

VOTES TAKEN - METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024 @ 7:00 P.M.
GREAT HALL, SEARLES BUILDING

1. Roll Call – All members present – Chair Faretra, Clr. Campagnone, Clr. DiZoglio, Clr. Marsan, Clr. Pesce, Clr. Saffie, Clr. Soto and Clr. Valley.
2. Acceptance of the Agenda – Motion to accept by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Pesce – **Upon vote – UNANIMOUS**
3. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings: December 2, 2024, Regular Meeting – Motion to accept by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Pesce – **Upon vote -UNANIMOUS**
4. Public Service:
 - A) Grants: None
 - B) Licenses: Cash N Gold LLC, 211 Merrimack Street, Methuen, MA by Kim & Bill Atwood – Motion to approve by Clr. Soto, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**
 - C) Contract(s):

C-25-53 – Bergeron Protective Clothing, LLC, 1024 Suncook Valley Highway, Unit 5-D, Epsom, NH, 03234 – Purchase of 8-Globe G-Xterem Black Jackets & 9-Globe GPS Black Pants - \$31,297.00 – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Valley – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

C-25-54 – Agreement of Professional Services with the City of Methuen and Ethan Mascoop, P.O. Box 320029, West Roxbury, MA 02132 as Consultant for Methuen Health & Human Services and Inspections Division on an “as needed” basis - \$75.00/hour and not to exceed \$35,000 before June 30, 2025 – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **Upon vote – 6 yes, 2 no (Clr. DiZoglio & Chair Faretra)**

5. Unfinished Business
Resolutions:

TR-24-79 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of \$4,450 from the Workplace Safety and Education Grant Program (Requested by Mayor and Director of DPW) – Motion to approve by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Soto – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

TR-24-80 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$545,106 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 CAFO) – Motion to approve by Clr. Saffie, seconded by Clr. DiZoglio – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

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TR-24-81 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$8,600 from the Enterprise Fund Employee Benefits budget line to the Enterprise Fund Personal Services budget line to fund the agreed upon Middle Management Collective Bargaining Agreement (Requested by the CAFO) - Motion to approve by Clr. Saffie, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

TR-24-82 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$140,000 from Free Cash, to be transferred to Accounting Expenses to fund an Operational Audit of the School Department, pending completion of state certification (Requested by the Mayor) (*Remove from the table*) – Motion to remove from the table - Motion to approve by Clr. Soto, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **Upon vote – 7 yes, 1 no (Clr. DiZoglio)** – Motion to Table by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Saffie – **ROLL CALL** - Upon vote – 5 yes, 3 no (Clr. Campagnone, Clr. Soto & Chair Faretra) - **TABLED**

New Business:

Resolutions:

TR-24-84 - Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a \$65,000 Municipal ADA Improvement Grant – Motion to approve by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

TR-24-85 - Order Authorizing an Amendment of Order No.5831 Borrowing to Pay Costs for the Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (Requested by Director of DPW and Mayor) – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – Motion to Table by Clr. Soto, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **Upon vote – UNANIMOUS - TABLED**

TR-24-86 - Resolution to adopt the Merrimack Valley Region Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 2024 (Requested by Director of Community Development and Mayor) – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. DiZoglio – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

TR-24-87 - Resolution to Repurpose \$1,100,161.00 of Approved Eligible ARPA Funding between Multiple Projects (Requested by Mayor and CAFO) (This is replacing TR-24-83 which was a previous agenda item) (EPA Requested) – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **Upon vote – Roll call - UNANIMOUS – Motion to attach EPA – Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**

Ordinances:

TO-24-19 - An Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Schedule of Chapter 6, Section 6-5 of the Methuen Municipal Code, Department of Public Works Employees Association- Reclassification of Electricians – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **Upon vote - UNANIMOUS**