

Committee of the Whole
Minutes of the Meeting
October 16, 2023

1. Vice-President McLaughlin called the meeting to Order at 8:00pm in the City Council Chamber.
2. Vice-President McLaughlin requested that a roll call be taken to record the attendance for the meeting. The COW Clerk called the roll – Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, President McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, Vidal, and Vice President McLaughlin were all present in-person.
3. President McMenimen moved to approve the minutes of the COW meeting held on October 2, 2023. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes of the October 2, 2023 meeting were approved.
4. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 0 BEF Chesterbrook Road with the State. Councillor Stanley recused himself due to the proximity of his residence to the property. Councillor LaFauci moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Upon questions from Councillor LaFauci, the Mayor explained the conservation restriction and what uses of the property are permissible. Upon questions from Councillors Dunn and Bradley MacArthur, the Mayor explained the access time to the property and the approval process to select a bidder for the property. Councillor Darcy spoke on several items in the conservation restriction document. A motion by Councillor Darcy to request a copy of the council order for the acquisition of the property was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to have the plans signed by the City Engineer was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to have the Law Department attend the next COW meeting was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor LaFauci expressed his frustration with Councillor Darcy's position. Councillor LaFauci moved to file the conservation restriction for 0 BEF Chesterbrook Road with the State. The motion was adopted on a roll call vote of 11 in favor (Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, President McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, and Vidal) 2 opposed (Bradley-MacArthur and Darcy), Stanley recused and McLaughlin presiding.
5. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 84 AFT Arcadia Avenue with the State. A motion by Councillor Darcy to request a copy of the council order for the acquisition of the property was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to have the Law Department attend the next COW meeting was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to table the matter was adopted on a voice vote.
6. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 287 AFT Grove Street with the State. Councillor LaCava moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. The Mayor explained the property was acquired with Community Preservation funds and a conservation restriction is required. A motion by Councillor Darcy to request a copy of the council order for the acquisition of the property was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to have the Law Department attend the next COW

meeting was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor LaCava moved to file the conservation restriction for 0 BEF Chesterbrook Road with the State. The motion was adopted on a roll call vote of 13 in favor (Bradley–MacArthur, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, President McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, and Vidal) 1 opposed (Darcy), and McLaughlin presiding.

7. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 0 Prospect Hill Road & Lot 1A Willard Street with the State. A motion by Councillor Darcy to request a copy of the council order for the acquisition of the property was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor LaFauci moved to file the conservation restriction 0 Prospect Hill Road & Lot 1A Willard Street with the State. The motion was adopted on a roll call vote of 14 in favor (Bradley–MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, President McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, and Vidal) and McLaughlin presiding.
8. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 775 Rear Lot 1, Parcel B Trapelo Road with the State. Councillor Darcy moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to request a copy of the council order for the acquisition of the property was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Darcy asked questions of the Mayor about walking paths and trails. Councillor Darcy requested a language change on the use of the word “nor” to which the Mayor agreed. A motion by Councillor Darcy to table the matter was adopted on a voice vote.
9. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 385 Trapelo Road with the State. Councillor Darcy moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. A motion by Councillor Darcy to request a copy of the council order for the acquisition of the property was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Darcy asked questions of the Mayor about walking paths and trails. Councillor Darcy also asked questions about vehicle parking. A motion by Councillor Darcy to table the matter was adopted on a voice vote.
10. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 342–344 Warren Street with the State. Councillor LaFauci moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor LaFauci moved to file the conservation restriction for 342–344 Warren Street with the State. On the motion, Councillor Bradley–MacArthur asked questions about the status of the 2018 RFP. The Mayor stated no valid responses had been received. The Mayor explained the effort and scope of the restoration of the property. Councillor Darcy stated his support for the installation of a plaque to honor the Arrigo family. The motion of Councillor LaFauci was adopted on a roll call vote of 14 in favor (Bradley–MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, President McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, and Vidal) and McLaughlin presiding.
11. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 282 Trapelo Road with the State. A motion by Councillor Harris to table the matter was adopted on a voice vote.

12. A request was received from the Mayor to file the conservation restriction for 240 Beaver Street with the State. Councillor LeBlanc recused himself due to the proximity of his residence to the property. Councillor Durkee moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Durkee thanked all involved in the acquisition of the property. Councillor Durkee moved to file the conservation restriction for 240 Beaver Street with the State. On the motion, Councillor Bradley-MacArthur asked about the status of the lease for the property. The Mayor stated the RFP had expired, the lease was sent to the respondent, but the lease has not been signed to date. The motion of Councillor Durkee was adopted on a roll call vote of 13 in favor (Bradley-MacArthur, Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Katz, LaCava, LaFauci, President McMenimen, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, and Vidal) and McLaughlin presiding.
13. A motion by Councillor Harris to adjourn was adopted on a voice vote, and the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

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