

**ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 - AGENDA  
77 PARK STREET, CITY HALL**

**APPROVAL OF THE RECORDS:** August 16 and 18, 2022

**NO PUBLIC HEARINGS SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION**

**CLERK'S COMMUNICATION**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**OLD BUSINESS : I move to rescind vote #1 from the meeting of April 26, 2022 due to a duplicate at the State House. (CONTI)**

Voted 8 yeas – 1 nay (Blais) (Bennett, Reynolds absent) to adopt a senior means tested exemption by way of a special act as a way of relieving some of the property tax burden of certain qualifying Attleboro residents.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MEANS-TESTED PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION IN THE CITY OF ATTLEBORO.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Move to have the following new business assigned for study and recommendation:**

To restrict parking to one side of Frank Mossberg Drive. (Bennett)

**Move to have the following new business assigned for study and recommendation:**

To Amend Section 10-4.11 of the Revised Ordinances, Isolated Stop Signs, by adding Eastbound drivers on Jefferson Street at Fifth Street. (Bennett)

## **ITEMS OPEN IN COMMITTEES**

### **LICENSE COMMITTEE**

- Ring a Bell application and Hawkers Peddlers app from Adam Palagi of Pawtucket (8/16/22)
- Ring a Bell application and Hawkers Peddlers app from Wayne Labossiere of Pawtucket (8/16/22)
- Application for the Friends of Capron Park Zoo to waive serving alcohol for an Oct event (6/21/22) (PH 8/16/22)
- A letter from M. Rodriguez with fraudulent business practice complaint against 100 percent auto, Wholesalers (5/3/22)
- A letter from Pamela Crowley of Stoughton regarding a false bill of sale from 100% Auto (4/19/22)
- A letter with complaints about Lemon Law Violations 100 Percent Auto at 21 Washington St (6/1/21)

### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

- Easement request from Verizon New England Inc. for communication lines at Rathbun Willard AHS (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$2,413 from Wastewater Reserve to Wastewater Insurance for higher insurance premiums (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$6,922 from Water Reserve to Water Insurance for higher insurance premiums (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$4,877 from City Wide to Park Building Maintenance for Newell Shelter repairs (8/16/22)
- Award of \$35,012.64 from Mass DOT to purchase a new sidewalk cleaner (8/16/22)

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- TIE amendment requested by 27-39 South Main Street, LLC - Resolution (8/16/22)

- CDBG grant of \$11,640 to Recreation Youth Center Program for FY2023 (8/16/22)
- \$30,000 from City Wide to Park Fencing for replacement of Wolfenden Fence at Capron Park (8/26/22)
- Correspondence advising no fees needed for gym floor replacement for middle school gyms (8/16/22)
- Request to change May 4, 2021 TIE for 27-39 South Main Street due to increase in costs and supplies (8/16/22)
- 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)

#### **TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

- Refer to the Traffic Study Commission a request to install multi-way stop at Greenwich and Holly Streets (8/16/22)
- Amendment to the Parking ordinance to address the reopening of Rathbun Willard Drive (4/19/22) (PH 6/7/22)
- Amendment to ordinance 10-4.18 regarding removal and modification of permanent speed humps (3/15/22)
- Request to look again at Angeline Street and parking issues (2/15/22)
- Amendments for Chapter 10 and 17 regarding commercial vehicles (11/2/21) (PH 1/18/22)
- Traffic Study Commission recommends delay Rathbun-Willard Dr. opening until proposed traffic light installed (11/19/19)
- 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)

#### **IT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

- Transfer \$12,330 for a new firewall appliance for Budget and Administration (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$1,100 from City Wide to Administration supplies for MIS new chairs (8/16/22)
- Appropriate \$8,928.36 for Library Internet Line to defray 60% of monthly internet access bills (8/16/22)

#### **ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE**

- Waive Building Fees of \$168,000 for rehab of Gardner Terrace from Preservation of Affordable Housing Inc.
- A letter from the Cannabis Dispensary Coalition suggesting not enough demand to add more retail license (6/21/22)
- Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to allow for Accessory Dwelling Units (12/21/21)
- Mobile Home Park zoning district proposed (11/2/21)
- 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)

#### **CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

- Surplus Wall Mats in large gym for High School (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$100,000 from Reserve for Capital to Highland Pavilion (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$857.60 for Assessor to purchase 4 new office chairs (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$6,700 from City Wide to Library maintenance for plumbing issues (8/16/22)
- Surplus East Attleborough Academy Building on Sanford Street (4/19/22)
- Request to lift the façade restriction from the sale of 135 County Street (4/5/22)
- New Business to review all city's annual legal expenses to determine if prudent to use new methods (6/15/21)

#### **PERSONNEL VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

- Appointment of Steven Escobar of Thacher Street to Taxation Aid Committee (8/16/22)
- Appointment of Patricia A Bellfield of Newport Ave to Council on Human Rights (8/16/22)
- Donation of \$1,000 in Stop & Shop gift cards from Attleboro Elks #1014 to the Veterans office (8/16/22)
- Transfers to facilitate the hiring of a Senior Clerk for a full-time position in the Elections office (8/16/22)

#### **ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE**

- A vote from the Planning Board recommending amendments to S. 17 defining Commercial Vehicles (8/16/22)
- Transfer \$11,542.93 from City Wide to Elections Postage for polling location changes information (8/16/22)
- Proposed adoption of Chapter 40U of MGL regarding the collection of fines by the city (PH 9-20-22)
- Proposed amendments to Section 17, Marijuana, to include changes to zoning and definitions (PB-PH 9-20-22)
- Proposed acceptance of MGL c. 40 sections 42G -42i and 42K (7/21/22)
- Proposed amendments to section 7-9 Storage and Collection of Solid Waste (PH 8/16/22)
- Proposed amendments to Section 16-11 regarding water assessments (6/21/22) (PH 07/19/22)
- New business to change the effective date of paper straws and plastic container bans to 1/23/21 (6/15/21) (PH 7/19/22)
- Proposed Amendment to Chapter 7, Health Department regarding Plastic Shot bottle waste (4/19/22) (PH 5/17/22)

- Public Hearing January 18, 22 with Planning Board regarding Ch. 17-3.3 - Commercial Vehicle Parking (12/21/21)
- Request amendment to 16-9, suggesting a Fee Report every 3 years by Water Superintendent (4/6/21)
- Request amendment to 16-15 suggesting a Fee Report every 3 years by the Wastewater Dept. (4/6/21)
- 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)

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- Grant from FY23 911 Training Grant from EOPSS for \$223,635.54 (9/6/22)
- Transfer \$50,000 from City Labor Negotiations to satisfy MOA for Police and Fire (9/6/22)
- Transfer \$2,600 from City Wide to Police Copiers for a refurbished copier for Police (9/6/22)
- New business to adopt the Mass Police Pay Incentive Program (Quinn Bill) (5/3/22)

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

- A letter from Joseph Murphy of Steer street with suggestion to help seniors with taxes (11/16/21)
- Request adjustment of money from \$600 to \$700 for property tax exemption for senior citizens. (5/7/19)