# ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 - AGENDA REMOTE

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**APPROVAL OF THE RECORDS:** June 25, August 31, September 7, September 14, and September 21, 2021. Executive Sessions June 6, 2017, June 27, 2017, April 10, 2018 and March 12, 2019.

**PUBLIC HEARING** regarding an application to waive Section 11 - 15.1 of the City Ordinances, to serve alcohol on city property from Morin's Inc. May to October seven days a week at 16 South Main Street.

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING** regarding the request from National Grid and Verizon to install a new "JO" pole on Peckham Street to install three-phase primary side tap for future solar farm at #179 Peckham. (Continued to 10-5-21)

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING** regarding the request from National Grid and Verizon to install a new 45' pole between P6369 and P6370 on Richardson Avenue to be used to supply future solar farm with three phase overhead electrical service. (**Continued to 10-5-21**)

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING** regarding the proposed amendments to Chapter 18, Local Wetland Protection, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro. (**Continued to 10-5-21**)

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING** to layout a portion of Nichol Avenue (length of 486.50 feet, from STA 0+00 to STA 4+86.50) as a public way and accept said way and any related drainage, water or sewer facilities or easements. Plan available for viewing at City Hall during regular business hours. (Continued to 11-16-21)

## PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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## TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

- Transfer \$32,187.78 to Public Works Crosswalk Systems and Radar Sign Systems (10/5/21)
- New business to request an official "Stop" sign to face northbound drivers on Extension Street at Mossberg Drive (6/15/21)
- New business to extend "no parking to corner" area from 25 to 50 feet on southbound side of Mossberg Drive (6/15/21)
- A petition from Bourne Avenue residents requesting permanent speed humps (sent to Administration) (4/20/21)
- Restrict parking 20 FT on side of residential entrances/ egresses on Commerce Way adjacent NESV (Porreca ) (12/17/19)
- Traffic Study Commission recommends delay Rathbun-Willard Dr. opening until proposed traffic light installed (11/19/19)
- Request to review the Lasalette Shrine Holiday Traffic issues (11/19/19 Jackson)
- Amend S. 10-4.15: Operation of Heavy Commercial Vehicles adding May St. from Washington St/ Newport Ave. (11/6/18)
- Amend Section 10-4.6 Left Turn Prohibited: May Street to Newport Avenue: May Street traffic traveling --- prohibited from making a Left turn onto Newport Avenue Northbound unless directed by a public safety official. (Ms. Porreca 11/6/18)

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS & CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

• Transfer \$7,500 for a wall repair at the Library (10/5/21)

# PERSONNEL VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

- Appointment of Maureen Lynch of Holden Street to the Cultural Council. (9/7/21)
- Appointment of Ann Kingman of Musket Road to the Cultural Council. (9/7/21)
- Appointment of Karen Hammond of Ashden Court to the Council on Aging. (9/7/21)
- Appointment of Robert Kapala of Bishop Street to the Traffic Study Commission (9/7/21)
- Add Grade 9 Step 4 position of Solid Waste Manager (9/7/21)
- Add Grade 3 position of Community Engagement Manager to the Exempt Classification (9/7/21)

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- Transfer \$88.95 to Public Works for a hoisting license reimbursement (10/5/21)
- National Grid requesting a pole placement on Richardson Avenue (PH continued to 10/5/21)
- National Grid requesting a pole placement on Peckham Street (PH continued to 10/5/21)
- Robert Peterson communicating that parking ban is outdated. (12/17/19)
- Haley Fiske communication suggesting winter parking ban is unnecessary (12/17/19)

• George Jackson suggesting "as needed" parking ban (12/17/19)

#### **BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS COMMIMTTEE**

- Transfer \$24,187.86 from Water Enterprise Reserve to Previous Years Bill to North Attleboro Sewer (10/5/21)
- Authorize School Department to pay previous year school bills of \$10,968.32
- Public hearing on October 19, 2021 for the purpose of Tax Classification (10/5/21)
- Public Hearing on October 5, 2021 for a \$6,200,000.00 loan for improvements to make schools energy efficient (9/7/21)
- To study the request to have a City Wide Vehicle Purchasing program. (11/3/20) (DiLisio, DeSimone and Jackson)
- Request that the Attleboro Municipal council conduct a review of the City's fiscal policy & cash reserve policy (DiLisio)
- Amend the agreement between City and Schools that all Medicaid reimbursement go to schools. (Ms. Porreca 12/17/19)
- Collaborate with state officials to have a meeting to understand the Community Pact Program thru FY2019 for best financial policies for capital improvement (NB Conti 11/13/18)

# **ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE**

- 7 public hearings on October 5, 2021 for street acceptances (9/7/21)
- Public Hearing on September 14, 2021 for Nichol Avenue street acceptance (9/7/21)
- 2 letters from Planning Board regarding tripartite security agreements held at 2 unfinished subdivisions (4/6/21)
- Planning Board unanimous vote to adopt 17-13 Water Protection amendments (3/16/21)
- A communication from Joe Drazek of South Attleboro with concern about proposed marijuana establishment (3/3/20)
- Amend §17–16.10 NON–CONFORMING SIGNS Delete B in its entirety and insert new language (see New Business-Ms. Porreca & Mr. DiLisio) (12/12/17)

#### LICENSE COMMITTEE

- Public hearing on September 28, 2021 to waive Sec 11-15.1, regarding alcohol for Morin's Diner (9/7/21)
- A public hearing to be held October 19, 2021 to address Class II license issues for R&D Auto Sales, Inc. (9/7//21)
- A letter with complaints about Lemon Law Violations 100 Percent Auto at 21 Washington St (6/1/21)

## **CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

- New Business to review all city's annual legal expenses to determine if prudent to use new methods (6/15/21)
- Water department 6 portable gas meters for disposal (11/3/20)

## ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- A letter against the Wetland Protection amendments from Mr. & Mrs. D'Agostino of Attleboro (9/7/21)
- A letter against the Wetland Protection amendments from Greg Dorrance of Attleboro (9/7/21)
- A letter supporting the Wetland Protection amendments from Mike Davis of Attleboro (9/7/21)
- Ordinance 16-9.3, Water protection amendment to meet requirements (9/7/21) (PH 10/5/21)
- New business to change the effective date of paper straws and plastic container bans to 1/23/21 (6/15/21)
- 2 letters in support of Wetlands Protection amendment and 1 against (6/15/21)
- A petition signed by 179 residents in favor of the Wetland Protections amendment (6/15/21)
- 4 letters of support and 2 against for the proposed Wetland Protection amendments) (5/18/21)
- Ordinance amendment suggesting a fee report by Water Superintendent every 3 years (NB 4/20/21)
- Ordinance amendment suggesting a fee report by Wastewater Superintendent every 3 year (NB 4/20/21)
- Letter from Ted Charon regarding amendments to the Wetland Protection Ordinance for buffers (4/6/21)
- Letter from Timothy Caponigro regarding the Wetland Protection amendment proposal (4/6/21)
- Request to modify Revised Ordinance to change the term for appointed paid positions (4/6/21)
- Wetland Protections Act Chapter 18 proposed amendments (3/16/21) (PH 5/4/21)
- Request to review the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro (12/15/20) (DiLisio)
- Letter from Mark Kolakowski regarding change of hours at the city Compost Center. (6/16/20)
- Request that a Special Commission be formed to review the City Charter. (Ms. Jackson) (2/4/20)
- To adopt Massachusetts General law Chapter 41, s. 61. (Ms. Jackson) (2/4/20)
- New Business to add a sentence to City Ordinance 9-28:1 regarding utility pole placement or relocation (Conti 11/5/19)
- To differentiate between the positions of an executive and legislative city solicitor section 2-3 of the Ordinances of the City of Attleboro. (Ms. Holmes and Mr. Kobus 10/16/18)

# SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

• Request adjustment of money from \$600 to \$700 for property tax exemption for senior citizens. (5/7/19)

- Home Rule petition for city with House of Representatives Amendment Article 89 and MGL Ch. 43B to adopt Ordinance for a Senior Tax Program authorizing City to amend Ch. 169 of Acts of 2012 (House, 3815). (Mr. Conti 7/17/18)
- Create an Elderly and Disabled Taxation Aid Fund. (Mr. Kobus 9/18/18)
- Request to create a local property tax freeze program for certain seniors and other eligible populations (Mr. Kobus 9/18/18)

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

(Disclaimer: This agenda has been prepared in good faith based on topics that the Municipal Council anticipates may be discussed at its meeting). Agenda prepared by the Administrative Assistant from the Office of the Municipal Council.