



*City of Taunton
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

*In the Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers
Minutes, January 5, 2010 at 7:02 O'clock P.M.*

Regular Meeting

Mayor Charles Crowley presiding

Prayer was offered by the Mayor

*Present at roll call were: Councilor's Barbour, Pottier, Costa-Hanson, Marshall,
Buffington, Carr, Croteau, Colton
Councilor Hoye was absent*

Record of preceding meeting was read by Title and Approved. So Voted.

Motion was made to revert out of the regular order of business to Appointments. So Voted.

Appointments:

On a roll call vote, eight (8) Councilors present, seven (7) Councilors voting in favor of electing Deborah A. Carr as Council President. Councilor Carr voting present. So Voted.

**2010 Election of City Officials
for a Three-Year Term Expiring January 2013**

Board of Health	Bruce Bodner, MD
Trustees of the Public Library	Joanne M. Uva
Trustees of the Public Library	William F. Hanna, III

On a roll call vote eight (8) Councilors present, eight (8) Councilors voting in favor of Bruce Bodner, MD, Board of Health, Joanne M. Uva, Trustee of the Public Library, and William F. Hanna, III Trustee of the Public Library. So Voted. Councilor Hoye was absent.

**2010 Election of Fish Wardens
for a One-Year Term Expiring January 2011:**

Joseph Ciaglo	50 Whittenton Street
James Buffington	503 Burt Street
Frederick Caiozza, Jr.	49 Davenport Street
Dennis Furtado	51 Rosewood Drive
Albert Silvia	1347 Somerset Avenue
Michael DaRosa	15 Middle Street

On a roll call vote, eight (8) Councilors present, eight (8) Councilors voting list as read for a one-year term of Fish Wardens. So Voted.

At this time, the Mayor appointed Council President Deborah Carr to serve on the School Building Committee for the Taunton High School/Parker Middle School Project for the year 2010 replacing Councilman David Pottier. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

At this time, the Mayor appointed Council President Deborah Carr, Councilman David Pottier, and Councilman Daniel Barbour to the COTMA Grievance Committee for this two-year term. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Hearings:

Continued hearing came up by assignment on the Board of Assessors FY2010 Classification Hearing. **Motion was made to reopen the hearing. So Voted. A motion was made to invite Assessor Barry Cooperstein into the enclosure. So Voted.** A communication from the Board of Assessors requesting to continue the hearing until February 9, 2010 was read. AT this time, Assessor Barry Cooperstein explained where the process is at this time. **Motion was made to make part of the record and continue the hearing until February 9, 2010. So Voted.**

Hearing came up by assignment on the petition submitted by Verizon New England, Inc. and Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant proposing to place one (1) new pole, 56S, on Worcester Street, Taunton. **Motion was made to open the hearing. So Voted. Motion was made to invite Daryl Crossman, Right-of-Way Manager for Verizon into the enclosure. So Voted.** No one speaking in favor or in opposition. **Motion was made to close the hearing and grant the petition. So Voted.**

Hearing came up by assignment on the petition submitted by Todd Undzis, 19 Rowley Avenue, East Taunton and others for the acceptance of the streets within Driftwood Estates, including Morrison Road, Tynan Avenue, and Rowley Avenue as public ways in the City of Taunton. **Motion was made to open the hearing. So Voted.** Com. from City Engineer stating that he recommends acceptance but his recommendation does not extend to the City's taking ownership of the sewer pump station located there. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** Com. from Zoning Board of Appeals submitting a recommendation stating that they voted to send a positive recommendation to accept these streets upon the City Engineer's approval. **Motion was made to make part of the record. Motion was made to invite Todd Undzis, 19 Rowley Avenue, Taunton into the enclosure. So Voted.** Mr. Undzis stated he lives in the subdivision and the residents have an issue that needs to be rectified. Councilor Marshall asked if all the bonds (any monies left) have been exhausted and asked why if they already receive City services why do they want this approved now? Mr. Undzis stated that the monies were released back in 2001. Todd stated they have paid 9,000 out of pocket to rectify some issues. Councilor Marshall asked how much would it cost to place the meets and bound? Todd stated around \$6,000.00. Todd was asked if he maintained the sewer pump station. He stated no, Veolia does. Councilor Buffington stated he is curious about how the pump station went from private to Veolia. **A motion was made to continue the hearing until next week (January 12, 2010) so that the**

City Solicitor and the DPW Commissioner can gather the history of the pump station as Councilor Buffington questioned how the pump station maintenance went from private to Veolia, and report their findings back to the continued hearing process for next week. So Voted. No one speak in favor or in opposition.

Communications:

Com. from Risk Manager requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$31,922.02 from available funds to Risk Management Loss Fund to pay for a settlement agreement in the matter of Diane Sullivan versus Chuck Crush. **Motion was made to refer to the January 12, 2009 meeting (under Old Business with the Risk Manager). So Voted.**

Com. from Director, Department of Human Services requesting to apply for a Community Development Black Grant through the Office of Economic and Community Development to continue to expand the Elder Outreach Case Management Program and the Elder Outreach Nurse Program. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

Com. from Acting Fire Chief providing estimated buyback figures for Lemman Padelford's unused sick leave pay and in lieu of vacation payouts within the Taunton Fire Department with a retirement date of December 31, 2009. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Executive Director of Retirement stating that the Taunton Retirement Board voted on December 18, 2009 to certify the amount of \$13,188,674.00 for FY2011. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Mayor Crowley submitting a draft lease agreement for the Dever Wells. **Motion was made to refer to the committee on the Department of Public Works for next week. So Voted.**

Councilor Barbour read an extra communication submitted by Dr. Joseph F. Nates, Chairman, Board of Health stating that the Board of Health staff no longer has places to park as the Parking Commission no longer allots free parking spaces to them in the parking deck and they are requesting full use of the parking lot at the Board of Health building at 45 School Street. **Motion was made to refer to the Parking Commission to ask them for an explanation and reconsideration. Also ask the Parking Commission that perhaps on the corner of Fruit Street what the possibility would be to designate two parking spaces for the Board of Health Staff. So Voted.**

Councilor Carr read an extra communication submitted by the Risk Manager requesting an appropriation of \$68,606.00 from available funds to the Risk Management Loss Fund in payment of settlement of a matter in the US District Court. **Motion was made to refer to next week's meeting (January 12, 2009) under Old Business with the Risk Manager. So Voted.**

Petitions and Claims:

The following are RENEWALS for Class II Licenses:

1. ACME Fabrication & Equipment Leasing, LLC located at 91 Arlington Street, Taunton
2. Corrao Motor Cars, Inc. located at 251 Broadway, Taunton
3. Cambra Auto Sales located at 117 Summer Street, Taunton

Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.

Application submitted by David P. Meola, 660 South Precinct Street, East Taunton seeking a renewal of his Constable License desiring to serve civil process. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Michael Keene requesting a renewal of his Antique Dealer's Licenses for 2008 and 2009 –DBA- Taunton Antique Center located at 19 Main Street, Taunton. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Decision of the Development Impact Review Board on the petition for a Departmental Site Plan Review for a 70 car used car lot at 397 Winthrop Street, Taunton which is located in the Highway Business District submitted by Jean Chedid. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Departmental Site Plan Review submitted by Steven Molind, Tribe Mediterranean Foods, 110 Prince Henry Drive to allow a 2,058 sq. ft. addition to their facility which is located in an Industrial District. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Committee Reports:

Motion was made for Committee reports to be read by Title and Approved. So Voted. Recommendations adopted to reflect the votes as recorded in Committee Reports. So Voted.

Unfinished Business:

Councilor Barbour motioned that the Committee on Ordinances and Enrolled Bills finalize the discussion to create the ordinance on TIFs. Additionally, that the Committee on Ordinances and Enrolled Bills finish up all of the outstanding ordinances from the 2009 files. So Voted.

Councilor Barbour motioned that the Committee to the Council as a Whole discuss the possibility of the removal of our Fire Chief and Police Chief out of Civil Service and to therefore discuss the possibility of creating a Public Safety Commissioner. Councilor Barbour motioned that the City Solicitor research what the City would have to do for the removal of the Fire Chief and Police Chief positions out of Civil Service and asked, if these positions do stay in Civil Service, what is the right of the appointing authority and what are the appointing authority's rights beyond the Civil Service score? Finally, the

Council motioned that the Committee to the Council as a Whole meet to discuss this matter on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 with the City Solicitor. So Voted.

A motion was made to move the Municipal Council Meeting and Committee Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2010 from the regularly scheduled 5:30 PM start to January 19, 2010 at 7:30 AM due to the Special State Election. So Voted.

A motion was made to extend the sympathy of the Mayor and Municipal Council to Jeanne "Cookie" Mastro and create a scroll for her years of service taping the Municipal Council Meetings. So Voted.

Orders, Ordinances, and Enrolled Bills

Ordinance for a third reading to be ordained on a roll call vote

AN ORDINANCE

Chapter 13

Motor Vehicles and Traffic

Sec 13-172. Same-Designation of intersections.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:

That Section 13-171 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, be and hereby are further amended by adding the following:

Sec. 13-172 (c), delete:

- School Street Extension, east side as it intersects with Thrasher Street. Sign to face in a southerly direction.

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **On a roll call vote, eight (8) Councilors present, eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. Council Hoye was absent. So Voted.**

Ordinance for a third reading to be ordained on a roll call vote

AN ORDINANCE

Chapter 13

Motor Vehicles and Traffic

Sec 13-171. Same-Designation of intersections.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:

That Section 13-171 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, be and hereby are further amended by adding the following:

Sec. 13-171 (c), add:

- School Street, northbound, at Thrasher Street
- Turner Street, westbound, at South Precinct Street (approx. 150' to 200' east of the intersection)

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **On a roll call vote, eight (8) Councilors present, eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. Council Hoye was absent. So Voted.**

New Business:

Councilor Buffington stated that the shoveling of our City sidewalks should be enforced. Motion was made to refer this ordinance to the Committee on Police and License and to also refer this issue to the Acting Police Chief. So Voted. (The City Clerk spoke with the Clerk of Council Committees and the Police Chief on this matter.)

Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned that the Taunton Housing Authority Director submit to the Municipal Council what the policy and procedure is and who is responsible for shoveling the walkways at the Thomas Apartments as residents complained that they were not shoveled and they are concerned if there was ever an emergency they would not be passable for Police or Fire. So Voted.

Councilor Marshall motioned that the Committee on the Department of Public Works discuss the possible options of connecting Crapo Street to our City Sewer system. So Voted.

Councilor Croteau motioned that the Committee on the Department of Public Works discuss the possible options of connecting Marilyn Drive to our City Sewer system. So Voted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

A true copy:

Attest:


City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
JANUARY 4, 2010

THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILORS BARBOUR, BUFFINGTON, CARR, COLTON,
COSTA-HANLON, CROTEAU, HOYE, MARSHALL AND POTTIER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 P.M.

1. MEET TO ESTABLISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES FOR 2010-2011.
SENIOR COUNCILOR JASON BUFFINGTON PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING.
THE FOLLOWING IS THE ORDER OF SENIORITY FOR WHICH THE
COMMITTEES WERE SELECTED:

- 1. COUNCILOR JASON BUFFINGTON 8 YEARS
- 2. COUNCILOR THOMAS HOYE 8 YEARS
- 3. COUNCILOR DANIEL BARBOUR 6 YEARS
- 4. COUNCILOR GERALD CROTEAU 6 YEARS
- 5. COUNCILOR ANDREW MARSHALL 4 YEARS, 10 MONTHS
- 6. COUNCILOR DAVID POTTIER 4 YEARS
- 7. COUNCILOR DEBORAH CARR 2 YEARS
- 8. COUNCILOR SHERRY COSTA-HANLON 2 YEARS
- 9. COUNCILOR RYAN COLTON 0 YEARS

THE COMMITTEE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

THOMAS C. HOYE, JR., CHAIRMAN
JASON D. BUFFINGTON
ANDREW J. MARSHALL
GERALD A. CROTEAU
DAVID W. POTTIER

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

GERALD A. CROTEAU, CHAIRMAN
DAVID W. POTTIER
SHERRY COSTA-HANLON

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRES AND WIRES

DAVID W. POTTIER, CHAIRMAN
GERALD A. CROTEAU
DEBORAH A. CARR

THE COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES AND ENROLLED BILLS

SHERRY COSTA-HANLON, CHAIRWOMAN
RYAN C. COLTON
JASON D. BUFFINGTON

THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE

JASON D. BUFFINGTON, CHAIRMAN
THOMAS C. HOYE, JR.
DANIEL M. BARBOUR

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THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES - CONTINUED

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

ANDREW J. MARSHALL, CHAIRMAN
DEBORAH A. CARR
RYAN C. COLTON
JASON D. BUFFINGTON
DANIEL M. BARBOUR

THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEEDS OF THE T.M.L.P.

DANIEL M. BARBOUR, CHAIRMAN
GERALD A. CROTEAU
DAVID W. POTTIER

THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEEDS OF THE AIRPORT

THOMAS C. HOYE, JR., CHAIRMAN
ANDREW J. MARSHALL
DAVID W. POTTIER

THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES/ELDER AFFAIRS

THOMAS C. HOYE, JR., CHAIRMAN
SHERRY COSTA-HANLON
JASON D. BUFFINGTON
GERALD A. CROTEAU
DAVID W. POTTIER

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC CHARITY

JASON D. BUFFINGTON, CHAIRMAN
ANDREW J. MARSHALL
DEBORAH A. CARR

THE COMMITTEE ON SOLID WASTE

DANIEL M. BARBOUR, CHAIRMAN
DEBORAH A. CARR
SHERRY COSTA-HANLON
THOMAS C. HOYE, JR.
ANDREW J. MARSHALL

THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TECHNOLOGY

DAVID W. POTTIER, CHAIRMAN
DEBORAH A. CARR
RYAN C. COLTON
THOMAS C. HOYE, JR.
DANIEL M. BARBOUR

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THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES – CONTINUED

THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND RECREATION

RYAN C. COLTON, CHAIRMAN
DEBORAH A. CARR
ANDREW J. MARSHALL
DANIEL M. BARBOUR
DAVID W. POTTIER

THE COMMITTEE ON ZONING

ANDREW J. MARSHALL, CHAIRMAN
RYAN C. COLTON
JASON D. BUFFINGTON

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

SHERRY COSTA-HANLON, CHAIRWOMAN
JASON D. BUFFINGTON
THOMAS C. HOYE, JR.

GOLF COURSE COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE

DANIEL M. BARBOUR

HEART OF TAUNTON REPRESENTATIVE

SHERRY COSTA-HANLON

CAPITAL PROJECTS PLANNING COMMITTEE

DEBORAH A. CARR

THE COMMITTEE ON DISABILITIES (ADA)

THOMAS C. HOYE, CHAIRMAN
SHERRY COSTA-HANLON
RYAN C. COLTON
GERALD A. CROTEAU
ANDREW J. MARSHALL

MOBILE HOME TASK FORCE REPRESENTATIVE

RYAN C. COLTON

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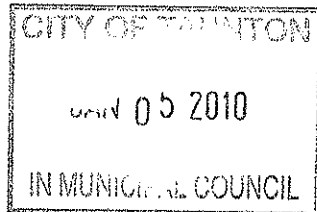
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THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES – CONTINUED

THE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

DEBORAH A. CARR
DANIEL M. BARBOUR
DAVID W. POTTIER
SHERRY COSTA-HANLON
THOMAS C. HOYE, JR.
ANDREW J. MARSHALL
JASON D. BUFFINGTON
GERALD A. CROTEAU
RYAN C. COLTON

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:20 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, .

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COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

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CITY CLERK

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
JANUARY 5, 2010

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR GERALD CROTEAU, CHAIRMAN AND
COUNCILORS POTTIER AND COSTA-HANLON.

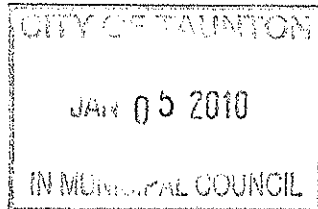
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:35 P.M.

1. **MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY
DEPARTMENTS**

**MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE THE PAYROLLS FOR THE WEEK FOR
CITY DEPARTMENTS.**

**MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE THE VOUCHERS FOR THE WEEK FOR
CITY DEPARTMENTS**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:39 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

CITY CLERK