



City of Haverhill
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, Room 202
4 Summer Street

Present – President Michitson, Councillors Barrett, Vargas, McGonagle, Bevilacqua, LePage, Macek and Sullivan.

Absent – Councillor Daly O’Brien

City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor Sullivan was assigned the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor:

No Schedule

4. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Communication from Police Chief Alan DeNaro requesting permission to address council with update on the Railroad Bridge incident.

CHIEF DENARO SPOKE ABOUT AN INCIDENT IN NOVEMBER WITH A DISTRAUGHT WOMAN ON THE BRIDGE WHO JUMPED INTO THE MERRIMACK RIVER. HARBORMASTER MICHAEL VETS AND OFFICER GUY COOPER RESPONDED AND THRU THEIR HEROIC EFFORTS WERE ABLE TO PULL HER OUT OF THE RIVER TO SAFETY

PLACQUES WERE PRESENTED TO MICHAEL VETS AND OFFICER COOPER

PLACED ON FILE

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

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Communication from Orlando Pacheco, City’s Purchasing Director/Energy Manager, submitting Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) between City and Vanguard Renewables (Haverhill AD1 LLC). The project is a 1 Megawatt Anaerobic Digester located at Crescent Farm. The agreement calls for City to purchase Net Metering Credits (NMC) for .13 cents per KWH. The price will increase 1% per year and will produce over 6 KWH annually, with the exception of the first year of operation. Communication from Mr. Pacheco requesting postponement until the project is fully permitted by the City’s Board of Health.*

POSTPONED

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

97C

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

No Schedule

6. Appointments:

No Schedules

7. Petitions

No Schedule

8. Applications/Handicap Parking Signs:

Donna Raymond- new - at 13 Hancock St, denied by Police Department

FAILED

Yeas 1(Vargas), Nays 8, Absent 1

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK FOR RECONSIDERATION

RECONSIDERATION PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION

Yeas 0, Nays 8, Absent 1

59P

Felicia C. Lytle-Bennefield – new- at 14 Meagans Way, approved by Police Department

REFERRED TO PLANNING

Yeas 8, Absent 1

59Q

9. One Day Liquor Licenses:

No Schedule

10. Applications for Permit

No Schedule

11. Tag Days

No Schedule

12. Annual License Renewals:

Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles

Jennifer Levy, Honeybee Children’s Shoppe, 800 Broadway; Application has received police approval

GRANTED

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

112B

Limousines (renewals)

John J Jalbert, BayState Limo, 102 Hale st, 8 Limousines; Application has received police approval

GRANTED

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

112C

13. Drainlayer 2017 License

The following license renewals were GRANTED

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

George Charest, renewal

10W

Glenn Daigle, renewal

10X

John Davidowicz, renewal

10Y

Scott Falconer, renewal

10Z

Frank E.Gibbs, renewal	116
Bill Hall, renewal	116B
William F. Hutton, renewal	116C
Patrick T. Kelly, renewal	116D
James M. Mahoney, renewal	116E
Jeff Masterson, renewal	116F
Michael Mazzotta, renewal	116G
William T. Sawyer, renewal	116H
John Sullivan, renewal	116I
Carlos Ferreira, renewal	116J

14. Hearings & Related Orders

Petition from Attorney Anthony Rossi for applicant Ronald T Romanowski requesting Hearing for Modification of a Special Permit previously granted for 13 High st; to add an additional 2 dwelling units on a previously approved 5 dwelling unit Multi-family dwelling; being Document 102/2014; previously Passed as Amended March 3 2015; Comment sheets from City Departments and letter from William Pillsbury, Econ. Dep. & Planning Director are included.

HEARING OPENED, ATTORNEY ANTHONY ROSSI REPRESENTED THE APPLICANT AND SPOKE IN FAVOR. HE STATED THAT HE PURCHASED THE PROPERTY AND IS THE NEW OWNER.* HE OWNS MANY PROPERTIES IN MASSACHUSETTS. HE BUYS, REHABS AND KEEPS THE PROPERTIES. HE GUTTED THE BUILDING AND IS IN THE PROCESS OF REBABING THE PROPERTY. HE SPOKE ABOUT THE PARKING PLAN ACROSS THE STREET AND SNOW REMOVAL.* DUE TO COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REHAB, HE IS SEEKING TO ADD 2 ADDITIONAL UNITS. IT WOULD BE CONTAINED IN THE SAME FOOTPRINT. HEARING CLOSED.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO MOVE THAT ALL OF THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE SNOW PLOW AGREEMENT ON G.J. TOWING LETTERHEAD BECOME A CONDITION OF THE SPECIAL PERMIT AND BE BINDING UPON THE OWNER. NO SNOW STORAGE ON SITE AFTER A SNOW STORM. ALSO, ALL OF THE CITY DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS ARE PART OF THE SPECIAL PERMIT

AMENDMENT PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1
 PASSED WITH CONDITIONS Yeas 7, Nays 1(Barrett) Absent 1 120/2016

Petition from Robert Ward, Deputy Director DPW, on behalf of the City of Haverhill, for Special Permit to build within 500' of water supply, being Kenoza Lake in the Watershed Protection District, for construction of improvements to the City's existing Water Treatment Plant

Communication from Conservation Commission Director Robert Moore and Order of Conditions included
 COUNCIL HEARING JAN 3 2017 Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 119/2016

Petition from Attorney Robert Harb for Stephen Franciosa for Special Permit to build single family residence within 500' of water supply, being Round Pond in the Watershed Protection District

Communication from Conservation Commission Director Robert Moore and Order of Conditions included
 COUNCIL HEARING FEB 7 2017 Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 120/2016

15. New Business/Orders:

No Schedule

16. Ordinances (File 10 days):

No Schedule

17. Unfinished Business:

No Schedule

18. Monthly Reports

No Schedule

19. Communication from Councillors

Councillor Bevilacqua requesting to introduce Tim Cleary regarding the Haverhill Elks Hoop Shoot MR. CLEARY ANNOUNCED THE HOOP SHOOT FREE THROW PROGRAM WILL BE HELD ON JAN 6 AT PENTUCKET LAKE SCHOOL, REGISTRATION STARTS AT 6:30PM.EVENT IS FOR AGES 8-13. THERE IS NO COST FOR CONTESTANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES SHOULD STUDENTS PROGRESS BEYOND LOCAL LEVEL.*

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 117

Councillor Bevilacqua requesting a discussion regarding the future closing of Basiliere Bridge for reconstruction and alternative access from and to Bradford.*

DISCUSSION ABOUT ALTERNATIVES SUCH AS PONTOON BRIDGE, MAYBE PREFABRICATED BRIDGE

LETTER TO MAYOR TO APPOINT COMMITTEE TO EXPLORE ALTERNATIVES WITH STATE OFFICIALS & MERRIMACK VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 117B

20. Resolutions and Proclamations

Resolution to file and accept grants with and from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Program for improvements to Cashman Field.(see document for complete text)

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ANDREW HERLIHY SPOKE ABOUT THE BENEFITS THE CITY HAS ALREADY RECEIVED FROM THE PARC PROGRAM, A STATE GRANT REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM. IMPROVEMENTS TO CASHMAN FIELD WILL INCLUDE ADDED SECURITY, IRRIGATION, REHABED SKATEBOARD PARK, FENCING, LIGHTING & CAMERAS
ADOPTED

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

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21. Council Committee Reports and Announcements

Councillor LePage announced the Administration & Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Jan. 11, 2017 at 7:00PM. Items to be discussed are Waiver of Fee or Charge and Rules and Regulations of the City Council.

22. Documents referred to Committee Study

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 o'clock P.M.

Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1

Attest: Linda Koutoulas
City Clerk

*Doc. 97-C – Handout from Orlando Pacheco – request to postpone discussion

*Doc. 107 – Handout from Atty. Anthony Rossi – G/J Towing Snow Plow Agreement; Parking Plan; Residential Lease; Affidavit of Ownership

*Doc. 117 – Handout from Tim Cleary – Elks National Hoop Shoot flyer

*Doc. 117-B – Handout from Councillor LePage – Letter from Mass DOT re: Basiliere Bridge