

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Conti

President Cook led the Council and the audience in the Salute to the Flag.

There was a Moment of Silence for Arthur Burt.

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 15, 2015.

Continued from the meeting of October 06, 2015:

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 made an announcement that normally during a Public Hearing he would ask those speaking in favor to speak first, and then those who were in opposition to speak, and then those who are speaking neither for nor against, but given that the tax classification is something that the City has to do every year he will be asking for those who have information and are wishing to speak relative to the tax classification issue.

Speaking relative to the tax classification was Stanley Nacewitz, Assessor for the City of Attleboro. Mr. Nacewitz handed out a document to the Council Members.

Mr. Nacewitz stated that the format tonight is similar to what has been done in the past seven to ten years, except that he has added three charts (to his handout) describing the breakdown of single family homes vs. their assessments rather than just looking at their average, the breakdown of commercial/industrial properties vs. their assessments rather than just looking at their average, and multi-family homes being that they are going to be picking up a bigger burden given valuation changes.

Mr. Nacewitz went on to state that the value of the average single family home was \$253,000 in FY15 and that average value has gone up to \$260,458, not a major change but still a 2.6% shift increase in the single family value. On the commercial side there has been a 9/10th% decrease in the average overall commercial base. Mr. Nacewitz

stated that the amount of money that would increase keeping the shift there would be \$128.49 if we were at a 1.335 shift. Mr. Nacewicz went on to state that, of that amount, there is a shift of \$30 because of the dual tax rate and because of the loss of the commercial industrial. Mr. Nacewicz stated that personal property and loss of commercial industrial has shifted \$20M this year alone over to the residential section from the commercial/industrial section and will continue to happen if the dual rate remains the way that it is and signifies what is taking place in the City of Attleboro. He went on to state that personal property is something that eventually, because of the depreciation within 5 years dissipating over to the residential side. He went on to state that in the last two years alone the numbers for personal property (this year it was \$122,000, last year it was \$117,000 and the year before it was \$115,000 total value) increased. However, in those last three consecutive years we added \$30M in personal property but the total property went up \$7M and \$20M in personal property flowed over to the residential section. He stated that with the dual tax rate 33% of that money is additional taxation that the residents pick up. He stated that our growth is at \$501,000 and that a majority of that growth is residential and \$10M is personal property, with \$5M of that coming from National Grid. He stated that is hard to predict these numbers because he doesn't know until around May when National Grid turns over their numbers to him.

Mr. Nacewicz stated that last year a good tax factor number was 1.335 which was a \$156.08 residential increase. He stated that a 1.31 shift would move the rate down 2.5%. He recommended that the Councilor adopt a 1.31 shift.

Mr. Nacewicz referenced the second page of the document and explained that \$19M of the growth came from residential and of that \$6M was the Wall Street residential project. \$7M also came from 27 new homes that went into the City. He also stated that there is - \$5M change in industrial due to depreciation because there has been no industrial growth in the City. He went on to explain that at one point in time we gathered a lot of growth from TIF agreements and went from 22 TIF agreements to 4 TIF agreements. He stated that we have nothing new coming on in terms of industrial growth and that the last sizeable commercial growth that we have had in the City was Market Basket. He noted that although we have a new strip mall/plaza being built, we are already holding \$7M of residential land value and so when that mall is built we are looking at only another \$100,000 in additional commercial growth.

Mr. Nacewicz went on to explain what has been taking place is residential growth. He explained that personal property is trending at the three-year average (\$10M), and that is a problem when you have a dual tax rate because eventually that extra 25% - 33% goes more over on to the residential than it does into the commercial/industrial because it dissipates. He stated that it is outside of Proposition 2 ½ because it adds to the levy growth but is the biggest nightmare to an assessor and to a community. He stated that it's nice for Government to raise its levy capacity but it's tough to keep track of and it is tough to defend.

Mr. Nacewitz stated that the third page of the document shows the LA4 comparison and the difference in values with all the other classes. He noted that this information shows that the group that's going to pick up the greatest burden is the residential class, but we are theoretically giving that group the biggest break because these are multi-family units. He stated that multi-family values went up essentially 5%. He went on to state that basically the three-family increased in value by 7.8% and they are going to be picking up the largest increase in taxation in the residential group. However, he noted that despite what they charge for rents and get in rental income they are getting 20-30 applicants weekly. He stated that he has rental property in the City of Attleboro, and that he has been totally astonished by the rents that are coming in. He stated that they are getting a sizable tax break by being in the residential class and that a resident alone does not have the luxury of having someone else pay their mortgage. He stated that buying a two- or three-family home in Attleboro has been a real deal given the large number of foreclosures in the City of Attleboro.

Mr. Nacewitz went on to explain that page four of the document shows historically the City's tax rates, with three segments that he bracketed off that need attention. He went on to explain that there was a crash, termed by some a banking crisis, that happened from FY88-FY93. He stated that in FY02-FY05 we were coming out of it, and that in FY08 that simulates basically what happened back in FY88 and that we're coming back out of that again. He stated that he bracketed that section because the residential rate in FY02 - FY05 rose and fell consecutively. He stated that next year is a certification year and that the tax rate will go down again because the value of homes will go up and the higher the home value the lower the tax rate. He went on to state that if there is a prime opportunity to reduce the commercial rate it would be this year based on the history of what has been going on.

Mr. Nacewitz went on to state that page five shows the current Levy Capacity. He stated that this page is built on the recap, although the final version of the recap is not approved.

Mr. Nacewitz went on to state that the page six shows FY16 and where the values of the single-family homes are. He stated that he is showing the median, as opposed to the average, which will be at \$210,000. He went on to state that this page shows the number of homes/units within each bracketed group, and that in the City of Attleboro vs. our neighbors that the entire page would shift up \$150,000-\$200,000 in terms of value for the same types of homes that are in the City of Attleboro. He stated that in terms of transportation, utilities, etc. the City of Attleboro has everything as far as real estate and property is concerned, but what the City does not have is high per capita income, which is lower than that of most other communities around here.

Mr. Nacewitz went on to further state that page seven shows the multi-families and truncated off the big apartment complexes and real high-end complex properties. He stated that for a multi-family in the City of Attleboro, and having three rents that run on the East Side around \$900-\$1100 depending on how close you are to schools, that the assessment in those homes are ranging about \$200-\$300,000. He also stated that by having the residential rate the way it is, the City is giving a landlord a phenomenal tax

break. He stated that in another community for buying a three-family home, \$150-\$200,000 would be added to the value. He stated that it's phenomenal what people are asking for rents and that most people coming this way are coming from Pawtucket where they are already paying \$900 a month for rent for a single bedroom with no utilities.

Mr. Nacewicz went on to further state that page eight shows the commercial/industrial and who really carries the burden, and how many \$800,000 businesses we have. He stated that we do not have a lot of properties within that value range, and that we are really taxing properties that are within the \$200-\$400,000 value range. He stated that these properties are the small businesses mainly owned by City residents, so they are being taxed twice, as well as having to pay fees. He stated what is of most importance is what we are giving as tax breaks to the smaller businesses and that he would like to come back with the chart redrawn because this chart includes the \$800,000 businesses.

Mr. Nacewicz ended his presentation by stating that page nine shows the information presented to the Council in FY2015. He added that the last two pages show the option tables. He stated that if the City of Attleboro wants to go to a 75/25 split then a 1.25 shift would be a good balance between a residential and commercial option since it is beneficial all around.

Mr. Kirby asked Mr. Nacewicz to provide additional information about business and residence that he mentioned.

Mr. Nacewicz agreed to provide the requested information.

Mr. Cooper asked Mr. Nacewicz to shed some light into where the Industrial Business Park and the Sports Complex fits into all of this mix.

Mr. Nacewicz responded that, at the moment, when the sale originally took place it went in as a pro-forma, meaning that they go without the taxation and they paid cash payment to the City on the sale price. When it does come in, that it will come in at around \$3-4M and that will be a burden placed on the residents. He went on to further explain that the Industrial Park is not going to bring in much tax revenue from the land. He stated that unless they build a hotel then not much revenue will be generated and that \$3-4M will be like a golf course.

Mr. Nacewicz stated that he really didn't want to talk about it tonight.

Mr. Cooper stated that maybe now isn't the time for such a discussion, but he does think that it is an important topic to discuss because it is important in terms of being transparent about what type of tax revenue will be generated.

Mr. Blair stated that he was under the impression that there will be some buildings built on the land, and that there will be a hockey rink being built as the first phase, and that if those building get built then we will have tax revenue generated.

Mr. Nacewicz responded that he has heard talks of the hockey rinks and other building being built on the land, but that he hasn't seen any plans for any of that yet.

President Cook stated that at the ARA meeting he attended a few weeks ago, there was discussion about the construction taking place and that some of the buildings would be opening on that land next fall.

Mr. Thibodeau stated that he cannot give us numbers that he does not have, and that when the City owned the majority of this land there was no tax revenue being generated. He went on to further state that now we are looking at the potential of having a full operation on that entire track of the land that the City had previously owned and sold, and that what Mr. Nacewicz has given us is the reality of where we stand right now, which is enough for the Council to try to digest right now at this point. Mr. Thibodeau stated that he looks forward to when Mr. Nacewicz comes back with some more precise figures.

Mr. Nacewicz asked if the sports complex had bought the additional 22 acres.

President Cook and Mr. Blais replied yes.

Mr. Nacewicz responded that when he returns he will dissect the multi-families and that rather than showing the rate for the \$800,000 Commercial/Industrial he will come back with the "\$200,000-\$400,000 range of values for the commercial/industrial properties and will show what the impact of the rate would be on those properties.

Mr. Churchill stated that it looks like the home owner will be in dire straits for a period of time in terms of supporting the City. He continued to state that unless we can attract industrial property, then the rate would ideally be equal across the board to improve both situations.

Mr. Nacewicz responded that ideally Mr. Churchill is correct. He went on to explain that if the City wanted to generate the most growth, then a single rate is best. He stated that the 75/25 split, or 1.25, is necessary because a major thrust in the commercial/industrial adds the extra 25%.

Mr. Cooper stated that the 2016 growth is about roughly \$3M higher than the three-year average, and asked Mr. Nacewicz if that is because of the 27 new homes and the Wall Street.

Mr. Nacewicz stated that is the reason why, but with the average number of new homes coming in that number is going to continue to rise. He stated that we have another \$5M in land splits that went in and that we have a lot of definitive plans in the works for new developments. Mr. Nacewicz stated that one thing he will be proposing is for the City to increase the personal property exemption allowed by the State is \$10,000 so that many of the small businesses can be taken off of the books.

Bill Larson of 142 Fairway Drive also spoke about the Tax Classification rate.

He stated that he agreed with Mr. Nacewitez and would like to continue seeing the tax rate work down to 1.25. He stated that he was surprised to hear that landlords were considered Residential and that he always thought that they were considered businesses.

No one else spoke about the Tax Classification Rate.

President Cook stated that Mr. Nacewitez is going to be coming back and that he plans to have a Special Meeting posted for November 5th for that purpose. The next regular meeting, November 3, is Election Day and public hearings cannot be held on that day. President Cook noted that waiting until the following regular meeting, November 17, would delay the Council vote until December and would create a problem with completing the process and mailing tax bills before the end of the year. He also stated that on the 17th of November Mr. Kirby will not be in attendance and this matter will be assigned to his Committee.

Ms. Heagney stated that she had informed the President months ago that she has school on Thursday nights and that she has previously asked that Special Meetings not be held on Thursdays because she would be unable to attend. She stated that she wants to attend this continued Public Hearing.

President Cook confirmed that discussion and stated that he will see if he can move the Special Meeting to the 4th.

Ms. Porreca stated that if the meeting is held on the 4th, then she will not be able to attend because she has a conflict.

Mr. Kirby asked if we can close the Public Hearing and have the Committee Meeting and vote that night, November 4.

President Cook stated that he does not think that Mr. Kirby's suggestion would work due to the amount of discussion still necessary.

President Cook continued the Public Hearing to Wednesday, November 4.

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

Dear Municipal Councilors:

1. I respectfully submit a communication from Library Director Joan Pilkington-Smyth regarding the receipt of a Disney funded American Library Association (ALA) grant in the amount of approximately \$7,500.00. The Library will be working with the Arc to bring interactive, sensory programming to children of all ability levels. There is no match 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 to approve expending such funds and any future grant amendments by the Attleboro Public Library. (Copies in your packets)

1/10/2015 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE-BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

2. As you are aware, on September 15, 2015, Your Honorable Body transferred funds for steam and water repair work at 95 Pine Street. All expenses for these repairs have been satisfied and no longer require funding. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to transfer \$820.00 from Account 11241000-524011 (City Wide-Maintenance of Buildings) to Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide- Reserve Fund for Transfer). Upon approval, the available balance in Reserve Fund for Transfer will be \$302,356.48.

2/10/2015 - REFERRED TO COMMITTEE-BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

3. I respectfully submit for confirmation by Your Honorable Body the appointment of Lance Hill, 14 Adelray Lane, Attleboro to fill an unexpired term of Superintendent of Public Works-Highway Division. Term to expire February 2017. Mr. Hill was offered employment with the City of Attleboro on October 13, 2015, under a temporary 90 day appointment in accordance with Section 3.3 (b) of the Attleboro Home Rule Charter. Resume in your packets.

3/10/2015 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE- PERSONNEL & HUMAN SERVICES

4. I respectfully submit a communication from Fire Chief Scott T. Lachance regarding the need for funds for heating concerns at Headquarters and South Attleboro Fire Stations. South Attleboro has two circulator pumps that are malfunctioning and must be replaced to restore the system and ensure that the building is adequately heated. Additionally, it has been determined that one of the unit heaters in the headquarters apparatus bays must be relocated to provide sufficient clearance for the new ladder truck. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to transfer \$12,248.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 12201000-524011 (Fire – Maintenance of Buildings). Upon approval, the available balance in Reserve Fund for Transfer will be \$290,108.48.

4/10/2015 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE-BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

5. I respectfully submit a letter requesting the transfer of FY2016 Local Cultural Council funds from the Massachusetts Cultural Council to the Attleboro Cultural Council in the amount of approximately \$18,300.00. Please note that there is no matching requirement. In accordance with Chapter 1, Section 12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to approve expending such funds and any future grant amendments. Monies from this grant must be expended no later than June 30, 2016. (Copies in your packets)

5/10/2015 – REFERRED TO COMMITTEE-BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

6. I respectfully submit a communication from City Collector, Debora Marcoccio, regarding the City's new agreement for lockbox services with Bristol County Savings Bank and its savings along with associated benefits to the City. There will be \$4,000.00 needed for remittance envelopes and banking services. However, this expense is offset by approximately \$68,000.00 worth of cost avoidance. Therefore, I hereby request Your Honorable Body to transfer \$4,000.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to the following accounts:

\$2,900.00 to Account 11461000-530910 (Printing and Reproduction); and

\$1,100.00 to Account 11461000-530107 (Banking Services).

Upon approval, the available balance will be \$286,108.48. The funding for this request should be approved as soon as possible in order to process the third quarter tax bills. (Copies in your packets)

6/10/2015 – 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:

1. Rezoning Petition relative to 144, 146, 150, 152 and 156 Pleasant Street, Attleboro to change the current zoning of the property from SR-B (Single Residence-B) to GB (General Business)

REFERRED TO THE ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE

REFERRED TO PLANNING BOARD FOR STUDY AND RECOMMENDATION

(Call for a Joint Public Hearing with the Planning Board)

President Cook stated that the lawyer for the applicant had notified the Council that he would not be able to attend the intended joint public hearing date of November 17 due to a conflict. The lawyer further stated his intent to request the application be withdrawn without prejudice due to the upcoming personnel changes to the Municipal Council and Planning Board and the potential impact this would have on the ability of both governing boards to render a decision. It is the applicants intent to resubmit the application for consideration in early 2016. Due to this information, a joint public hearing was not called for at this time.

2. Application for 2016 Renewal Amusement Device License from:

- South Attleboro Post 312, Inc., 437 Newport Avenue, South Attleboro, MA for one pool table and one juke box.

- REFERRED TO LICENSE COMMITTEE

3. Applications for a Renewal Class 1 from:
 - Priority Automotive, LLC d/b/a Cerrone Chevrolet, Buick, GMC Truck, 68 and 103 Washington Street, Attleboro, MA for 84 Customer Parking Spaces and 288 Display Spaces
 - Just Trailers, Inc., 1863 County Street, Attleboro, MA for 12 Customer Parking Spaces and 7 Display SpacesREFERRED TO LICENSE COMMITTEE

4. Applications for a Renewal Class 2 License from:
 - Bristol County Auto Sales LLC, 227 Pine Street, Attleboro, MA for 20 Customer Parking Spaces and 10 Display Spaces
 - North Main Street Auto, a division of K&L Tire and Automotive Co., Inc., 44 North Main Street, Attleboro, MA for 17 Customer Parking Spaces and 1 Display Space
 - County Auto Sales & Service, Inc., 42 County Street, Attleboro, MA for 10 Customer Parking Spaces and 28 Display Spaces
 - Tri Town Auto Sales, 1850 County Street, Attleboro, MA for 4 Customer Parking Spaces and 6 Display Spaces
 - Liberty Coach, Inc., 78 Eddy Street, Attleboro, MA for 15 Customer Parking Spaces and 1 Display Space
 - David Montenegro d/b/a Old School Auto Sales, 187 Cumberland Avenue, Attleboro, MA for 4 Customer Parking Spaces and 16 Display SpacesREFERRED TO LICENSE COMMITTEE

5. Application for a Renewal Class 3 License from:
 - Tri Town Auto, 1850 County Street, Attleboro, MA for 4 Customer Parking Spaces and 6 Display SpacesREFERRED TO LICENSE COMMITTEE

6. Certificate of Vote from the Planning Board voting in the affirmative (5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 4 Absent) to recommend to the Municipal Council to adopt the proposed Transit Oriented Development zoning amendments, specifically to §17-2.1.2 ESTABLISHMENT OF BUSINESS ZONING DISTRICTS, §17-3.5 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, §17-3.4 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS- RETAIL, SERVICE, COMMERCIAL, §17-3.4(3) TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS-WHOLESALE, TRANSPORTATION AND INDUSTRIAL, §17-3.5(15) TABLE OF ACCESSORY USE REGULATIONS, §17-4.1 APPLICABILITY OF DIMENSION AND DENSITY REGULATIONS, §17-5.1 OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS, §17-5.10 TABLE OF OFF-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS, §17-10 SPECIAL REGULATIONS, and §17-11 DEFINITIONS of the ZONING ORDINANCE.
REFERRED TO ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

VOTED: TO GO INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE at 8:11 P.M. to hear anyone who wishes to speak on any matter pertaining to City business.

No one spoke at the Committee of the Whole.

VOTED: TO ARISE at 8:11 P.M.

Committee Reports:

Mr. Denlea stated that he had no business for the **Ordinances, Elections & Legislative Matters Committee**. Mr. Denlea stated that he did receive a unanimous Certificate of Vote to move forward with TOD. He invited Mr. Ayrassian to next week's Committee Meetings to discuss any questions related to the revised TOD.

Mr. Denlea called for a Committee meeting at the next appropriate time, next Tuesday: October 27, 2015.

Mr. Denlea also stated that the **Capital Improvements & City Development Committee** had no new business and he called for a Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

On recommendation of the **Licenses Committee** and on motion of Mr. Churchill, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call- 4 yeas- 6 nays (Churchill, Weydt, Blais, Thibodeau, Cooper and Heagney voting nay and Conti absent) to approve the application for a 2015 New Class 2 Auto License from Best Buy Automotive and Tires, Inc., 931 Washington Street, Attleboro, MA for 4 Customer Parking Spaces and 10 Display Spaces. THIS MOTION FAILED.

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

Mr. Weydt stated that the **Zoning & Land Use Committee** had no new business and he 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 transfer \$43.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 12101000-578020 (Police – Bills from Previous Year).
2. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to approve the payment of FY2015 fiscal obligations for previous school year school bills and previous year salary totaling \$16,240.83 that were not received in time to be processed in the normal FY2015 business cycle.

3. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor 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	
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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

4. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to appropriate \$60,000.00 to Account N2425040-551010 (School Department Graphic Arts – Educational Supplies School). 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.
5. Voted on Roll Call- 8 yeas- 2 nays (Weydt and Porreca voting nay) to approve the request of the Mayor to adopt the following snow and ice amortization schedule, allowable under Chapter 10, Section 58 of the Acts of 2015:

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.

6. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the following loan order:
ORDERED: that One Million, Two Hundred Thousand (\$1,200,000.00) Dollars is appropriated for the purpose of paying costs of Feasibility Study: (1) to understand the extent of deficiencies identified in the Statement of Interest submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority for, as well as other infrastructure deficiencies which may exist at, the Attleboro High School, located at 100 Rathbun Willard Drive, Attleboro, MA; (2) to begin to explore the formulation of a solution to those deficiencies; (3) to perform a space utilization assessment and an academic program needs analysis; and (4) to begin to explore the formulation of a solution to any deficiencies discovered through such assessment and analysis, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Attleboro may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow said amount under G.L. c.44, G.L. c.70B, or any other enabling authority; that \$50,000.00 of the amount appropriated shall be allocated to the costs of preparing, issuing and marketing any such borrowing, provided that any portion of such \$50,000.00 not needed for such costs of issue shall not be borrowed or expended. The City of Attleboro acknowledges that the MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the City of Attleboro incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the City of Attleboro, and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Feasibility Study Agreement that may be executed between the City of Attleboro and the MSBA.

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

On recommendation of the **Public Works Committee** and on motion of Mr. Blais, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the transfer of \$29,245.00 from Account 6100-578300 (Water Enterprise – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 6100-553181 (Water Enterprise – Supplies Treatment Plant) to replace the drive unit that operates the pretreatment sludge collector for basins 3 and 4 at the water treatment plant.
2. Voted unanimously to approve the petition from Massachusetts Electric Company (NGRID) and Verizon New England, Inc. to relocate Olive St. Pole# 6710 approximately 26' +/- Southeast to accommodate proposed roadway entrance to the new RiverFront Drive.

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

On recommendation of the **Transportation & Traffic Committee** and on motion of Mr. Thibodeau, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted unanimously to strike the following item from the Docket of August 20, 2015: To install a “Stop” sign at Hebron Avenue and Bliss Avenue and to refer the above matter to the Traffic Study Commission for study and recommendation. (New Business—Ms. Heagney)
2. Voted unanimously to refer the following matter to the Administration and request a copy of the Conceptual Plan for the installation of a traffic light at the intersection of Rathbun Willard Drive and Thacher Street.

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

On recommendation of the **Public Safety & Emergency Management Committee** and on motion of Mr. Cooper, the following votes were taken:

1. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays, in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, to approve the request of the Mayor to approve the expenditure of approximately \$93,650.00 for FY2016 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) - State 911 Department Public Safety Answering Point Support and Incentive Grant and any other future grant amendments by the Attleboro Police Department as specified within the parameters of the grant.

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

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

1. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to declare the following items from the Attleboro Public Schools as surplus and available for disposition:

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

2. Voted unanimously to, in accordance with Section 1-12 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro to approve the request of the Mayor to 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.
3. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to declare the following Water Department items as surplus and available for disposition:

<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

4. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to declare the following Police 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>MILES</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>
2006	Ford Taurus-SE	1FAFP53U56A124064	90,556	Fair
2009	Ford C.V.	2FAHP71V89X104385	93,560	Poor

Ms. Porreca called for a 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 unanimously to confirm 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.
2. Voted on Roll Call- 10 yeas- 0 nays to approve the request of the Mayor to transfer \$1,896.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 16101000-532010 (Public Library – Tuition & Books) for reimbursement of a library employee.

Ms. Heagney stated that the **Personnel and Human Services Committee** had no new business and she called for a Committee Meeting at the next appropriate time.

Old Business: None

New Business:

On motion of Mr. Thibodeau, voted unanimously to refer the following matter to the appropriate committee for study and recommendation by the City Solicitor: That the RIPTA buses from Rhode Island that have parked on Collins Street in a posted NO PARKING ZONE, as listed in the City of Attleboro’s Ordinance Book, Chapter #10-5.2 PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS be notified that they cannot park at that posted NO PARKING location and further that their buses are illegally traveling on Massachusetts roadways, outside of their legal jurisdiction with Rhode Island Transit registration plates.

REFERRED TO THE CITY SOLICITOR

President Cook, due to a request from Mr. Denlea, called for Committee meetings next week to begin at 6:30 P.M. instead of the normal starting time of 7:00 P.M. starting with the Ordinances, Elections & Legislative Matters Committee Meeting.

VOTED: TO ADJOURN at 8:58 P.M.

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ATTEST: _____
City Clerk/Clerk of the Council

MINUTES APPROVED BY COUNCIL: _____
(DATE)

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