

Monday, May 2, 2016

At a regular meeting of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, May 2, 2016 at 7 P.M.

All members are present.

The Prayer is read by the Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance is give by the assembly.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare: Vimala Phongsavanh, Chuck O'Neill, Keith Jalette, Tim Brien, Richard Fagnant, Stephen Zulawnik, Patrick McGee, Alethea Forcier, Rebecca Greenwald, Leno Brunetti, Raymond Bacon, Charles Lemoine, Jim Cournoyer, Estelle Bubble, James Kierney, Larry Poitras, Soren Seale and Donald Gosselin.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held April 18th be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted,

a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following item was listed on the consent agenda:

16 CO 23 A communication from City Solicitor regarding property damage claim of Harry Elgar Sr. which was on the consent agenda was removed from the consent agenda upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilwoman Murray and settlement of claim was approved.

The Mayor read the following communications:

Regarding the solicitation for proposals for operation of the concession stand at RiverzEdge Recreation Complex.

Pertaining to the formal dedication of the Napoleon Lajoie Little League Field.

Regarding back-up information pertaining to the sale/transfer of Second Avenue School to RiverzEdge Arts Project Inc.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following:

16 R 67 A resolution in recognition of Lorraine Corey for her

contributions to the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following:

16 R 71 A resolution reappointing Suzanne J. Vadenais as a member of the Board of Canvassers and Registration of the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following:

16 O 39 An ordinance placing on the ballot for the general election to be held on November 8, 2016, a question amending the City of Woonsocket Home Rule Charter to allow for a five member school committee three of whose members shall be elected and two of

whose members shall be appointed is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Gendron that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however before this is voted on,

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be tabled, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by President Moreau it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take the following:

16 O 40 An ordinance placing on the ballot for the general election to be held on November 8, 2016, a question amending the City of Woonsocket Home Rule Charter to permit the Woonsocket School Department to submit their proposed budget no later than May 1 of each calendar year is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be tabled, a roll call vote on same being 5-2 with Councilors Murray and Moreau voting no.

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and

take up the following:

16 O 42 An ordinance authorizing the sale of building and real property located at 196 Second Avenue, Assessor's Plat 6 Lot 45 to RiverzEdge Arts Project Inc. is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted to amend as follows: Add at the end of Section 1. "provided that the City of Woonsocket shall have the Right of First Refusal in the event that RiverzEdge Arts Project, Inc. or it's assignee, sells or conveys the subject property and that the City shall be allowed to purchase subject property at a price not to exceed \$10.00 plus the cost of any improvements as evidenced by building permits and the deed shall reflect this condition of sale". The amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The ordinance, as amended, is then voted on and passed for the first time on a 6-1 roll call vote with Councilman Brien voting no.

16 LC 13 Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 2 applications for entertainment license, 1 application for extension of Class BV license,

1 application for extension of Class BV license and entertainment license, 1 application for renewal of holiday license, 2 applications for renewal of pool table license, 1 application for renewal of quarterly entertainment license, 2 application for renewal of second hand dealer license.

16 CP 24 A request of Ryan Moreau to address the council regarding the veterans tax credit. Mr. Moreau was not present.

16 CP 25 A request of James Cournoyer to address the council regarding the municipal policemen's and firemen's pension fund and the financial condition of the City. Mr. Cournoyer addressed the council.

16 CP 26 A request of Councilman Gendron to address the following items: 2016 budget update/financial condition of the City, board of canvassers, audio recording and posting of city council meetings and work sessions, Woonsocket/Cumberland water interconnect and municipal pension investment board.

16 CP 27 A request of Vice President Brien to address the following items: solid waste and sustainability study.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilman Jalette passed.

Councilman Mancieri passed.

President Moreau passed.

Councilwoman Murray passed.

Councilman Beauchamp passed.

Councilman Brien passed.

Councilman Gendron passed.

16 O 5 An ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Woonsocket which was tabled at the meeting of April 18th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous. Councilman Mancieri recused himself from the vote.

16 O 6 An ordinance in amendment of Zoning Ordinance changing the zoning designation of Assessor's Plat 13, Lot 35, Assessor's Plat 14, Lots 232, 332om R-4, Assessor's Plat 13 lots 14, 18, 128, 134, 230, 279, 280, 286 and 287 and Assessor's Plat 14, Lots 352, 374, 385, 408

and 410 from MU-2 to MU-1, which was tabled at the meeting of April 18th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous. Councilman Mancieri recused himself from the vote.

16 O 27 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 7288 of the Ordinances of the City of Woonsocket entitled “Personnel Ordinance” as amended pertaining to non-union classified municipal employees which was tabled at the meeting of April 18th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 32 An ordinance authorizing Public Works Director to purchase a 2017 7400 series full size dump truck with 11 foot plow which was tabled at the meeting of April 18th is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 34 An ordinance accepting quitclaim deed for property identified

as City of Woonsocket Tax Assessor's Plat 58, Lot 5 which was tabled at the meeting of April 18th remains on the table.

16 O 35 An ordinance authorizing Fire Chief of the City of Woonsocket to purchase a 2016 Ford F550 emergency medical services rescue vehicle which was tabled at the meeting of April 18th is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 37 An ordinance transferring funds (Police Department-\$55,000) is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 38 An ordinance transferring funds (Police Department-\$12,000) is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 41 An ordinance authorizing Mayor to enter into a two-year lease extension with Senior Services Inc. for property known as Assessor's Plat 13, Lot 104, 84 Social Street is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 43 An ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilors Brien and Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 66 A resolution requesting the administration to engage a firm to conduct a public safety study is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 68 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman

Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 69 A resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate new PILOT agreement with Mt. St. Charles Academy whose current PILOT will expire July 1, 2016 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous. President Moreau recused himself from the vote.

16 R 70 A resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate new PILOT agreement with Woonsocket Head State whose current PILOT will expire July 1, 2016 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being 5-1 with President Moreau voting no and Councilman Mancieri recusing himself from the vote.

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 10:48 P.M.

Attest:

Christina Harmon-Duarte

City Clerk