

**In Municipal Council  
Regular**

**May 3, 2016  
7:38 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Frank B. Cook, Vice-President Jeremy Denlea. Councilors: Peter Blais, Richard Conti, Mark Cooper, James DiLisio, Julie Hall, Shannon Heagney, Kate Jackson, Heather Porreca, and Sara Reynolds.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Boy Scout Troop 25 led the Council and the audience in the Salute to the Flag.

President Cook reminded Councilors and the audience to turn off all cell phone devices as it interferes with the cable broadcast.

President Cook announced that there were no Public Hearings on the Docket for this meeting but that there is a Joint Public Hearing scheduled for the Municipal Council meeting on May 17, 2016.

**The following communications were received from the Mayor and read by the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council, Stephen K. Withers:**

May 3, 2016

Dear Municipal Councilors:

1. I respectfully submit a communication from Director of Recreation Dennis Walsh regarding the need for funds to purchase supplies for the remainder of FY2016 which requires a transfer within the Recreation Department budget. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body transfer \$1,425.00 to Account 16301000-546012 (Recreation – Supplies Rec Grounds) from the following:

- \$650.00 from 16301000-511000 (Recreation – Salary & Wages)
- \$775.00 from 16301000-514030 (Recreation – Longevity) (Copies in your packets)

1/5/3/16 – **REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

2. I respectfully submit a communication from City Auditor Deborah Gould, City Treasurer Laura Gignac and Personnel Director Owen Bebeau regarding required FY16 funding for Health Insurance, Workers' Compensation and Medtax. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body appropriate \$259,000.00 from Account 1000-359000 (Undesignated Fund Balance/Free Cash-General Government) to the following:

- \$75,000.00 to Account 11521000-517120 (Personnel - Health Insurance HMOs)
- \$63,000.00 to Account 11521000-517220 (Personnel – Workers' Compensation)
- \$ 5,000.00 to Account 11521000-517223 (Personnel – Workers' Compensation Police)
- \$84,000.00 to Account 11521000-517224 (Personnel – Workers' Compensation Fire)
- \$32,000.00 to Account 11451000-517240 (Treasurer - Medtax) (Copies in your packets)

2/5/3/16 – **REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

3. As you may recall, Your Honorable Body recently voted to fund new voting equipment. In order to use this equipment, a vote is required by Your Honorable Body to discontinue using the AccuVote machines so the ImageCast Tabulators may be used. (Copies in your packets)

In accordance with Article 2, Section 2-9 (b) of the City Charter of the City of Attleboro, I respectfully request Your Honorable Body to consider this as an emergency measure as this vote is needed by May 11, 2016 in order to use the ICP Tabulators for the September 8, 2016 State Primary.

**3/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE**

4. I respectfully submit a communication from Director of Planning and Development Gary Ayrassian requesting that Your Honorable Body waive all fees associated with the filing of local permit applications for the rehabilitation of the Dodgeville Pond Dam, as this is a municipal project. (Copies in your packets)

**4/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE**

5. I respectfully submit a communication from Director of Veterans' Services Ken Badertscher requesting the support of Your Honorable Body to pass a resolution to dedicate the Holden Street Bridge in honor of the late Major Thomas J. Deegan. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires a resolution so that they can take action to formally dedicate the bridge in his honor. (Copies in your packets)

**5/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

6. I respectfully submit for confirmation by Your Honorable Body the appointment of Kent Richards, currently an associate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, to fill an unexpired term as a full member on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Term to expire February 2018.

**6/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

7. I respectfully submit a communication from Superintendent of Wastewater Paul Kennedy regarding the need for funds to reconstruct two bio-filters located at the wastewater treatment plant. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to appropriate \$200,000.00 from Account 6000-359000 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund - Retained Earnings) to Fund 3218-589060 (Bio Filters-Construction). (Copies in your packets)

**7/5/3/16 - REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

8. I respectfully submit for confirmation by Your Honorable Body the appointment of Kathi D. Gariepy, 1077 Pleasant Street, to fill an expired term on the Conservation Commission. Term to expire February 2019. (Copies in your packets)

**8/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

9. I respectfully submit a communication from Superintendent of Parks, Forestry and Animal Control Aurelio Almeida regarding the need for funds for Animal Control overtime for the remainder of FY2016 which requires a transfer from the Park and Forestry Department budget where excess funding exists. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body transfer \$3,937.60 from Account 16501000-511000 (Park & Forestry – Salary and Wages Full Time) to the following:

- \$2,362.56 to Account 12921000-513022 (Animal Control - Call Back Overtime)
- \$1,575.04 to Account 12921000-513100 (Animal Control - Holiday Overtime)

(Copies in your packets)

**9/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

10. I respectfully submit a communication from Superintendent of Wastewater Paul Kennedy regarding funds needed to make repairs on a Cat Bulldozer and Front End Loader. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body appropriate \$73,724.66 from Account 6000-359000 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund - Retained Earnings) to Account 6000-524017 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Heavy Equipment). (Copies in your packets)

**10/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

11. I respectfully submit a communication from Acting Superintendent of Water Paul Kennedy regarding funds needed to pay the fourth quarter sewer bill for FY2016. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body transfer \$57,500.00 to Account 6100-521006 (Water Enterprise Fund – Sewer) from the following:

- \$23,000.00 from Account 6100-548010 (Water Enterprise Fund – Gasoline)
- \$2,000.00 from Account 6100-548011 (Water Enterprise Fund – Diesel Fuel)
- \$23,000.00 from Account 6100-553130 (Water Enterprise Fund – Chemicals)
- \$6,500.00 from Account 6100-553150 (Water – Water Meters)
- \$3,000.00 from Account 6100-553182 (Water – Lab Supplies) (Copies in your packets)

**11/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

12. I respectfully submit a communication from Legal Secretary Alison Wood regarding surplus equipment that the Wastewater Department would like to declare surplus and hereby respectfully request Your Honorable Body to declare the following as surplus for trade-in value and available for disposition: (Copies in your packets)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MAKE/MODEL</u>	<u>USAGE</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>
1985	Caterpillar D4E Bulldozer	9,295 hours	Fair to Poor

**12/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

13. As you may recall, the City of Attleboro signed the Community Compact Agreement with Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito July 2, 2015. The Community Compact Program is designed to offer

municipalities a stronger affiliation with the Commonwealth and State Agencies, as to identify best practices and implement or construct policy for a more efficient and effective management.

In concert with the Community Compact, I am pleased to announce that the City is in receipt of a grant in the amount of \$16,500.00 to involve the Collins Center for Public Management at the University of Massachusetts Boston to conduct an evaluation of the City's Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) Program. There is no matching requirement for this grant. In accordance with Chapter 1, Section 12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, I hereby request Your Honorable Body approve expending of such funds and any future amendments. (Copies in your packets)

**13/5/3/16 – REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Sincerely,  
Kevin J. Dumas, Mayor

**The following other communications were received and read by the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council, Stephen K. Withers:**

1. Certificate of Vote from Lauren Stamatis, Planning Board Clerk, certifying that the Planning Board voted in favor (6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 2 Absent) to recommend that the Municipal Council approve the petition of Alviti Realty, Inc. to rezone property located at 67 Mechanic Street, more specifically, Assessor's lot #102C, containing a land area of approximately 8.85 acres, on plat #41, from "Industrial" to "General Residence-A."

**REFERRED TO THE ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE**

2. Certificate of Vote from Lauren Stamatis, Planning Board Clerk, certifying that the Planning Board voted in favor (6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 2 Absent) to recommend that the Municipal Council approve the petition of Normand and Juliana Morin, Charles and Mona Fathallah, Pegasus Estates LLC, Bayridge Realty LLC, and Barone Realty Company to rezone property located at 144 Pleasant Street, 146 Pleasant Street, 150 Pleasant Street, 152 Pleasant street, and 156 Pleasant Street, more specifically, Assessor's lots #51, 51A, 51B, 52, 53, and 54, containing a land area of approximately 74,397 square feet, on plat #52, from "General Residence-A" to "General Business."

**REFERRED TO THE ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE**

3. Applications for a 2016 Renewal Hackney Carriage Driver's License from:
  - Andrew J. Maden, 216 Knight Avenue, Attleboro, MA
  - Donald P. Blair, 1340 County Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Caryn E. Smith, 38 North Main Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Kathleen A. Kade Birks, 46 Emory Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Mae I. Fitton, 14D South Avenue, Attleboro, MA
  - Albert H. Bromley, 39 South Avenue, Attleboro, MA
  - Jeffrey A. Hunt, 53 Emory Street, Attleboro, MA

**REFERRED TO THE LICENSE COMMITTEE**

4. Application for a New 2016 Hawkers & Peddlers License from Shawna O'Brien, 1 Medbury Road, North Attleboro, MA.  
**REFERRED TO THE LICENSE COMMITTEE**
  
5. Application for a Ring A Bell License to sell ice cream on the streets of Attleboro from Shawna O'Brien, 1 Medbury Road, North Attleboro, MA.  
**REFERRED TO THE LICENSE COMMITTEE**
  
6. Communications received about concerns with the City's proposed FY17 School budget from:
  - Mark Houle, Attleboro High School Athletic Director
  - Rachel Skerker, a second year teacher at Attleboro High School
  - Stacey Haven, 16 Ice Pond Road, Attleboro, MA
  - Christine Lussier, an Attleboro resident and Parent Educator for Project Connect Family Center (birth to 5 program)
  - Guida Botelho, an Attleboro Resident
  - Rose Brown, 58 Holden Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Mrs. Christine Alvares, 67 Hazel Street, South Attleboro, MA
  - Kevin Crisafulli, 67 Springdale Avenue, Attleboro, MA
  - Harley Holmes, a teacher at Attleboro High School
  - Jaclyn & Dustin Campbell, Attleboro residents
  - Tanya Sweet, an Attleboro resident
  - Lisa Ramos, 22 Prospect Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Matthew Cote, 32 Russell Tennant Drive, Attleboro, MA
  - Tara Frissora, 74 Leawood Lane, Attleboro, MA
  - Jessica White, 74 Alder Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Kathleen and Robert Haddad, 10 Marissa Circle, Attleboro, MA
  - Donna Neuendorf, 39 Ides Hill Lane, Attleboro, MA
  - Colleen Gordon, 22 Alfred Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Paul and Dulcina Jorge, 16 Edgecliff Avenue, Attleboro, MA
  - Lauren Heroux-Camirand, PharmD, R.Ph., 140 Rocklawn Avenue, Attleboro, MA
  - Mrs. Anabella Marques, 75 Tomlinson Road, South Attleboro, MA
  - Mrs. Anabella Luis, 75 Tomlinson Road, South Attleboro, MA
  - Lucy Pacheco, 15 Birch Street #14, Attleboro, MA
  - Steve Dunlea, an educator in another school district
  - Colleen Gordon, 22 Alfred Street, Attleboro, MA
  - Catherine Blouin, 17 Remington Road, Attleboro, MA**REFERRED TO THE BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

It should be noted here that President Cook informed the Municipal Council members that he has asked the Administrative Assistant to create a binder of all letters that the Municipal Council has received in regards to the FY17 School budget issue, and that the binder will be available for review in the Municipal Council Office.

7. Communication from Chris Fitzpatrick, an Attleboro resident, urging the Municipal Council to vote in favor of Councilor Porreca and Denlea's New Business item.

**REFERRED TO THE BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

**VOTED: at 7:47 P.M. TO GO INTO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Michael Crowley, of 20 Beagle Club Road, Attleboro, MA, spoke at the Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Crowley's written statement (submitted to the Municipal Council via email on May 4, 2016) summarizing his comments at the Committee of the Whole is as follows:

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My name is Mike Crowley, I live at 20 Beagle Club Road in Attleboro.

I am here on behalf of myself, my wife and son, and perhaps hundreds if not thousands of other parents in Attleboro who have voiced similar concerns directly to me or indirectly through social media outlets.

I'd like to start by reading a paragraph from the Mayor's letter that accompanied the 2016FY city budget. The paragraph is found towards the end of the letter and reads as follows:

"I am pleased to submit a budget that requires no increase in our Solid Waste Collection Program for FY 2016. This program, in addition to the many other qualities of life programs and services provided under this budget, remain the hallmark of what it means to live in Attleboro. Citizens don't need to travel very far from their homes to see incredible progress here in Attleboro. Whether it's the new private development happening in South Attleboro and downtown Attleboro, and soon in the Industrial Business Park; or the municipal improvements on Riverfront Drive, the new DPW Storage and Maintenance Facility, or the roadway improvements at Tiffany Street and South Avenue, we continue to move forward in Attleboro. Finally, I'm sure you will join me as we open a new Animal Shelter and the new Concession Stand at Attleboro High School."

Do you see a pattern here? All of these examples are things being built – there is no mention of any kind for the people that make this community thrive. The Mayor actually states that the hallmark – the essence – of living in Attleboro, is that we get to see pretty stuff being built.

I couldn't disagree any more than what he communicates in that letter. It is the people that are the most important element to a community, not the buildings, new streets, or lightposts. I don't recall when I have ever seen such a gross miscalculation as we have seen by the Mayor over the past couple of weeks with respect to the school budget crisis. But I can assure you that when you dangle our kids and their educators over a bridge as a negotiating ploy, you touch a third rail, and that third rail has been touched.

In Attleboro – we seemed to have crossed a Rubicon from which there is no turning back.

The loss of credibility by the Mayor is now complete. Just 5 days ago his position was that there was absolutely no room in the budget to solve the crisis, and that teachers already make too much money. With just a little pressure from a group of active parents on Facebook, \$800,000 suddenly appears. It begs the question of just how much more there is available if we really keep asking tough questions. The amount remains grossly insufficient.

In a Sun Chronicle article dated November 17, 2015 titled “State certifies Attleboro budget surplus totaling more than \$5 million”, it provides details of a large city surplus for last year and over \$21.6 Million since 2003. And yet now we are facing a \$4 million shortfall for our schools? Where have the funds gone? Why hasn’t it been re-invested in our school systems? Why do our schools continue to be so poorly funded relative to the rest of the state ranking in the bottom 5% of funds allocated from local sources above the state minimum?

When are the priorities of the city going to shift away from building things that are nice but not critical, and instead focused on investing in the one thing that is crucial for our city’s future – our kids?

There are times when the singular, misaligned vision of a leader, and a small group around him, becomes so disconnected from the needs of their constituents that we find citizens as activated as you see tonight and will continue to see.

The nice thing about organizing people today is that with social media, so many common voices of now very active and motivated voters can mobilize. And what we are here to say is that we no longer have confidence in trusting our kid’s future in the hands of a single person. There must be a strong system of checks and balances with respect to the school system’s needs.

You tonight are hearing a collective vote of no confidence in this mayor’s strategy, or lack thereof. And something must change and change quickly with this council.

This brings us to why it is imperative for you to approve the new business on the docket tonight. It is the singular most important issue our city has ever faced. We absolutely want the council to be able to step in and ensure that our schools get funded. And we want far more transparency going forward in the budgeting process with that confidence that there is a guaranteed tripwire that will protect our school budgets from facing crisis’ such as the one we are facing. It is your duty, as representatives and voices for the people of Attleboro, to enact the State Law that gives us this power. If you do not support this measure, we intend to make changes with the power to vote. We will be watching closely your decisions in the coming days.

Sincerely,  
Michael J. Crowley

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During Mr. Crowley’s presentation, Mr. Conti thanked Mr. Crowley for coming in and he asked him about the article that he mentioned during his presentation.

Mr. Crowley clarified that the article that he referenced during his presentation was an article in the Sun Chronicle newspaper from last November.

Mr. Conti also asked Mr. Crowley about his professional background.

Mr. Crowley responded that he is a CPA by trade, that he has an MBA from University of Michigan, and that he has been doing start-ups for 25 years.

Ms. Reynolds also thanked Mr. Crowley for coming in and she stated that she has heard similar concerns from her constituents and other citizens of Attleboro about their concerns with the proposed school funding over the past couple of weeks.

Mrs. Porreca also thanked Mr. Crowley for coming in and she asked him to explain about his comments related to social media.

Mr. Crowley responded that he did not create the social media pages that he referenced, that they were created by other parents, including his wife, and that the Facebook page is called “Attleboro for Education” and that the page was created last Thursday. He stated that the page received over 1,000 “likes” in 24 hours and that it currently has over 1,700 followers.

Mrs. Porreca also asked if the social media group had reached out to school officials and the School Committee.

Mr. Crowley responded that the page was created by a group of mothers and he couldn’t comment on Mrs. Porreca’s question, that other than to say that it is an active page and that the group is highly educated and informed and that the number of followers is continuing to grow.

Mr. Blais asked Mr. Crowley about the article that he referenced in the Sun Chronicle, and if he understood that a group of city departments had received a total of \$5M, including the Water and Wastewater Departments, and that the city could not use those funds for other things like the school budget.

Mr. Crowley read excerpts from the article and where the article said the money went. He stated that there were questions raised that need clarification in regards to the city budget, including the \$3M in free cash and the rainy day account that the article mentioned. He stated these questions are why there is a vote of no confidence in the Mayor.

Mr. Cooper also thanked Mr. Crowley for coming in and telling the Council exactly where he stands. He stated that he has three children who play baseball and he appreciates Mr. Crowley’s enthusiasm for trying to find a solution. He went on to state that next week when he has the budget in his hand will give him an idea about what level-funded budgeting means and that the Council will review it and will know the facts about where the city is exactly, what can be done differently, and then plan and strategize in order to come to a decision and a plan.

Mr. Crowley responded that the budget situation is a crisis, and as it stands right now is a “catastrophic spiral of death for a city” because people will move from the city, which will mean less of a tax base for the city that will depress property values and soon a 3-5 year strategy will not matter anymore. He went on to state that human capital in terms of teachers will also leave, and that it is not easy to replace. He also stated that the \$1M that the Mayor is giving is only 1% above the state median which is 30% above. He stated that the perception about Attleboro’s School system is already there as being at the bottom of the State.

Ms. Hall asked Mr. Crowley if he would be open to me sitting down and meeting with the Mayor to better understand how the budget process really works so that he can bring back correct information to the group that he is representing.

Mr. Crowley responded that he would be willing to meet with the Mayor to discuss the budget process and to express his group's concern and that he will spend as much time as is necessary to understand the budget situation.

Ms. Hall also stated that she comes from an environment where there were unforeseen deficits and that she agree with Mr. Crowley that if you don't have a plan for handling deficits then you are missing step one.

Mr. Crowley stated that he would like to see the New Business voted on and approved unanimously.

President Cook stated that when the Budget is sent down that it gets posted on the City's website, that the Municipal Council has meetings with the Department Heads about the budget, and that there will be a Public Hearing about the budget where the Council will solicit public input.

Mr. DiLisio stated that we take action and that Mr. Crowley's group compile a list of questions that they have, that they get those questions to the Council so that the Council can give them accurate facts about what is true and what is not.

President Cook stated that if there are questions in regards to the budget process that he can submit them to the Administrative Assistant and he would work on trying to getting answers to those questions. He also stated that Mr. Cooper stated that the budget was being sent to the Council in a week but that the timeline was different than what he was informed about and that he expected to receive the budget in a few weeks.

Ms. Reynolds stated that she isn't really interested in what is true and what is not, and that the issue should be where are we now and what are we going to do about in now and in the future, and that yesterday is not going to bring back that money and that we need to address the budget issues that the City is facing now.

Mr. Cooper clarified what he said about when the budget would be delivered to the Council. He stated that he went to see the City's Budget Director Barry LaCasse before he came to the Council meeting and that he was told that he could have it when everyone else receives it on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Porreca stated that there are 66 teachers that Mr. Crowley has classified as human capital and that we have 3 weeks to figure out how to keep these teachers from losing their jobs and leaving the city. She stated that there is a conversation that is taking place at the High School right now that the Mayor is attending and that he will be having a conversation with a music teacher who received a pink slip. Mrs. Porreca stated that we cannot be a do nothing Council and that is not the first time that she has stated that.

Kathy Rocchio, of 18 Brushwood Lane, Attleboro, MA also spoke at the Committee of the Whole.

Ms. Rocchio stated that there aren't a lot of people at the meeting because a lot of people are at the other meeting but that the numbers are strong. She stated that she just checked the number of likes on the Attleboro for Education Facebook page and that it is over 1,600. She stated that she went through the Attleboro public school system, but when you are ranked 266 out of 292 why would people want to stay and keep their children in this school system. She stated that the Municipal Council works for us and as quickly as you have been voted on the Council you can be voted off.

**VOTED: at 8:32 P.M. TO ARISE**

**Committee Reports:**

On recommendation of the **Ordinances, Elections & Legislative Matters Committee**, and on the motion of Mr. DiLisio, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to adopt the following EMERGENCY PREAMBLE:

That the Attleboro Municipal Council vote to take action as provided in the City Charter Section 2-9(b) regarding the emergency which presently exists relative to the request of the Mayor to discontinue using the AccuVote machines so the ImageCast Tabulators may be used.

Due to the time constraints involved, the nature of the emergency makes it necessary to take action without waiting the prescribed time as provided in the City Charter because this vote is needed by May 11, 2016 in order to use the ICP Tabulators for the September 8, 2016 State Primary.

2. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve, as an Emergency Measure, the request of the Mayor to discontinue using the AccuVote machines so the ImageCast Tabulators may be used.
3. Voted on Roll Call (10 yeas, 1 nay. Vice-President Denlea voting nay) to adopt the following ordinance change relating to the Capron Park Zoo:

Delete in its entirety and replace with the following:

Section 12-3.7 Capron Park Zoo Admission Fees and Policies (Amended 6/24/10):

	<u>RESIDENTS</u>	<u>NON-RESIDENTS</u>
Children (under age 3)	FREE	FREE
Youths (age 3 – 12)	\$6.50	\$7.50
Adults (age 13 and over)	\$7.50	\$9.00
Senior Citizens (age 65 and over)	\$5.75	\$6.75
Military	\$4.75	\$4.75

Group Rates for five or more individuals of non-profit organizations only are:

	<u>RESIDENTS</u>	<u>NON-RESIDENTS</u>
Children (under age 3)	FREE	FREE
Youths (age 3 –12)	\$6.00	\$7.00
Adults (age 13 and over)	\$7.00	\$8.50

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS

Household Membership - \$70.00 – Includes two (2) adults over the age of eighteen (18) and up to four (4) children under the age of eighteen (18)

Senior Citizen Membership – \$60.00 - Includes two (2) senior citizens (age 65 and over) and up to four (4) grandchildren under the age of eighteen (18).

Individual Membership – \$40.00 - Includes one (1) individual over the age of eighteen (18).

Household Plus Membership – \$80.00 - Includes two (2) adults over the age of eighteen (18) and up to four (4) children under the age of eighteen (18) plus one (1) caregiver.

An adult must accompany all children under the age of 13 years. School age persons may not enter the zoo during school hours unless accompanied by a chaperone.

Disabled people, whom are assisted by a working dog, must be accompanied by a staff member when visiting the zoo.

The Superintendent of Parks and the Zoo Director shall have the authority to waive the admission fee during inclement weather.

The admission fee or pass shall cover the entire day. Persons will be permitted to leave and re-enter the zoo on the same day without having to pay an additional fee. *This is during regular zoo hours only.*

The Superintendent of Parks & Forestry and the Zoo Director shall be responsible for implementing the provisions of this ordinance and for the safekeeping and accounting of the monies collected. All monies collected from admission fees shall be deposited in a revolving fund in accordance with the provisions of MA General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 52 1/2E. All persons involved in the handling of such monies shall give bond to the City of Attleboro in the amount determined by the City Treasurer.

Friends of Capron Park Zoo who are active in the organization do not pay entrance into the zoo. All other programs offered by the zoo are at normal cost.

Residents with a financial need may obtain free passes to the zoo through various agencies or by contacting the zoo office. Information regarding the availability of free passes will be posted at the zoo.

This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Mr. DiLisio also called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

Ms. Hall reported that the **Zoning and Land Use Committee** had no business and she called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mr. Conti reported that the **Capital Improvements & City Development Committee** had no business and he called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mrs. Porreca reported that the **Transportation & Traffic Committee** had no business and she called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time

On recommendation of the **License Committee** and on motion on Vice-President Denlea, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted unanimously to approve the application for a 2016 Hackney Carriage Public Stand License from Houle's City Cabs, 70 Park Street, Attleboro, MA for nine cabs.
2. Voted unanimously to approve the following applications for a 2016 Renewal Hackney Carriage Driver's License from:
  - Peter A. Sorel, 255 Elm Street Apt. 2, North Attleboro, MA
  - Jeffrey C. Fasulo, 65 N Main Street, P.O. Box 12, Attleboro, MA
  - Dennis R O'Donnell, 126 Wilmarth Street, Attleboro, MA
3. Voted unanimously to approve the application for a 2016 Renewal Ring a Bell License to sell ice cream on the streets of Attleboro from Ronald A. Palagi, d/b/a Palagi Bros. Ice Cream, 28 Delta Drive, Pawtucket, RI 02860.
4. Voted unanimously to approve the application for a 2016 Renewal Hawkers & Peddlers license from Ronald A. Palagi, d/b/a Palagi Bros. Ice Cream, 28 Delta Drive, Pawtucket, RI. 02860.

Vice-President Denlea also called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Budget and Appropriations Committee** and on motion of Ms. Heagney, the following vote was taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve the Mayor's request to transfer \$64,084.58 from Account 11241000-578360 (City Wide-Reserve for Compensation 53rd Week) to the following accounts to fund the accrued payroll for wages earned through June 30th:
  - \$935.20 to Account 11111000-511000 (Council-Salary)
  - \$5,552.77 to Account 11331000-511000 (Budget & Administration-Salary)
  - \$2,275.00 to Account 11351000-511000 (Auditor-Salary & Wages)
  - \$3,560.62 to Account 11411000-511000 (Assessor-Salary)

\$3,809.12 to Account 11451000-511000 (Treasurer-Salary)  
\$4,961.17 to Account 11461000-511000 (Collector-Salary)  
\$5,814.96 to Account 11521000-511000 (Personnel-Salary)  
\$3,455.69 to Account 11611000-511000 (Clerk-Salary)  
\$1,613.76 to Account 11621000-511000 (Elections-Salary)  
\$4,919.09 to Account 11751000-511000 (Planning & Land Use-Salary)  
\$1,832.00 to Account 12921000-511000 (Animal Control-Salary)  
\$6,048.98 to Account 15101000-511000 (Health-Salary)  
\$4,869.72 to Account 15411000-511000 (Council on Aging-Salary & Wages)  
\$1,738.94 to Account 15431000-511000 (Veterans-Salary)  
\$12,697.56 to Account 16101000-511000 (Library-Salary)

Ms. Heagney also called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **City Property & Claims Committee** and on the motion of Ms. Reynolds, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted unanimously, in accordance with Section 1-12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, I move to accept these generous donations to the City of Attleboro:
  - Two (2) cases of paper per school from an anonymous donor to Hyman Fine; Studley; and Thacher
  - One (1) HP Chromebook 11 G4 Celeron and Licensure for same with an estimated value of \$231.81 to Beth Bitar's Grade 3 Class at Willett Elementary from Tajender Parmar
  - \$2,000.00 worth of infield mix to fix up the infields of both baseball diamonds at Thacher Elementary School from the Attleboro Youth Association
2. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve the Mayor's request to transfer \$2,130.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 11241000-524011 (City Wide – Maintenance of Buildings) to repair the steps at the front entrance of the First Mayor's House.

Ms. Reynolds also called for a Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mr. Cooper reported that the **Personnel & Human Services Committee** had no business and he called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Public Works Committee** and on the recommendation of Ms. Jackson, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve the Mayor's request to transfer \$58,664.98 from Account 3210-599000 (East/Martin Main Replacement – Other Financing Uses) to Account 60004-499000 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Other Financing Sources) to close Fund 3210 East/Martin Main Replacement.

2. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve the Mayor’s request to transfer \$40,700.00 from 3211-599000 (Tiffany Street 8” Force Main – Other Financing Uses) to Account 60004-499000 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Other Financing Sources) to close Fund 3211 Tiffany Street 8” Force Main.
3. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve the Mayor’s request to transfer \$30,000.00 from Account 6000-578300 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 6000-558090 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Supplies Other) for the Wasterwater Department to purchase several items.
4. Voted unanimously to strike the following item from the Docket of October 21, 2014:  

To solve drainage problems in and around 86 Dexter Street.

Ms. Jackson also called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Public Safety & Emergency Management Committee** and on the recommendation of Mr. Blais, the following vote was taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call (11 yeas, 0 nays) to approve the Mayor’s request to transfer \$136.36 from Account 12101000-532012 (Police – Academy Tuition) to Account 12101000-578020 (Police – Bills from Previous Year) to cover the cost of a Police Department disputed Verizon bill.

Mr. Blais also called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

President Cook stated that the next couple of weeks will be very challenging and difficult and that the Municipal Councilors have all been elected to serve the City. He asked the Municipal Councilors to remain focused on the issues and that when they disagree that they not be disagreeable.

**VOTED: TO ADJOURN** at 9:00 P.M.

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**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City Clerk/Clerk of the Council**

**MINUTES APPROVED BY COUNCIL:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(DATE)**

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**City Clerk/Clerk of the Council**