



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

Regular Meeting Agenda, Monday, August 7, 2023 – 7:00 PM

[VIEW 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:
None
6. Proclamations/Correspondence:
7. Consideration of Appointments:
8. Presentations/Projects/Department Updates
 - August Community Foundation Award- Christina St. Onge
 - Regency at Methuen present donation of photograph
 - CAFO - FY24 Capital Improvement Plan [VIEW DETAILS](#)

9. Public Participation

10. Mayor's Report

Request of Councilor Faretra for Information Battye Property

- History of the property uses, transfers of ownership, etc.
- Lot of land (map with surrounding areas)
- Current and previous stakeholders in property (individuals and businesses) Contamination study along with all mediation efforts to date
- All municipal funded work with dates and financial price tags related to this piece of property

11. Requests of Councilors

Request of Councilor Simard ref: Days Inn - Could the department heads add their responses to these questions on this agenda item?

1. **How many students from the Days Inn will be enrolled in Methuen schools come September, 2023?**
2. How many students from the Days Inn will be transported to schools in the Commonwealth, including Methuen, come September 2023?
3. What is the total cost of transportation for the students being transported to these schools, come September 2023?
4. What is the total cost, before reimbursement from the state, to the tax payers of Methuen for students from the Days Inn, from **September 2022 to June 2023 and what is the projected cost for the next school year? Could you provide the cost breakdown?**
5. How many homeless families are there at the Days Inn?
6. How many public safety calls for service has there been since September 2022?

General Requests

12. Public Service

a. Grants: None

b. Licenses: EL Khoury's Transport, LLC, 50 Milk Street, Methuen, MA, 01844 (Vehicle for Hire) New [VIEW DETAILS](#)

c. **Contracts:**

- Personal Service Contract Extension for Police Chief Scott McNamara [VIEW DETAILS](#)
- [C-24-2](#) Stryker Sales Corp., P.O. Box 93308, Chicago, IL 60673-3308 for MTS Power loads, Stretchers Ambulance Cots in the Amount of \$55,296.29 Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey, and Chief Sheehy
- [C-24-3](#) Woodard and Curran, 40 Shattuck Rd., Suite 110, Andover, MA 01810 for Engineering Services Proposal FY'24 Environmental Monitoring of Huntington Ave. Landfill in the Amount of \$52,000.00 Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey, and DPW Director Bower
- [C-24-4](#) BETA Group Inc., 71 Washington Hwy, Lincoln, RI 02865 for Engineering Services Proposal Pavement Management Services in the Amount of \$62,500 Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey, and DPW Director Bower
- [C-24-5](#) Guardian Claims Services, Inc., 68 Evergreen Street, Kingston, MA 02364 for TPA Services for IT's Self-Funded Workers Comp Program for Police and Fire Injury on Duty Claim in the Amount of \$28,300.00 Requested by Mayor Perry and CAFO Duprey
- [C-24-6](#) Comcast Cable Communications Management LLC, P.O. Box 37601, Philadelphia, PA 019101-0601 for Data Services and Broadband Upgrade in the Amount of \$67,999.00 (5-year contract paid monthly \$1,130.00) 151 year has a \$199.000 installation charge (Replaces Crown Castle Fiber who cancelled contract# C-23-25) Requested

by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey, and CIO Santiago

- [C-24-7](#) At New Hampshire, LLC, 1400 S. Willow Street, Manchester, NH 03103 for DPW Packer Truck in the Amount of \$326,500.00 Brierly Lombard and Company, Inc., 1017 Southbridge Street, Worcester, MA 01610 Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey, and DPW Director Bower
- [C-24-8](#) Brierly Lombard and Company, Inc., 1017 Southbridge Street, Worcester, MA O 1610 for Repair of a Vertical Turbine Backwash Pump in the Amount of \$41,861.80 Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey, and DPW Director Bower
- [C-24-9](#) Valerio, Dominello & Hillman, LLC One University Avenue, Suite 300B, Westwood, MA 02090 Amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

13. Other Officers and Committee Reports

14. Unfinished Business

Resolutions:

- [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-23-42](#) A Resolution to Expand Access to All Public Meetings Request of Chair Zeigler and Councilor Beauregard (tabled 7 /10/23)

Ordinances: None

15. New Business

Resolutions:

- [TR-23-43](#) A Resolution Encouraging Rideshare Companies, Vehicle for Hire Firms, and other Clients to Avail Themselves of Language Translation Applications on Their Mobile Electronic Devices to Facilitate Communication, Understanding, and Safety (Sponsored by Chair Eunice Zeigler and Councilor Allison Saffie)
- [TR-23-44](#) A Resolution for Expanding Digital Access to City Council Meetings via Online Media Platforms (Sponsored by Chair Eunice Zeigler)
- [TR-23-45](#) Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a \$1,600 Walmart Community Grant to support the Methuen Fire Department in Aiding the Community Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey and Chief Sheehy
- [TR-23-46](#) Order Authorizing a Borrowing to Pay Costs for the Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Improvement Plan of \$14,566,144 Requested by Mayor Perry and CAFO Duprey
- [TR-23-47](#) Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a \$17,600 Fiscal Year 2024 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) to support costs associated with emergency medical dispatch Grant Requested by Mayor Perry, CAFO Duprey and Chief McNamara

Ordinances: None

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Methuen City Council will vote to enter into executive session with the Mayor, the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, and the City Solicitor under Exemption 3 of the Open Meeting Law (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3)), to discuss strategy regarding demonstrably likely anticipated litigation (the identification of which is withheld to avoid compromising the purpose of the litigation), where an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and

the Chair so declares. The City Council will not reconvene in open session.

Eunice Zeigler

Chair of the City Council

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