

**ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 15, 2022 - AGENDA  
HYBRID – 77 PARK STREET  
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**APPROVAL OF THE RECORDS:** January 4, 11, 18, February 1, 2022. Executive Sessions June 6, 2017, June 27, 2017, April 10, 2018 and March 12, 2019.

**PUBLIC HEARING** to amend Chapter 17-9.0 Special Permits and Chapter 15.0 Site Plan Review of the Zoning Ordinances with the **Planning Board**.

**PUBLIC HEARING** to amend Section 10-8, Monthly Parking in the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro.

**PUBLIC HEARING** for a Special Act to amend the City Charter, Article 3, Section 3-8 (a) “Vacancy in Office of Mayor – Special Election”.

**PUBLIC HEARING** regarding the new Class II application for 800 Washington Street from the Blasius Auto Group with 10 customer parking spaces and 100 storage spaces.

**PUBLIC HEARING** regarding the submission to the Council of the proposed Capital Improvements Program FY 2023-2037.

**PUBLIC HEARING** to address the following amendment to Section 10-4 by adding section 10-4.18 E “The following streets are designated as having speed humps/speed cushions and the City is hereby authorized and directed to erect and maintain speed humps/speed cushions: Add the following in proper alphabetical order: Claflin Street

**PUBLIC HEARING** to add “no parking” on the southerly side of East St. 510 feet from O’Neil Boulevard.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** to amend Chapter 10-4.11, Isolated Stop Signs, of the Revised Ordinances as follows: Delete “Westbound drivers on Bliss Avenue at Bourne Avenue” and replace with “Eastbound and Westbound on Bliss Avenue at Bourne Avenue”.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- Certificate of vote from Planning Board stating Ambulance Loan consistent with Comprehensive Plan (2/1/22)
- Ambulance Loan request for \$450,000 (PH 2/1/22) (1/18/22)
- New business to amend 10-5.2(A) to prohibit parking on westerly side of Stobbs Drive (PH 1-18-22)

**TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

- Request to look again at Angeline Street and parking issues (2/15/22)
- Speed Hump/Cushions amendment to 10-4-.18 requires PH (2/15/22) (2/1/22)
- Request add No Parking on Southerly East St 510 feet from O’Neil Boulevard (PH 2/15/22) (2/1/22)
- 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)

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS & CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

- Transfer \$636,000 to purchase body worn cameras, in car video and technical components for APD (2/15/22)
- Appropriate \$150,000 for New Senior Center Feasibility Study (2/1/22)
- Grant to participate in an promote public art across the Commonwealth “Make it Public” (2/15/22)
- Capital Improvement Program for FY2023-2027 submitted (PH 2/15/22) (1/18/22)
- Request from Historical Commission to fund a consultant to assist with inventory (1/4/22)
- Updates from Jeremy Stull on the gym floor replacements for Hyman Find and Hill Roberts (10/5/21)

**PERSONNEL VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

- COA gift cards for \$360 donated by Home Instead (2/15/22)
- Appointment of Michael Morgan of May Rocha Way to the Traffic Study Commission (2/15/22)
- Appointment of Linda Alger to the Board of Park Commissioners (2/15/22)
- COA received a Grant from Bristol Elder Services for \$18,884.57 with a match of \$3,332.57 (2/15/22)
- Grant from Bristol Elder Service for \$4,615 and match is \$814.50 (2/15/22)
- Reappointments for 6 positions, Constables, Council on Human Rights, and Disability Commission (2/15/22)
- New Business to merge Budget and Appropriations with Capital Improvements Committees (2/1/22)
- New Business to add new Committee for IT & Infrastructure (2/1/22)
- Appointment of Bill Beardwood to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Board (12/7/21)

#### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

- Request to invite DPW Superintendent to come to Council with recommendations and reasoning for repairs (NB)
- Request to add Councilor to DPW discussion regarding improvements to streets and sidewalks (2/1/22) NB

#### **BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

- 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 COMMITTEE**

- 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)

#### **LICENSE COMMITTEE**

- Class II application from Blasius Auto Group at 800 Washington Street (2/1/22) (PH 2/15/22)
- A letter with complaints about Lemon Law Violations 100 Percent Auto at 21 Washington St (6/1/21)

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

- Transfer \$400 to Veterans Vehicle Maintenance to repair brakes and inspection sticker for a donated vehicle (2/1/22)
- Transfer \$1,052 to purchase standing desks, four chairs and five wireless keyboard/mouse for Personnel (2/1/22)
- New Business to review all city's annual legal expenses to determine if prudent to use new methods (6/15/21)

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

- Accept statues of the Commonwealth regarding liens and deferrals on taxes for some seniors (2/1/22)
- Requested Ordinance Amendment to change Sect 10-8 regarding monthly parking PH (2/15/22)
- Charter Special Act requested to address Section 3-7 regarding Mayor's Office absence/vacancy (1/18/22) (PH 2/15/22)
- Public Hearing January 18, 2022 for proposed Commercial Vehicle and Trailers Ch. 10-5.13(12/21/21)
- Public hearing on February 15, 2022 with the Planning Board regarding amendments to Chapter 17-9/15.0 (12/21/21)
- Public Hearing January 18, 20 with Planning Board regarding Ch. 17-3.3 – Commercial Vehicle Parking (12/21/21)
- New business to change the effective date of paper straws and plastic container bans to 1/23/21 (6/15/21)
- 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 modify Revised Ordinance to change the term for appointed paid positions (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)

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

- A special act addressing the adoption of a means-tested property tax exemption (12/21/21)
- 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)
- 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: I move the following be referred for study and recommendation:**

Policy for Waiving Building Department Permit Fees

Pursuant to Section 3–8.2 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro, as amended, this policy explains the process and evaluation criteria when a waiver of Building Department permit fees listed in Section 3–8.1 is requested.

**I move the following be referred for study and recommendation:**

A proposed amendment to Ch. 10-5.1 Snow Emergency Parking Ban.

**I move the following be referred for study and recommendation:**

A proposed Resolution in for the South Attleboro Train Station Renovation project.

(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.