

CITY COUNCIL “HYBRID”
(REMOTE & IN PERSON) MEETING MINUTES

June 22, 2021

7:30 pm

LOCATION: City Hall, 60 Pleasant St, Newburyport

As legally noticed, this is a Charter required Budget Hearing
and also a it is Council Meeting.

This is a Hybrid/Remote meeting and
there is the option to come in person or connect
through the Zoom Details below:

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1. ELECTION

Election for a Pro tempore City Council President held by the City Clerk on a roll call vote. 9 Councillor Vogel, 2 Councillor Tontar. Councillor Vogel is elected.

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. The City Council President Pro tempore Bruce Vogel called the City Council meeting

4. to order at 7:30 pm and asked the City Clerk, Richard B. Jones, to call the roll. The following City Councillors answered present Khan, Lane, McCauley, Shand, Tontar, Vogel, Wallace, Zeid, Devlin, and Eigerman. 10 present, 2 using Zoom as a platform (AK, JE). 1 absent (BC).

Councillor Connell present at 7:33pm

The City Clerk read the meeting notice.

Motion to accept the changes collectively (see attached) to ORDR248_05_10_2021 by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor McCauley. Roll call vote. 11 yes. Motion passes.

5. LATE FILE

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Bruce Menin 148 High St.

Jane Snow 9 Coffin St.

Brian Callahan 29 Warren St.

Keith Eddings 8 Spring St.

Sean Reardon 5 Lois St.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENT

Motion to close public hearing by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Tontar. Roll call vote. 11 yes. Motion passes.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. MAYOR'S UPDATE

10. FIRST READING APPOINTMENTS

- APPT254_06_22_2021 EP Emergency Preamble to Building Inspector appointment
Motion to approve Emergency Preamble by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Connell.
Councillors Eigerman and Connell withdraw their motion. Motion to receive and file the EP by
Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Khan. Roll call vote. 10 yes, 1 no (BV). Motion passes.

- APPT254_06_22_2021 Dennis Morel, Jr 83 Bow Ridge Building Inspector 12/31/2023
Lynn, MA

Motion to refer to Planning and Development by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Shand. Roll call vote. 11 yes. Motion passes.

11. ORDERS

12. ORDINANCES

13. COMMITTEE ITEMS

Ad Hoc Committee on Economic Development

In Committee:

Ad Hoc Committee on Market Landing Park and COTW

In Committee:

- COMM261_08_31_2020 Proposed Timeline, Waterfront
- ORDR227_12_14_2020 Appropriate NRA funds for RFP award

Budget & Finance

In Committee:

- COMM311_03_08_2021 Cllr Tontar letter re: KP Law Legal Opinion on Council Salaries
- **ORDR248_05_10_2021 Budget Order 2022 w/memo from the Mayor**
Motion to remove from committee by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Tontar. Roll call vote. 11 yes. Motion passes. Motion to approve as amended by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Tontar. Motion to amend 53801 Parking signage to reduce from \$7500 to \$1000 by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Devlin. Roll call vote. 10 yes, 1 no (BV)
Motion to amend 57801 Mayor misc expense reduce from \$10K to \$8K by Councillor Devlin, seconded by Councillor McCauley. Roll call vote. 6 yes, 5 no (AK, BC, HS, CT, BV). Motion passes.
Motion to amend 59100 Debit principal remove \$100K by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Devlin. Roll call vote. 9 no, 2 yes (SZ, JD). Motion fails.
Motion to amend 59663 Stabilization fund reducing to \$0 by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Devlin. Roll call vote. 6 yes, 5 no (AK, BC, HS, CT, BV). Motion passes.
Motion to amend 53201 Education purchase of services to reduce by \$300K by Councillor McCauley, seconded by Councillor Devlin. Roll call vote. 10 no, 1 yes (JM). Motion fails.
Motion to amend 51404 Youth services travel allowance remove \$1200 increase by Councillor McCauley, seconded by Councillor Devlin. Roll call vote. 8 yes, 3 no (HS, CT, BV) Motion passes.
Motion to amend 52101 Highway heat reduce by \$2500 by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Devlin. Roll call vote. 7 yes, 4 no (BC, HS, CT, BV). Motion passes.
Motion to amend 51901 Parks downtown improvement labor reduce from \$24K to \$12K by Councillor Zied, seconded by Councillor Lane. Roll call vote. 10 no, 1 yes (SZ). Motion fails.
Motion to amend 54200 Parks supplies deuce by \$1300 by Councillor adevlin, seconded by Councillor Lane. Roll call vote. 7 no, 4 yes (BL, CW, SZ,JD). Motion fails.
Motion to amend 58401 Parks reduce from \$24K back to \$12K by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor McCauley. Roll call vote. 7 yes, 4 no (BV, HS, CT, BV). Motion passes.
Brief recess to compile changes made on the floor.
Roll call vote on motion on the floor to approve as amended by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Tontar. 11 Yes. Motion passes.
- TRAN097_05_24_2021 Gen. Fund-Free Cash \$65,260.87 & HWY Streetlights \$50,000 to Snow & Ice Labor \$238.00 & Snow & Ice-Expenses \$115,498.87
- TRAN098_05_24_2021 Multiple Accounts Transfer Appropriation Request \$3,071,492.00 to

Multiple FY2022 Capital & Reserves \$3,071,492.00 (COTW)

- ORDR252_05_24_2021 Phillips Drive Loan Order
- ODNC079_05_24_2021 Plumbing and Gas Fees Sec 5-111 & 5-112
- TRAN099_06_07_2021 Lib Staff 8,519.00 to GEN Heat/Elec 8,500.00, HR 19.00
- TRAN100_06_07_2021 RRFA Wtrfrnt 16,580.22 to PKG Main 16,580.22
- TRAN101_06_07_2021 Wtr Ret Earnings 194,000 to Fund Bal 100,000, CIP Lease 94,000
- TRAN102_06_07_2021 Sew Ret Earnings 149,000 to Fund Bal 100,000, CIP Lease 49,000
- TRAN103_06_07_2021 Free Cash 24,000 to CIP Lease 24,000
- TRAN104_06_07_2021 Free Cash 110,000 to FF Sal 53K, FF OT 45K, Dispatch 12K
- TRAN105_06_07_2021 Lib Staff 3,475.00 to Rental 525, Supplies 1,500, Fuel 1,450
- ORDR254_06_07_2021 Increase to spending limit Electrical Insp.
- ORDR255_06_07_2021 FY 2022 Revolving Funds

Education

In Committee:

- COMM273_10_13_2020 Ltr of Non-Support from Mayor on Acts of 1987
- **COMM329_05_24_2021 Statement of Interest, School Building Authority**
Motion to remove from committee by Councillor Zeid, seconded by Councillor Connell. Roll call vote . 11 yes. Motion passes. Motion to approve by Councillor Khan, seconded by Councillor Connell . Roll call vote. 11 yes. Motion passes.

General Government

In Committee:

- COMM325_05_10_2021 Ordinance Review Committee Report
- COMM330_05_24_2021 Late File Code of Ordinances Edited May 2021
- COMM331_05_24_2021 Late File Newburyport Fee Schedule

License & Permits

In Committee:

- ODNC047_01_27_2020 General Ordinance - Short Term Rental Units Rules
- COMM229_02_24_2020 Ltr re: Implementation of Short-Term Rental Ordinance

Neighborhoods & City Services

In Committee:

- COMM234_03_30_2020 Ltr from Newburyport Livable Streets March 11, 2020
- COMM285_01_27_2021 Memorandum from Councillor Christine Wallace
- COMM299_02_08_2021 Late File Phillips Dr. Neighborhood Committee Ltr
- COMM326_05_10_2021 Late File Hale Street bicycle/pedestrian improvements (CIP)
- ORDR256_06_07_2021 Intent to Lease 50 Parker St
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Planning & Development

In Committee:

- COMM215_01_13_2020 Ltr re: Colby Farm Open Space Beautification
- ODNC046_01_27_2020 Zoning Amendment - Short Term Rental Units Definition
- COMM231_03_09_2020 Ltr re: Short-Term Rental Ordinance
- ORDR196_07_13_2020 Open Space and Recreation Plan 2020 (COTW)

- ODNC076_05_10_2021 Proposed Zoning Amendment Mini-Reform (COTW)
- APPT248_05_24_2021 Christopher J. Fay 20 Strong St. Historical Comm. 05/31/2024
- COMM282_01_27_2021 Ltr from Jim McCarthy re: Sign Proposal
- APPT251_06_07_2021 Aileen Graf 2 Liberty Street Fruit St. Historical Comm 06/20/2024
- ODNC081_06_07_2021 Amended Quorum Historic Comm

Public Safety

In Committee:

- COMM216_01_13_2020 Ltr re: Ban the Use of Glyphosate
- APPT165_04_13_2020 Dr. Robin Blair, 18 Market St. Board of Health 4/30/2023
- COMM243_05_11_2020 Ltr from Jane Rascal re: NMMCD
- ORDR200_07_30_2020 List of Crosswalks Amended
- COMM283_01_27_2021 Ltr from Jim McCarthy-speed limit
- APPL023_03_08_2021 Late File Event App The Moving Wall
- COMM328_05_10_2021 Late File Petition 25 mph Ferry & Laurel Rds.
- APPL025_06_07_2021 Block Party Lafayette St. 8/7/2021
- APPL026_06_07_2021 Lyons Road Race 8/3/2021
- APPL027_06_07_2021 Chocolate Tour 10/2/2021
- APPL028_06_07_2021 GNOCA 5K Walk/Run 9/26/2021
- APPL029_06_07_2021 Nbpt Half Marathon 10/24/2021
- APPL030_06_07_2021 50's Car Show 8/12/2021
- APPL031_06_07_2021 Late File Events Yankee Homecoming
- ODNC080_06_07_2021 Amended Union St Parking Restrictions

Public Utilities

In Committee:

- COMM290_02_08_2021 Falmouth Broadband Feasibility Study (full text in Clerk's office)
- COMM295_02_08_2021 Best Best & Krieger Small Cells Order Annual Meeting
- COMM296_02_08_2021 Ntoa FCC Small Wireless Facilities Rules Compliance Guide
- ORDR257_06_07_2021 Water & Sewer Rates

Rules

In Committee:

- COMM220_01_27_2020 Proposed City Council Rule 9F
- ORDR170_02_24_2020 Amendment Council Rules 2020 (COTW)
- ORDR171_02_24_2020 Amendment to Rule 17B (COTW)
- ORDR239_02_8_2021 Council Rule 7 and 10B

14. GOOD OF THE ORDER

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 10:41 pm by Councillor Tontar, seconded by Councillor Lane. Roll call vote. 11 yes. Motion passes.