

ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 15, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
AGENDA
In person and remote*
77 Park St and remotely - <https://zoom.us/j/636857461>

APPROVAL OF THE RECORDS: May 4, May 11, May 18 June 1 and June 8, 2021. Executive Sessions June 6, 2017, June 27, 2017, April 10, 2018 and March 12, 2019.

PUBLIC HEARING regarding a National Grid/Verizon request to move a pole and install another at West St. and Rocklawn Avenue.

PUBLIC HEARING regarding a National Grid request to install 2 heavy-duty hand holes and 2-4" of conduit from Pole 730 to Pole 732 at Highland Avenue. Public Hearing required

PUBLIC HEARING regarding the approval of the solid waste fee of \$251.06 for FY2022

PUBLIC HEARING regarding the approval of the water fee of \$5.10 per 100 c.f. for FY2022

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING regarding the proposed amendments to Chapter 18, Local Wetland Protection, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro. (**Continued to August 17, 2021**)

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- Transfer \$342.38 from Police Court Time account to Police Training (6/22/21)
- Transfer \$7,560.00 from Police wages to pave damaged spot in rear parking lot (6/15/21)
- Grant received by Police Depart of \$165,733 for FY22 Public Safety Answering Point Support /Incentive (6/15/21)
- Transfer \$44,818.98 for furniture and office materials for a number of Police units offices (6/15/21)

TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC

- Request to amend Chapter 10 of Ordinances by adding Obstructing Traffic and Don't Block Intersections (6/1/21)(PH 7-20)
- Request to amend Chapter 10 of Ordinances regarding Parking of Commercial Vehicles (6/1/21) (PH 7-20-21)
- A petition from Bourne Avenue residents requesting permanent speed humps (sent to Administration) (4/20/21)
- Restrict parking 20 FT on side of residential entrances/ egresses on Commerce Way adjacent NESV (Porreca) (12/17/19)
- Traffic Study Commission recommends delay Rathbun-Willard Dr. opening until proposed traffic light installed (11/19/19)
- Request to review the Lasalette Shrine Holiday Traffic issues (11/19/19 Jackson)
- Amend S. 10-4.15: Operation of Heavy Commercial Vehicles adding May St. from Washington St/ Newport Ave. (11/6/18)
- Amend Section 10-4.6 Left Turn Prohibited: May Street to Newport Avenue: May Street traffic traveling --- prohibited from making a Left turn onto Newport Avenue Northbound unless directed by a public safety official. (Ms. Porreca 11/6/18)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS & CITY DEVELOPMENT

- \$71,550.00 appropriate for Chipper truck for Parks & Forestry (6/15/21)
- Donation of \$19,500 from The Friends of the Attleboro Public Library for internet upgrade (6/15/21)
- Request IT needs assessment for entire city including pandemic effect in order to better serve (2/2/21)(JD,CD,TD)
- Awaiting grant approval of \$200,000 which may offset Water department project (1/19/21)

PERSONNEL VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

- Request to waive building fees for proposed domestic violence shelter in Attleboro (6/22/21)
- MOA with Library Employees Association to adjust 2nd year COLA in contract (6/15/21)
- Transfer \$20,000 purchase a Ford Transit Cargo Van (6/15/21)
- MOA regarding COLA for the Library Employees Association (6/15/21)
- Appointment of Cemyra Ramos of Orange Street for the Licensing Board (6/1/21)

PUBLIC WORKS

- Paving projects and trees valued at \$60,000 donated by the Walsh family in memory of John and Nora Walsh (6/15/21)
- Donation of 37 plants valued at \$552.55 from Attleboro Garden Club to Capron Park (6/15/21)
- Appropriate \$35,600 from Wastewater Retained Earnings for prep and painting of Lime Silo (6/1/21)
- National Grid/Verizon request to move a pole and install another at West St. & Rocklawn Ave (PH 6/15/21)

- National Grid request to install 2 heavy duty hand holes and conduit at Highland Ave. (6/15/21)
- Robert Peterson communicating that parking ban is outdated. (12/17/19)
- Haley Fiske communication suggesting winter parking ban is unnecessary (12/17/19)
- George Jackson suggesting “as needed” parking ban (12/17/19)

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

- Appropriate \$4,500 for Assessors from Revaluation to Appraisal Services. (6/22/21)
- Appropriate \$17,982.90 from Wastewater Retained earnings to Water Meter Supplies (6/22/21)
- MOA with Clerks union regarding COLA and monies for 53rd week (6/15/21)
- PH June 8, 2021 for General Budget FY2022 (6/1/21)
- PH June 8, 2021 for Water/Wastewater Budget FY2022 (6/1/21)
- Request waiving sign permitting fees as a match for TDI Grant (6/1/21) (PH 7/20/21)
- Submission of the FY2022 General Government Annual Budget (5/11/21)
- Appropriate \$834,182.45 from free cash to General Fund – Fund Balance to reduce the FY2022 Tax Levy (5/11/21)
- Approve the solid waste fee of \$251.06 an increase from FY2021 (5/11/21)
- Approve solid waste fee of \$60.44 per unit to be credited to Fund 2604 – Residential FY2022 (5/11/21)
- Submission of Water and Wastewater Enterprise Budgets for FY2022 (5/11/21)
- Approve the water fee of \$5.10 per 100 c.f. (5/11/21)
- Appropriate \$34,648.64 Water retained earnings to fund FY2022 Water Enterprise Budget (5/11/21)
- Appropriate \$14,832.40 from Wastewater retained earnings to Wastewater Betterment’s FY 2022 budget (5/11/21)
- Transfer \$640,452.91 from Water Enterprise Fund to General Gov. Fund (5/11/21)
- Transfer \$596,406.59 from Wastewater enterprise fund to General Government Fund for FY2022 (5/11/21)
- To study the request to have a City Wide Vehicle Purchasing program. (11/3/20) (DiLisio, DeSimone and Jackson)
- Request that the Attleboro Municipal council conduct a review of the City’s fiscal policy & cash reserve policy (DiLisio)
- Amend the agreement between City and Schools that all Medicaid reimbursement go to schools. (Ms. Porreca 12/17/19)
- Collaborate with state officials to have a meeting to understand the Community Pact Program thru FY2019 for best financial policies for capital improvement (NB Conti 11/13/18)

ZONING & LAND USE

- Land off County St., plat 134, Lots 8, 19, 20 and 21, donated by Dorrance Bristol Norfolk Realty Trust (6/15/21)
- 2 letters from Planning Board regarding tripartite security agreements held at 2 unfinished subdivisions (4/6/21)
- Planning Board unanimous vote to adopt 17-13 Water Protection amendments (3/16/21)
- A communication from Joe Drazek of South Attleboro with concern about proposed marijuana establishment (3/3/20)
- Amend §17–16.10 NON-CONFORMING SIGNS Delete B in its entirety and insert new language (see New Business-Ms. Porreca & Mr. DiLisio) (12/12/17)

LICENSE

- A letter with complaints about Lemon Law Violations 100 Percent Auto at 21 Washington St (6/1/21)

CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS

- Donation from Attleboro Art Museum of Art for Sanford Street project (6/22/21)
- Accept \$2,800 donated by Keep Attleboro Beautiful for streetlight box wraps (6/22/21)
- Transfer \$7,500 from Accounting Staff Development to Accounting Office Supplies (6/22/21)
- A donated painting depicting Attleboro Center from A&J Tool & Findings, CO. of Plainville (6/15/21)
- Water department 6 portable gas meters for disposal (11/3/20)

ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- 2 letters in support of Wetlands Protection amendment and 1 against (6/15/21)
- A petition signed by 179 residents in favor of the Wetland Protections amendment (6/15/21)
- 4 letters of support and 2 against for the proposed Wetland Protection amendments) (5/18/21)
- Ordinance amendment suggesting a fee report by Water Superintendent every 3 years (NB 4/20/21)
- Ordinance amendment suggesting a fee report by Wastewater Superintendent every 3 year (NB 4/20/21)
- Letter from Ted Charon regarding amendments to the Wetland Protection Ordinance for buffers (4/6/21)
- Letter from Timothy Caponigro regarding the Wetland Protection amendment proposal (4/6/21)
- Request to modify Revised Ordinance to change the term for appointed paid positions (4/6/21)
- Wetland Protections Act Chapter 18 - proposed amendments (3/16/21) (PH 5/4/21)
- Request to review the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro (12/15/20) (DiLisio)

- Letter from Mark Kolakowski regarding change of hours at the city Compost Center. (6/16/20)
- Request that a Special Commission be formed to review the City Charter. (Ms. Jackson) (2/4/20)
- To adopt Massachusetts General law Chapter 41, s. 61. (Ms. Jackson) (2/4/20)
- New Business to add a sentence to City Ordinance 9-28:1 regarding utility pole placement or relocation (Conti 11/5/19)
- To differentiate between the positions of an executive and legislative city solicitor section 2-3 of the Ordinances of the City of Attleboro. (Ms. Holmes and Mr. Kobus 10/16/18)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE COUNCIL'S RULES OF PROCEDURES

SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW

- Adopt MGL c59 s-5 Clause 41D, Senior Exemption to increase annual income asset limits (6/1/21) (Dolan/Kobus)
- Request adjustment of money from \$600 to \$700 for property tax exemption for senior citizens. (5/7/19)
- Home Rule petition for city with House of Representatives Amendment Article 89 and MGL Ch. 43B to adopt Ordinance for a Senior Tax Program authorizing City to amend Ch. 169 of Acts of 2012 (House, 3815). (Mr. Conti 7/17/18)
- Create an Elderly and Disabled Taxation Aid Fund. (Mr. Kobus 9/18/18)
- Request to create a local property tax freeze program for certain seniors and other eligible populations (Mr. Kobus 9/18/18)

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

(Disclaimer: This agenda has been prepared in good faith based on topics that the Municipal Council anticipates may be discussed at its meeting). Agenda prepared by the Administrative Assistant from the Office of the Municipal Council.

*Hybrid meeting both in Chambers and on Zoom.