

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - VERSION 1

March 9, 2015

7:30PM

Acting Council President Connell called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. A moment of silence was held for Gertrude Jones, mother of former City Councillor Tom Jones and husband of the late Police Marshall Robert Jones, and active with the Maudslay State Park Association. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. He then instructed the City Clerk to call the roll. The following Councillors answered present: Cameron, Cronin, Eigerman, Giunta, Heartquist, Herzog, Kinsey, Tontar, Vogel and Connell. 10 Present, 1 Absent (O'Brien).

1. LATE FILES – Communication #4 and #5

Motion to waive the rules and allow late files by Councillor Cameron, seconded by Councillor Kinsey. So voted.

2. MAYOR'S UPDATE

The Mayor gave an update on the Plum Island water and sewer system and a general update.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

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| 1. Joe & Linda Cmar | 16 Reservation Terrace | PI Sewer |
| 2. David McFarlane | 20 57 th Street | PI Sewer |
| 3. Renee Bourdeau | 376 High Street | Appointment |
| 4. Karen Majahad | 6 59 th Street | PI Sewer |

CONSENT AGENDA

NOTE: ALL ITEMS LISTED UNDER CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 23, 2015

(Approved)

5. TRANSFERS

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| 1. Mayor Gen'l Fd Free Cash to City Clerk Bdr Elections & Reg \$9,500 | (Approved) |
| 2. Mayor Gen'l Fd Free Cash to HS Renovations \$30,000 | (B&F) |

6. COMMUNICATIONS

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| 1. Letter for Easter hat Parade April 5, 2015 on Inn Street | (Approved) |
| 2. Taxi Cab Company Renewal Seacoast Taxi | (L&P) |
| 3. 4 th Annual Pan Mass Challenge Greater Newburyport Kids Ride June 28, 2015 | (PS) |

7. APPOINTMENTS – First Reading

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| 1. Renee Bourdeau | 376 High St. | Zoning Board of Appeals | March 1, 2020 |
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RE-APPOINTMENTS

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| 2. Jamie Pennington | 16 Eagle St. | Zoning Board of Appeals | January 5, 2020 |
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END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Councillor Cronin, seconded by Councillor Kinsey. So voted.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. COMMUNICATIONS

4. LATE FILE - Mayor's Update

Motion to receive and file by Councillor Herzog, seconded by Councillor Cameron. So voted.

5. LATE FILE - Updated Notification Snow budget Deficit FY2015

Motion to receive and file by Councillor Herzog, seconded by Councillor Cameron . So voted.

9. APPOINTMENTS – Second Reading – None

10. ORDERS

1. TABLED - Discontinuance Harnch's Way - pending ZBA decision

Motion to remove from the Table by Councillor Cronin, seconded by Councillor Cameron. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted. Motion to table by Councillor Cameron, seconded by Councillor Tontar. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

2. Resolution Public Service Recognition Week

Motion to approve by Councillor Cameron, seconded by Councillor Giunta. 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

3. Accept gifts for support of Plum Island residents

Motion to approve by Councillor Heartquist, seconded by Councillor Cameron. Councillor Heartquist also thanked the PTO and Beth Raucci for their assistance. 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

11. ORDINANCES

1. 2nd Reading - Amend ORD 13-174 Parking limited State Street 4 hour

Motion to approve 2nd reading by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Cameron. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

2. 2nd Reading - Amend ORD 13-168 Parking restricted Norman Avenue

Motion to approve 2nd reading by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Cameron. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

3. 2nd Reading - Amend ORD 13-168 Parking restricted Murphy Avenue

Motion to approve 2nd reading by Councillor Giunta, seconded by Councillor Cameron. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

4. 2nd Reading - Amend ORD 13-180 Resident Parking

Motion to approve by Councillor Eigerman, seconded by Councillor Cameron. Roll call vote, 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.

12. COMMITTEE ITEMS

Budget & Finance

In Committee:

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| 1. Mayor letter regarding Order for Revolving Fund Expenses | *03/17/2014 |
| 2. Order Amend Revolving Fund expenses | *03/17/2014 |
| 3. Order Home Rule Petition- supplementing education budget (COTW) | *05/12/2014 |
| 4. Amend ORD Ch. 2 Section 2-45 City Council Salary | *05/12/2014 |
| 5. Amend ORD Ch. 2 Section 2-61A School Committee Salary | *05/12/2014 |
| 6. Human Resources Dependent Audit | *06/30/2014 |
| 7. Letter from Hope Church regarding Master Box fee | *11/10/2014 |
| 8. Snow Budget Deficit | *02/12/2015 |

General Government

Joint Education

In Committee:

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| 1. Order Home Rule Petition- supplementing education budget (COTW) | *05/12/2014 |
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License & Permits

In Committee:

1. Movable Sign Application Newburyport Brewing Company *02/10/2014
2. Amend ORD Sec. 9-114 Transient Vendors Restricted Areas *04/28/2014
3. Letter regarding transient vendor licensing *06/30/2014
4. Taxi License Renewal Harold Congdon Port Taxi, Inc. *01/12/2015

Neighborhoods and City Services

In Committee:

1. Amend ORD Part 2 Article III Ch. 3-31 Feeding or baiting of wild birds *01/12/2015

Planning & Development

Councillor Cameron stated that there will be an update on Smart Growth on May 6, 2015.

In Committee:

1. Letter from Newburyport Preservation Trust *03/31/2014
2. First Refusal to Purchase Lot 8 Low Street *01/12/2015
3. Amend ORD Zoning Map Sec. III-C "Back Bay Area Zoning Map Change" *01/12/2015
4. Amend Zoning ORD Appendix A Sec. XXIX Smart Growth District (SGOD) *01/29/2015

Public Safety

Councillor Cronin reported that he travelled to MA DOT and informed them of the City's position on the Tropic Star project (CVS) and the issue of turning left exiting the project.

In Committee:

1. Letter for use of Brown Square June 7, 2015 *02/12/2015
2. Letter from Yankee Homecoming 2015 General Chair *02/23/2015
3. Letter from Chamber of Commerce on 2015 use of streets *02/23/2015

Public Utilities Committee

Councillor Herzog noted that the PU Committee will be meeting March 30th at 6:30pm.

In Committee:

1. Water and Sewer Commissions adjustment of sewer bill charges re second meters *11/24/2014

Rules Committee

13. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Councillor Kinsey said that Newburyport Says No to Prejudice is April 7th at 7pm at the Nock Middle School.

Councillor Herzog said that that Friday 3/13/15 will be the 5th annual Poker Tournament by the NEF.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Cameron moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Kinsey at 8:40pm. 10 yes, 1 absent (O'Brien). So voted.