

Methuen City Council – Regular Meeting

Monday, June 5, 2023 – 7:00 pm

Great Hall, Searles Building, Third Floor

41 Pleasant Street, Methuen, MA 01844

Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings

- May 15, 2023 – Regular Meeting **Approved: 8 yes, 1 present (Clr. Finocchiaro)**

Consideration of Appointments:

Promotions:

Captain Fluet promoted to Assistant Fire Chief **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Lt. Jeff Slattery promoted to Captain **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Firefighter Matt Collier promoted to Lieutenant **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Pamela Bertheim – Constable **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Ellen Baranowski – Cultural Council **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Donald Marcus – Board of Health **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Dianne Moore – Preservation Committee **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Presentations/Projects/Department Updates

Certificates of Recognition – Flag Replacement Event

Public Service

a. Grants: None

b. Licenses: Vehicle for Hire License - None

c. Contracts:

C-23-90 Liston Utility Services (Leak Detection- Correlation Survey) 19 Mauriello Dr. Stoneham, MA 02180 in the Amount of \$60,830.00

Approved Vote: Unanimous

C-23-91 J & J Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc (Remove & replace HVAC in E911 Call Center) 17 Arlington St. Dracut, MA 01826 in the Amount of \$25,367.00 **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

C-23-92 N. Granese & Sons, Inc.(Emergency sewer forced main pipe relaced -West St.)59 Jefferson Ave., Salem, MA 01970, in the Amount of \$160,685.08

Approved Vote: Unanimous

C-23-93 Insight Public Sector (Permitting & Inspections Software), 6820 S. Harl Ave. Tempe, AZ 85283-4318 in the Amount of \$81,973.03 **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

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C-23-94 Powers & Sullivan, LLC (Audit of Financial Statements FY23-FY24) 100 Quannapowitt Pkwy., Ste. 101, Wakefield, MA 01880, in the Amount of \$130,000.00

Approved Vote: Unanimous

C-23-95 J.M. Goldson, LLC (Master Plan Phase III & IV), 4228 Washington St. Roslindale, MA 02131 in the Amount of \$85,000.00 **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Unfinished Business

Resolutions:

TR-23-23 Resolution Authorizing Transfer from Free Cash of \$85,000 for the funding of the pay as you go portion of the FY23 Capital Improvement Plan Requested by Mayor Perry/CAFO **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-24 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$25,000 from Police Other Expense to be transferred to Police Personal Service Expense to fund approved training from the correct expense budget line Requested by Mayor Perry/CAFO/MPD **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-25 Resolution to Abandon Balance of the FY23 Capital Improvement Plan related to the Marsh Cooling Tower and Chiller project, and Transfer \$1,000,000 of Remaining Funds Borrowed for Such Project to Pay Costs of the Tenney Grammar School roof replacement project Requested by Mayor Perry/CAFO/Methuen Public Schools **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-26 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$538,149 from Free Cash, to be transferred to DPW Other Expenses to fund the Snow & Ice expenditures deficit Requested by Mayor Perry/CAFO/DPW **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Ordinances:

TO-23- 4 An Ordinance Amending Wage and Salary Reclassification Department Heads (as amended) Requested by Mayor/CAFO **Approved Vote: 6 yes, 3 no (Clr. Faretra, Clr. Finocchiaro, Clr. McCarty)**

TO-23- 5 An Ordinance Establishing Section 7-18 of the Methuen Municipal Code to Address the Issue of PFAS Chemicals in Firefighter Turnout Gear (Request of Councilors Beauregard, McCarty, and Simard, Mayor Perry, and Chief Sheehy) **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

New Business

Resolutions:

TR-23-28 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Massachusetts Office of Grants and Research 2023 Car Seat Distribution program award which includes 68 child car seats valuing up to a total of \$7,415; Requested by the Mayor, Chief of Police & CAFO **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-29 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$426,000 from various General Fund budget lines to General Fund Police Department Personal Service Expenses budget line to fund necessary personnel expenditures Requested by the Mayor & CAFO **Approved Vote: 8 yes, 1 no (Clr. Finocchiaro)**

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TR-23-30 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$130,000 from the Enterprise Fund Department of Public Works Personal Services Expenses to the Enterprise Fund Department of Public Works Other Expenses budget line due to unanticipated utility expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-31 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$13,500 from Accounting Personal Service Expense budget line, of which \$10,000 shall be transferred to Accounting Other Expense Budget Line and \$3,500 shall be transferred to the Assessing Personal Services budget line to fund necessary year end payroll processing expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-32 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$350,000 from the General Fund Department of Public Works Personal Services Expenses to the General Fund Solid Waste Disposal budget line due to unanticipated expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO **Approved Vote: 8 yes, 1 no (Clr. Finocchiaro)**

TR-23-33 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$150,000 from the General Fund Department of Public Works Personal Services Expenses to the General Fund Department of Public Works Other Expenses budget line due to unanticipated utility expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-34 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$3,500 from Legal Other Expense to be transferred to Legal Personal Service Expense to fund necessary year-end personnel expenditure projections; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

TR-23-35 A Resolution Accepting M.G.L. c. 138, § 19C Requested by Councilors Beauregard, McCarty, and Saffie, Chair Zeigler, Vice-Chair Faretra, and Mayor Perry **Approved Vote: Unanimous**

Ordinances: None