



**CITY OF HAVERHILL
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Tuesday, May 17, 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, Lewandowski, McGonagle, Rogers and Toohey
Attending Remotely – Councillor Michitson
City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. OPENING PRAYER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua to accept April 26, 2022 minutes, second Councillor McGonagle

PASSED Placed on File Yeas 9, Nays 0

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Councillor Michitson assigned the minutes.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

5.1. Mayor Fiorentini will be before the Council to discuss the FY2023 Budget and also submits the following four FY2023 Budget Orders for review:

Mayor Fiorentini gave an outline of the FY23 Budget proposal. Some goals include meeting financial goals and standards, balance budget, provide good service to residents and maintain adequate reserves.

Angel Wills attending remotely a PowerPoint presentation review of structurally responsible budget for FY23.

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua to table votes until final budget vote on June 14, 2022, second Councillor Sullivan

City Clerk made corrections first order missing "\$100,850 for Hospital Trust Funds" and third order should be \$50,000 for Council on Aging.

Councillor Bevilacqua included in motion, second Councillor Sullivan

PASSED Filed and orders to come back June 14, 2022 Yeas 9, Nays 0 74

5.1.1. Order – Appropriate \$221,603,558 and be designated as appropriation and funded in the following manner:

\$ 5,300,000	Free Cash
214,793	Water Receipts
639,841	Wastewater Receipts
427,640	Transfer from Special Revenue (ARPA)
\$214,920,434	Taxation and Other Receipts

Continued to June 14, 2022

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5.1.2 Order – As part of FY 2023 Budget the sum of \$13,795,458 be appropriated to operate the Wastewater Dept for items marked as appropriated:

And that \$13,772,769 come from Wastewater Revenue

And that 662,530 come from available Retained Earnings



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And that \$ 639,841 be appropriated in the General Fund and funded from Wastewater Receipts
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5.1.3 Order – City Council in accordance with the City Ordinance Chapter 83, set the annual budget for the following revolving funds:

Recreation and Youth Activities	\$175,000
Veteran’s Memorial Skating Rink	456,000
Citizens Center Rental	25,000
Council on Aging Activities	50,00
Wood School Daycare	100,000
Municipal Open Space Management	\$100,000

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5.1.4 Order – As part of FT 2023 annual budget the sum of \$11,831,329 be appropriated to operate the Water Department for items marked as appropriate on the attached:

- And that \$10,587,811 come from Water Revenue
- And that 1,458,311 come from Available Retained Earnings
- And that \$214,793 be appropriated in the General Fund and funded from Water Receipts

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

6.1.Councillor Barrett requests to introduce Police Chief Pistone and Director of Officer Wellness, Amy Carter, to bring attention to current program Haverhill officers are doing to raise money for *Dana-Faber* with a weight loss challenge Chief Pistone introduced Amy Carter to discuss the state wide law enforcement weight loss challenge for Dana Faber. You can donate through the Haverhill Police Department website or email acarter@haverhillpolice.com. The deadline for donations is May 28, 2022.

Motion by Councillor McGonagle pledge \$111 for each Councillor, second Councillor Bevilacqua

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 10-U

6.2.Councillor Bevilacqua requests to introduce Renee Ouellette and Joseph LoConte of the *Haverhill Order Sons and Daughters of Italy of America 1646 Victor Emanuel* to discuss opportunities for musical instrument training with the band Councillor Bevilacqua introduced Renee Ouellette and Joe LoConte.

Renee and Joe announced Family Fun night in June and practices on Monday nights at All Saints Church for anyone who wishes to learn how to play an instrument. Everything is provided free of charge. 10-V



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6.3. Councillor Lewandowski requests to introduce resident Alex Pegnato to discuss the graffiti, trash and dog waste on the boardwalk

Councillor Lewandowski spoke of the photos Mr. Pegnato sent to the Council and introduced him to discuss further.

Alex Pegnato, Bartlett Avenue, said been a situation for a long time but is getting worse. He prefers it call it vandalism and should be treated that way. Would like better communication that it is being properly dealt with and would like a plan on how to monitor the boardwalk.

Carl Brunell, 52 Washington Street, echoed same concerns as Mr. Pegnato. Aware of dog waste issue and tagging issues downtown. Contacted 311 but was told private building, concerned with that response.

Councillor Sullivan stated the Council asked the Mayor to clean the area last year and would have a plan in place. Budget season will discuss getting equipment for the city. Councillor Bevilacqua stated cannot go on private property but perhaps if city had own equipment an agreement can be worked out with property owners. Councillor Barrett confirms the city does have an ordinance for graffiti removal and suggests a graffiti removal fund.

Chief Pistone stated some cities have ordinances stating property owners must remove in 72 hours. Have community officer that works with property owners. Confirmed two juveniles were charged with the recent tagging. The Haverhill Police website has a submit a tip people can use to inform where graffiti is. Use sheriff's department now but love idea of own equipment. Suggest maybe DPW can do daily checks as well.

Motion by Councillor Lewandowski to send letter to Mayor to reinstitute Graffiti Response Team and add language to ordinance for fines, second Councillor Bevilacqua

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

8.1. William Cox Jr, City Solicitor submits revision to the Central Business District Parking Map in order to correct a conflict concerning the Bus Stop spaces in front of the MVRTA Transit Station in Washington square 75

8.1.1. Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic – Amend Code of City, Chapter 240, as amended regarding the Central Business District Parking Map dated 8/17/2011 as last revised on 5/11/2022 File 10 days

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett

PASSED Placed on File

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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8.2. Abatement report from Christine Webb, Assessor for month of April 2022
Motion Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor McGonagle
PASSED Placed on File *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 9-D

8.3. Orlando Pacheco, Energy Advisor, submits Agreement Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement (PILOT) between BWC Camp Brook LLC (aka Bluewave Solar) and the City of Haverhill

Orlando Pacheco appearing remotely stating this is additional project on Hilldale, smaller than one already given. Not constructed yet.

Motion by Councillor McGonagle, second Councillor Toohey
PASSED *Yeas 8, Nays 1 (Bevilacqua)* 76

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

10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:

10.1. Document 74/2021: William Pillsbury Jr, Economic Development & Planning Director requests Zoning Amendment – to City Code Chapter 255 and submits related Ordinance

10.1.1. Document 74-B/2021: Ordinance re: Amend City Zoning Ordinance Chapter 255 by adding: 8.3 Inclusionary Zoning – All housing projects in City shall require a minimum of 10% of all units to be affordable as a condition of approval
Postponed from March 29 2022

Letter received from Mr. Pillsbury to postpone to July 12, 2022

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor McGonagle
PASSED Postponed to July 12, 2022 *Yeas 9, Nays 0*

10.2. Angelo Antidormi requests Special Permit Major Modification; SPMM 22-2 – One Five-story wood-framed apartment building over steel and concrete podium parking structure at 19 Railroad av

President Jordan opening the hearing.

Mr. Procopio addressed the Council explaining major modifications to special permit received previously for Railroad Ave project. Changes from two buildings to one due to MassDEP concerns with compensatory flood storage and overall climate resilience and reducing its environmental footprint.

President Jordan asked if anyone would like to speak in favor. No one spoke.

President Jordan asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition. No one spoke.

President Jordan closed the hearing.

Motion by Councillor Sullivan for passage with comment, second by Councillor McGonagle.



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**President Jordan: Have the motion from Councillor Sullivan, second from Councillor McGonagle to approve the special permit major modifications with the original language and conditions put into it.
Madam Clerk please call the roll.**

City Clerk Koutoulas: Councillor Michitson-yes, Councillor Barrett-no, Councillor Bevilacqua-yes, Councillor Sullivan-yes, Councillor Lewandowski-yes, Councillor McGonagle-yes, Councillor Rogers-yes, Councillor Toohey, President Jordan-yes, 8 Yeas, 1 Nays (Barrett)

President Jordan: Passed with conditions 77

11. APPOINTMENTS:

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

12. PETITIONS:

12.1. Marc Couture for owners Stephen Flynn & Christine Michaud requesting Special Permit CCSP 22-15, to build a 2- story garage at 177 Millvale rd, within 500' of the Millvale reservoir Hearing June 21 2022
Motion by Councillor McGonagle, second Councillor Sullivan
PASSED to be heard June 21, 2022 *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 78

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

12.3. **Amusement/Event Application:**

12.3.1. *First Church of Christ – Bradford- Free Music series on Bradford Common on Friday nights – July 8th to August 19th starting at 6 pm – contingent on meeting all City Council and Police Dept requirements – exempt from event permit process – religious organization*

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Toohey
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 66-G

12.4. **Auctioneer License:**

12.5. **Tag Days: with Police approval**

12.5.1. *Riverside Bradford Baseball – Cooperstown Team, May 19, 20, 21 (continued from May 17th)* 15-H

12.5.2. *Hillies Jr. Football – June 11 & 12* 15-J

12.5.3. *Marine Corps League – September 9 & 10* 15-K

Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Bevilacqua
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0*

12.6. **One Day Liquor License** – *with approvals*

12.7. **Annual License Renewals:**

12.7.1. **Hawker Peddlers License 2022 - Fixed location** – *with approvals*



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- 12.7.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals - with Police approval**
12.7.2.1. *Crescent Yacht Club, 30 Ferry st – 1 Coin-op*
Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor McGonagle
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 14-D
- 12.7.3. **Drainlayer License Renewals for 2022 -with City Engineer approval**
- 12.7.4. **Christmas Tree Vendor:**
- 12.7.5. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2022: with Police approval:**
12.7.5.1. *Samantha Lundbohm, 15 How st – new*
Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor McGonagle
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 49-V
- 12.7.6. **Taxi License:**
- 12.7.7. **Junk Dealer License with Police approval:**
- 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 with Police approval:**
- 12.7.13. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Clothing**
- 12.7.14. **Pawnbroker license**
- 12.7.15. **Fortune Teller with Police approval**
- 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 with Police approval:**
12.7.20.1. *Victor Gonzalez, New England Health Transportation Inc,*
143 Essex st, 3 Vehicles
Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor McGonagle
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 60-B

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

- 13.1. *Order – Transfer \$72,000 from Free Cash and appropriated to procure*
ARPA consulting grant services
Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Sullivan
PASSED *Yeas 9, Nays 0* 18-M

14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)

15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

- 15.1. *Councillor Bevilacqua requests to recognize and thank all the volunteers*
who have volunteered their time helping Haverhill in some way
Councillor Bevilacqua thanked volunteers.
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- 15.2. Councillors Lewandowski, Sullivan and Barrett request a discussion as to status of the animal control shelter renovation project

Chief Pistone gave an update on the animal shelter. Exterminator cleaned existing shelter, which was successful. There are plans to build a new one in the area, very lengthy process but an option. Sweet Paws in Groveland is looking to come to Haverhill and presented to take on needs as municipality. Will take about 6 months to finalize private agreement. If doesn't work out, have new shelter plans in place. Councillors agree partnering with Sweet Paws would be a great opportunity.

Placed on File

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16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING:

17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 18.1. Councillor Bevilacqua requests to file the minutes from the May 4th *Planning & Development Committee* meeting

Councillor Bevilacqua read the minutes and announced another Planning and Development meeting for June 22, 2022

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua to accept, second Councillor McGonagle

PASSED Placed on File

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

21. ADJOURN

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Barrett

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

Adjourned 21:06 PM