



CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**
Meeting Location: **City Hall, Council Chambers**
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, August 09, 2023**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Hackett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Carrier, Deputy Mayor Shanahan, Councilor Cullen, Councilor Thibodeaux, Councilor Williams, Councilor Hackett, Councilor Warach, and Councilor Nemeth.

Absent: Councilor Muffett-Lipinski

Also Present: City Manager Joyal, City Attorney Wyatt

5. PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve the agenda as presented and revised to bring item 13. B. 1 up to come after item 8: Public Forum. Seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux. Vote: 8-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. CHAPTER 170, SECTIONS: TABLE OF CONTENTS, 6, 12, 19, 20, 21, 27.1, 27.2, 28, 32, AND 53

SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CULLEN AS PLANNING BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Mayor Carrier opened the public hearing.

Mayor Carrier, seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

B. CHAPTER 145 – WASTE MANAGEMENT, SECTION 2

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Mayor Carrier opened the public hearing.

Stephanie Goodwin, owner of Beacon Waste Services in Dover offered to be included in committee discussions before this ordinance takes effect as it will be detrimental to her business.

Lee LaPierre, Dover citizen and HOA president expressed concerns about how the ordinance as written will affect his community and their contract with their waste removal company. He is also willing to participate in committee discussions.

Mayor Carrier closed the public hearing.

C. FISCAL YEAR 2024 CIP APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CWSRF LOAN FOR HENRY LAW PARK STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

(REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.)

(CITY COUNCIL VOTE TO OCCUR ON AUGUST 23, 2023.)

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

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City Manager Joyal explained the proposal of funding through the waterfront TIF and recommended to proceed as presented on the agenda and discuss the item. No vote is allowed tonight due to the time restriction, but the board should decide whether to move forward with the resolution and vote at the next meeting or substitute a resolution.

Discussion ensued and City Manager Joyal answered questions from board members.

**D. FISCAL YEAR 2024 CIP APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR BONDING OF PORTSMOUTH DOVER WATER SYSTEMS INTERCONNECT
(REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.)
(CITY COUNCIL VOTE TO OCCUR ON AUGUST 23, 2023.)
SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST**

Mayor Carrier opened the public hearing.

Mayor Carrier, seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

8. PUBLIC FORUM

Taxpayers, Business owners, and Residents are invited to speak on any issue pertaining to the business of the City of Dover. Statements shall be limited to five minutes.

Carolyn Mebert of Dover asked the board to support the Dover para-professionals contract.

Kristen Bonny of Barrington, an employee at Woodman Park School, was on the negotiating team for this contract. She noted there is still work to be done and noted several employees have left for other districts who pay more for health insurance. She asked for these employees to be better funded moving forward.

Heather Daniel of Dover is a substitute teacher and is qualified for para education. She explained the children using para educators need the personal relationships and these educators with this qualification should be compensated for their skills.

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B. RESOLUTIONS

**1. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT—DOVER PARAEDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION (DPA)
SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST**

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve the resolution. Seconded by Councilor Hackett. City Manager Joyal gave an overview of the Resolution to the Council. Roll Call Vote: 8-0

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyal submitted his report in writing and gave a few highlights to the Council regarding Recreation staff/ summer camps, paving and sewer projects, emergency purchases and

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household hazardous waste day. The state has notified that the Oak St. bridge will be closed for about two weeks for repairs.

Councilor Hackett encouraged residents to support local restaurants so they don't go out of business.

Discussion occurred/ update given about work on a culvert.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to accept the City Manager's Report; seconded by Councilor Williams. Vote: 8-0.

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 26, 2023 – Regular Meeting

B. August 2, 2023 – Workshop

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve both sets of Minutes. Seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux. Vote: 8-0.

Councilor Cullen stated he would prefer the minutes moving forward to include more information about what was reported/discussed.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier congratulated and welcomed back Councilor Warach and highlighted past Dover events.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan gave a report on a meeting he attended regarding COAST and a ribbon-cutting for a bank.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to accept the Mayor's Report. Seconded by Councilor Williams. Vote: 8-0.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES IN THE 2nd READING

1. CHAPTER 170, SECTIONS: TABLE OF CONTENTS, 6, 12, 19, 20, 21, 27.1, 27.2, 28, 32, AND 53

SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CULLEN AS PLANNING BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for its adoption. Seconded by Councilor Williams.

Councilor Cullen noted there are still some specific wording edits to be worked out with staff, but nothing substantial enough to hold up the process. Roll call vote: 8-0.

2. CHAPTER 145 – WASTE MANAGEMENT, SECTION 2

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Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for its adoption. Seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux. City Manager Joyal gave an overview of the Resolution to the Council. Mayor Carrier noted the public has expressed some concerns tonight about this item. City Manager Joyal suggested the item be tabled or sent back to the solid waste advisory commission for further examination and discussion with affected parties. Deputy Mayor Shanahan agreed and expounded that the Ordinance committee had the same reaction. This issue is understood, but before taking action, it is best to meet with the private haulers and HOAs.

Councilor Hackett commented she would not vote in favor of this as-is. There are not enough parameters.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to table the item. Seconded by Councilor Warach. Vote: 8-0.

B. ORDINANCES IN THE 3RD READING

C. RESOLUTIONS

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS CONSULTING SERVICES – PESCHEL CONSULTING LLC**
SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST
- 2. RESIDENTIAL PAY-AS-YOU-THROW TRASH BAGS**
SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for the adoption of the Consent Calendar. Seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux. Councilor Cullen wanted to pull item 13.A.1 in order to ask a question.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for the adoption of 13.A.2. Seconded by Councilor Hackett. Roll Call Vote: 8-0

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for the adoption of 13.A.1. Seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux. Councilor Cullen asked some clarifying questions regarding funds spent and timeframe of this contract. City Manager Joyal addressed the questions. Roll Call Vote: 8-0

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| 1. School Board (Muffett-Lipinski) | 16. Ordinance Committee (Shanahan) |
| 2. Planning Board (Cullen) | 17. Parking Commission (Hinkel) |
| 3. Appointments Committee (Williams) | 18. Pool Advisory Committee (Hackett) |
| 4. Arena Commission (Hackett) | 19. Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion (Nemeth) |
| 5. Arts Commission (Nemeth) | 20. Recreation Advisory Board (Shanahan) |
| 6. Board of Health (Thibodeaux) | 21. Solid Waste Advisory Commission (Muffett-Lipinski) |
| 7. Collaborative City Council and School Board (M-Lipinski) | 22. Transportation Advisory Commission (Williams) |
| 8. Conservation Commission (Williams) | 23. Waterfront TIF Advisory Board (Shanahan) |
| 9. Downtown TIF Advisory Board (Hinkel) | 24. Joint Building Committee – DHS (Carrier) |
| 10. Energy Commission (Thibodeaux) | 25. COAST (Shanahan) |
| 11. Graffiti Management Ad Hoc Committee (Nemeth) | 26. Coheco Waterfront Development Advisory Committee (Carrier) |
| 12. Heritage Commission (Nemeth) | |



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13. Legislative Liaison (Shanahan)

14. Library Board of Trustees (Thibodeaux)

15. McConnell Center Advisory Committee (Thibodeaux)

27. Dover Main Street (Carrier)

28. Strafford Regional Planning Commission (Williams)

29. Government Affairs (Carrier)

Councilor Nemeth updated the board on the graffiti wall at the Community Trail and Heritage Commission meeting discussions on the assessment of the waterworks building.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan attended the NHMA legislative year end wrap up and updated the board on finances, meals and room taxes, grants, school funding, licensing, Medicaid and HB75 which changes how County commissioners are elected.

Councilor Thibodeaux updated the board on a discussion about a room at the McConnell center and finances and maintenance for the building.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan noted the Ordinance Committee has an upcoming meeting with the Dover Utilities Commission regarding storm water utility.

Councilor Hackett noted there was no quorum at the meeting, but they are expecting improvement there with the two recent appointments. Jenny Thompson improvements are on hold. She read a report for the board. She also read a report regarding the Arena Commission.

Councilor Nemeth updated the board that community listening and community forums will be planned by the Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion in late 2023-early 2024.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan noted the dedication of the Olympian Plaque was in July, concrete work has been done at the skate park and a dedication is planned for September, the design of the Community Pavilion at the waterfront is under revision.

C. RESOLUTIONS

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 EXPECTATIONS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL FOR CITY MANAGER

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve. Seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux.

City Manager Joyal gave an overview of the Resolution to the Council. Roll Call Vote: 8-0.

D. ORDINANCES IN 1ST READING

14. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

15. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST

Councilor Thibodeaux noted Coffee with a Councilor will happen this Saturday.

16. ADJOURN

Councilor Warach moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Nemeth. Vote: 8-0