

Waltham City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of
January 13, 2020

President Brasco called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Call of the Roll:

City Council

Present: Councillors Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, Vidal and Brasco.

Absent: None

The City Clerk recited the Council Prayer followed by President Brasco leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councillor McMenimen asked for a moment of silence for all our military that have served past and present.

Councillor McMenimen moved approval of the minutes from the City Council meeting on 12/23/2019. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McMenimen moved approval of Inauguration minutes. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved.

Communications from the Mayor

1. The Mayor respectfully requests acceptance of two checks from the New Light Korean Church, Inc. One for the Waltham Police Department and one for the Waltham Fire Department. Referred to the Finance Committee.
2. The Mayor respectfully requests acceptance of a check in the amount of \$500 from Lisa LeBlanc. Referred to the Finance Committee.
3. The Mayor respectfully requests an appropriation of \$10,000 for the 2020 membership dues to the Watertown Transportation Management Association, Inc. (WTMA). Referred to the Finance Committee.
4. The Mayor respectfully requests an appropriation of funds in the amount of \$53,669 to purchase one compressor for the CPW Department, Water & Sewer Division. Referred to the Finance Committee.
5. The Mayor respectfully requests approval to accept the FFY2020 HMEP Grant in the amount of \$2,888 from MEMA for the Emergency Management Department for the training, updating and publishing of the Emergency Plan. Referred to the Finance Committee.
6. The Mayor respectfully requests approval of the FFY2019 EMPG Grant in the amount of \$25,600 from MEMA for the Emergency Management Department to purchase SCBA air supply bottles for the Air Supply Unit. Referred to the Finance Committee.
7. The Mayor respectfully requests the approval of a financing transaction in the total amount of \$289,932 consisting of the MVP Grant and an appropriation of 25% matching funds. Referred to the Finance Committee.

8. The Mayor respectfully requests approval of a loan authorization in the amount of \$4,195,000 to fund the Woerd Avenue Landfill Revitalization Project. Referred to the Licenses and Franchises Committee.

9. The Mayor respectfully requests a meeting time to invite into City Hall the Waltham Youth Cheer B Team Cheerleaders to congratulate them on an undefeated season and becoming National Champions. President Brasco asked that the City Clerk's Office communicate with the Mayor's Office to figure out the best day and time for the girls to come to a meeting. Councillor McMenimen moved to place the matter on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved.

Applications & Licenses

All licenses referred to the Licenses and Franchise Committee

- Class 2 renewal – 143 Prospect Street – Prospect Auto Sales & Service Inc.
- Extended hours renewal – 205 Willow Street – Pro Tech Automotive & Tire CTR, Inc.
- Lodging House renewal – 107 Adams Street – Dennis Dyer
- Lodging House renewal – 403 River Street – Dennis Dyer

Orders, Ordinances & Resolutions

- Support of 2020 Census

The City Clerk read the Resolution. Councillor Vidal spoke on the Resolution. President Brasco referred the matter to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

- Retiring Firefighters Resolutions

The City Clerk read three Resolutions for Lieutenant William Bourque, Firefighter Robert Bartley, Executive Assistant Ellen Foley retiring from the Waltham Fire Department. Councillor McMenimen move to suspend the rules to act on the matters without committee reference. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McMenimen moved to act of the three Resolutions collectively. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McMenimen moved approval of the Resolutions. On the motion Councillor McMenimen spoke on the Resolution. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved.

Unfinished Business & Other Business

- Final Draft Assessment Order for Harrington Road Sidewalk Betterments

Referred to the Finance Committee

- Communication from Attorney Connors regarding holding a second public hearing for a Special Permit at 1017-1019 Main Street and 1025-1075 Main Street

Councillor McLaughlin moved to suspend the rules to act on the matter without committee reference. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McLaughlin moved approval of the matter. Roll call requested.

In Favor: Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley and Vidal

Opposed: None

Presiding: Brasco

Matter is approved 14-0

- Communication from Attorney Keefe regarding holding a second public hearing for a Special Permit at 790 Main Street

Councillor McLaughlin moved to suspend the rules to act on the matter without committee reference. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McLaughlin moved approval of the matter. Roll call requested.

In Favor: Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley and Vidal

Opposed: None

Presiding: Brasco

Matter is approved 14-0

Tabled Items

- Parking Resolution (12/23/2019 approved to schedule a PH)
- Loan order for \$11,000,000 for property transaction (First reading 12/9/2019)

Councillor McMenimen moved to take the matter regarding the loan order for 11,000,000 off of the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McMenimen moved for approval of the loan order. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor McMenimen moved to suspend the rules and asked for non-Council members to speak on the matter. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. On the motion, Councillor McMenimen asked a representative from the law Department to speak on the matter as best they could talk on the matter. City Solicitor Cervone spoke on the matter. Councillor Stanley asked questions of the City Solicitor.

Roll call required.

In Favor: Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, Vidal and Brasco

Opposed: None

Matter is approved 15-0

Councillor moved to adjourn. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and President Brasco declared the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kara Wilson

Executive Assistant of the City Clerk

January 21, 2020

Approved by the City Council: _____