



**CITY OF HAVERHILL
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM

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

In-Person/Remote Meeting

Present – President Barrett, Councillors LePage, Bevilacqua, Michitson, Sullivan, Jordan, Daly O’Brien and Macek.

Attending Remotely – Councillor McGonagle

City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. OPENING PRAYER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

Continued to next meeting

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Councillor Michitson assigned minutes.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

5.1. Mayor Fiorentini submits Salary Ordinances and Contracts for the following Groups: 83-G

5.1.1. Ordinance re: Salaries – City Hall Clerks Group File 10 days 21-E

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED Placed on File Yeas 8, Nays 0, Abstain 1 (Bevilacqua)

5.1.2. Ordinance re: Salaries – Citizen Center Group File 10 days 21-F

5.1.3. Ordinance re: Salaries – Engineering Group -Teamsters #170 File 10 days 21-G

5.1.4. Ordinance re: Salaries – Water/Wastewater Office/Technical File 10 days 21-H

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED Placed on File Yeas 9, Nays 0

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

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

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

9.1. Petition from Mass Electric Co d/b/a National Grid requesting underground electric conduits for Creekbrook dr; plan #30454727 Hearing Feb 1 2022

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Daly O’Brien

PASSED To be Heard February 1, 2022 Yeas 9, Nays 0 114

9.2. Petition from Mass Electric Co d/b/a National Grid requesting pole location for Creekbrook dr; plan #30454727 Hearing Feb 1 2022

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Daly O’Brien

PASSED To be Heard February 1, 2022 Yeas 9, Nays 0 115

10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:

10.1. Document 103; Petition from Noel Ortega owner of *Welcome Motors Inc* requesting hearing for approval to expand his current lot at his dealership, 63 Pecker to park more vehicles.

Hearing continued from December 7 2021



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Attorney Robert Harb: I have been retained as the attorney for petition for special permit. Since working with Noel Ortega we have done a number of things including talking with the building inspector, Chairman of the License Commission, and RAM Engineering who drew up the original plan. It is not feasible for us to come before you tonight with a brand-new plan which we will do. With new council etc. we would like to withdraw the petition without prejudice.

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Jordan

Councillor Macek has no objection but wanted to confirm fee covers the advertising cost. City Clerk confirmed advertising cost will be covered. Councillor Sullivan wanted to make sure the neighbors concerns are addressed before coming back to the Council.

Attorney Harb wanted the record to show that Mr. Ortega and his family were present tonight. He did review some of the neighbors' comments and are addressing in the new petition. Will talk with the neighbors when the new plan is finished before coming to the Council.

PASSED Withdrawn without prejudice Yeas 9, Nays 0

11. APPOINTMENTS:

- 11.1. **Confirming Appointments:**
- 11.2. **Non-Confirming:**
- 11.3. **Resignations:**

12. PETITIONS:

- 12.1. Applicant Marc Couture requests hearing to allow construction of a two-story garage at 177 Millvale rd which is within 500 feet of the Millvale Reservoir
Hearing Jan 25 2022.

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED To be Heard January 25, 2022 Yeas 9, Nays 0 116

12.2. **Applications Handicap Parking Sign: with police approval**

- 12.2.1. Jerricca Jarrett, 73 Hilldale av *new* 2-V
- 12.2.2. Myrna Otero, 37 Wilson st *new* 2-W
- 12.2.3. Kimberly Bradley, 13 Highland st *new* 2-X

Motion by Councillor Jordan, second Councillor Daly O'Brien

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0

12.3. **Amusement/Event Applications:**

12.4. **Auctioneer License:**

12.5. **Tag Days:**

12.6. **One Day Liquor License:**

12.7. **Annual License Renewals:**

12.7.1. **Hawker Peddlers License 2022 - Fixed location**

12.7.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals - with Police Dept approval**

- 12.7.2.1. *American Legion Post 4 - 2 Coin-ops 1314 Main st*



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12.7.3. Drainlayer License Renewals for 2022 -with City Engineer approval

12.7.3.1. Paul Busby 81-P

12.7.3.2. Steve Caruso 81-Q

12.7.3.3. Scott Karpinski 81-R

12.7.3.4. Ralph Meola 81-S

12.7.3.5. Doug Robbins 81-T

12.7.3.6. Joseph Scott 81-U

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0

12.7.4. **Christmas Tree Vendor:**

12.7.5. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2022:**

12.7.6. **Taxi License**

12.7.7. **Junk Dealer License**

12.7.8. **Pool Tables**

12.7.9. **Sunday Pool**

12.7.10. **Bowling**

12.7.11. **Sunday Bowling**

12.7.12. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles**

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

12.7.14. **Pawnbroker license**

12.7.15. **Fortune Teller**

12.7.16. **Buy & Sell Old Gold**

12.7.17. **Roller Skating Rink**

12.7.18. **Sunday Skating**

12.7.19. **Exterior Vending Machines**

12.7.20. **Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars:**

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

13.1. Order – Document 7/2020 (an Order relating to rates for private snow plowing and hauling) and is hereby deleted in its entirety and the Rates for Snow Plowing and Hauling effective December 29, 2001 be inserted in place thereof with accompanying notes *Related communication from Mayor and Michael Stankovich, Director of Public Works*

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Macek

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0

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13.2. Order – \$2,000,000 be raised and appropriated into Stabilization account Mayor Fiorentini explains transfer is to build back the reserves.

Motion by Councillor Michitson, second Councillor Macek



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

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Account</u>
ACI Payments	\$498.00	Water Department
Boston Systems & Solutions (2)	640.00	Information Technology
Greenman-Pedersen Inc	911.76	Highway-Refuse

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Daly O'Brien

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

18-J

14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)

15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

- 15.1. President Barrett requests to introduce Ralph Basiliere to give a summarization of the *Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park* on Mill st

Ralph Basiliere gave a summary of the commission: Maintained the park, had 6 ceremonies', fed 100 homeless children, raised \$146K in cash, bills paid and debt free, Veterans said they finally feel respected after 40+ years.

92-Z

- 15.2. Councillor Bevilacqua requests to introduce Keith Gopsill on behalf of Veterans Organizations, to discuss small allocation of COVID Relief Funds to assist Haverhill's Veteran Service Organizations

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua to postpone, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED postponed to January 4, 2022

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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- 15.3. Councillor Sullivan, President Barrett, Councillor Daly O'Brien and Councillor Bevilacqua request to discuss the ongoing deterioration of the Basiliere Bridge and the state's timeline to start and complete the project

Councillor Sullivan received email from a constituent regarding the rapidly deteriorating Basiliere Bridge and asking to replace it sooner. With new federal infrastructure money available would be a good thing to send a letter to Legislative Delegation, the Governor, the Secretary of Transportation and ask all of them to accelerate this project.

Motion by Councillor Sullivan to send letter, second Councillor Bevilacqua

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

91-U

- 15.4. Councillor Bevilacqua requests a discussion on the increased large dump truck and other speeding heavy truck traffic on East Broadway

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua to send to the Haverhill Police Department for monitoring, second Councillor Jordan

Councillor Michitson would like to include Rocks Village to motion

PASSED

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- 15.5. Councillor Macek requests a discussion on the current unsafe conditions of the *Woidyla Trail* surface from Stanley Drive to Concord st
Councillor Macek states the traverse is unsafe for use, should be resurfaced with material fitting for the area.
Motion by Councillor Macek to send letter to DPW Director, Robert Ward, second Councillor Daly O'Brien
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 91-W

16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING:

- 16.1. Doc 3-R: Ordinance re: Vehicles and traffic;
Add handicap parking 173 River st
Motion by Councillor LePage, second Councillor Jordan
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*
- 16.2. Doc 3-S: Ordinance re: Vehicles and traffic;
Add Handicap parking 37 Wilson st
Motion by Councillor LePage, second Councillor Macek
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*
- 16.3. Doc 3-T: Ordinance re: Vehicles and traffic;
Add Handicap parking 73 Hilldale av
Motion by Councillor Michitson, second Councillor Macek
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*
- 16.4. Doc 3-U: Ordinance re: Vehicles and traffic;
Add Handicap parking 83 Blossom st
Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Daly O'Brien
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*
- 16.5. Doc 3-V: Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic;
Add Handicap parking 13 Highland st
All filed December 8 2021
Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Daly O'Brien
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*
- 16.6. Document 54-B: Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic – Parking Restriction- Irving av – No Parking both sides from its intersection with Mountain av north for 125’
filed December 14 2021
Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Macek
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*
- 16.7. Document 54-C: Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic - Lafayette Sq Parking Lot- Unrestricted Parking *Existing Ordinances regarding this Parking Lot be deleted
filed December 14 2021



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PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

- 16.8. Document 113-Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic – Prohibited Turns – add the following: Lafayette av – Egress to Lafayette sq – Left Turn Prohibited and Moody st – Egress to Golden Hill av – Right Turn Prohibited - * This prohibition applies to trucks only

filed December 14 2021

Motion by Councillor Macek, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

- 16.9. Document 92-X: Councillor Bevilacqua requests to introduce Chief Robert Pistone in recognition of the Haverhill Police Department’s accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, CALEA

Postponed from December 14 2021

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua to postpone, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED postponed to January 4, 2022

Yeas 9, Nays 0

17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillors Macek, Daly O’Brien and LePage all spoke of time spent with Council and thanked everyone.

19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

21. ADJOURN

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 7, Nays 2 Adjourned 20:40

- Amended Item for Agenda

Petition: Applicant Kyle Burchard from GPR for amendment to CCSP 21-8, Solar Energy Special Permit at 139 Amesbury Line Road, Solar Farm to adjust permanent driveway access at request of Conservation

Attorney Harb representing Solar Energy (Special Permit CCSP-21-8) here not for a hearing but for an approval on an amended plan. We submitted a new plan. The only change on the plan is the access way. At the Conservation Commission hearing, the Duchemin and Kimball families suggested access road go through Mr. Duchemin’s property to get to the array. Conversation liked this access road better, less impact on the wetlands, same size as approved, better access for the neighbors, no objections from neighbors, the array is not extended. Conservation reviewed the plan. The Building Inspector advised we didn’t have to come back for the Water Shed Overlay permit because that is to have it in the location. Since this isn’t a use, it’s just an access, we only need to amend the special permit plan.



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We ask the Council to approve this amended plan for the record.

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan to approve based on Conservation Commissions approval, second
Councillor Bevilacqua*

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

32-CC