

## Votes taken November 21, 2016 Regular Council Meeting

Reading and Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting – November 7<sup>th</sup> 2016 – regular meeting

**Unanimous approval**

### 1. PUBLIC SERVICE:

A) Grants: None

B) Licenses: Special Excavation – 34 French Street **Unanimous approval**

C) Contracts: None

D) Vote Tax Classification Factors

A residential exemption of up to 20% of the average assessed valuation of residential property **Unanimous disapproval**

An exemption of up to 25 % for all property that may be classified as Class II – Open Space **Unanimous disapproval**

A determination of the percentage of the Tax Levy to be borne by each class of property in Fiscal Year 2017 **8 yes, 1 no** (Clr. Marsan) Approval of 164% shift to commercial (as presented by Auditor)

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Resolutions:

TR-16-48 Resolution Accepting a Fire Department Private Grant from 3M **Unanimous approval**

TR-16-50 Resolution Accepting Sections 53 and 33-34 of the Act to Modernize Municipal Finance and Government (as amended 11/7/16) **Unanimous Approval**

Ordinances: None

Consideration of Appointments: None

### NEW BUSINESS

A) Request of Council – Vote to Approve Letter of non-opposition for a licensed medical marijuana dispensary pursuant to Mass. DPH Regulation 105CMR725.00: Implementation of an Act for the Humanitarian Medical Use of Marijuana - Alternative Therapies Group, 24R Pleasant Street, Unit 2, Newburyport, MA 01950

**Approved: 6 yes, 2 no (Clr. Kazanjian, Clr. Vidler), 1 abstention**

#### Resolutions:

TR-16-53 Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations of the City of Methuen – Mayflower and Sunset – Stop Sign **Tabled to Public Hearing Unanimous Vote**

#### Ordinances:

TO-16-17 An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the City of Methuen – 293 Broadway **Tabled to Joint Public Hearing Unanimous Vote**

