



MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
MAY 20, 2021 AT 7:00 PM

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Bean.

The Clerk called the roll. All thirteen Councilors were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the President.

Under "Public Participation" the Councilors were addressed by Donna Liese, 287 Shaker Road. She informed the Council that the survival rates for COVID are 99.8% and therefore questioned if continuing the State of Emergency outweighs the consequences.

Under "Public Participation" Councilor Harris informed the Council that the constituent letter relative to the appointment to the Board of Public Works of Mr. Stephen White is on the share file.

1. Upon motion of Figy, it was

VOTED: Under immediate consideration, that a Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 to the CORE of Greater Westfield under the Health Department from Baystate Noble be ACCEPTED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Figy informed the Council that the Grant will be to coordinate and compile a centralized database for participants in treatment substance abuse.

Upon motion of Councilor Figy, it was

VOTED: That item 2. under "Communications from the Mayor" be read by the Clerk and REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Clerk read from the Agenda as follows:

2. Transfer of \$30,000.00 within the DPW, Wastewater Division, from Severance account #67004400-519900 to Purchase of Service account #67004400-520000 for funding a Proposal for Design and Bidding Services for Big Stuart Pump Station Replacement.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That item 3. under "Communications from the Mayor" be read by the Clerk and REFERRED TO THE LEGISLATIVE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE and LAW DEPARTMENT.

The Clerk read from the Agenda as follows:

3. Submitting a Resolution for the approval of the lease of airport property over a term of 20 years for the development of three aircraft hangars.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was

VOTED: That items 4., 5., 6. and 7. under "Communications from the Mayor" be read by the Clerk and REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL ACTION COMMITTEE.

The Clerk read from the Agenda as follows:

4. Submitting the reappointment of Bernard Puza, 257 Falley Drive, as a member of the Planning Board, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2026.
5. Submitting the reappointment of Robert Goyette, Jr., 25 Tiffany Circle, as a member of the Planning Board, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2025.
6. Submitting the reappointment of Cheryl Crowe, 40 New Broadway Street, as a member of the Planning Board, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2022.
7. Submitting the reappointment of John Bowen, 38 Pinehurst Street, as a member of the Planning Board, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2025.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

8. Health Director Joe Rouse present to give a COVID update. Joe informed the Council that this would most likely be his last update as the Governor is lifting the restrictions on mask wearing and capacity limits will be back to 100% as of May 29th, 2021. Councilor Flaherty thanked Joe and his entire department for all their work during this pandemic. President Bean questioned when the Council can come back to the Chamber for in-person meetings. Joe informed the Council that after May 29th, 2021 it should be fine because capacity limits have been lifted, but what he was unsure of was the lifting of the state of emergency by the Governor on June 15th, 2021 and with that there may be some flexibility for continued remote meetings but that would have to be something that needs to be answered by the Law Department and the Mayor. Councilor Morganelli questioned the different dates out there relative to regulations being changed for sports on different dates. Joe informed the Council that it is confusing and would be better if every agency was on the same page, but each agency, such as the MIAA fight only for their organizations and therefore some dates on certain regulations are different. Joe concluded by thanking the Council for all their support during this difficult time.

9. Upon motion of Councilor Sullivan, for the Finance Committee, it was VOTED: That the sum of \$30,300.15 be appropriated from Free Cash (1000-359000) for the first year appropriation of a five year lease for the following vehicles: \$10,121.46, Animal Control, Equipment Vehicles account #12920000-585001; \$6,018.83 Assessors, Equipment Vehicles account #11410000-585001; \$6,018.83 Health, Equipment Vehicles account #15100000-585001; \$8,141.03 Police, Equipment Vehicles account #12100000-585001.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	No
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Sullivan informed the Council that the appropriation is for the first year of a five year lease for vehicles. The remainder of the lease payments will be budgeted by each department. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that he would rather have had the vehicles purchased outright because there is an enough Free Cash to do so instead of having payments.

10. Upon motion of Councilor Matthews-Kane, for the Finance Committee, it was VOTED: That a Grant in the amount of \$180,495.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to the Public Works Department for round two of the PFAS Design Grant opportunity to further reimburse the City for PFAS treatment projects for Wells 1, 2, 7 and 8. be ACCEPTED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Matthews-Kane informed the Council that the Grant is further reimburse the City and that reimbursements from round 1 and 2 total \$380,495.00 and does not preclude any future grants.

11. Upon motion of Councilor Figy, for the Finance Committee, it was VOTED: That a donation of miscellaneous furniture donated by Custom Component Sales, LLC. be ACCEPTED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Figy informed the Council that Custom Component Sales is going out of business and the owner offered his office furniture to the City. Councilor Figy thanked him for his donation.

12. Councilor Figy announced that the Mayor will present the FY22 Budget at a Special meeting of the Council on May 27th, 2021. The Public Hearing on the budget will be June 10th, 2021 and Finance Committee of the Whole meetings to review the budgets with departments will be June 14, 15, 16, 2021 and June 17, 21 and 22, 2021 if needed. And June 24, 2021 the budget review and the approval of the budget. He informed the Council that the above dates are subject to change, if needed.

13. Upon motion of Councilor Adams, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was

VOTED: That the sum of \$76,128.24 be appropriated from Community Preservation Undesignated Balance account #2410-340000 to the CPA City Park and Cemetery Monuments (Historic) account #24101770-580200-5209 AND the sum of \$12,871.76 be appropriated from Community Preservation Undesignated (FY21) account #24101770-580000 to the CPA City Park and Cemetery Monuments (Historic) account #24101770-580200-5209.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Adams informed the Council that Mr. Gene Theroux, the Westfield Graves Officer has been fixing and cleaning the Veterans' graves and the appropriation is for the supplies for him to clean them. The Veterans' graves are on City owned cemeteries.

14. Upon motion of Councilor Adams, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was

VOTED: That the sum of \$39,500.00 be appropriated from Community Preservation Undesignated (FY21) account #24101770-580000 to CPA Pine Hill Cemetery Monuments (historic) account #24101770-580200-5208.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Adams informed the Council that Mr. Gene Theroux, Westfield Graves Officer will be fixing the Veterans' graves as well as notable citizens of Westfield graves and the appropriation is for the supplies to clean them. Councilor Matthews-Kane supported the appropriated for the Veterans' graves and expressed her concerns that

City funds would be used to clean graves of private citizens in a private cemetery. She informed the Council that she would like to see family and friends of deceased private citizens pay for the restoration of those graves. Councilor Harris informed the Council that she has been with him at the Veterans' graves and he has done a phenomenal job of restoring the grave stones. He is very knowledgeable and loves what he does.

15. Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was VOTED: That the sum of \$50,000.00 be appropriated from Community Preservation Open Space (FY21) account #24101770-580100 to CPA Yellow Stonehouse Farm APR account #24101770-580100-5124 AND the sum of \$19,000.00 be appropriated from Community Preservation Open Space (reserved balance) account #2410-340100 to CPA Yellow Stonehouse Farm APR account #24101770-5801005124.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Onyski informed the Council that Yellow Stonehouse Farm is on Root Road. The Agricultural Preservation Restriction is for 14 acres of farmland that will be preserved in perpetuity protecting it from being developed. The State is paying 80% of the overall value of the restriction of \$295,000 which is \$236,000.00 and the City's share is 20% which is \$59,000.00. Also the City is paying \$10,000.00 for closing costs, surveying, signage and legal fees. Councilor Sullivan questioned what the State required plan is for public access and the educational piece. Will it still operate as a farm stand with an education piece? Councilor Onyski replied that he did not know to what extent they would be doing for the public access piece and the educational piece. Councilor Flaherty and Councilor Mello spoke in support.

16. Upon motion of Councilor Burns, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was

VOTED: That an Order entitled "An Order of Appropriation in the amount of \$20,000.00 from Reserve for Unforeseen #19500000-570900 to Engineering Construction account #14110000-589200 for taking 0 Shaker Road" be given first reading by title only.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

The Order was given first reading by title only and upon motion of Councilor Burns, it was

VOTED: That the Order be PASSED TO SECOND READING.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Burns, it was

VOTED: That an Order entitled "an Order of Taking of Real Estate by right of eminent domain for 0 Shaker Road be given first reading by title only.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

The Order was given first reading by title only and upon motion of Councilor Burns, it was

VOTED: That the Order be PASSED TO SECOND READING.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the votes, Councilor Burns informed the Council that the taking of the property is for the Columbia Greenway Rail Trail connector to Shaker Road

17. Upon motion of Councilor Burns, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was

VOTED: That the Petition (#C-259-21) submitted by the Planning Board, for a zoning amendment at Sections 1-10.1,3; 1-40.6, 4-10.3; 1-50.3,9; 6-10.4,5 relative to strengthen/codify wording regarding enforcement; extend permit validity times REMAIN IN COMMITTEE.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

18. Upon motion of Councilor Harris, for the Personnel Action Committee, it was VOTED: That the appointment of Stephen F. White, 77 Valley View Drive, as a member of the Board of Public Works, for a term to expire first Monday of February, 2024 be CONFIRMED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Harris informed the Council that Mr. White has a Master's Degree in Business Administration in Project Management from the University of Phoenix and a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a degree in Environmental Science. He served our country in Military Service in the U.S. Air Force where he was an Aircrew Instructor and Scheduler. We thank him for his service. For the last 26 years he has been an Inspector and Project Representative on many multi-million dollar construction projects including roadway projects, utility projects and wastewater plants construction and upgrades. For years he was a Wastewater treatment Plant Operator for the City of Springfield and Industry Pretreatment Inspector. He then worked as an Environmental Scientist, removing invasive plant species in Wetlands and doing endangered species observation with toxicity testing of numerous

wastewater facilities. He is a Utilities Inspector, and worked in Florida at Williams Testing as Lead Inspector from Storm Sewer and Sanitary Sewer throughout Southwest Florida including a \$30 million dollar road expansion project with water and force main relations, new storm drains, new water retention ponds – and also in Florida, was a Senior Project Representative responsible for Inspection and observation of construction of a \$32 million dollar expansion of the Gateway WWTP in Fort Myers. This lead to another Senior Project Inspector job of a \$3.2 million dollar Sewer Force Main replacement for the local government of Hampden, VA. Since 2017 till now, he has been a Senior Project Representative for Cardinal Engineering in CT responsible for Inspection, observation of construction and approval of pay applications for ongoing Municipal construction project including an \$8.4 million dollar combines Sewer Separation Project in Middletown, CT – a \$2.7 million dollar storm drain and road construction project in Cromwell, and a \$400,000 dollar Culvert Relining Project in Winchester. He is responsible for inspections and verifying approving quantities for payments. He provided Inspection Services on the Francis Patnaude Pump Station Construction Project in Middletown worth \$25.8 million dollars. Summarizing Mr. White’s knowledge and areas of expertise while working for the past 26 years as an Inspector and Project Representative he has experience in - Construction, inspection and management which includes work in Storm Water Inspection and Compliance, Sewer Installation Inspection, Water Main Inspection and Installation, Sewer Pump Station Installation and Inspection, Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades and Construction, Road Construction Inspection including highways and bridges, plant control, endangered species studies, personnel supervision and OSHA/EPA/DEP compliance. He also has expertise in Concreate Field Inspection, Earthwork Inspection, Soils and Erosion Inspection, Taking Sampling and Analysis, Hazardous Waste Management and Asphalt Inspection. The Mayor has had several conversations with Mr. White and fully supports this appointment with his 25+ years of relevant experience and Master’s Degree with no unfulfilled obligations to the City and Councilor Harris has also had several conversations with this Veteran and he states he is strongly dedicated to serving our citizens on this Board and looks forward to this opportunity. Councilor Sullivan thanked Mr. White for his service to our country and service he is offering to the City.

19. Upon motion of Councilor Harris, for the Personnel Action Committee, it was VOTED: That the appointment of Jennifer Gilbert, 65 Prospect Street, as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals as second alternate, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2023, replacing Kathleen Hogan-Friguglietti, resigned, be CONFIRMED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Harris informed the Council that Ms. Gilbert is a registered Civil Engineer in Mass. She is employed by Tighe & Bond, Westfield. She provides design and construction administration services on water and waste water infrastructure improvement projects. She also has expertise in land use and transportation design including residential site development and signalized intersection design. Along with her 13 years of employment at Tighe & Bond, she graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute and her professional affiliations include the American Society of Civil Engineers, Water Environment Federation, and New England Water Environment Association. Her involvement in projects includes evaluation of existing utilities, developing specifications and drawings, computer modeling, preparing cost estimates, bidding administration and contract award, and providing construction administration services. Some projects she has been involved in are:

Wastewater projects:

1. Bluebird Sewer Pipeline and Pump Station Project, Chicopee, for Bluebird Acres Mobile Home Park.

2. Emerson Road Pump Station, Longmeadow

Chair stated - Councilors, any Comments or a Motion to Vote.

Councilor Figy stated that he is a welcomed addition to the Police Commission - Fits right in and they will have many appointments in the coming year.

3. Hampden St. and Cochran St. areas, Chicopee, Sewer separation project.

4. No. Aldenville and Montgomery Sheridan Sewer Separation, Chicopee, a \$12 million dollar project.

5. Howard St. Sewer Replacement, Belchertown, through residential property mitigating the impact of vegetation loss.

Water Resources:

1. Water Main replacement project, Holyoke, Phase 1 of the Holyoke Water Works Capital Improvement Plan.

2. Nutmeg Circle Storm Water Pond, Chicopee, a drainage study to evaluate pumping station

and detention pool during 5-100 years storm events, results were used to recommend improvements.

3. Village Hill Storm Water, Northampton, redevelopment project.

Civil/Site/Transportation:

1. Columbus Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Greenfield, project for the Department of Housing and Community Development.

2. Gardner-Kilby-Hammond Bike Path, Worcester, developed the MA Department of Transportation (MassDot) submission for this multi-use project.

3. Manhan Rail Trail, Easthampton, developed MassDot submission for multi-use path.

4. Downtown Streetscape Improvements, No. Adams, developed MassDot design submission for roadways, design submission for roadways, sidewalks and traffic signals including environmental coordination documentation and cost estimates.

5. Village Hill Redevelopment, Northampton, project and roadway and intersection analysis of traffic volume. Councilor Harris informed the Council that she has talked with Ms. Gilbert several times discussing procedure regarding appointments and asked her if she foresees any conflict of interest issues relative to her working for Tighe & Bond. Ms. Gilbert has already discussed that with her supervisor in which he stated there would be none. Councilor Figy thanked her for stepping up to this and her credentials speak for itself. Councilor Sullivan stated she was highly qualified and recommends the appointment.

20. Upon motion of Councilor Harris, for the Personnel Action Committee, it was VOTED: That the reappointment of Eileen S. Rockwal, 5 Blueberry Ridge as a member of the Council on Aging, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2024 be CONFIRMED. The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Harris informed the Council that Director of the Council on Aging and Senior Center Tina Gorman stated that Ms. Rockwal is a dedicated and invaluable member of this Board and whole heartedly supports her reappointment. Ms. Rockwal's sister is a dedicated and invaluable member of this Board and wholeheartedly supports her reappointment. Ms. Rockwal's sister is a Council on Aging Director in Eastern, MA and the 2

share information regarding challenges in the older adult population arena, and Ms. Rockwal brings to the Board some new and innovative ideas. She worked closely with Kerry Kielbasa, who this Council recently reappointed, on the Board's Strategic Planning Subcommittee, adopting that Plan by the Board in May 2020. She consistently offers assistance for evening and weekend Senior Center programming. Ms. Rockwal has a BA and is employed by Onsite Mammography, Westfield, as the Human Resource Director, previously being their office manager. She was on the Westfield State University Alumni Council for many years, chairing the Finance Committee and Awards, Scholarships and Recognition Committee. She is a passionate advocate for our Seniors and is very much looking forward to continuing serving on this Board. Councilor Figy thanked Ms. Rockwal for your numerous contributions to the COA. Councilor Sullivan complimented Director Gorman and said Ms. Rockwal was a very qualified individual and recommends the appointment.

21. Upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was

VOTED: That the reappointment of Felix Otero, 28 Harvest Moon Lane, as a member of the Police Commission for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2023 be CONFIRMED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Harris informed the Council that Mr. Otero has been on this Commission for 11 years during which time he has been involved in appointing a new Chief of Police, Captains, Lieutenants, Sergeants and Patrol Officers. A new Police Complex as also been in discussion. Mr. Otero is a lifelong resident and was one of our City's Police Officers from 1987-1993 and then continued her service as a Court Officer in the MA Trial Court until his very recent retirement in November 2020. We thank him for his years of service protecting all Citizens. He is very well-known and very well-respected in our City. He has served this community with pride and dedication to his sworn duties and has always based decisions on what is best for the Community he serves and the Department he oversees. As well as being a Police Commissioner, he previously served our City on the Planning Board and Park and Rec Commission. Councilor Sullivan stated, Mr. Otero is a great addition to this Commission and that he and his family have served this City well and it's very much appreciated, and

recommends the appointment. Councilors Beltrandi and Adams spoke in support of the reappointment.

22. Upon motion of Councilor Harris, for the Personnel Action Committee, it was VOTED: That the reappointment of David Doe, 46 Tekoa Terrace, as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2024 be CONFIRMED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Harris informed the Council that at the City Council Meeting of 9/3/2020, Dr. Doe was reappointed. Since that was only 6 months ago, this is an administrative function to bring his term in compliance with the intentioned reappointment. Because of his holdover status before 6 months ago, this is necessary according to the City Clerk's Office who keeps those records. All Councilors voted yes in September after hearing his extensive background as Chair of this Commission for years, a long-time Professor at Westfield State University, and knowing his calming yet strong voices for this commission - and knowing that his historical knowledge is invaluable. Councilor Figy stated he is honored to approve this reappointment. Councilor Sullivan stated, he can't think of a more qualified individual, and further stated that ALL candidates tonight are hugely qualified and are great for our City. Councilor Flaherty thanked the Personnel Action Committee for the thorough, detailed information on all of tonight's candidates.

23. Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was VOTED: That an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 11-94 Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program) be given second reading by title only and be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

24. Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 10-19. - Distribution of lighters and tobacco to and possession thereof by minors) be given second reading by title only and be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	No
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Allie questioned the portion about distribution of lighters to a person under the age of 21 and disagreed with it.

25. Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was

VOTED: That an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 2-236 (5). - Media Systems Specialist, amendment to term) be given second reading by title only and be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

26. Upon motion of Councilors Beltrandi and Bean, it was VOTED: That Mass DOT be requested to provide a bridge inspection report and anticipated replacement schedule for bridge W-25-002 Little River Road bridge over Great Brook aka Sherman's Mill Bridge and be REFERRED TO ENGINEERING, DPW and MAYOR.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Beltrandi informed the Council that there is a portion of the bridge that did not get done in the initial project and since that time has been hit by trucks and now is very narrow and cars have to stop to let an 18-wheeler go by. Councilor Sullivan informed the Council that the City did buy a home in that area in good faith that this project would get done. Councilor Bean expressed his concern that there is a lack of communication on the project.

27. Upon motion of Councilors Morganelli and Allie, it was VOTED: That the ordinances for flag flying on city properties be reviewed and amended and be REFERRED TO CITY PROPERTIES COMMITTEE, LAW DEPARTMENT and MAYOR.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

28. Upon motion of Councilor Morganelli, it was VOTED: That the ordinance for Home occupation and Home-based business (Section 5-100.1) be reviewed and amended and be REFERRED TO ZONING, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

29. Upon motion of Councilor Figy, it was VOTED: That the ordinance relative to vehicles for hire (Chapter 9, article 9, sections 9-311 and 9-312), be reviewed and amended to add enforcement and penalty language as none exists and

be REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE and LAW DEPARTMENT.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Mello announced that the Historical Commission is doing 3D virtual tours of historic sites and the information is posted on the webpage. She also reminded everyone that UMass is accepting people for COVID PFAS testing antibodies and the information is on their webpage.

Councilor Flaherty announced that ZPD will be meeting May 27th and will also be scheduling more meetings as needed for the zoning petitions.

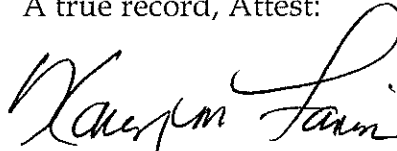
Councilor Allie asked the status naming the rail trail bridge per a letter from Don Wielgus. Councilor Burns suggested that he put a motion on the next Council agenda to have it referred to City Properties Committee.

At 8:44 PM, and upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was VOTED: To ADJOURN.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Kristen Mello	Yes
Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
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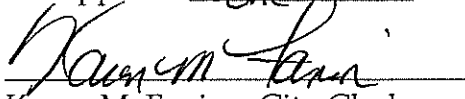


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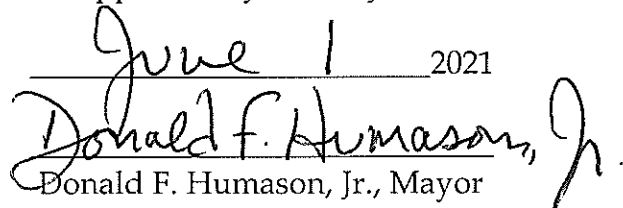
City Clerk/Clerk of the Council

Presented to the Mayor

For approval June 1 2021


Karen M. Fanion, City Clerk

Approved by the Mayor

June 1 2021

Donald F. Humason, Jr., Mayor