

TO: JOHN P. BOHENKO, CITY MANAGER

FROM: KELLI L. BARNABY, CITY CLERK

RE: ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MARCH 29, 2004 COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, ONE JUNKINS AVENUE, PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

PRESENT: MAYOR SIRRELL, ASSISTANT MAYOR HANSON, COUNCILORS GRASSO, FERRINI, MARCHAND, PANTELAKOS, HYNES, RAYNOLDS, AND WHITEHOUSE

1. Proclamation – Portsmouth Naval Shipyard – Assistant Mayor Hanson read the Proclamation in support of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Mayor Sirrell and Assistant Mayor Hanson presented Captain McDonough with the Proclamation and a \$10,000 contribution to the Seacoast Shipyard Association in their fight to keep the shipyard off the base closure list.
2. Presentation – History of City Cultural Commission/Annual Report (Art-Speak) – Christine Dwyer, Chair of Art-Speak reviewed with the City Council the chronology and accomplishments of the Commission.
3. Acceptance of Minutes – March 15, 2004 – Voted to accept and approve the minutes of the March 15, 2004 City Council meeting.
4. Public Hearing – Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) FY2005-2010 – A PowerPoint Presentation was made by the City Staff followed by a public hearing on the CIP.
5. Public Hearing – Chapter 7, Article II, Section 7.219 – Rates for Taxi Fares – Held a public hearing. Voted to pass second reading of amended ordinance, as submitted and hold a third and final reading at the April 12, 2004 City Council meeting.
6. Public Comment Session – There were two speakers: Peter Bresciano and Tom Carroll (Scrap Metal Operations).
7. Donation for Maple Haven Park/Playground Improvements – Voted to accept the donation in the amount of \$732.87 from Maple Haven neighborhood residents to be used for the Maple Haven Park/Playground improvement project.
8. Renewal Requests for Sidewalk Obstruction Licenses from the following businesses with no changes from last year:
 - Me & Ollies Café – 10 Tables, 30 Chairs and 1 A-frame sign
 - Choozy Shooz – 1 Bench and 1 A-frame sign
 - Forty-three Degrees North – 2 Tables and 4 chairs
 - Portsmouth Brewery – 1 A-frame sign
 - Madd Matt's Ice Cream – 1 A-frame sign
 - Market Street Tub Shop – 1 A-frame sign

Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.

9. Letter from Jamila Taylor, Seacoast Harley-Davidson, Inc., requesting permission to close Chestnut Street in order to hold the 2nd Annual Saturday Night at the Movies at the Music Hall on July 10, 2004 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.
10. Letter from Mike Wissler, Jewett Construction Co., Inc., requesting permission to purchase three parking spaces in front of the Sheafe House from April 1, 2004 through October 15, 2004, and further permission to encumber the sidewalk one day at a time during the construction project – Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.
11. Letter from Haley Caruso & Matt Palmariello requesting permission to hold the Kayak for the Cure on Sunday, July 18, 2004 at Peirce Island – Voted to refer to the City Manager for a report back. Mayor Sirrell voted opposed.
12. Public Hearing Re: Proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) FY2005-2010 – No action required. Action on this matter to be taken at the April 12, 2004 City Council meeting.
13. Proposed Agreement with Seacoast Growers' Association Re: 2004 Farmers' Market – Voted to authorize the City Manager to enter into this License Agreement with the Seacoast Growers' Association for the 2004 Farmers' Market.
14. Proposed Private/Public Partnership Re: July Fireworks Display – On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted to authorize the City Manager to proceed with this proposal that Clear Channel has made regarding the City of Portsmouth's July Fireworks.
15. Request for Approval of Pole License Agreement – Voted to approve the request from PSNH for pole license agreement, #63-403, as recommended by the Public Works Department.
16. Report Back Re: Scrap Metal Issue at Port of New Hampshire – Voted to approve the letter to William Bartlett, Chairman of the Pease Development Authority, from the Mayor, regarding the scrap metal contract at the Port of New Hampshire. Councilor Reynolds voted opposed.
17. Appointments – Voted to appoint Arthur Parrott as a regular member to the Board of Adjustment until December 1, 2006 filling Christopher Rogers unexpired term. Voted to appoint Donald Twombly to the Blue Ribbon Cemetery Committee. Voted to appoint Amy Brnger to the Library Board of Trustees until October 1, 2005 filling Lee Lorusso unexpired term. Voted to appoint Maria Sillari to the Library Board of Trustees until October 1, 2007.
18. Reports – Mayor Sirrell read a thank you letter from Ariel Soucie, Student Council President and Mary Carey Foley, Student Council Adviser, for the success of the 2004 Student Government Day.

Mayor Sirrell announced that the NH Department of Transportation will be holding a public hearing on the one-way toll system for I-95 on April 8, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

19. Adjournment – At 9:20 p.m., voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:
Kelli L. Barnaby, City Clerk