

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

### Minutes of the Meeting

November 6, 2017

1. Vice-President Logan called the meeting to Order at 8:00pm.
2. Vice-President Logan requested that a roll call be taken to record the attendance for the meeting. The Clerk called the roll – Councillors Brasco, Darcy, Fowler, Giordano, D. Leblanc, R. LeBlanc, Marchese, McLaughlin, McMenimen, O'Brien, Romard, Rourke, Vidal, Waddick and Logan were present.
3. Councillor Romard rose to speak of the recent death of Paul Brady, local business owner with strong community ties. Councillor Romard requested a moment of silence to honor Mr. Brady's death.
4. A motion by President LeBlanc to approve the minutes of the COW meeting held on October 16, 2017 was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes of October 16, 2017 were approved.
5. A resolution concerning the acceptance of the "Highland Street Spur" as a public way was submitted by Vice President Logan. Councillor Darcy moved to table the matter. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
6. A resolution concerning the Waltham High School project, including a joint meeting of the City Council, School Committee, School Superintendent and Mayor was submitted by Councillors Fowler, R. LeBlanc, Rourke, Romard, Darcy and McLaughlin. Councillor Fowler moved to table the resolution. The motion was adopted on a roll call vote of 9 in favor (Brasco, Fowler, Giordano, D. LeBlanc, Marchese, McLaughlin, Rourke, Vidal & Waddick), 5 opposed (Darcy, R. LeBlanc, McMenimen, O'Brien & Romard), Logan presiding and the matter was tabled.
7. A resolution concerning the "Coleman-Stanton Property as a potential site for educational use was submitted by Councillors Brasco, D. LeBlanc and Giordano. Councillor Brasco moved to table the matter. The motion was adopted on a roll call vote of 11 in favor (Brasco, Fowler, Giordano, D. Leblanc, R. LeBlanc, Marchese, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Rourke, Vidal & Waddick) 3 opposed (Darcy, McMenimen & Romard), Logan presiding and the matter was tabled.
8. Councillor Marchese moved to take the matter of the acquisition of the property located at 101R Elm Street (10/24/2016) from the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Marchese spoke of the response received from the owner's attorney

concerning the City Council request to have access to the property to conduct an environmental study. Councillor Marchese stated the City should terminate its interest in the property and moved to file the matter. The motion was adopted on a roll call vote of 13 in favor (Brasco, Fowler, Giordano, D. Leblanc, R. LeBlanc, Marchese, McLaughlin, McMenimen, O'Brien, Romard, Rourke, Vidal & Waddick), 1 opposed (Darcy), Logan presiding and the matter was filed.

9. Councillor Giordano rose to remind the viewing audience of the upcoming Veterans' Day ceremony to be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 11:00am on the Waltham Common and encouraged the public to attend.
10. Councillor McMenimen rose to remind the viewing audience of the municipal election on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 with polls opening at 7:00am, closing at 8:00pm and encouraged all to exercise their right to vote.
11. A motion by President LeBlanc to adjourn was adopted on a voice vote, and the Chair declared the Committee adjourned at 8:15pm.

Paul G. Centofanti – Clerk to the Committee of the Whole