

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, EILEEN DONDERO FOLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, PORTSMOUTH, NH
DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2008 TIME: 7:00PM

- 6:15PM – ANTICIPATED “NON-MEETING” WITH COUNSEL REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS - RSA: 91-A:2, I (b-c)

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER [7:00PM or thereafter]
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS

1. School Board Status Report Re: Portsmouth Middle School Project – Mitchell Shuldman, School Board Chair
2. Annual Report Art-Speak – Russ Grazier, Art-Speak President
3. Public Works Department Re: Pavement Management Plan – David Allen, Deputy Public Works Director

V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – APRIL 7, 2008

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. TO OBTAIN PUBLIC INPUT WITH REGARD TO THE PRIME WETLANDS THAT HAVE BEEN MAPPED IN THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH RSA 482-A:15 AND CHAPTER 700 OF THE NHDES WETLANDS BUREAU ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

VIII. APPROVAL OF GRANTS/DONATIONS

- A. Acceptance of Donations for New Library Building Fund
 - Pax World Management Group - \$5,000.00 (*Fulfills Pledge*)
 - Parade Hotel, LLC d/b/a Hotel Garden Inn - \$5,000.00 (*Fulfills Pledge*)
 - John R. Maher - \$1,500.00 (*Fulfills Pledge*)

(Sample motion – move to approve and accept the donations for the New Library Building Fund, as listed)

B. Acceptance of Donations to the Coalition Legal Fund

- Town of Moultonborough- \$3,000.00
- Town of Lincoln - \$2,000.00
- Town of Bridgewater - \$1,250.00
- Town of Holderness - \$250.00

(Anticipated action – move to approve and accept the donations as listed, to be placed in the Coalition Legal Fund)

C. Acceptance of Donation for Overnight Art Event

- First National Bank of Ipswich - \$1,000.00

(Sample motion – move to approve and accept the donation for Art-Speak's Overnight Art Event, as listed)

D. Acceptance of Donation for Installation of Street Clock in front of 49 Market Street

- Melvin D. Reisz, Summerwind Jewelers & Goldsmiths - \$10,000.00

(Sample motion – move to approve and accept the donation to the City for the installation of Street Clock, as listed)

IX. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

A. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article II – Taxicabs - Section 7.213 (D) – Fees and Terms for Permits/Licenses by the addition of the following language: Except that when the revocation is due to failure to meet vehicle inspection, requirements, no fee shall be due if the vehicle is repaired to the satisfaction of the taxi inspector within 24 hours of the revocation; and Section 7.219 (1) (2) (4) – Rates of Taxi Fares – (1) Increase the first one-eighth (1/8) mile or fraction hereof, from \$.35 cents to \$.45 cents; (2) Increase waiting time from \$.25 cents to \$.45 cents; (4) Increase discount to any passenger who is age sixty (60) or over from 10% to 20%

B. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.302 – Enforcement Authority by the addition of Item B to read as follows: Any vehicle or object parked or placed in violation of this ordinance shall be cited for such violation and may be towed at the vehicle owners expense at direction of the enforcement authority, the Chief of Police or the Director of Public Works

C. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7 by creating a Two Hour Parking Area on Court Street, a No Parking Area on Court Street, a No Parking Area on Islington Street, a No Parking Area on Essex Avenue, creating a Loading Zone on Court Street and deleting provisions inconsistent with the foregoing

X. CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION WOULD BE IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Letter from Patricia Yeaton, Seacoast Run Pedal Paddle, requesting permission to hold the Annual New Hampshire Seacoast Run Pedal Paddle on Saturday, May 17, 2008
(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)
- B. Renewal of Sidewalk Obstruction License with no changes from last year
 - The Press Room – 1 A-frame sign***(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)***
- C. Request from Leo Poisson, Trillium Fine Jewelry, requesting permission for a Sidewalk Obstruction License to place 1 A-frame sign in front of establishment ***(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)***

XI. PRESENTATION & CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

- A. Letter from Pawn Nitichan and Alexandra Allen, City Year, requesting the City invest \$25,000.00 to support the start up of City Year's Young Heroes Program
- B. Letter from Joseph Couture, Portsmouth Housing Authority Executive Director, Re: Wamesit Place

XII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

A. CITY MANAGER

Items which require Action under other sections of the Agenda

- 1. Public Hearing:
 - 1.1 Proposed Prime Wetlands ***(Action on this matter should take place under Section XII. A.1. City Manager's Action Items)***
- 2. Third and Final Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amendments:
 - 2.1 Third and Final Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 7, Article II - Taxicabs ***(Action on this matter should take place under Section IX of the Agenda)***
 - 2.2 Third and Final Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.302 – Traffic Ordinance – Enforcement Authority ***(Action on this matter should take place under Section IX of the Agenda)***

- 2.3 Third and Final Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 7, Section 7.327 – Limited Parking – Two Hours – Court Street; Section 7.330 – No Parking – Court Street, Islington Street, Essex Avenue; and Section 7.603 – Loading and Unloading of Live Parking Vehicles – Court Street (***Action on this matter should take place under Section IX of the Agenda***)
3. Letter from Portsmouth Housing Authority Regarding Wamesit Place (***Action on this matter should take place under Section XI of the Agenda***)

City Manager's Items Which Require Action

1. Request for Group License Rate from Prime, Buchholz and Associates, Inc. at Parking Garage
2. Proposed Prime Wetlands Designation
3. Request to Establish a Joint Work Session with the School Board on June 23, 2008
4. Report Back Re: Sagamore Creek Open Space

Informational Items

1. Events Listing
2. Raleigh Way Streetscape Improvements – Phase I
3. Municipal Budget and School Department Budget Work Sessions

B. MAYOR FERRINI

1. Appointment to be Considered:
 - Tim Allison – Appointment to Economic Development Commission
2. Appointments to be Voted:
 - John Gregg – Reappointment to Cable Television & Communications Commission
 - Sharon Morrison – Reappointment to Citywide Neighborhood Steering Committee
 - Karina Quintans – Appointment to Sustainable Practices, Blue Ribbon Committee
 - Frank Daggett – Reappointment to Taxi Commission
 - Jonathan Bailey – Reappointment to Traffic & Safety Committee
 - John Connors – Reappointment to Traffic & Safety Committee
 - Frederick Gray, Jr., - Reappointment to Traffic & Safety Committee
 - Lea Aeschliman – Reappointment to Trustees of Trust Fund
 - Derek Durbin – Reappointment to Zoning Board of Adjustment
3. *Reports

C. COUNCILOR SPEAR

1. *Re-use of Building located at 251 Bartlett Street (Creek Athletic Club) (*Postponed from April 7th City Council meeting – City Council agreed to suspend the rules to take items up earlier in agenda*)
2. *Retirement System – Define Contribution Proposal (*Postponed from April 7th City Council meeting – City Council agreed to suspend the rules to take items up earlier in agenda*)

D. COUNCILOR PANTELAKOS

1. Granite State Fair Tax Coalition (*Postponed from April 7th City Council meeting*)

E. COUNCILOR RAYNOLDS

1. Green Building Report (*Postponed from April 7th City Council meeting*)

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT [AT 10:00PM OR EARLIER]

**KELLI L. BARNABY, CMC/CNHMC
CITY CLERK**

(*Indicates verbal report)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Historic District Commission minutes of the March 5, 2008 and March 12, 2008 meetings
2. Site Review Technical Advisory Committee minutes of the April 1, 2008 meeting
3. Zoning Board of Adjustment minutes of the March 18, 2008 meeting

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC WHO ARE HEARING IMPAIRED: Please contact Dianna Fogarty at 603-610-7270 one-week prior to the meeting for assistance.