 17-H

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

- 9.1. Mass Electric Co d/b/a National Grid requests permission for *pole locations* at the intersection of Belvidere rd and Sanders rd – Plan 30546756 **Hearing Nov 29th**
120

- 9.2. Mass Electric Co d/b/a National Grid requests permission for *underground electric conduits* on Sanders rd at the intersection of Belvidere rd and Sanders rd – Plan 30546756 **Hearing Nov 29th**

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett
PASSED to be heard Nov. 29 Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2 121

10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:

- 10.1. Document 108; Rick Friberg/TEC Engineering requests Hearing for Planned Development District (PDD) 22-1 for a proposed project at 145 Oxford av (*Joseph's Trattoria* site)
Favorable conditional recommendation from Planning Board and Planning Director



**CITY OF HAVERHILL
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

-
- 12.6. **One Day Liquor License:**
- 12.7. **Annual License Renewals:**
- 12.7.1. **Hawker Peddlers License 2022 - Fixed location** – *with approvals*
- 12.7.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals** - *with Police approvals*
- 12.7.3. **Drainlayer License Renewals for 2022** -*with City Engineer approval*
- 12.7.3.1. Fred Webster – *new* 16-M
- 12.7.3.2. Nathan McDonald – *new* 16-N
- 12.7.3.3. Gregory Gullage – *renewal* 16-O
- 12.7.3.4. Robert Kimball – *renewal* 16-P
- Motion by Councillor McGonagle, second Councillor Barrett*
- PASSED All in Favor*
- 12.7.4. **Christmas Tree Vendor** – *with Police approval*
- 12.7.5. Joe Michaud/*Haverhill Elks*, 24 Summer st; Nov 17th to December 25th;
Monday – Friday; 12 noon to 10 pm and Saturday & Sunday, 8 am to 10 pm
Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Rogers
- PASSED All in Favor* 113-B
- 12.7.6. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2022:** *with Police approval*
- 12.7.7. **Taxi License:**
- 12.7.8. **Junk Dealer License** *with Police approval*
- 12.7.9. **Pool Tables**
- 12.7.10. **Sunday Pool**
- 12.7.11. **Bowling**
- 12.7.12. **Sunday Bowling**
- 12.7.13. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles** *with Police approval*
- 12.7.14. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Clothing**
- 12.7.15. **Pawnbroker license**
- 12.7.16. **Fortune Teller** - *pending Police approval*
- 12.7.17. **Buy & Sell Old Gold**
- 12.7.18. **Roller Skating Rink**
- 12.7.19. **Sunday Skating**
- 12.7.20. **Exterior Vending Machines**
- 12.7.21. **Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars** *with Police approval*

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

- 13.1. Order – Warrant for 2022 State Election, being held Tuesday, November 8th, with polls open at 7 am to 8 pm
Motion by Councillor McGonagle, second Councillor Barrett
- PASSED Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2* 100-C
- *Early voting starts Saturday, Oct. 22nd until Nov. 4th
- 13.2. Order-authorize Mayor to execute a certain Amendment to Easement,
which modifies an existing easement relative to real property owned by *Bethany*



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

Homes, Inc and located at 100 Water st *Related communication from City Solicitor, William Cox Jr*

Solicitor Cox attending remotely explaining amendment to an easement the city has with Bethany Homes. It is an existing utility easement. History provided by Attorney John Smolak and why it is necessary in order to accommodate new 48 senior unit rental at the corner of Bethany and Water Street. City Engineer Pettis has reviewed and approved.

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Sullivan

PASSED

Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2

123

- 13.3. Order: Transfer from completed capital projects fund balances to fund prior year deficits in special revenue funds as detailed below:



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

| Fund | Description | Fund Balance |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 3416155 | City IT New Core Switch | \$ 4,671.95 |
| 3416423 | DPW Flashing Lights | \$ 1,880.00 |
| 3417422 | Six-Wheel Dump Truck | \$ 1,869.00 |
| 3418182 | Planning Master Plan | \$ 1,636.28 |
| 3418218 | Radio System Public Safety (Bond) | \$ 1,044.51 |
| 3419221 | Fire Mobile & Portable Radios | \$ 91.09 |
| 3419630 | Playground Improvements | \$ 674.92 |
| 3420422 | Highway Building Repairs | \$ 982.36 |
| 3420501 | Operation Booth | \$ 23.07 |
| 3421141 | Property Change Detection | \$ 867.59 |
| 3451001 | FY15 Streets and Sidewalks | \$ 890.00 |
| 3500001 | Landfill Remediation | \$ 196.01 |
| 3719423 | Roadways | \$ 370.00 |
| 3719182 | River Boardwalk | \$ 26,630.74 |
| Total from Completed Capital Project | | \$ 41,827.52 |
| 2219121 | Green Community | \$ (17,097.01) |
| 2402170 | Bond Issuance Costs | \$ (24,730.51) |
| Prior Year Fund Deficits | | \$ (41,827.52) |

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Barrett

PASSED

Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2

95-F

13.4. Order – to Establish the Opioid Recovery and Remediation Stabilization Fund *Related communication from Chris Sicuranza, Mayor’s Chief of Staff*

Chris Sicuranza, Chief of Staff, addressed the Council regarding the Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund which the city will receive just under \$320K by 2031. Included memo with a list of ways the funds can be used, such as having



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

communities pool resources, will follow up with more details later. Purpose tonight is to establish the stabilization fund.

Councillor Bevilacqua questioned item #4(d) safe injection sites, and states does not support that provision and will vote against for that reason.

Chief of Staff Sicuranza clarified that this is just to establish the particular fund; not specific earmark language that necessitates to do items listed in memo. Memo was done to help Council with process. Voting tonight to establish the stabilization fund not to implement programs as listed. The list provided is not mandates. It is just revised guidance from the state but to start you have to vote to establish a fund and if you don't you give the opioid money back. There are no programs to discuss right now.

President Jordan confirmed with Chief of Staff Sicuranza that the City Council does not get to unilaterally decide how this going to work, we are just one partner in the whole thing. The role tonight is to just approve a fund.

Chief of Staff Sicuranza confirmed stating it is to comply with the revised guidance and the city will be audited every year through special reporting.

Motion by Councillor Barrett for approval, second Councillor Sullivan
PASSED *Yeas 6, Nays 1, Absent 2* 124

Councillor Bevilacqua to make an amendment to motion to add to "Section III: Abatement funds allocated to municipalities shall be used to implement the strategies set forth below." Language at end of "subject to the prior approval of the City Council", second Councillor Rogers
FAILED *Yeas 2, Nays 5, Absent 2*

Councillor Barrett clarified that this is just an establishment of a line time to put these funds, a stabilization fund. First step towards addressing what has ripped apart many families, this gives money to actually assist people.

Councillor McGonagle asked who has the final say on how money in fund is spent? Councillor Sullivan stated per Solicitor Cox, six Councillor's must vote to spend any funds from that account.

- 13.5. Order – authorize pay bills from previous years and pay from current year departmental appropriations as listed:

| <u>Vendor</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Account</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| AAT Air Auto Tracking | \$2,235.00 | Snow & Ice |



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Scott's Roofing Service (balance) | 985.00 | Fire Department |
| Merrimack Valley Tire | 35.00 | Human Services |

Total: \$3255.00

Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Sullivan

PASSED

Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2

101-E

14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)

15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

- 15.1. Councillors Barrett and Sullivan request a status update from the Mayor on preparations for the expanded City Council and School Committee members to be elected in November 2023 and seated in January 2024, including increasing the seating capacity in Council Chambers and Council Office to accommodate eleven Councillors and making the Council Chamber ADA compliant. 118-D

Councillor Barrett spoke with Chief of Staff Sicuranza who is working on it. Want to work diligently to make sure handicap accessible and start well before additional council are added.

Councillor Sullivan also spoke with Chief of Staff Sicuranza who stated Steve Bucuzzo is working on and there may be available ARPA funds available. Need to address technology, HC Media's equipment, computers at stations and handicap accessibility.

Councillor Bevilacqua supports what needs to be done in the Chambers but wants to know where people are voting. That is the issue.

City Clerk Koutoulas stated there are a lot of tools available. Everyone received a Census and at the bottom it tells the household where the new voting place is; you can go online to www.wheredoivotema.com and enter your address; robo calls will be going out before the election; can also call the clerk's office. Open to suggestions for any help.

16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING:

- 16.1. Document 19-J; Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic – Delete Handicap Parking in front of 123 Cedar st
filed Oct 5th

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett

PASSED

Yeas 7, Nays 0, Absent 2



CITY OF HAVERHILL

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Koutoulas announced early voting at City Hall in the basement:

Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 10-4

Sunday, October 23, 2022 from 10-4

Every Weekday from 8-4

Until November 4th

Mail in Ballots have been received. Accepted from the State on Monday, October 10, 2022
Clerk's office sending about 9K ballots.

19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

21. ADJOURN

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Rogers

PASSED

All in Favor

Adjourned 19:58