



Methuen City Council
Great Hall, Searles Building, 3rd. Floor
41 Pleasant Street, Methuen, MA 01844

Regular Meeting Agenda, Monday, July 10, 2023 – 7:00 PM

CAFO FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

1. Roll Call
2. Acceptance of the Agenda
3. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation/Moment of Silence
4. Organizational Business
 - Update on Audio System in Great Hall
5. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings
 - June 5, 2023 - Regular Meeting, June 6th Special Meeting, June 12th Special Meeting, and June 13th Special Meeting
6. Proclamations/Correspondence:
7. Consideration of Appointments: Nicholas Conway promoted to Permanent Police Sergeant [VIEW BACKUP](#)
8. Presentations/Projects/Department Updates
 - July Foundation Award - Ken Greenwood - Thwaites Market

- **Request of Councilor Faretra - Presentation from Harvey Trash on updates relative to the trash system**

9. Public Participation

10. Mayor's Report

- Request of Councilor Finocchiaro - Update from the Mayor's Office, DPW, and any other relevant departments regarding DeGaspe Park on Mystic Street, including the cutting down of long-standing trees by utility company, remedies available (including planting new trees), and the long-term outlook for the park.
- Request of Unaccepted Ways Task Force - Request for the City to provide an updated street list(s) for the following: **Accepted, Unaccepted, and private. Private should include all private street, including private developments, unless an additional list with those will also be provided.** Chair Zeigler noted Council could take this up at the first meeting in June for review.
- Request of Councilor Saba Charles Street Wall Update request to Mayor and Director Bower

11. Requests of Councilors

General Requests

12. Public Service

1. Grants: None
2. Licenses: Vehicle for Hire License - (new) ASW Limousine LLC, 90 Leroy Avenue, Methuen, MA 01844 [VIEW BACKUP](#)
3. Contracts:
 - [C-24-1](#) Belko Landscaping, LLC, 242 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH 03079 for Improvements to the Playground & Park Facilities @ Gill Avenue in the Amount of \$670,945.00

13. Other Officers and Committee Reports

14. Unfinished Business

- Resolutions: None
- Ordinances: None

15. New Business

Resolutions:

- [TR-23-37](#) Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$25,000 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 excess **fuel expenditures (EPA Requested)** Requested by: Mayor and CAFO
- [TR-23-38](#) Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$150 from Accounting Personal Service Expense to be transferred to Assessor Personal Service Expense to fund necessary year-end personnel expenditure projections (EPA Requested) Requested by: Mayor and CAFO
- [TR-23-39](#) Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2024 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Training grant of \$194,373.09 Requested by: Mayor, CAFO and Chief of Police
- [TR-23-40](#) Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2024 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Support and Incentive Grant of \$180,964 Requested by: Mayor, CAFO and Chief of Police
- [TR-23-41](#) Resolution Authorizing Acceptance & Expenditure of a Brownfields Assessment Program Grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of \$500,000 (EPA Requested) Requested by: Mayor, CAFO and Director of Community Development
- [TR-23-42](#) A Resolution to Expand Access to All Public Meetings Request of Chair Zeigler and Councilor Beauregard

Ordinances: None

16. Any Other Business for the Good and Welfare of the Community

EXECUTIVE SESSION - EXEMPTION 7

The Methuen City Council will vote to enter into Executive Session with the Mayor and Methuen's City Solicitor, in accordance with Exemption 7 (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(7)), to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements, and in particular, **to comply with or act under Supreme Judicial Court Rule 3:07.**

If the Methuen City Council enters into executive session, the Council will adjourn for the evening at the end of the executive session and not reconvene in an open session.

Eunice Zeigler

Chair of the City Council

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