

City of Malden

Malden City Hall 215 Pleasant Street Malden. MA 02148

Meeting Minutes - Final Community Engagement & Inclusion Committee

Councillor Colon Hayes, Chair Councillor Taylor, Vice-Chair Councillor Simonelli

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room #105 215 Pleasant Street

Please click the link below to join the webinar: https://cityofmalden.zoom.us/j/99050138610? pwd=bmRBTnFpQTZSYk1QSUVLb3BBY1M0QT09

Roll Call

Present: 2 - Councillor Karen Colon Hayes and Ari Taylor

Absent: 1 - Chris Simonelli

Also Present: Council President Winslow, Councillor Linehan Zaheer Samee-Assistant City Solicitor Nick Duggan-Malden Youth Civic Club Member Arya Shah-Malden Youth Civic Club Member

This meeting is also being recorded on zoom.

Councillor Colon Hayes called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

Minutes to be Approved

486-24 Minutes of March 19, 2024 to be approved.

Motion to approve the minutes of March 19, 2024 was made by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Council President Winslow. All were in favor.

Business

138-22 Resolve: That the City of Malden City Council establish "The Malden Youth Council"

Ad Hoc Committee with three (3) City Councillors as voting members assigned by the Council President; to provide an opportunity for the youth of Malden and foster civic engagement and an opportunity to be involved and participate in local government to acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for local government through active participation in the system.

Sponsors: Karen Colon Hayes, Amanda Linehan and Carey McDonald

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Attachments: Youth Board Presentation for City Council April 25 2023

Community Engagement and Inclusion Presentation 13124

Community Engagement and Inclusion Updated Presentation 22124

Councillor Colon Hayes summarized the last meeting which we discussed the number of members and suggesting representatives by 8 Wards and 4 High Schools for a total of 12 members. We will add in language about what type of votes and also in the case of a tie breaker what the process would be.

The age of the Committee was decided as 14-19 years old and still in High School. The committee will check on Parental Consent with this age group since it is not through the school. They also talked about making the senior members from this year who have been helping with the logistics and will be graduating this year will be founding members.

The Superintendent suggested a way to get the word out could be the President of the Key Club and other members of the Youth Civic Club. She also mentioned Kashawna Harling, DEI Coordinator offered to help with getting the word out and the application process. They will cast a wide net to get a variety of ages. She also reached out to Wakefield to get a copy of their application. The CEIC committee will review the applications with a youth member. If the process takes longer than expected she mentions summer transition programs to get started by September. Once they get started they could start the application process for the following year in January.

Carol Ann, City Clerk asked for a point of verification are they planning on rolling out the applications in two weeks. She explains that this paper needs to go back to City Council for approval. Councillor Colon Hayes said her understanding is that this will be a sub-committee out of this committee so it didn't have to get approval by the Full Council is that true. Carol Ann said we don't have anything written into our Council laws that talk about sub-committees we have standing committees and special committees. Special committees are appointed by the President and the sponsor of the order becomes the Chair of the sub-committee. It feels like this would go under a special committee. Zaheer mentioned the agenda calls it an Ad-hoc committee. Councillor Colon Hayes asked why on the agenda does it keep the old paper. Carol Ann said she explained that to Councillor Colon Hayes that it remains the same because you have not replaced it with another paper. You need to either amend this resolve that is on the table to make it look like the scope of what you are talking about or write a new paper. You could send the old paper back to the Full Council and recommend they place it on file. Carol Ann recommends sending back the old paper to the Full Council with a committee report eg: Paper 138-22 with the recommendation to place it on file. Paper #123 is the new paper written in committee as the scope of this original paper changed. Carol Ann said in order to get this paper on the agenda you need to get it to Lisa by the Thursday before you want to place it on the agenda. You would need to have your mission constructed with a committee report. Councillor Linehan suggests drafting something and send it to the clerk. Carol Ann asked Legal if she is just asking for the President to appoint an Ad-Hoc Committee and not the Full Council to vote on it. Councillor Linehan said we have done this before with the Future of Maplewood Square basically the Council President announced we discussed this in committee and they are deciding we are having a Future of Maplewood Square Committee and then just appointed it she didn't feel it was a paper that came through. The City Clerk recommends using the example of the Future of Maplewood Square Committee and using that format.

Councillor Taylor suggests this committee meets again to get the final mission on paper and approve it then recommend it out as a committee report.

City of Malden Page 2 Councillor Colon Hayes said the goal is for this committee to begin and remain. If not you can always come back to the table and re-work it.

Other Business

Adjournment

Motion was by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Winslow that this meeting be adjourned at 6:27 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

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