

**In Municipal Council
Regular**

**OCTOBER 6, 2015
7 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Frank B. Cook, Vice-President Peter Blais. Councilors: Ronald Churchill, Richard Conti, Mark Cooper, Jeremy Denlea, Shannon Heagney, Brian Kirby, Heather Porreca, Walter Thibodeau and Jonathan Weydt.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

President Cook 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.

A motion was made, duly seconded and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of September 1, 2015.

President Cook held the approval of the minutes from September 15, 2015.

Continued from the meeting of September 15, 2015:

PUBLIC HEARING relative to time limited no parking signs be posted on Harvard Street inbound (Easterly) from North Avenue on the South side of Harvard to the end of the street where it meets the Gate on Bishop Feehan Property.

No one spoke in favor.

No one spoke in opposition.

No one spoke neither for nor against.

Ms. Porreca stated that there were individuals who were at the meeting the first evening that the Public Hearing for this matter was scheduled (September 15, 2015), it was her understanding that the Council would re-entertain not tonight but at the following full Council Meeting.

Mr. Thibodeau stated that it was his understanding that the people who were here were told that this was going to be continued at the next Full Council Meeting, and based on that there is no reason to continue.

Mr. Conti questioned why they were closing the Public Meeting if there is no pressing need to enact the ordinance because there is currently no problem on the streets. He was of the opinion that there seems to be no harm for continuing the meeting for future input from members of the public.

President Cook stated it was a question of just how long of a period of time that these types of Public Hearings should be left open. President Cook referenced a Hearing that was continued a while ago that involved the ARA because they were waiting for information that was related to litigation which is why they left that Public Hearing open for months on end. There were members of the public at the last Public Hearing on this matter that chose not to speak, and he continued the Public Hearing only because Mr. Thibodeau could not be at the last Council Meeting.

Mr. Blais stated that he did not think that the Public Hearing should be continued and he was of the opinion that the Council should be proactive with the signs as opposed to reactive, and if someone has a problem they can come and express their concerns at the Committee on the Whole or they can contact their Ward Councilor or one of the five At-Large Councilors. If there was that much concern there would be members of the public at the Public Hearing tonight.

Ms. Porreca stated that she doesn't see any harm with keeping the Public Hearing open for another two weeks since it is a hot topic in the neighborhood and there are concerns being expressed by both sides.

Mr. Thibodeau stated that if everyone is confident that the situation as it is right now won't be compromised in any way, and there won't be an incident of blockage on the roadway, and that if we have an emergency in that neighborhood and everyone has a clear conscience about emergency vehicles not being able to get there on time, then we can wait and put it off. Mr. Thibodeau also stated that the reason that he brought it in to begin with was because of the actions when the gate had been opened back in 2002, and the response of the neighborhood residents, and he was trying to prevent the neighbors from putting themselves in peril. He stated that he made it very public what his reasons were for doing this, and if everyone feels this is what they want to do then he won't stop it from staying open, but he doesn't think that it was a wise thing to do.

President Cook stated that if there were great concern about the issue, then more people would be here at the Public Hearing tonight. He stated that agrees with Mr. Thibodeau's safety concerns.

Ms. Porreca provided a polite reminder to the Council that when it chose to continue the Public Hearing a few weeks ago, that she was asked to speak to the individuals who are not here tonight in order to inform them that that the Public Hearing would be continued and that she has made her opinion about holding the Public Hearing open known to the Council.

Mr. Conti further stated that he was of the opinion that the issue of whether or not the Public Hearing should remain open merely needed discussion and that the discussion was worthwhile, and that the President articulately explained why he thought that the Public Hearing should be closed and that he accepted his comments, and if the Chairman of his Committee and the President chose to close the Public Hearing then he would be supportive of that.

Mr. Churchill stated that his understanding was that this was a reoccurring discussion about what was happening on Harvard Street and that it is not a dead issue if the Council closed the Public Hearing.

President Cook closed the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING relative to the following loan order:

That the City of Attleboro appropriate the amount of One Million, Two Hundred Thousand (\$1,200,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of paying costs of Feasibility Study to understand the extent of deficiencies identified in the Statement of Interest submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority, as well as other infrastructure deficiencies which may exist at, the Attleboro High School, located at 100 Rathbun Willard Drive, Attleboro, MA.

Speaking in favor was Kevin J. Dumas, Mayor of Attleboro.

Mayor Dumas stated as a refresher to the Council that this started back in January of 2012 when the Council authorized him to submit the Statement of Interest to the Mass. School Building Authority (MSBA) and that at the end of April 2013 the Statement of Authorization was refreshed, and then again for a third time in early February 2014. Upon further discussion with MSBA, Mayor Dumas stated that they came to Attleboro and met with him and his team to take an actual tour as part of a “Senior Study.” At that point the MSBA asked for Attleboro to be eligible for the Core Program and subsequently they voted to invite Attleboro to be one of 16 districts in a 270-day eligibility period. Mayor Dumas stated that all but one task has been completed before Attleboro can be invited officially into the Feasibility Study by the MSBA Core Program, and that task is before the Council via the Loan Order.

Mayor Dumas went on to state that the Feasibility Study would be conducted by an Owner Projects Manager (referred to as a OPM) and a design architect guided by key personnel from the City, including the schools. Mayor Dumas stated that among the central goals of the Feasibility Study would be to assess and establish the High School’s educational program, document existing conditions and deficiencies of the High School, develop and evaluate potential design alternatives, and recommend to the City and MSBA the most cost-effective solutions.

Mayor Dumas stated that if we go forward with the \$1.2 Million Loan Order, there would be approximately \$726,000 as a reimbursement from MSBA and that the City would have to pick up the remaining costs of approximately \$473,000.

Mayor Dumas stated that there would be a kick-off meeting held in conjunction with the MSBA. A preliminary design program and a report would be created and submitted by the OPM and submitted requiring approval by the MSBA Board of Directors before any project could proceed into the schematic design phase, which would be the next

phase. Mayor Dumas went on to state that the City has a very high reimbursement rate and received extra points for the maintenance of the High School.

President Cook stated Councilor Conti requested that all Councilors receive a copy of the ICC that was signed in January earlier this year and that they all received copies in order to refresh their memories about what was involved with this project.

Councilor Conti thanked the Mayor for circulating the ICC document. He asked about the OPM and the Mayor clarified the role. Mr. Conti also asked the Mayor what can be expected for spending the \$473,000. He stated that the Mayor had stated earlier in his presentation that they were going to evaluate the educational program as part of the Feasibility Study and he wondered if they are also going to evaluate the design program as well.

The Mayor responded that they are going to evaluate the programs that are currently at the High School, the future programs that will be there, and to make sure that the building and space needs are accurately planned for so they can meet the needs today and in the future.

Mr. Conti stated that the design parameters would be looked at and asked the Mayor if the Project would be looking at an entirely new school building being built.

The Mayor responded that this project is not about junking the building but about a rehabilitation of the current building.

Mr. Conti stated that he liked the idea of rehabilitation of the High School Building. He stated that when he read the ICC document there were a lot of surprises and that the MSBA is in charge, but questioned if the City is committing itself to spending millions and millions of dollars to rehabilitate the building.

The Mayor responded yes and no as doing this process does not commit the Council or MSBA to future phases. The Mayor stated it is important the Council knows that when the MSBA comes back with the number of phases for the Project it thinks the rehabilitation process will take, he will come back to ask for the authority to go forward with that phase. He added that the key aspect for the Council is to understand that the City would come back to the Council based on MSBA recommendations; the study is to identify needs and the phase order.

Mr. Conti asked the Mayor, , if it would be fair for him to then assume after the Feasibility Study is complete that the time that it could take for rehabilitation could be several years of construction activity at the High School, possibly 10-15 years. He also asked if the Feasibility Study document would be a public document available to the citizens of Attleboro.

The Mayor responded, yes, the document would be available as a public document. He also stated he wouldn't say that he doesn't think that the rehabilitation process would

take that many years, although he's not an expert, which is why we are hiring a Feasibility expert to help us through that process. He added that he thinks the project would be much shorter than that.

Mr. Churchill asked if the rehabilitation of the High School would include adding additional space.

The Mayor responded that the footprint would stay the same and that they would look at how the existing space could be reconfigured.

Mr. Churchill asked Mayor Dumas if there is a possibility that parts of the school would be shut down during this process and students would have to go somewhere else.

Mayor Dumas responded yes..

Mr. Kirby asked Mayor Dumas if we had to front the money in a bond and if we would then be eligible for the 60% reimbursement.

Mayor Dumas clarified that what MSBA requires us to do is to have a loan authorization for the entire amount but the City will not borrow the entire amount and we will only borrow what we need.

Mr. Conti asked if in the end we would only be looking at borrowing approximately \$473,000.

Mayor Dumas responded yes.

President Cook stated that when he was in front of the School Committee last Monday night giving an update on matters before the Council that this was a topic of discussion and he invited Mr. Murphy and other members of the School Committee to attend tonight's meeting.

Kenneth Sheehan, Superintendent of Schools, also spoke in favor.

Superintendent Sheehan stated that he knows that there isn't anyone in the room that doesn't recognize that there are major infrastructure issues at the High School and if the expectation is to strive for academic excellence, and for our students to be successful in the 21st century, then the infrastructure issues must be addressed. He stated that this is about repurposing space, and he encouraged the Council members to look at this Project wholeheartedly as an investment in the students' futures.

Mr. Churchill stated that he would be concerned if he had children at the High School .He asked when students have to be moved around would this be done by grade or class or would that be determined by the Feasibility Study.

Superintendent Sheehan responded that the decision would be made based on the recommendations contained in the Feasibility Study. He went on to state that it's about looking at where the programs are going to be and what phase we are looking at and he's looking to make sure that the High School goes through the least amount of disruption. He stated he would move Summer Programs from the High School.

Mr. Churchill asked if his concern would be not what's being done but what it does to the students.

Superintendent Sheehan responded yes, that he wanted the least disruption for the students.

David Sawyer, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, also spoke in favor. He stated that the Attleboro High School is a building that is certainly in need of rehabilitation and attention. He recalled attending a meeting in the late 90's where the Principal stated a newly renovated building would be opening in 2005 but that dream never came to fruition. He stated that there is a significant amount of rehabilitation needed to bring the building into the 21st century.

Mr. Conti stated that we are potentially embarking on a 4-6 year construction period that would be disruptive to the school, as well as placing pressure on the Principal and Assistant Principal. He asked Assistant Superintendent Sawyer if he had any input in the Feasibility Study to be able to express what those pressures might be.

Assistant Superintendent Sawyer stated that he would assume that he would be a part of the project's process. He referenced being involved in the High School's roof project. He stated that during that process it was a significant challenge as they had to relocate parts of the building and though much of the project occurred while school was in session, he doesn't remember any lingering feelings of a negative impact. He further stated it demonstrated that they can work hard as an administration on a complex project with minimal disruption to the students' education and faculty.

Mr. Conti stated that the Council is about to vote on spending about \$1.2 million on the Feasibility Study and he would feel comfortable if he heard from him that he would do his best to have some input on that study. He encouraged Mr. Sawyer to do his best to put his two cents in during that process.

Ms. Porreca stated there has been a lot of discussion about the potential impact of students given the need for rehabilitation of the building during construction and asked Assistant Superintendent Sawyer if he could inform the Council about what the current conditions of the building are and how those conditions currently impact the students on a regular basis.

Assistant Superintendent Sawyer responded that there is a long list of concerns. At the top of the list are issues with the heating and windows, and that there are classrooms that are empty and not being used because fixes haven't been made. He stated that in the "A"

part of the building, the steam pipes were built into the cement of the building and require jack hammering to make fixes, that there are bathrooms that aren't fully functioning, that the electrical layout is designed for a world that didn't anticipate current technology and there is only one power panel in the front of the building. He stated that it is hard for teachers to deliver what is expected of them given those constraints. Assistant Superintendent Sawyer also stated that during the summer months, given the lack of air conditioning in the building, it gets hot in the building and as some rooms were designed without windows we have kids in very warm conditions.

Ms. Porreca went on to state that students are currently not "living in the lap of luxury" and that the impact to students would be uncomfortable but it would not be a huge detriment to their education given the current state of the building. She stated that this Feasibility Study has her support.

Ms. Heagney stated that she was a former student, that she taught in the "A" building, and that she fully supports the rehabilitation project for the high school. Ms. Heagney stated that the roof would leak during the rain and that she has hoped for over 20 years that we could get a new high school. She asked Mr. Sawyer as the incoming Superintendent, if he agrees with what Mr. Sheehan stated in terms of how he would handle this type of rehabilitation project.

Assistant Superintendent Sawyer stated that it requires planning, attention and putting in the proper amount of work so that the project goes well.

Mr. Churchill stated that he has been walking into the High School building since 1962 and he fully supports the Feasibility Study.

Bill Runey, Principal of Attleboro High School, also spoke in support. He stated that he would like to encourage the Council's consideration of this request. He stated that there is tremendously powerful learning that is going on at Attleboro High School. He stated that there are four National Merit Scholars from Attleboro High School that are only about 3% of Seniors in the entire nation and that he is blessed with a very passionate and caring staff that are forced to endure some conditions in the school that do not exist at other schools in the City.

Mr. Runey also stated that he wanted to allay some of the Council's fears about what they would do to relocate students as he had experience in 1997 moving a campus in Charleston, North Carolina, and also worked on a project at Bishop Feehan as they had to build a library facility out of a convent.

Mr. Conti stated he thinks that he has done a wonderful job so far and that he hopes that he remains committed to the people of the City of Attleboro during this "horrible mess," because it is going to get nasty, and that he believes that Mr. Runey is the one to handle such a task.

Mr. Runey stated that he does plan to stick with it and that he understands the concerns about how difficult of an experience it can potentially be with construction of this magnitude but he thinks that the students and faculty will be more than willing to bite the bullet to go along with it.

Bill Larson, 142 Fairway Lane and a member of the Finance Subcommittee of the Attleboro School Committee, also spoke in favor.

Mr. Larson stated that this is a great opportunity for Attleboro and that he fully endorses the Project. He stated that as this Project goes forward that staff and student safety will always be of first concern. He stated that with that in mind they are already doing part of it. He stated that whenever there is a failure with the steam pipes in the floor that heavy equipment has to be brought in. He stated that they cannot always get replacement parts for the heating and cooling equipment and that there are issues with the windows.

Mr. Larson also stated that his time with Attleboro High School goes back to the early 80's. He stated that when he goes through the building there are things that still look the same from back then and he is of the opinion that this is an overdue project. He stated that he hoped that the Council will endorse the Project going forward.

Ms. Heagney stated that Mr. Larson is always very honest and always stressing the money side of things. She asked if from his standpoint he was going to come back at some point.

Mr. Larson responded that if it was up to him they would go from one end of it to the other and fix everything.

Jeffery Heap of 4 Streeter Lane, Attleboro also spoke in favor.

Mr. Heap stated that he went to the High School in the early 80's and that it was deplorable and that work needs to be done. He stated that the pool needs work and that the High School needs to be rehabilitated. He remembers graduating in 1984 and that he would like to see the High School get more renovations done.

David Murphy, of 49 Pioneer Circle, Attleboro, Chairman of the Attleboro School Committee, also spoke in favor.

Mr. Murphy stated that on behalf of the governing body of Attleboro School he wanted to thank the Council for its consideration of this issue and to Mayor Dumas and his Administration for prioritizing the issue as well. He stated that he has spoken to the Mayor about the importance of representation from the school department on the school committee that will be playing such a pivotal role in this. Mr. Murphy thanked Mayor Dumas for the inclusive process that he has engaged in thus far.

Mr. Murphy also stated that while there will certainly be some headaches and challenges with this Project, because of the hard work of Mr. Parenteau and his staff and Mr. Runey

and his staff, there are large components of the School that look aesthetically pleasing and are quality places to learn. He stated that the Strategic Plan that the School Committee adopted about 24 hours ago demands that students be prioritized.

No one spoke in opposition.

No one spoke neither for nor against.

President Cook asked Ms. Shockroo to read Other Communications, Item #2, into the record because it directly applies to the Public Hearing:

Certificate of Vote from the Planning Board, voting unanimously in the affirmative (7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 2 Absent) to recommend to the Municipal Council that the Loan Order, in the amount of ONE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS for the purpose of paying the costs of a Feasibility Study relative to Attleboro High School is consistent with the *Section VI. (J) Municipal Facilities, Goal 16, Policy 1* and with *Section VI. (K) School System, Goal 17, Policy 2* and Policy 5 of the City's COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

President Cook referred the matter to the Budget and Appropriations Committee. President Cook stated that there is an understanding of the challenge and headaches going forward but also the need for rehabilitation. He noted that his youngest child graduated eight years ago and there are items still waiting to be changed.

President Cook also stated that cooperation of the Administration, the Council and the School Committee is critical going forward and that these bodies will need to continue to work together to bring this to a very positive conclusion.

President Cook stated that there is a deadline of October 26th to get this matter to the MSBA. He asked the Committee Chair, Mr. Kirby, if he saw any reason that this Public Hearing should be held open.

Mr. Kirby stated that he would like to declare the Public Hearing closed.

President Cook closed the Public Hearing on this matter.

PUBLIC HEARING for the purpose of setting the tax classification so that the necessary votes can be taken to determine the percentage of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of property for fiscal year 2016.

President Cook stated that as there is not a tax rate recommendation at this time, and as it is going to be a few more weeks before all of the final data is gathered, that, as in the past two years, he is going to entertain comments from the public rather than following the normal procedure of having people speak in favor or in opposition. He added that he anticipates that this Hearing will remain open for a couple of meetings.

Bill Larson of 142 Fairway Drive, Attleboro spoke about this issue. He stated that he pays taxes on his Olive Street business as well as on his residence.

Mr. Larson requested that the Council keep in mind that it is not just the business that is affected but also the businesses employees. He went on to state that whatever decision is made, that the Council keep it fair.

Ms. Heagney asked Mr. Larson what he would like to eventually see in terms of decisions that he would consider fair.

Mr. Larson responded that he has friends who have much smaller businesses than he does, and that many businesses are already absorbing fire alarm fees from last year and that there are actually two new fees that went up from \$100-\$500. He added that he is also the treasurer of his church and fees for the church went up. He stated that whenever these types of decisions are made it is going to affect everybody differently, that whatever decision goes forward he hopes that it can pass the test of being beneficial, fair and the truth.

Ms. Heagney encouraged Mr. Larson to have more input going forward because the smaller businesses that she talks to are already being crunched.

Mr. Larson responded that this one item would not make or break a company and force them to leave town, but it is one more thing and is part of the equation. He added that we have to do what's best for everybody involved.

Mr. Thibodeau stated that in the last couple of years, the Council has been trying to take the burden off of businesses as reasonably as they can. He asked if Mr. Larson thought the Council is going in the right direction by doing it that way.

Mr. Larson stated that he thinks that they are. He stated that the feedback that he has heard is that Attleboro is attempting to be more attractive to do business in the City. He stated that it is a complicated issue and that the perception is just as important as the message.

No one else spoke about the issue.

President Cook continued the Public Hearing to the next meeting, October 20, 2015.

The following communications were received from the Mayor and read by the Clerk of the Council, Elizabeth Shockroo:

October 6, 2015

Dear Municipal Councilors:

1. I respectfully submit a communication from Legal Secretary Alison Wood regarding surplus items that the Attleboro Public Schools would like to declare surplus and hereby respectfully request Your Honorable Body to declare the following as surplus and available for disposition: (Copies in your packets)

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>
1	Upright Piano	Unusable
1	Grand Piano	Unusable

1/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS

2. I respectfully submit a communication from Chief of Police Kyle P. Heagney regarding the need to pay for an invoice to Sturdy Memorial Hospital from FY2015. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to transfer \$43.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 12101000-578020 (Police – Bills from Previous Year). Upon approval, the available balance in Reserve Fund for Transfer will be \$301,536.48. (Copies in packets)

2/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

3. I respectfully submit for confirmation by Your Honorable Body the appointment of Scott G. Jones, 65 Oak Hill Avenue, Attleboro, to fill an expired term on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Term to expire February 2018. (Copies in your packets)

3/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES

4. I respectfully submit a communication from Superintendent of Schools Kenneth Sheehan regarding the donation of eight (8) student backpacks individually valued at \$9.99 from Richard J. Oliver to the Brennan Middle School and four (4) computers from Alan Bean; one (1) Optiplex 745 Mini Tower with an estimated value of \$75.00; one (1) Optiplex 745 Desktop with an estimated value of \$75.00; one (1) Optiplex 755 Small Form Factor with an estimated value of \$100; and one (1) Optiplex USFF with LCD Monitor with an estimated value of \$250. In accordance with Section 1-12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to accept these generous donations to the City of Attleboro. (Copies in your packets)

4/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS

5. I respectfully submit a communication from School Business Manager Marc Furtado regarding FY2015 fiscal obligations that were not received in time to be processed in the normal FY2015 business cycle. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to approve the payment of these previous year school bills and previous year salary totaling \$16,240.83. (Copies in your packets)

5/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

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

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MODEL-S/N</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>
28	Fire Hydrants, associated parts and piping		Nonoperational
1	Murray Ultra snow blower	F2484020- #S002468337309	Poor
1	Labline explosion proof Refrigerator	Cat #3559- #195-003	Poor

6/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS

7. I respectfully submit a communication from Chief of Police Kyle P. Heagney regarding the anticipated receipt of Public Safety Answering Point Support and Incentive Grant of approximately \$93,650.00 for FY2016 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) - State 911 Department. In light of the delay in the release of the Grant Guidelines, the Police Department may petition the State 911 Department for reimbursement costs incurred between July 1, 2015 through the contract effective start date, or October 31, 2015, whichever is earlier. No match is required by the City. Therefore, in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to approve the expenditure of such funds and any other future grant amendments by the Attleboro Police Department as specified within the parameters of the grant. (Copies in your packets)

7/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MAKE/MODEL</u>	<u>VIN #</u>	<u>MILES</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>
2006	Ford Taurus-SE	1FAFP53U56A124064	90,556	Fair
2009	Ford C.V.	2FAHP71V89X104385	93,560	Poor

8/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS

9. Please be advised that the Final Cherry Sheet for FY2016 was amended after Your Honorable Body passed the FY2016 Budget. The final State and County Assessments are \$1,828.00 more than what was submitted during the budget process, and the new amount is \$4,615,702.00 (see chart below). I respectfully request Your Honorable Body to rescind the Intergovernmental State & County Charges in the amount of \$4,613,874.00 within Council Vote #19 of June 16, 2015, and replace it with the amounts listed below.

19801000		STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	

56	INTERGOVERNMENTAL		

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19801000	562100	CNTY ASSMT	\$431,894.00
19801000	563900	MOSQTO CTL	\$82,740.00
19801000	564000	SE MA POLLUT	\$11,238.00
19801000	564600	MV PRK SUR	\$77,760.00
19801000	565000	SPEC ED	\$36,206.00
19801000	565100	SCH CHOICE	\$98,305.00
19801000	565200	CHARTR SCH	\$3,489,063.00

19801000	566300	G.A.T.R.A.	\$388,496.00
19801000	566350	MBTA	\$0.00
19801000	566600	ENRGY CNSV	\$0.00
19801000	569010	TAXES OTHER	\$0.00
	TOTAL	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$4,615,702.00

9/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

10. I respectfully submit a communication from Acting Superintendent of Water Paul Kennedy regarding the need for funds to replace the drive unit that operates the pretreatment sludge collector for basins 3 and 4 at the water treatment plant. The existing unit is twenty years old and operates twenty-four hours a day. Due to normal wear and tear the drive mechanism gearbox along with its associated parts have exceeded their normal life expectancy. The installation can be performed by Water Treatment Plant personnel. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to transfer \$29,245.00 from Account 6100-578300 (Water Enterprise – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 6100-553181 (Water Enterprise – Supplies Treatment Plant). (Copies in your packets)

10/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— PUBLIC WORKS

11. As you aware, the School Department presented a deposit in the amount of \$60,000.00 from Cannon Solutions of America per the contractual agreement with the City of Attleboro. These funds were deposited into the general fund as required by Massachusetts General Law. As this revenue is available for appropriation, I agree with the Superintendent of Schools request for a supplemental appropriation. Therefore, as requested by Superintendent of Schools Kenneth Sheehan, I hereby request Your Honorable Body appropriate \$60,000.00 to Account N242040-551010 (School Department Graphic Arts – Educational Supplies School). (Copies in your packets)

11/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

12. I respectfully submit a communication from City Auditor Deborah Gould regarding the acceptance of the snow and ice amortization schedule allowable under Chapter 10, Section 58 of the Acts of 2015. On June 2, 2015, Your Honorable Body adopted Chapter 10, Section 58 of the Acts of 2015 and as required by the Commissioner of Revenue the actual amortization schedule must be approved by the

Executive and Legislative branches of government. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body adopt the following amortization schedule:

FY2016 \$444,756.37
FY2017 \$444,756.37
FY2018 \$368,036.60

The law does provide the opportunity for the City to pay down these amounts earlier if we are in the financial position to do so. (Copies in your packets)

12/10/6/15 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE— BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Sincerely,

Kevin J. Dumas, Mayor

The following communications were received and read by the Clerk of the Council, Elizabeth Shockroo:

Communication from NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON, covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON Olive Street Pole# 6710 relocation. (No Public Hearing is required)
REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

President Cook stated that the other communication item had been read earlier during the Public Hearing relative to the Loan Order.

VOTED: TO GO INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE at 8:20 PM to hear anyone who wishes to speak on any matter pertaining to City business.

VOTED: TO ARISE at 8:20 PM.

Mr. Churchill left the Council Chambers.

Committee Reports:

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

1. Voted on Voice Vote- 10 yeas- 0 nays (Mr. Churchill absent) to approve the request of the Mayor for the re-location of the Ward 1 Polling location from Knights of Columbus, 304 Highland Avenue to the Robert J. Coelho Middle School, 99 Brown Street, Attleboro, MA.

Mr. Denlea stated that the Health Department asked him to make an announcement about an issue that is not a City Council Issue and one that will not become an issue. He stated that he is making the announcement because they do not have a mechanism as large as this meeting to let the public know about this issue. The Health Department will hold a Public Hearing that will take place on October 29th at 6PM in Council Chambers. He stated that the Health Agent has powers separate and distinct powers from the City Council which is why he is holding a hearing. He stated that the hearing would be to consider raising the age to sell nicotine from 18 to 21 and banning all flavored nicotine products in the City. He recommended calling the Health Department with any questions.

He also called for an Ordinances, Elections & Legislative Matters Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **License Committee** and on motion of Acting Vice-Chair, Mr. Denlea, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Voice Vote- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the application for an amended 2015 Class 2 Auto License from Rt. 123 Village Auto Sales, Inc., 1076 Pleasant Street, Attleboro, MA for 15 Customer Parking Spaces and 15 Display Spaces.

Mr. Denlea called for a License Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Capital Improvements & City Development Committee** and on motion of Mr. Conti, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to transfer \$6,150.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 11241000-599300 (City Wide – Transfer to Capital Project Fund) relative to the repair work on the rear of the Academy building on Sanford Street.
2. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to transfer \$6,150.00 from Account 11241000-599300 (City Wide – Transfer to Capital Project Fund) to Fund 3536 (Academy Building).

Mr. Conti called for a Capital Improvements & City Development Committee meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mr. Weydt stated that the Zoning & Land Use Committee had no business and called for a Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Budget & Appropriations Committee** and on motion of Mr. Kirby, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to appropriate \$4,775.00 in Fund 2508 (Animal Shelter) towards the completion of the new Animal Shelter.

Mr. Kirby called for a Budget & Appropriations Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time. He also stated that he had been in communication with the Mayor and Mr. LaCasse looking for a budgetary update at that time.

Mr. Blair stated that the Public Works Committee had no business and called for a Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mr. Thibodeau stated that the Transportation & Traffic Committee had no business and called for a Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mr. Cooper stated that the Public Safety & Emergency Management Committee had no business and Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

Mr. Kirby left the Council Chambers and abstained from the vote of the City Claims & Property Committee.

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

1. Voted on Roll Call- 9 yeas- 0 nays- 1 abstain (Mr. Kirby) in accordance with Section 2-12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, to declare the following School Department items as surplus for trade-in or resale value and available for disposition:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MAKE/MODEL</u>	<u>VIN #</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
2007	Freightliner Chassis Bus	4UZABRCT37CW25120	
1998	Chevy Cutvan Minibus	1GBHG31R2W1090093	
1998	Chevy Cutvan Minibus	1GBHG31R2W1090045	
1990	Chevy SPOVAN Van	2GNEG25H5L4126431	
2006	Thomas Freightliner	4UZAAWDH66CV72663	33 passenger half bus
2007	Chevy Cut Away	1GBJG31687110718	Wheelchair lift equipped mini bus
2001	Chevy Express	1GNHB35R711127645	passenger van
2004	Chevy Express	1GNHG35U141120859	passenger van
2005	Ford Econoline	1FBNE31L45HB41748	passenger van
2006	Ford Econoline	1FTNE242X69B0428	Wheelchair Lift equipped mini bus

Ms. Porreca called for a City Property & Claims Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Personnel & Human Services Committee** and on motion of Ms. Heagney, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays in accordance with Section 12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, to approve the request of the Mayor to allow the Attleboro Public Library to expend approximately \$15,000.00 and any future grant amendments for a “Tween/Teen Coordinator”.
2. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to establish a Zoo Veterinarian position to be placed at Grade 9 on the City’s Classification Plan.
3. Voted on Voice Vote- 10 yeas- 0 nays to confirm appointment of David Neary, 22 Bridget Way, to fill an expired term on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Term to expire February 2018.

Ms. Heagney called for a Personnel & Human Services Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

President Cook thanked Kenneth Owens for successfully completing his first week as the Council’s Administrative Assistant. He also thanked retired Administrative Assistant Linda Alger for all of her work.

VOTED: TO ADJOURN at 8:50 PM.

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ATTEST: _____
City Clerk/Clerk of the Council

MINUTES APPROVED BY COUNCIL: _____
(DATE)

City Clerk/Clerk of the Council