



*City of Taunton  
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

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*Temporary City Hall, 141 Oak Street, Taunton, MA  
Minutes, August 26, 2013 at 8:00 O'clock A.M.*

*Regular Meeting*

*Mayor Thomas C. Hoye, Jr. presiding*

*Prayer was offered by the Mayor*

*Present at roll call were: Councilor Cleary, Colton, Medeiros, Pottier,  
McCaul, Carr and Barbour  
Councilor Costa-Hanson and Marshall was absent*

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

*Communications from the Mayor:*

The Mayor stated that seeing this is the end of the summer, the Municipal Council Meetings will be returning back to the Temporary City Hall location.

*Appointments:*

*None*

*Communications:*

Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Notifying of a public hearing for Site Plan Review, 700 Joseph Warner Blvd. on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 5:30pm. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Notifying of a public hearing for Form J Plan, Waiver of frontage, 475 Crane Avenue South, Brophy on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 5:30pm. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Notifying of a public hearing for Site Plan Review, 255 Cape Highway on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 5:30pm. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Notifying of a public hearing for Site Plan Review, 30 Mozzone Boulevard on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 5:30pm. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Notifying of a public hearing for Site Plan Review, 475 Myles Standish Blvd. on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 5:30pm. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from James Miller, Miller Engineering, 18 Taunton St. #16, Plainville – Request for a waiver of Street Opening Moratorium, Hodges Street, Map 33, Lot 5 for a proposed new dwelling. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on the Department of Public Works. So Voted.**

Com. from Annemarie Matulis, SEMA-VAV – Notifying of Clothesline Project Display presented by New Hope Inc. on Monday, October 7, 2013 from 3:30 to 5:30pm. Additionally, the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Candle Light Vigil on the Taunton Green and other locations will occur from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM. **Motion was made to refer to the Council President. So Voted.**

Com. from Annemarie Matulis, Taunton MA Suicide Prevention Task Force – Notifying of 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Suicide Prevention Walk on Sunday, September 8, 2013 1:30-4:30pm. **Motion was made to refer to the Council President. So Voted.**

**Petitions:**

Petition submitted by August Chaves, 33 Malcolm Circle, Taunton requesting a renewal of the Billiard Table License for Taunton Eagles Soccer Club located at 29 Oak St., Taunton (1 Table). **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Sylvia Holmes, 52 Fremont St., Taunton requesting a new Second Hand Article License for Shop at Erikas located at 52 Fremont St., Taunton to sell collectables, books, etc. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and Police Chief. So Voted.**

Claim submitted by Linda Gunville, 20 Trebors Way, Bridgewater seeking reimbursement for damages to her automobile from hitting a pothole on Richmond Street heading north near the south end of Rt. 44. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department and DPW Commissioner. So Voted.** (*Assistant City Clerk informed Nelson at DPW.*)

Claim submitted by Donald DeMello, 30 Purchase St., Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to his automobile from hitting a pothole in front of 38 Disamar Road, Taunton. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department and DPW Commissioner. So Voted.** (*Assistant City Clerk informed Nelson at DPW.*)

Claim submitted by Donna McLaughlin, 123 Blueberry Lane, Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to her driveway damaged by a snowplow in February. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department and DPW Commissioner. So Voted.** (*Assistant City Clerk informed Nelson at DPW.*)

**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 stated that the stop sign on the corner of Briggs and Cohannet Street is missing and asked to reference the issue to the Safety Officer to see if we can put the sign back up, with a response in two weeks. So Voted.

Councilor Barbour motioned to refer to Kevin Duquette to log a complaint regarding odor from the landfill this past Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from a resident on Jackson Street in accordance with the nuisance file. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier motioned to refer to the DPW Commissioner to correct the spelling of Azelea Drive and East Britannia Street on the newly installed signs as they are currently spelled incorrectly. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier stated he would like to go on record thanking Sheriff Hodgson and his crew for a great job at Leddy School.

Councilor Carr motioned to refer to the Board of Health, the trash behind the café building near the old vault downtown and whether any citations were issued and when the trash will be removed. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier motioned to refer the following issues to the Committee on Disabilities for their meeting on September 17, 2013 with Kevin Scanlon: Handicap fines – How are they being utilized and what is the ordinance this falls under?, handicap parking on private properties, APS systems for pedestrian lights, sidewalk curb cuts – city/state projects; the procedure for requesting specific repairs, and the procedure for moving/installing pedestrian lights. So Voted.

Councilor Carr stated she has received two (2) calls from residents reporting that their trash has not been picked up. Therefore, she motioned that the DPW Commissioner remind WeCare to pick up one (1) large item from each yard, each week. Additionally, Councilor Barbour stated a few weeks ago, the Council motioned to send a letter to the DPW Commissioner asking that he notify WeCare and Allied Waste on this matter and wondered what happened to this communication. So Voted. Councilor Cleary asked to have the Gazette republish what can/cannot be left at curbside.

**Orders, Ordinances, and Resolutions****Order for a second reading to be ordained on a roll call vote**

Ordered That,

**\$800,000** is appropriated in addition to the **\$6,000,000** previously appropriated for the purpose of financing the construction, reconstruction, replacement, repair and rehabilitation of sewers and storm water conveyance facilities, including without limitation sewer infiltration and inflow abatement improvements and pumping station upgrades, including the Phase 8 SSES, for the purposes of eliminating unauthorized sewer connections to the City's drainage system, to eliminate combined sewer overflows and sanitary sewer overflows, to reduce infiltration and inflow within the City's sewer

system and to mitigate flooding and surface water contamination; that included are all costs without limitation as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the Massachusetts General Laws; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow **\$6,800,000** and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the City unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a financing agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project of for the financing thereof; and that the Mayor is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project. **On a roll call vote, seven (7) Councilors present, seven (7) Councilors voting in favor. Councilors Costa-Hanlon and Marshall were absent.**

**Order for a second reading to be ordained on a roll call vote**

Ordered That,

**\$6,000,000** be appropriated for the purpose of financing the construction, reconstruction, replacement, repair and rehabilitation of sewers and storm water conveyance facilities, including without limitation sewer infiltration and inflow abatement improvements and pumping station upgrades, including the Phase 10 SSES, for the purposes of eliminating unauthorized sewer connections to the City's drainage system, to eliminate combined sewer overflows and sanitary sewer overflows, to reduce infiltration and inflow within the City's sewer system and to mitigate flooding and surface water contamination; that included are all costs without limitation as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the Massachusetts General Laws; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow **\$6,000,000** and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the City unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a financing agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project of for the financing thereof; and that the Mayor is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project. **On a roll call vote, seven (7) Councilors present, seven (7) Councilors voting in favor. Councilors Costa-Hanlon and Marshall were absent.**

*Order for a second reading to be ordained on a roll call vote*

Ordered That,

**\$600,000** be appropriated for the cost of engineering services for the plans and specifications for improvements to the City's wastewater system, consisting of the Phase 10 SSES; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow **\$600,000** and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project. **On a roll call vote, seven (7) Councilors present, seven (7) Councilors voting in favor. Councilors Costa-Hanlon and Marshall were absent.**

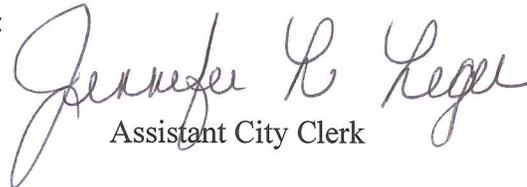
*New Business:*

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 A.M.

A true copy:

Attest:

  
Assistant City Clerk

JL/dmc

CITY OF TAUNTON  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
AUGUST 26, 2013

**THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES**

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR DEBORAH CARR, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS CLEARY AND COLTON. ALSO PRESENT WAS CITY AUDITOR ANN HEBERT.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:37 A.M.**

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

**MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE INVOICE WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$653,014.47. SO VOTED.**

**MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE PAYROLL WARRANT IN ABSENTIA. SO VOTED.**

**2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE**

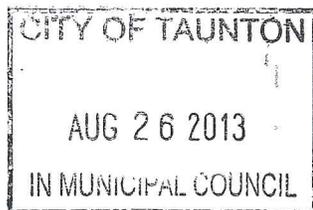
THE CITY AUDITOR PRESENTED THE CITY OF TAUNTON ENCUMBRANCE LIST FOR FY 2013 WHICH TOTALED \$6,276,558.35 AND THE YEAR END TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 WHICH TOTALED \$1,547,378.44. SHE STATED THAT MOSTLY WERE MINOR ISSUES OR FOR PROJECTS THAT HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETED YET.

THE COMMITTEE ASKED TO BE UPDATED IN A MONTH AS TO WHAT IS LEFT ON THE ENCUMBRANCE LIST. THE YEAR END TRANSFERS ARE COVERING DEFICITS, AND THE AUDITOR NOTED THAT SNOW AND ICE IS COVERED.

THE CITY AUDITOR WAS ASKED TO PROVIDE THE COMMITTEE WITH A LIST OF THE BALANCES IN ALL REVOLVING ACCOUNTS.

**MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE YEAR END TRANSFERS AND ENCUMBRANCES. SO VOTED.**

**MEETING AJOURNED AT 7:58 A.M.**



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

COLLEEN M. ELLIS  
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK



# CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #30  
FY 2013  
AUGUST 26, 2013  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2013

*In Municipal Council* ..... 20.....

*Ordered, That*        THE ATTACHED FISCAL YEAR 2013 ENCUMBRANCES  
TOTALING SIX MILLION TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED  
FIFTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND THIRTY FIVE CENTS (\$6,276,558.35) ARE HEREBY APPROVED

..... *Clerk.*



# CITY OF TAUNTON

ORDER #31  
FY 2013  
AUGUST 26, 2013  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2013

*In Municipal Council* ..... 20.....

*Ordered, That*

THE ATTACHED FISCAL YEAR 2013 TRANSFERS

TOTALING ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED

SEVENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND FORTY FOUR CENTS (\$1,547,378.44) ARE HEREBY APPROVED

..... *Clerk.*