

VOTES TAKEN - METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 @ 7:00 P.M.

****Change of Location to Methuen Community Studios, 20 Aegean Drive, Unit 11****

1. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings: September 4, 2024, Regular Meeting – **Approved unanimously as amended (Daniel to David Consoli name change) – (Clr. Campagnone, Clr. Pesce) (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**
2. Consideration of Appointments:
 - Patrick McCarty promoted to Human Services Division Director, HHSI – **Approved Vote – 6 yes, 1 no (Clr. Valley) (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**
 - Douglas Cairnie appointment to the Board of Registrars of Voters – **Approved Vote – 7 yes - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**
3. Public Service:
 - Grants: - Public Service Grant: 31002585 - National Grid and Verizon, New England to relocate pole # 2245 on Charles Street – Approved Vote – **Unanimous - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

C) Contract(s):

C-25-32 – Brox Industries, Inc., 1 Tech Drive, Suite 310, Andover, MA 01810 – for Bituminous Concrete Cold Patch FOB & Delivered in the Amount of \$111,425.00 – **Approved Vote – Unanimous - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

C-25-33 – MJS Construction, Inc., 25 Popes Lane, Danvers, MA 01923 for 5-Ton System HVAC Unit Replacement in the Amount of \$38,420.00 – **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

C-25-34 – Methuen Police Patrolmen’s Association’s agreement with the City of Methuen from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027 (1st Read) - **Approved Vote – 6 yes, 1 no (Chair Faretra) (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

C-25-35 - Stone & Garden Solutions, Inc. - \$93,731.25- Historic City Hall Field Stone Masonry Wall Repairs - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

4. Unfinished Business
Resolutions:

TR-24-46 Resolution Accepting and Establishing the Water and Sewer Rates Analysis (remove from table) as amended 9/4/24 – **Tabled - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

Ordinance(s):

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TO-24-6 An Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Classification Plan, AFSCME A, to add the new position of Community Outreach Coordinator (Requested by the Mayor and Director of Human Resources) (remove from table) - **Tabled - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

New Business:

Resolutions:

TR-24-54 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of \$1,754,541 for Fiscal Year 2025-2027 Massachusetts Department of Public Health Shared Public Health Services Grant (Requested by the Mayor and Director of HHSI) - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-55 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of \$156,707.36 for Fiscal Year 2025 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Training grant (Requested by the Mayor and Chief of Police) - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-56 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of \$16,232.86 for Fiscal Year 2024 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) Grant - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-57 Resolution Authorizing an Amendment of Order No.5646 Borrowing to Pay Costs for the Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Improvement Plan - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-58 - Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2023 U.S. Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Grant of \$66,545.45 (Requested by the Mayor and Fire Chief) - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-59 Resolution Authorizing Expenditures of \$500 from the Edwin J. Castle Fund for the Nevins Library (Requested by the Commission on Trust Funds) - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-60 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$1,551,714.35 from the General Fund Employee Benefits other expenses budget line, to various General Fund Personal Services budget to fund the various agreed upon Collective Bargaining Agreements (Requested by the Mayor and CAFO) – **Tabled - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

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TR-24-61 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$140,000 from the Enterprise Fund Employee Benefits budget line, to the Enterprise Fund Personal Services budget line to fund the agreed upon Department of Public Works Employee Association, Superintendents Local

123 and AFSCME A Collective Bargaining Agreements (Requested by the Mayor and CAFO) - **Tabled - (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TR-24-62 A Resolution to Accept MGL c. 59, Section 5, Clause 54, Personal Property Minimum Value (EPA Requested) (Requested by the Mayor, CAFO and Assessor) (EPA REQUESTED) - **Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent) – EPA - Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

Ordinances:

TO-24-7 An Ordinance Establishing Section 16-15.1 of the Methuen Municipal Code to Authorize Civil Sanctions for Failure to Restore Excavated Land in Public Rights of Way
Requested by Chair Faretra, Councilors Saffie, Beauregard, and DiZoglio, and Mayor Perry - Approved Vote - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)

TO-24-8 An Ordinance Amending Section 16-9(A) of the Methuen Municipal Code to Formally Establish a Minimum Indemnity Bond Amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) Relative to the Excavation of Public Streets - *Requested by Chair Faretra, Councilors Saffie, Beauregard, and DiZoglio, and Mayor Perry – Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)*

TO-24-9 An Ordinance Accepting M.G.L. c. 90 § 17C to Reduce the Statutory Speed Limit from 30 mph to 25 mph in Thickly Settled or Business Districts Requested by Chair Faretra, Councilor Saffie, and Councilor Beauregard – **Vote – Tabled to a Public Hearing - Unanimous (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TO-24-10 An Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Classification Plan, Unaffiliated, to add the new position of Social Worker (Requested by the Mayor and Director of Elder Services) - **Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TO-24-11 An Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Classification Plan, Unaffiliated, to add the new position of HR Generalist (Requested by the Mayor and Director of Human Resources) - **Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TO-24-12 An Ordinance Authorizing the Establishment of the Searles Estate Commission - (Sponsored by Councilor Soto, Co-Sponsored by Councilor Valley and Councilor Marsan) - **Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

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TO-24-13 Ordinance Authorizing the Establishment of the Searle Estate Revolving Fund (Sponsored by Councilor Soto, Co-Sponsored by Councilor Valley and Councilor Marsan) - **Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TO-24-14 – Commissioners of the Searles Estate herein incorporated with Ordinance #XXX Ordinance Authorizing the Establishment of The Searles Estate Commission and Ordinance # XXX Ordinance Authorizing the Establishment of The Searles Estate Revolving Fund Composition, Mode of Appointment, Term of Office (Sponsored by Councilor Soto, Co-Sponsored by Councilor Valley and Councilor Marsan) - **Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent) - Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**

TO-24-15 An Ordinance Establishing Section 9-98 of the Methuen Municipal Code to Bar Those Convicted of Threats Against City Buildings from Post-Conviction Access (Sponsored by Councilor Beauregard, DiZoglio, Saffie, Chair Faretra and Mayor Perry) - **Tabled (Clr. DiZoglio & Clr. Saffie absent)**