



**CITY OF HAVERHILL
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Tuesday, July 27, 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, McGonagle, Daly O’Brien and Macek.

Assistant City Clerk – Jim Blatchford

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, Governor Baker issued an Emergency Order temporarily suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A sec. 18. Public bodies otherwise governed by the OML are temporarily relieved from the requirement that meetings be held in public places, open and physically accessible to the public, so long as measures are taken to ensure public access to the bodies' deliberations "through adequate, alternative means."

1. OPENING PRAYER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING and MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUNE 15 2021

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MCGONAGLE TO APPROVE JUNE 15, 2021 MINUTES, SECOND JORDAN
PASSED AND PLACED ON FILE YEAS 9, NAYS 0

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DALY O’BRIEN TO APPROVE JUNE 22, 2021 MINUTES, SECOND JORDAN
PASSED AND PLACED ON FILE YEAS, 9, NAYS 0

4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING

COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA ASSIGNED THE MEETINGS

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

5.1. Mayor Fiorentini requests to give an update on Haverhill’s efforts regarding the Coronavirus COVID-19 crisis 5-V

Mayor states there is a drop in infections because people are getting vaccinated. Beginning to see spike in past couple of weeks but nothing like last year. Fully vaccinated people 34,496; 4,189 waiting for second shot. Citizens Center offers free vaccinations every Thursday, 10-4

Mary Connelly says recent statistics run this afternoon show uptick in positive cases in children; children under 10 were at 7%, now 14%; ages 10-19 at 20%. Planning block parties, national night out; 29 “break-through” cases of covid after being vaccinated

5.2. Mayor Fiorentini submits Order and request regarding the major league baseball diamond at Swasey Field

Related communication from Vinny Ouellette, Director of Human Services

5.2.1. Order – that the Major-League baseball diamond at Swasey Field be named the “Mike Ryan Memorial Baseball Field” and further ordered that the Ryan family be allowed to place a granite bench overlooking the newly renamed Field

Motion Councillor Bevilacqua, second LePage

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

5-W

5.3. Mayor Fiorentini submits Loan Order regarding MSBA Funding for HHS Gym Roof replacement project 5-X

Related communication from John McCarthy, Executive Director of Massachusetts School Building Authority



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5.3.1. Loan Order – appropriate \$1,343,283.00 to pay costs of roof replacement at the
HHS Gymnasium, 137 Monument Street **File 10 days**

Motion to move for passage Councillor Michitson, Second Bevilacqua

PASSED PLACED ON FILE 10 DAYS

ALL IN FAVOR

26-D

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

6.1. Communication from Council President Barrett and Councillor Sullivan requesting to introduce Haley Moschella to present the *Boardwalk Block Party*, hosted by the *Wildflower Montessori Schools* of Haverhill; to take place Saturday, August 7th.

Haley Moschella presents information on the Block Party on Saturday from 4-7pm at Harbor Place. Free family friendly programming open to the whole community including outdoor movie, artwork, yoga, dance, science projects. HHS students have been a great help and are very talented. All welcome. 7-U

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

8.1. Communication from CDBG Director Andrew Herlihy submitting key documents related to redevelopment at the former St. Joseph's School at 26 Broadway and asks for approval of the Resolution authorizing Mayor regarding HDIP benefits and TIF 40-B

8.1.1. Resolution authorizing Mayor to approve and execute a TIF (Tax Increment Financing) agreement between City of Haverhill and St. Joseph's Schoolhouse LLC at 26 Broadway and 56 Oak Terrace parcels

Andrew Herlihy – Separate but related articles are both relative to the Housing Development Incentive Program (HDIP). The program provides state tax incentives to build market rate housing in the downtowns of gateway cities. Thank council for past votes; first community to increase the boundaries of the zone; same agreement that is required by the State

Jonathan Cody states this is solely for residential only; gym and bowling alley removed from square footage. Hoping for occupancy by February/March the latest.

Motion by Councillor Michitson, Second Daly O'Brien

PASSED

Yeas 8, Nays 1, Abstain 1 (Bevilacqua)6-P

8.2. Communication from CDBG Director Andrew Herlihy submitting key documents related to the Development of 42 Lafayette Square and asks for approval of the Resolution authorizing Mayor regarding HDIP benefits and TIF 40-C

8.2.1. Resolution authorizing Mayor to approve and execute a TIF (Tax Increment Financing) agreement between City of Haverhill and 42 Lafayette sq, LLC to develop parcel on Lafayette sq 6-Q

Motion by Councillor McGonagle, Second Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 8, Nays 1, Abstain 1 (Bevilacqua)

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

10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:



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- 10.1. Document 68; Attorney Michael Migliori requests Special Permit, CCSP -21-4, pursuant to Chapter 255 Section 8.4 Flexible Development, to construct an over 55 Age Restricted Development at 66 Merrimac Road, Map 430 Lots 1-6, in Zone RM and RS for owner/applicant Sixty-Six Merrimac-HAV LLC; consisting of 66 detached residential condominium homes on 47 acres of land

Communication from Attorney Michael Migliori for applicant Sixty-Six Merrimac-Hav, LLC requesting to continue Hearing CCSP-21-4 to October 5, 2021

Motion by Councillor Macek, Second McGonagle

Councillor Michitson suggests Attorney Migliori advise applicant to hold a public meeting for the entire community at large

PASSED CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 5, 2021

Yeas 9, Nays 0

11. APPOINTMENTS:

11.1. **Confirming Appointments:**

11.2. **Non-Confirming Appointments :**

11.2.1. *Water-Wastewater Abatement Board, Elisa Espinal, 217 Franklin s, #2 Expires July 27 2024*

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, Second Jordan

PASSED PLACED ON FILE

ALL IN FAVOR

1-X

11.3. **Resignations**

12. PETITIONS:

- 12.1. Petition from Francis J Bevilacqua III requesting street opening permit for his client for 64 Locust st to allow a new liquor store to be built 80

12.1.1. Order – City Council approve request of Sunil Samtani to excavate on 64 Locust st to install sewer and water services for the subject lots

Has City Engineer approval

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, Second Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Abstain 1 (Bevilacqua) 80-B

- 12.2. Petition from Steve Defeo requesting street opening permit for 333 North Broadway

12.2.1. Order – City Council approve request of Steve Defeo to excavate on 333 North Broadway to install water and sewer services for the subject lots 80-C

Has City Engineer approval

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, Second Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

80-CC

12.3. **Applications Handicap Parking Sign**

12.4. **Amusement/Event Applications:**

12.5. **Tag Days**

12.5.1. *VFW Post 29, November 12 & 13*

Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, Second Macek

PASSED

ALL IN FAVOR

52-H

12.6. **One Day Liquor License:**

12.7. **Annual License Renewals:**

12.7.1. **Hawker Peddlers License 2021 - Fixed location**



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- 12.7.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals 2021**
- 12.7.3. **Drainlayer License for 2021 - with City Engineer approval**
- 12.7.3.1. Peter Carlson *New*
Motion by Councillor McGonagle, Second Jordan
PASSED ALL IN FAVOR 81
- 12.7.4. **Christmas Tree Vendor**
- 12.7.5. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2021:**
- 12.7.5.1. William P Foley *Renewal*
Motion by Councillor McGonagle, Second Daly O'Brien 51-N
PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0 (Noted Bevilacqua)
- 12.7.6. **Taxi License/ Limo/Livery**
- 12.7.7. **Junk Dealer License:**
- 12.7.7.1. *TR Salvage Inc, 99 Newark st, John Goldsbrough Renewal*
Motion by Councillor Macek, Second Sullivan 45-D
PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0 (Noted Bevilacqua)
- 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 – 2021 renewals**
- 12.7.20. **Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars**

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

- 13.1. Order to pay bills from the previous fiscal years & authorize payment from current year department appropriations as listed:

Vendor	Amount	Account
Coppola and Coppola	\$ 3,379.57	Treasurer' s Office
SEO HC, LLC	\$ 1,255.57	Police Department
Ready Refresh	\$ 77.82	Police Department
YMCA of the North Shore	\$ 3,667.00	School Department
Sirius Computer Solutions	\$ 2,934.58	Information Technology
Champion Solutions	\$ 2,504.57	Information Technology
Derry Cooperative School (4)	\$20,371.91	School Department
Francis H Maroney Inc.	\$ 394.96	Public Property



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WB Mason (2)	\$ 171.59	Treasurer ' s Office
Weston & Sampson Engineers (5)	\$ 7,500.00	Engineering

TOTAL \$42,257.57

Motion by Councillor Macek, Second McGonagle with clarification

Clerk please reread Ready Fresh amount and Total amount; Ready Fresh \$77.82; Total \$42,257.57

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

10-J

14. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

14.1. Councillor Daly O'Brien requests a discussion regarding bridge repairs on Rosemont st and North av

Received many emails from people who are very concerned about both bridges. Large trucks including freight trucks are going through both bridges. Speeding is also a concern. Asked John Pettis to look into so he has measured the width where the barrels are on North Ave and it is smaller than it should be; Mr. Pettis will work with the highway department but knowing the bridges are in flux to be done not sure what can be done right now. Mr. Pettis has gone above and beyond. Will speak with the Police Department about the speeding even though know we can't affect the speeding as much unless an officer is there daily. 63-L

14.2. Councillor Michael McGonagle requests the removal of a handicap parking space at 64 Grove st, as it is no longer needed

Motion by Councillor McGonagle to update Ordinance, Second Jordan

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

63-M

14.3. Councillor Joseph Bevilacqua requests a discussion regarding City's electronic signs
Councillor Bevilacqua believes the traffic signs advertising public safety matters would be a perfect opportunity to help assist with local non-profit agencies. When not used for public safety messages, would like the city to utilize the signs to promote non-profit events, program offerings, veteran and elder services, etc. Request to send communication to the Police Department and the DPW asking how to coordinate so non-profits can work with the appropriate city departments to have their message put on sign when opportunity is available.

Motion by Bevilacqua to send communication to Police and Highway Depts., Second Macek
Councillor McGonagle supports and thinks a great idea would also be to include people to get vaccinated as well; Councillor Macek agrees great idea; Councillor Jordan has done it in the past working with Captain Wrenn and Officer Paul Malone; Councillor LePage would like to add scope to include electronic Billboards; McGonagle states the Police Dept. does not have authority over billboards and to contact Mayor; LePage would like to include Mayor on communication

Motion to include Mayor to be included in communication

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

63-N

14.4. Councillor Sullivan requests to discuss allowing parking along Rte. 110 in front of Winnekenni Park



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Currently working with Bob Ward to improve the entrance of Winnekenni Park during which the discussion of allowing parking along Rte. 110 came up. Have spoken with Sgt. Lynch and going to meet with him but would like to move this to Traffic and Safety

Motion by Councillor Sullivan, Second by Macek

PASSED SEND TO TRAFFIC & SAFETY

Yeas 9, Nays 0

63-O

15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING

16. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

17. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNCILLOR LePAGE ANNOUNCES THE ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE MEETING TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2021 IN ROOM 204. THERE WILL BE THREE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

18. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

19. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

20. ADJOURN

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN, SECOND MACKE

MEETING ADJOURNED 20:39 PM

ALL IN FAVOR