

Votes Taken December 7th 2020 Regular City Council Meeting

Acceptance of Minutes: Reading and Acceptance of minutes of previous meetings: Special Meeting CAFO November 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.; harter Review Committee November 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.; Charter Review Committee November 29, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.; Charter Review Committee October 25, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.; City Council Regular Meeting December 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.; City Council Regular Meeting July 16, 2018; and July 16, 2018 Part Two
Approved 6 yes, 2 no (Clr. Finocchiaro, Clr. Saba), 1 present (Clr. DiZoglio)

Acceptance of Tax Classification Factor

1. A residential exemption of up to 20% of the average assessed valuation of residential property **Vote: Unanimous No (failed)**
2. An exemption of up to 25% for all property that may be classified as Class II – Open Space **Not applicable to Methuen**
3. A determination of the percentage of the Tax Levy to be borne by each class of property in Fiscal Year 2021 **1.75% shift Approved Vote: 7 yes, 2 No (Clr. Finocchiaro, Clr. DiZoglio)**

PUBLIC SERVICE

- A) Grants: None
- B) Licenses: None
- C) Contracts: C-21-26 TASER International Inc., 17800 N., 85th Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85255 for Body Cameras & Electrical Weapons in the Amount of \$339,110.00 to be paid over a five year contract for 50 body cameras and lasers with an option to buy up to 14 additional Officer Safety Plan (OSP) standard packages at an annual cost of \$1,380.00 each Year 1 = \$70,022.00 Years 2 to 5 = \$67,272.00

Approved 8 yes, 1 present (Clr. Finocchiaro)

C-21-27 CAM HVAC & Construction, Inc., 116 Lydia Ann Road, Smithfield, RI 02917, in the Amount of \$713,000.00 Fan Coil Unit Replacements Searles Bldg.

Approved Vote: Unanimous yes

C-21-28 Air Purification Systems RST Thermal, Inc., 372 University Ave., Westwood, MA 02090 in the Amount of \$80,435.00 for Air Purifiers (CARES Funding) **Vote:**

Unanimous yes

Consideration of Appointments

City Solicitor - **Tabled Unanimous Yes**

Greater Lawrence Sanitary District – Raymond DiFiore **Unanimous yes**

Greater Lawrence Sanitary District – Jack Cronin **Unanimous yes**

Unfinished Business

TR-20-67 Resolution Designating the City of Methuen as a Purple Heart Community (Req. of Clr. Finocchiaro and Clr. Simard) (remove from the table) **Unanimous yes**

Approved Unanimous yes

TR-20-73 Resolution Renaming the Upper Field at Nicolson Stadium Complex “Danny Ford Field” (Sponsored by Councilor Faretra, Co-sponsored by Councilor Saffie)

Approved Unanimous yes

TR-20-75 Invocation of Authority of the City Council Under Section 2-11 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Methuen to Investigate the Conduct and Operations of the Methuen Police Department and Its Administration (Req. of Clr. Saba, Clr. Simard, Clr. Beauregard, Clr. Saffie)

Approved Unanimous yes

Ordinances:

TO-20-4 Proposed Amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section VI-B (5)(g), (5)(d) and (5)(m)

Approved as amended Vote: Unanimous yes

New Business

TR-20-78 Resolution Authoring Acceptance of Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Training Grant in the amount of \$110,112.40 (EPA REQUESTED) **Approved**

Vote: Unanimous yes (EPA) Resolution Approved Vote: Unanimous yes

TR-20-79 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Support and Incentive Grant in the amount of \$180,964.00 (EPA REQUESTED)

Approved Vote Unanimous yes (EPA) Resolution Approved Vote: Unanimous yes

TR-20-80 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of State 911 Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMC) grant in the amount of \$14,754.52 (EPA REQUESTED) **Approved Vote: Unanimous yes**

(EPA) Resolution Approved Vote: Unanimous yes

TR-20-81 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of MassSave FY21 Partnership Grant (up to \$20,000) (EPA REQUESTED) **Approved Vote; Unanimous yes (EPA) Resolution Approved**

Vote: Unanimous yes

TR-20-82 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of 2021 Sustainable Materials Recovery Program – Recycling Dividends Program Municipal Grant in the amount of \$21,000.00 (EPA REQUESTED) **Approved Vote: Unanimous yes (EPA) Resolution Approved Vote:**

Unanimous yes

Ordinances:

TO-20-11 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 6A-Section 2 & Chapter 3 Section 10 of the Methuen Municipal Code and the Creation of Section 8 of Chapter 4 (Sponsored by Chairman McCarty) **Tabled to Finance Committee Vote: 6 yes, 3 no (Clr. Zeigler, Clr. Beauregard, and Clr. Finocchiaro)**