

**ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
DOCKET
OCTOBER 5, 2021**

PUBLIC HEARINGS OCTOBER 5, 2021:

SEVEN (7) PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR STREET ACCEPTANCES

PUBLIC HEARING to discuss the loan request of Six Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$6,200,000) for the purpose of making energy efficiency improvements to City school buildings (the “Project”) as described in the Energy Management Services Agreement (“EMSA”) to be entered into between the City and Trane, Inc., and for the payment of any other costs incidental or related thereto.

PUBLIC HEARING request for an addition of Section 16-9.3 of the Revised Ordinances of Attleboro:

The Water Management Act Withdrawal Permit for the Taunton River Basin was received in early May 2021. This permit guarantees that the Attleboro Water Department will be authorized to withdraw 380,000 gallons per day from the Taunton River Basin over the 1.62 million registered gallons in the basin until the permit expires in February 2030. A requirement of this permit is that the Water Department adopts a local land use control ordinance that meets 310 CMR 22.20C.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING to layout a portion of Nichol Avenue (length of 486.50 feet, from STA 0+00 to STA 4+86.50) as a public way and accept said way and any related drainage, water or sewer facilities or easements. Plan available for viewing at City Hall during regular business hours. **(Continued to 11-16-21)**

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING regarding the proposed amendments to Chapter 18, Local Wetland Protection, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro. **(Continued to 10-5-21)**

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING regarding the request from National Grid and Verizon to install a new “JO” pole on Peckham Street to install three-phase primary side tap for future solar farm at #179 Peckham. **(10-5-21)**

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING regarding the request from National Grid and Verizon to install a new 45’ pole between P6369 and P6370 on Richardson Avenue to be used to supply future solar farm with three phase overhead electrical service. **(10-5-21)**

PUBLIC SAFETY

Peter Blais, Chairperson

TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC

Cathleen DeSimone, Chairperson

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from Superintendent of Public Works Michael Tyler regarding the need for funds to purchase six (6) new solar powered speed radar signs and one (1) new solar powered crosswalk sign. Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body transfer \$32,187.78 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to the following:

\$4,489.38 to Account 14201000-585082 (Public Works – Crosswalk Systems)

\$27,698.40 to Account 14201000-585083 (Public Works – Radar Sign Systems)

Upon approval, the available balance in Reserve Fund for Transfer, to include any pending requests, will be \$274,287.39.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Richard Conti, Chairperson

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from Library Director Amy Rhlinger regarding the need for funds for wall repair at the Library. Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body transfer \$7,500.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 16101000-530101 (Library – Professional Services).

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from Director of Budget and Administration Jeremy Stull regarding the need for additional funding for the Fire Department roof replacement project. The bids received for this project exceeded increased cost expectations. Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body transfer \$69,200.00 from Account 11241000-578380 (City Wide – Reserve for Capital) to Account 11241000-599300 (City Wide – Transfer to Capital Fund) and to further transfer the \$69,200.00 from Account 11241000-599300 (City Wide – Transfer to Capital Fund) to Fund 3558-499000 (Fire Department Roofs – Other Financing Source) for costs associated with the replacement of both roofs, including increasing the construction contingency

Additionally, due to the tight timeline to get these roofs replaced before winter, I am requesting this approval be considered an **emergency measure. (Voted 9-21-21)**

PERSONNEL, VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Mayor regrets to inform Your Honorable Body that we have received the resignation of Lisa Nelson from the Board of Assessors. Please join him in thanking Ms. Nelson for her service to the City.

PUBLIC WORKS

Kate Jackson, Chairperson

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from Superintendent of Public Works Michael Tyler regarding the need for funds to pay an FY21 Hoisting License

reimbursement to an employee of Public Works. Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body transfer \$88.95 from Account 14201000-519130 (Public Works – Licenses) to Account 14201000-578020 (Public Works – Previous Year Bills).

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

Jay DiLisio, Chairperson

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from Superintendent of Wastewater Thomas Hayes regarding the need for funds to pay an FY21 invoice to *North Attleboro Sewer* that was recently received. Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body transfer \$24,187.76 from Account 6000-578300 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 6000-578020 (Wastewater Enterprise Fund – Previous Year Bills).

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from Attleboro Public Schools Director of Finance Marc Furtado regarding the following FY21 fiscal obligations that were not received in time to be processed in the normal FY21 business cycle:

Vendor	Amount
CSM Group, Inc.	\$1,493.75
Chestnut Hill Studios	\$460.00
Eversource	\$232.63
Jostens, Inc.	\$2,201.80
National Grid	\$6,378.65
OCC Outdoors	\$201.49

Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body to authorize the School Department to pay these previous year school bills totaling \$10,968.32 as identified in Mr. Furtado’s communication.

The Mayor respectfully requests Your Honorable Body to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 for the purpose of setting the tax classification for Fiscal Year 2022. Additionally, and in order to ensure that the City has sufficient time to prepare and mail the third (3rd) quarter Real Estate Tax Bills by December 31, 2021, the Mayor further requests that Your Honorable Body hold a special meeting of the Municipal Council for Tuesday, November 9, 2021 for the purpose of voting on the percentage of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of property for Fiscal Year 2022.

ZONING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

Todd Kobus, Chairperson

A certificate of vote was received from the Planning Board meeting of September 13, 2021 advising 829 Newport Avenue rezoning petition was consistent with the Comprehensive Plan of the city and the opinion of the Board is the rezoning of the property to General Business would not constitute spot zoning.

LICENSE

Laura Dolan, Chairperson

CITY PROPERTY AND CLAIMS

Sara-Lynn Reynolds, Chairperson

The Mayor respectfully submits a communication from City Clerk Stephen Withers regarding the need for funds to purchase a copier for the Clerk's Office. The current copy machine in this office has reached the end of its useful life and parts are hard to obtain to repair the ongoing issues. Therefore, the Mayor hereby requests Your Honorable Body transfer \$3,725.00 from Account 11241000-578300 (City Wide – Reserve Fund for Transfer) to Account 11611000-558330 (Clerk – Copier). Upon approval, the available balance in Reserve Fund for Transfer, to include any pending requests, will be \$270,562.39.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Diana Holmes, Chairperson

An email was received from Mr. & Mrs. Wachta of Metacomett Drive requesting grandfathering the 25' wetlands protection to existing homeowners and implement 75' for new development.

A letter from David Gallant of Logans Run requesting a no vote on the proposed 75' no disturb amendment to the Wetland Protection Ordinance.