



City of Haverhill
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, December 10, 2013, 2013 at 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, Room 202

Present – President Scatamacchia, Councillors Ryan, Michitson, McGonagle, Macek, LePage, Daly O’Brien and Sullivan.

Absent – Councillor Hart

Administrative Assistant – Barbara S. Arthur

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were not approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor Michitson was appointed to read the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor

Communication was received from Mayor Fiorentini submitting 2014-2018 “Building for the Future” Capital Plan and two related orders and also requests to address Council to review his requests
PLACED ON FILE

35G

ORDERD: The the City transfer \$780,500 from Capital Budget to Capital projects as listed below:

Dog Park Fence	\$6,000
Citizen Center Improvements	\$200,000
City Hall Exterior Repairs	\$20,000
Rail Trail Extension	\$107,000
Electrical Work Highway Generator	\$16,000
Route 97 improvement project	\$100,000
Sidewalk Repairs	\$100,000
Water St Greenway Project	\$35,000
Water St Fire Station Boiler	\$15,000
Water St “hose tower” Assessment	\$6,500
16th Ave apparatus bay floor	\$115,000
Replace/Upgrade technology	\$10,000
Disaster recovery for City servers	\$15,000
High School curbing & cement decking	\$35,000

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

104E

ORDERED: That \$420,000 is appropriated for the acquisition by purchase of lease of a fire truck, that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow \$420,000 under Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended, any such borrowing to be incurred by the issue of bonds for the City or by entering into a lease/purchase agreement; that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project; and that the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the Municipal Finance Oversight Board to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any or all of the bonds and to provide such information and execute such documents as the Board may require for these purposes.

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

Hearing was held on Document 107, a petition from Verizon New England Inc. and Massachusetts Electric Company of North Andover requesting permission for Joint Pole Location on West Lowell av, Plan #743. With Joseph Gleason from Mass. Electric Company appearing in favor and no one in opposition the hearing was closed.

107

ORDERED: Grant joint pole location to Verizon New England & Mass Electric Company for West Lowell av (see document for complete text)

PASSED subject to City of Haverhill receiving updated plan. Yeas 8, Absent 1

107B

5. Appointments

Confirming Appointments:

Cate Fullerton was appointed to the Haverhill Cultural Council effective immediately. Confirmation to expire Dec. 3, 2016.

CATE FULLERTON INTRODUCED HERSELF.

CONFIMRED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

75U

E. Philip Brown was appointed to the Haverhill Historic Commission Council effective immediately.
Confirmation to expire Dec. 10, 2016.
CONFIRMED Yeas 8, Absent 1 75V

Non-Confirming Appointments:

Charles Manzi was appointed to the Haverhill Stadium Commission effective immediately. Term to expire Dec. 4, 2016.
PLACED ON FILE 75W

Ryan Sawyer was appointed to Mayor's Task Force on Technology effective immediately.
PLACED ON FILE 75X

Resignations:

No Schedule

6. Petitions:

No Schedule

Applications:

Annual License Renewals:

Coin-op Renewals 2014:

Demoulas Market Basket, 2 Water st, 2 Coin-ops
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 15Z

New Chit Chat, 101-103 Washington st, 3 Coin-ops
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 116

VFW Post #29, 64 Kenoza av, 1 Coin-op
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 116B

Sunday License Coin-op Renewals 2014:

Demoulas Market Basket, 2 Coin-ops
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 70E

New Chit Chat, 3 Coin-ops
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 70F

VFW Post #29, 1 Coin-op
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 70G

7. Hearings and Related Orders:

Document 95, Petition from Paul Arsenault, contractor for 12-13 High st Realty Trust, requesting a Special Permit for 7 Unit Building Rehab on 12 High st ; Plat 515, Block 295, Lot 3– 7 rental units
Favorable recommendation has been received, which includes department's comments and notes, from Planning Board; Hearing was not held Nov 12 2013 and postponed to Dec 10, 2013. A related communication was received from Attorney William Faraci requesting postponement to Feb. 4, 2014.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO POSTPONE TO FEBRUARY 4, 2014
POSTPONED TO FEB 4, 2014 Yeas 8, Absent 1 95

Document 105, Hearing requested by Building Inspector for action to demolish 5 abandoned/dangerous City buildings at various locations. 105

ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 2 Tyler Ave, Assessor's Map 515, Block 298, Lot 4, in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said building(s) be demolished or repaired. (see document for complete text)
HEARING OPENED

Mr. Richard Osborne, Building Inspector spoke in favor with Kevin McCarthy in opposition.

HEARING CLOSED

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DALY O'BRIEN TO DEMOLISH BUILDING AT 2 TYLER AVE, ASSESSOR'S MAP 515, BL.298, LOT 4

PASSED Yeas 8, Absent 1 105B

ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 36 School St, Assessor's Map 400, Block 5, Lot 4, in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said building(s) be demolished or repaired. (see document for complete text)
HEARING OPENED

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Mr. Richard Osborne, Building Inspector spoke in favor with Attorney Jay Cleary, representing Brian Langlois in opposition. Attorney Cleary stated that he has a letter of intent to purchase 36 School Street and needed some time to clear some title issues.

HEARING CLOSED

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO CONTINUE TO JAN. 21, 2014.

CONTINUED TO JAN. 21, 2014

Yeas 8, Absent 1

105B

ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 16 Margerie St., Assessor's Map 429, Block 1, Lot 41, in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said building(s) be demolished or repaired. (see document for complete text)

HEARING OPENED

Mr. Richard Osborne, Building Inspector and Andrew Herlihy, Community Development, spoke in favor. No one was in opposition.

HEARING CLOSED

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO DEMOLISH BUILDING AND SHED AT 16 MARGERIE ST, ASSESSOR'S MAP 429, BL. 1, LOT 41

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

105C

ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 5 Cypress St., Assessor's Map 400, Block 2, Lot 13, in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said building(s) be demolished or repaired. (see document for complete text)

HEARING OPENED

Mr. Richard Osborne, Building Inspector spoke in favor with William Morse in opposition.

HEARING CLOSED

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO DEMOLISH BUILDING AT 5 CYPRESS ST, ASSESSOR'S MAP 400, BL.2, LOT 13

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

105D

ORDERED: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 139, Section 1, after hearing, it is hereby adjudged that the building (s) at 18 Warren St, Assessor's Map 619, Block 525, Lot 11, in Haverhill MA, is a nuisance to the neighborhood and is dangerous, in accordance with the authority bestowed upon us by said Chapter, it is hereby ordered that said building(s) be demolished or repaired. (see document for complete text)

HEARING OPENED

Mr. Richard Osborne, Building Inspector spoke in favor with Kevin McCarthy in opposition.

HEARING CLOSED

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCGONAGLE TO DEMOLISH BUILDING AT 18 WARREN ST, ASSESSOR'S MAP 619, BL.525, LOT 11

On the question of passage the yeas and nays were as follows:

Yeas,-Councillors Hart, Michitson, McGonagle, Macek, LePage, Daly O'Brien, Sullivan and President Scatamacchia,	7
Abstain,-Councillor Ryan	1
Absent,-Councillor	1

PASSED

105E

8. Motions and Orders

ORDERED: That the City Council Chamber, Room 202, 2nd Floor, Haverhill City Hall, 4 Summer Street, Haverhill, MA 01830, hereby is officially named the **Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr., City Council Chamber**
AN OFFICIAL DEDICATION CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE IN JANUARY 2014

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

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Ordinances (File 10 Days)

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 240

An ordinance related to Parking

Delete Handicap Parking Space, 46 Highland av (see document for complete text)

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 8, Absent 1

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9. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings

Document 102-K

Communication from Councillor Sullivan requesting a discussion regarding the declining conditions of the Fire Department's eight fire pumpers

CHIEF ALAN DENARO, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSIONER, STATED THAT A COMMITTEE WILL BE FORMED TO WORK ON THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE NEW PUMPER TRUCK. ALSO,

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PROGRAM WILL BE PUT IN PLACE TO REPLACE REMAINING TRUCKS. FIRE CHIEF BORDEN STATED LAST PURCHASE OF FIRE TRUCK WAS IN 2005 AND LIFE SPAN OF TRUCK IS DEPENDENT ON USE.

PLACED ON FILE

102K

10. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Monthly Reports:

Abatement Report was received from Board of Assessors for month of November 2013

PLACED ON FILE

19L

Communications from Councillors:

Communication was received from Councillor Macek requesting to have a street light installed on Newton Road, route 108, on pole #5, due to public safety concerns.

LETTER TO MAYOR

102U

Communications from City Employees:

No Schedule

11. Resolutions and Proclamations

No Schedule

12. Council Committee Reports and Announcements

Council Committee Reports:

No Schedule

*Doc. 105A-105D - Handout from Richard Osborne, Requirements for Removal of Properties from Demolition List

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 o'clock P.M.

Yeas 8, Absent 1

Attest: Barbara S. Arthur

Administrative Assistant, City Council