



City of Haverhill  
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7:00 PM  
Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, Room 202  
4 Summer Street

Present – President Michitson, Councillors Sullivan, Bevilacqua, Barrett, LePage, Jordan, Macek, Daly O’Brien, and McGonagle.  
City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. Opening Prayer

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting

The minutes were approved Yeas 9, Nays 0

4. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor Macek was assigned the minutes

5. Communications from the Mayor

Communication from Mayor Fiorentini submitting information and seeking approval regarding the Landfill Solar Development project submitted by *Kearsarge Energy* of Boston who he recommends should be designated to pursue the solar development on behalf of the City; Related communication from Steven Bucuzzo, City’s Purchasing Agent regarding *Kearsarge Energy’s Price Proposal* for the proposed solar array at the Haverhill landfill

MR. BUCUZZO GAVE AN UPDATE ABOUT THE SOLAR ARRAY FOR THE LANDFILL. NO VOTE WAS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME. IN SEPTEMBER 2017 RFP WAS ISSUED FOR SOLAR DEVELOPMENT. 8 FIRMS WERE SELECTED FOR REVIEW. IN NOVEMBER RECOMMENDATION WAS GIVEN TO MAYOR AND KEARSARGE ENERGY WAS SELECTED BECAUSE IT WAS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS TO CITY. MR. PACHECO, FORMER CITY ENERGY MANAGER, IS CONSULTING ON THIS PROJECT. COUNCILLORS STRESSED THE NEED FOR A DEDICATED PERSON FOR ENERGY RELATED PROJECTS BECAUSE CITY IS NOT ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES. PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 12

6. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

No Schedule

7. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)

Hearing was held on Document 3, a petition for pole & wire locations from National Grid for 94 Lawrence rd; Plan 24931675. With David Boucher from National Grid appearing in favor. No one was opposed.

Hearing closed. Placed on file 3

ORDERED: Grant pole and wire locations to National Grid for Lawrence rd (see document for complete text)  
PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 1 (Macek) 3B

Hearing was held on Document 4 a petition for joint pole locations from National Grid & Verizon New England for 50 Foundation av; Plan 25446687. With David Boucher from National Grid appearing in favor. No one was opposed.

Hearing closed. Placed on file 4

ORDERED: Grant joint pole locations to National Grid & Verizon New England for 50 Foundation av (see document for complete text)  
PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 4B

8. Hearings and Related Order

No Schedule

9. Public Participation- Requests under Council Rule 28

No Schedule

10. Appointments:

Confirming Appointments :

No Schedule

Non-Confirming Appointments:

No Schedule

11. Petitions:

Applications:

No Schedule

Tag Days:

The following applications were granted: Yeas 9, Nays 0

HHS Boys Swim, January 19, 20, 21	13
HHS Girls Basketball, February 2, 3, 4	13B
HHS Indoor Track Boys & Girls, February 10 & 11	13C
HHS Classical Academy Parents Association, March 23, 24, 25	13D
HHS Key Club, March 30 & 31	13E
HHS Girls Lacrosse , April 6, 7, 8	13F
HHS Boys Baseball , April 20 & 21	13G
HHS Spring Track Boys & Girls, April 28 & 29	13H
HHS Boys Volleyball, May 4, 5, 6	13I
HHS Girls Swim & Dive Boosters, August 24, 25, 26	13J

HHS Cross Country Boys & Girls, September 15 &16	13K
HHS Girls Volleyball, September 22 & 23	13L
HHS Lions Club, September 29 & 30	13M
HHS Field Hockey, October 12, 13, 14	13N

Annual License Renewals:

Hawker Peddlers License Renewals 2018		
Coin-Op License Renewals 2018		
Papa Gino's, 3 Ferry st – 1 machine; <i>Has police approval</i>		
GRANTED	Yeas 9, Nays 0	5F
Sunday Coin-Op License Renewals 2018		
Papa Gino's, 3 Ferry st – 1Sunday machine; <i>Has police approval</i>		
GRANTED	Yeas 9, Nays 0	6F
Drainlayer License Renewals for 2018:		
Thomas A Dube		
GRANTED	Yeas 9, Nays 0	10K
Gerard McGovern		
GRANTED	Yeas 9, Nays 0	10L
Mark Viens		
GRANTED	Yeas 9, Nays 0	10M

**12. Motions and Orders**

**13. ORDINANCES (File 10 days)**

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 120

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that the Code of the City of Haverhill, Chapter 120, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following:

“§120-15: Residential Construction Signage

“All residential homes being constructed pursuant to a special permit and/or an approved subdivision shall erect a sign during construction which provides the following information: the name, address and telephone number (both regular and an emergency contact) for the construction company performing the work. The signage shall be a minimum of 18” x 24” and shall be visible from the street. The sign may be free standing or may be attached to the structure being erected. If the required information is already included on a sign for the Conservation Commission, no other posting is required.”

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days Yeas 9, Nays 0 14

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 70

An Ordinance Relating to Officers and Employees

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that the Code of the City of Haverhill, Chapter 70, Article II, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following to the end of the section entitled “Reports to Council” in §70-21:

“The Auditor of Accounts shall file monthly with the City Council two separate reports, one a copy of the General Fund Operating Statement and one a copy of the Fund Balance Report, with both reports to be filed for the prior month period.”

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days Yeas 9, Nays 0 15

**14. Monthly Reports**

No Schedule

**15. Communications from Councillors**

Communication was received from Councillor Melinda Barrett requesting a discussion regarding the use of Styrofoam.

COUNCILLOR BARRETT INFORMED THAT THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS IS REVIEWING LEGISLATION REGARDING THE USE OF STYROFOAM

REFERRED TO CITIZEN OUTREACH COMMITTEE Yeas 9, Nays 0 7K

Communication was received from Councillor Joseph Bevilacqua requesting a discussion regarding alternative/more efficient energy opportunities.

COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA SPOKE ABOUT NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES SUCH AS SOLAR PARKING CANOPIES & SOLAR POWERED STREET CROSSING WARNING FOR CITY AND RESIDENTS TO BENEFIT FROM AND POSSIBLE GRANT FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA TO SEND LETTER TO MAYOR ASKING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PLAN FOR CITY Yeas 9, Nays 0 7L

Communication was received from Councillor Mary Ellen Daly O'Brien requesting a discussion regarding street parking change after storms by providing alternate street parking the night after a storm to improve plowing and clearing the inner city streets

COUNCILLOR DALY O'BRIEN DESCRIBED THE SITUATION WHERE IN THE INNER CITY MANY LARGE HOMES HAVE NO OFF-STREET PARKING. SUGGESTED THAT IN SPECIFIC AREAS SUCH AS THE ACRE, HIGHLANDS, AVENUES & MT. WASHINGTON AREA, AFTER A SIGNIFICANT SNOW STORM CARS ARE MOVED TO THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE STREET WITHIN CERTAIN TIME PERIOD TO ALLOW FOR PLOWING.

REFERRED TO CITIZEN OUTREACH COMMITTEE Yeas 9, Nays 0 7M

**16. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings**

Document 1

Communication from Mayor Fiorentini regarding request from Rivers Edge Apartments to purchase parking permits for the Goecke Parking Deck and also submitting Ordinance relating to this request. MS. CHRISTINA TERELLI, PROPERTY MANAGER – RIVERS EDGE APARTMENTS, INFORMED THAT SHE SPOKE WITH LAZ PARKING AND WAS TOLD THAT THEY COULD NOT PURCHASE PARKING PERMITS BECAUSE THEIR BUILDING WAS NOT LOCATED IN THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT. PROPERTY WAS PURCHASED BY ARROW POINT PROPETES IN 2016. THEY HAVE 164 UNITS WITH 80 AVAILABLE PARKING SPACES. THE PROPERTY USED TO BE FOR ELDERLY HOUSING. OVERNIGHT PARKING IS PROBLEMATIC IN INCLEMENT WEATHER. NO OVERNIGHT PARKING IS ALLOWED AT MARKET BASKET PARKING LOT. MS. TERELLI STATED THEY WERE SEEKING 40 OR 20 PARKING PERMITS. DISCUSSIONS WITH MR. FRANZONE ABOUT PARKING ON HIS PROPERTY DID NOT WORK OUT. COUNCILLOR DALY O'BRIEN INFORMED THAT PARKING IN THE GOECKE PARKING GARAGE DOES NOT REQUIRE PARKING PERMIT FROM 8:00PM TO 8:00AM. COUNCILLOR BARRETT ADDED THAT THEY CAN USE PARKING METERS IF NEEDED. COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA SUGGESTED USE OF BAILEY BOULEVARD AND CITY HALL PARKING LOT. MR. STANKOVICH, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC WORKS ANSWERED QUESTIONS. ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA TO CONTINUE TO FEB 27 2018 Yeas 9, Nays 0 1

Document 2

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE                      CHAPTER 240

An Ordinance Relating to Vehicles and Traffic

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that the Code of the City of Haverhill, Chapter 240, §108. Schedule: Central Business District Parking Fees, Rates and Terms, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

By adding the following at the end of the section "NOTES: \*\*Permit parking . . . .".

"The residents of 1 Water Street shall be considered residents of the Central Business District solely for the purposes of purchasing parking permits for use of the Herbert H. Goecke, Jr Parking Deck."

(see document for complete text)

RELATED LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BEVILACQUA TO CONTINUE TO FEB 27 2018 Yeas 9, Nays 0 2

**17. Resolutions And Proclamation**

No Schedule

**18. Council Committee Reports and Announcements**

Councillor Barrett announced Citizen Outreach Committee meeting scheduled for Jan 29 at 7:00PM

**19. Documents Referred To Committee Study**

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 o'clock P.M.

Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attest: Linda Koutoulas  
City Clerk