

TO: JOHN P. BOHENKO, CITY MANAGER

FROM: KELLI L. BARNABY, CITY CLERK

RE: ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 1, 2005 COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, ONE JUNKINS AVENUE, PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

PRESENT: MAYOR SIRRELL, ASSISTANT MAYOR GRASSO, COUNCILORS FERRINI, MARCHAND, PANTELAKOS, HYNES, RAYNOLDS, WHITEHOUSE, AND ST. LAURENT

1. Mayor's Award – The Portsmouth Girls Softball League Champions - Mayor Sirrell presented Mayor's Awards and t-shirts to the Portsmouth Girls Softball League in recognition of their being the Girls Softball League Champions.
2. Presentation – Donations from various individuals to the New Library Building Fund. The Portsmouth Democratic Friends of the Community donated \$1,000.00 towards the New Library Building Fund.
3. Mayor Sirrell stated that the Library Committee FundRaiser's, consisting of Mayor Sirrell and Former Mayor Ilene Foley, has sent out 900 letters requesting donations and are working on 300 more. She stated that Former Mayor Foley has done a wonderful job and extended her thanks for her hard work.
4. Acceptance of Minutes – July 11, 2005 – Voted to approve and accept the minutes of the July 11, 2005 City Council meeting.
5. Public Comment Session – There were four speakers: Robert Padian (Library); Peter Happy, Richard Rash and Jim Anthony (Pearl Street)
6. Acceptance of Donations to the New Library Building Fund
 - I. Pinsky - \$5.00
 - Philip W. Hodgdon - \$25.00
 - Christopher W. Serlin & Mariela P. Ciani - \$25.00
 - Reverend Gordon R. Allen - \$25.00
 - Dick Seedner - \$25.00
 - Robert E. Padian - \$25.00
 - James M. & Judith M. Ringer - \$25.00
 - Charlene Kane - \$50.00
 - Algene & Mary Bailey - \$50.00
 - Peter H. Rice & Meghan Milne - \$90.00
 - Paul McEachern - \$100.00
 - Rex W. Richards - \$100.00
 - Citizens Financial Group, Inc. - \$100.00
 - Charles A. DeGrandpre - \$100.00
 - Petersen Engineering, Inc. - \$100.00
 - Sharon Nichols - \$100.00
 - George W. & Elizabeth Shultis - \$100.00
 - Eva A. & James F. Powers - \$100.00
 - George C. McQuiken - \$100.00

- James O. Horrigan Revocable Trust - \$150.00
- Peter F. Somssich & Kathleen A. Pohlman-Somssich - \$150.00
- Mary Ann & Sara List - \$1,000.00

Voted to approve and accept the donations to the New Library Building Fund as listed.

7. Acceptance of Donations to the Cemetery Committee

- Anonymous - \$46.36
- Michael J. Griffin - \$50.00
- Anonymous - \$80.20
- Anonymous - \$87.01

Voted to approve and accept the donations to the Cemetery Committee as listed.

8. Acceptance of Donation to the Portsmouth Police Department Honor Guard from the PPRA in the amount of \$3,960.00 – Voted to approve and accept the donation to the Portsmouth Police Department as listed.

9. First reading of Resolution Authorizing a Bond Issue of up to Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$950,000.00) for City Improvements for the FY 06 Capital Improvement Program – Voted to pass first reading and hold a Public Hearing and adoption of this borrowing Resolution at the August 15th City Council meeting).

10. First reading of Resolution Authorizing the Borrowing of up to Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) through the Issue of Bonds and Notes or the Execution of Lease Purchase Agreements for the Acquisition of One Fire Apparatus – Voted to pass first reading and hold a Public Hearing and adoption of this borrowing Resolution at the August 15th City Council meeting.

11. First reading of Resolution Authorizing Participation in the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) for Costs Related to Five Water System Improvements Participation up to Ten Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$10,100,000.00) – Voted to pass first reading and hold a Public Hearing and adoption of this borrowing Resolution for the State Revolving Loan Fund at the August 15th City Council meeting

12. Third and final reading of Amendment to Chapter 7 – Vehicles, Traffic Parking (Omnibus Parking Ordinance April 16, 2004 to June 14, 2005

- Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.327 – Limited Parking – Two Hours – by the deletion of Hancock Street: both sides from Marcy Street to Pleasant Street

Voted to pass third and final reading of the amended ordinance as submitted.

13. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.336 – One Way Street by the addition of Pearl Street: Northerly from Islington Street to Hanover Street – Voted to Table third and final reading and refer to the Traffic & Safety Committee for report back.

14. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.330 – No Parking – by deletion of Pearl Street: westerly side from Islington to Hanover Street. – Voted to table third and final reading and refer to the Traffic & Safety Committee for a report back.
15. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article X, Section 7.1004 – Towing or Immobilization of Motor Vehicles for Non-Payment of Parking Fines – Voted to suspend the rules to make a minor change to the second sentence by changing the words “in excess” to “in the amount of” thereby changing the sentence to read “At any time subsequent to the accumulation of unpaid parking fines in the amount of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00). Voted to pass third and final reading of the amended ordinance as amended.
16. Letter from Janet Bourne, Arthritis Foundation, requesting permission to hold the annual Jingle Bell Run on Saturday, November 19, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. – Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.
17. Letter from Barbara Massar, Pro Portsmouth, requesting permission to hold the 2005 Snowflake Festival on Friday, December 2, 2005 and First Night Portsmouth 2006 on Saturday, December 31, 2005. – Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.
18. Letters from James Anthony, Heinemann Educational Books, Matthew and Michelle Wirth, Peter Happny, Ballard Mattingly, Jane Fithian, Eileen MacDonald, Jonathan and Kathryn Dennett, Jane Wright, J & J Steel & Stone, Andrea M. Quigley and Keith Kohler and Nicole LaPierre opposed to the making Pearl Street one way northerly from Islington Street to Hanover Street – Voted to accept and place the letters on file with copies to be sent to the Traffic and Safety Committee.
19. Letter from Neal Turnquist, New Hampshire Public Interest Research Group, requesting permission to hold a visibility event on Saturday, August 13, 2005 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the corner of Market and Pleasant Streets, next to the North Church. - Voted to accept this letter and place it on file.
20. Letter from Johanna Lyons requesting that the City Council and Planning Department review current ordinances regarding development in the Historic District Commission. Voted to accept the letter and place on file.
21. Letter from Jennifer Slade, Attrezzi, requesting permission to hold the annual Fall Tag Sale Bazaar on Sunday, September 18, 2005 on Market Street. - Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.
22. Letter from Neil Rolde, thanking the City Council for their generous contribution of \$10,000.00 to support our efforts to preserve and enhance the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard – Voted to accept the letter and place on file.
23. Schedule Public Hearing for Adoption of Hazard Mitigation Plan 2005. Voted to schedule a public hearing on the attached plan for 2005 for the August 15th City Council meeting.

24. Request for Pole License Agreement #63-426. Voted to approve the request from PSNH for pole license agreement #63-426 as recommended by the Public Works Department.
25. Letter from Wendy Lull, Race Director, Portsmouth Model Yacht Club requesting permission to hold their annual Pond Boat Regatta on August 7, 2005. (Not on agenda). Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.
26. Consideration of Appointments – The City Council considered the appointment of Kevin Laford to the Library Trustee, Steven Berg to the Portsmouth Housing Endowment Fund Advisory Board, Steven Berg to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, Anthony Coviello, to the Planning Board, and Robin McIntosh to the Citywide Neighborhood Committee. These appointments will be voted on by the City Council at the August 15, 2005 City Council meeting.
27. Appointments – Voted to appoint Kathleen Pearce and Gene Fisk as a regular member of the Cable Television & Communications and D H (Andy) Bangs, Jr. as a regular member of the PEDLP Review Committee.
28. Cable Television and Communications Commission – Voted to bring this ordinance amendment in for first reading at the August 15th City Council meeting.
29. City Manager's Evaluation – Voted to accept the City Manager's evaluation.
30. Traffic & Safety Committee Action Sheet and Minutes of the July 14, 2005 meeting – Voted to accept and approve the action sheet and minutes of the Traffic & Safety Committee July 14, 2005 meeting.
31. Adjournment – At 8:45 p.m., voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dianne M. Kirby, Deputy, City Clerk