CITY COUNCIL & SCHOOL COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING MINUTES
September 18, 2017
Newburyport High School
Room 118

6:00PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   The meeting came to order at 6:08pm and was chaired by Mayor Holaday. The Clerk called the roll and the following members answered present: Cameron, Cole, Connell, Cronin, deKanter, Devlin, Eigerman, Giunta, Hochheiser, Menin, Sweeney, Tontar, Vogel, Zeid, O'Brien, Holaday. Councillor Earls was absent.

2. **INTRODUCTION**
   Mayor Holaday started the meeting by reading the following introduction:
   Because there is a vacancy in the office of an elected school committee, pursuant to the City Charter Section 4-6, the City Council President has convened this joint meeting of the City Council and School Committee and this meeting shall be presided over by the Mayor. The purpose of the meeting is to review applicants for this interim office and allow them an opportunity at this meeting to present their credentials to this joint body for their consideration.
   It is important to note that the individual selected by the City Council and School Committee will fill the position for the remainder of this term ending December 31, 2019. If s/he wants to continue to serve on the School Committee beyond this interim period, s/he will then have to run for election in the fall of 2019 for the new term starting in January 2020.
   There are three candidates for the interim position on the school committee.

3. **INDIVIDUAL PRESENTATIONS**
   1. **Edward J. Waldron, III, 14 Oak Street, Newburyport, MA**
      The Mayor announced that Ted Waldron would like to make a statement before the individual presentations. Ted Waldron then addressed the gathering and stated that because he was a current member of the Local License Commission he was concerned there may appear to be a conflict under G.L. 268A – the Ethics Law – that it may appear to be a conflict of interest to be on both the school committee and the local license commission. He then withdrew his name from consideration.
   2. **Sean R. Reardon, 5 Lois Street, Newburyport, MA**
      Sean R. Reardon gave a 5-minute presentation followed by 16 minutes of questions and answers.
   3. **Gary M. Tirone, 129 Merrimac Street, Unit 6, Newburyport, MA**
      Gary M. Tirone gave a 5-minute presentation followed by 16 minutes of questions and answers.

4. **VOTE**
   The Mayor then asked the Clerk to conduct the election by a majority roll call vote. On one round of voting, Sean R. Reardon was elected after receiving 13 votes. Gary M. Tirone received three votes (Cole, Menin, Sweeney). Councillor Earls was absent. Motion to approve Sean R. Reardon by unanimous vote by Councillor Tontar, seconded by Councillor Cameron. 16 yes, 1 absent (Earls).

5. **ADJOURNMENT**
   Motion to adjourn by Councillor Tontar, seconded by Councillor Cameron. So voted. 7:10pm.