



City of Malden

Malden City Hall
200 Pleasant Street
Malden, MA 02148

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF SERVICEMEN & WOMEN

3. ROLL CALL

Present - Councillors: 11 - Neal Anderson, Peg Crowe, David D'Arcangelo, Deborah DeMaria, Neil C. Kinnon, Barbara Murphy, James M. Nestor, Jadeane Sica, Craig Spadafora, Steven Ultrino and John P. Matheson

4. GUESTS, CITIZEN ACHIEVEMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City Council presented a citation to Christian Kinnon, who led the Mystic Valley Regional Charter School Swim Team to a MIAA State Division II Championship.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[173-15](#) Minutes of the meeting of March 3, 2015

A motion was made by Councillor Sica that the Council Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[174-15](#) Minutes of the meeting of March 10, 2015

A motion was made by Councillor Sica that the Council Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

6. APPOINTMENTS & ELECTIONS

[175-15](#) Mayor's Appointment: Erica Lotz as Public Works Commissioner for a term expiring March 1, 2018

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be referred to the Compliance/Appointments Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[176-15](#) Mayor's Appointment of Stephen Finn, Director of the Malden Housing Authority, 630 Salem St., to the Human Rights, Fair Housing and Disability Issues Commission (Confirmation not required)

Dear Member of the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of law, I hereby appoint Stephen Finn,

Director of the Malden Housing Authority, 630 Salem St., Malden, Massachusetts, to the Human Rights, Fair Housing and Disability Issues Commission as the representative of the Malden Housing Authority. Said term shall remain in effect until his successor is appointed and qualified, at my discretion.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

GARY CHRISTENSON, Mayor

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be placed on file. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[177-15](#)

Mayor's Appointment of Richard Petraglia, 32 Willard St, to the Human Rights, Fair Housing and Disability Issues Commission, as Resident Member for term expiring March 1, 2016 (Confirmation not required)

Dear Members of the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of law, I hereby appoint Richard Petraglia, 32 Willard St., Malden, MA, to the human Rights, Fair Housing and Disability Issues Commission as my resident member appointment, said term to expire March 1, 2016.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

GARY CHRISTENSON, Mayor

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be placed on file. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[178-15](#)

Mayor's Appointment of Paul Weston, 93 Rockland Ave. to the Human Rights, Fair Housing and Disability Issues Commission, as representative of the National Association of Realtors.(Confirmation not required)

Dear Member of the Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of law, I hereby appoint Paul Weston, 93 Rockland Avenue, Malden, MA, to the Human Rights, Fair Housing and Disability Issues Commission as my Malden-based representative of the National Association of Realtors appointment. Said term shall remain in effect until his successor is appointed and qualified, at my discretion.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

GARY CHRISTENSON, Mayor

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be placed on file. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

7. HEARINGS, PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

[179-15](#) Petition: Comcast of Southern New England, Inc. to lay 1-3" underground conduit on Ramsdell Rd.
(HEARING REQUIRED)

Hearing Held

A motion was made by Councillor Nestor that the Petition be granted with the following conditions: 1. That Engineering be notified when Dig Safe is called and 2. That the street/sidewalk be repaired to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[180-15](#) Class II: Metro Auto Collision, Inc., 55 Madison St. (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[181-15](#) Livery: David G. Ulysse, 230 Bryant St. #3 (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[182-15](#) Livery: Samson Assefa, 47 2nd St., Malden (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[183-15](#) Taxi Driver Richard Habeeb, 826 Broadway #103, Revere (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[184-15](#) Taxi Driver: Christopher J. Jackson, 24 Surfside Rd., Lynn

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[185-15](#) Taxi Driver: Arthur J. Rizzo, 10 Nancia St., East Boston (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[186-15](#) Taxi Driver: David M. Kearns, 219 Oliver St., Malden

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[187-15](#) Taxi Driver: John E. Willard, 7 Bartley St. Wakefield

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the

License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Taxi Driver: Ann K. Brandolini, 44 Cedar St., Wakefield

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Taxi Driver: Andrew J. Scully, 155 Clifton St.

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Taxi Driver: Natasha C. Rufo, 21 Henry St.

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[191-15](#)

Taxi Driver: Bryan D. Scharn 56 W Wyoming Ave. #17, Melrose (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8. MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

[192-15](#)

Order: That the Director of Public Works provide a list of equipment required to combat severe winter storms.

Ordered: That, on or before April 15, 2015, the Director of Public Works provide the City Council with a list of equipment, including size, cost and function, that he believes is required to combat winter storms involving snow accumulation of one foot or more.

Sponsors: Deborah DeMaria

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Order be amended to add that the list be prioritized by equipment needed for 1-2 feet of snow, 2-3 feet of snow and snow over 3 feet and to specify what equipment, if any, has multiple uses. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 11 - Anderson, Crowe, D'Arcangelo, DeMaria, Kinnon, Murphy, Nestor, Sica, Spadafora, Ultrino and Matheson

A motion was made by Councillor DeMaria that the Order be adopted as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 11 - Anderson, Crowe, D'Arcangelo, DeMaria, Kinnon, Murphy, Nestor, Sica, Spadafora, Ultrino and Matheson

[193-15](#)

Order: That the Director of Public Works work with the Legal Department to resolve Worker's Compensation cases in that department.

Ordered: That the Director of Public Works work closely with the Legal Department to facilitate resolution to Workman's Compensation cases in

the department and report back to the City Council on their progress by May 15, 2015.

Sponsors: Deborah DeMaria

A motion was made by Councillor DeMaria that the Order be withdrawn. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[194-15](#)

Order: That the Director of Public Works investigate the feasibility of storing salt at the city yard.

Order: That the Director of the Public Works investigate the feasibility of stocking and storing salt at the city yard to increase availability and reduce costs, and report his findings to the City Council by October 1st.

Sponsors: Deborah DeMaria

A motion was made by Councillor DeMaria that the Order be withdrawn. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[195-15](#)

Order: That the Director of Public Works work with neighboring communities relative to joint purchase of a snow melter.

Order: That the Director of Public Works continue to work with neighboring communities to enable the joint purchase of snow melter, and report to the City Council on progress by October 1, 2015.

Sponsors: Deborah DeMaria

A motion was made by Councillor DeMaria that the Order be withdrawn. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[196-15](#)

Order: That the Director of Public Works investigate the feasibility of purchasing commercial grade rider snow blowers for sidewalks
Ordered: That the Director of Public Works investigate the feasibility of purchasing commercial grad snow blowers for the purpose of clearing snow from sidewalks and report back to the Council by April 15th.

Sponsors: Neal Anderson

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Order be adopted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[197-15](#)

Order: That the Human Resource Director and the Public Works Director investigate a program to provide for temporary employment
Ordered: That the Human Resources Director and the Public Works Director investigate the development a program to create a list of pre-qualified temporary employees who can be called upon to work as needed and report back to the City Council by April 15th.

Sponsors: Neal Anderson

A motion was made by Councillor Nestor that the Order be amended to provide

that preference be given to Malden residents. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Order be adopted as amended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[198-15](#) Order: That the city adopt a policy limiting debt service

Sponsors: David D'Arcangelo

A motion was made by Councillor D'Arcangelo that the Order be referred to the Rules & Ordinance Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

[199-15](#) Annual Report of the Northeast Regional Vocational School District

A motion was made by Councillor DeMaria that the Communication be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

10. CLAIMS

[200-15](#) Claim: Paula Safner, 14 Molly Circle, Wakefield

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Claim be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[201-15](#) Claim: Michael Connaire, 9 Hancock St., Malden

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Claim be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[202-15](#) Claim: Brian Taylor, 34 Bellvale St., Malden

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Claim be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[203-15](#) Claim: Colby and Suzanne Baker, 30 Prospect St.

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Claim be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[204-15](#) Claim: Yolanda Sovie, 23 Matthew Road, Billerica, MA 01821

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Claim be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

[205-15](#) Committee Report: Public Property (Paper #153 That the lease on property at 1 Salem St. be extended)

A motion was made by Councillor Nestor that the Committee Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- [153-15](#) Order: That the lease on property at 1 Salem St. be extended
- A motion was made by Councillor Nestor that the Order be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yea:** 9 - Anderson, Crowe, D'Arcangelo, DeMaria, Nestor, Sica, Spadafora, Ultrino and Matheson
- Nay:** 1 - Kinnon
- Abstain:** 1 - Murphy
- [206-15](#) Committee Report: Appointments (Paper #135 Reappointment of Karen Anderson as City Clerk)
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Committee Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [135-15](#) Re-appointment of Karen Anderson as City Clerk for a term expiring Feb. 28, 2018.
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be appointed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [207-15](#) Committee Report: Appointments (Paper #134 Reappointment of Charles Ranaghan as Controller)
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Committee Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [134-15](#) Re-appointment of Charles Ranaghan as Controller for a term expiring December 31, 2017.
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be appointed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [208-15](#) Committee Report: Appointments (Paper #136 Reappointment of James O'Brien as member of the Board of Assessors)
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Committee Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [136-15](#) Re-appointment of James O'Brien as a member of the Board of Assessors for a term expiring Feb. 28, 2018
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be appointed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [209-15](#) Committee Report: Appointments (Paper #137 Reappointment of Eleanor Cushing as Human Resources Director)
- A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Committee Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**
- [137-15](#) Mayor's Re-Appointment of Eleanor Cushing as Human Resources Director for term expiring March 1, 2018 (Confirmation required)

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Appointment be confirmed.
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

13. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

14. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:30 p.m., a motion was made by Councillor Ultrino that the be adjourned. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

KAREN ANDERSON, CITY CLERK