

CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**
Meeting Location: **City Hall, Council Chambers**
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, March 27, 2024**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ~~MOMENT OF SILENCE~~

3. ~~PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE~~

4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Present: Councilor Cullen, Councilor Nemeth, Councilor Richer, Councilor Williams, Councilor Hackett, Councilor Retrosi, Councilor Warach, Deputy Mayor Shanahan, Mayor Carrier
Also Present: City Manager Joyal, City Attorney Wyatt, City Clerk Vansylyvong-Bizier

5. PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS

None.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilor Nemeth. Vote: 9-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. SETTING OF PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR ELDERLY, BLIND AND DISABLED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 (THIS RESOLUTION REQUIRES A MAJORITY VOTE) SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Micaela Demeter, 33A Piscataqua Road, spoke in favor of the of elderly, blind, and disabled exemptions.

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.

Shellie Lemelin, 9 Western Ave, asked the Council to find a space at the skate park or an empty building that could be renovated for extracurricular use.

Hannah Holland Moritz, 65 Oak Street, spoke in favor of a Ceasefire resolution.

Rob Kleiman, 36 Mathes Hill, asked that if the Council drafts a Ceasefire resolution that is condemn Hamas.

Nicole Cadrette, 35 Glenwood Ave, spoke in favor a Ceasefire resolution.

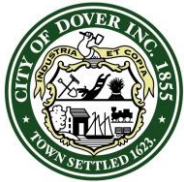
Linds Kels, Locust Street, spoke in favor of a Ceasefire resolution.

Josie Pinto, spoke in favor of a Ceasefire resolution.

Jeff Warach, Silver Street, believes that a Ceasefire resolution is out of the scope of municipal governance and spoke against the Ceasefire resolution.

Adam Buchanan, 202 Central Ave, spoke in favor of the Ceasefire resolution.

Steve Giguere, 26 Danielle Lane, spoke against the Ceasefire resolution.



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Peter Schmidt, 53A Fourth Street, spoke in favor of the Ceasefire resolution.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyal invited Police Chief Breault to the podium to present the Dover Police Department's accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Information Agencies.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to accept the City Manager's Report, seconded by Councilor Hackett. Vote: 9-0.

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 13, 2024 – Regular & Non-Public Meeting

B. March 20, 2024 – Special & Workshop Meeting

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilor Williams. Vote: 9-0.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier introduced Willie Hopkins to the Council, Willie is a student at St. Thomas Academy and is very interested in Municipal Government.

The Mayor gave an overview of events and meetings he attended over the last couple weeks.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES IN THE 2ND READING

B. ORDINANCES IN THE 3RD READING

C. RESOLUTIONS

1. SETTING OF PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR ELDERLY, BLIND, AND DISABLED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

(THIS RESOLUTION REQUIRES A MAJORITY VOTE)

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for its adoption, seconded by Councilor Hackett. Roll Call Vote 9-0.

13. NEW BUSINESS

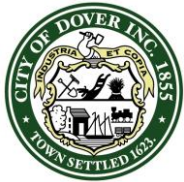
A. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT UNITIL CONSTRUCTION DEPOSIT FOR 1100 FOOT SECTION OF UTILITY MAIN

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

2. PURCHASE OF INDOOR POOL – CHILDREN'S MUSEUM SOLAR ARRAY

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST



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3. B22042 PAVEMENT MARKINGS

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4. B22043 REFLECTORIZED PAVEMENT LINES

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

5. B23005 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

6. APPROVAL OF GRANITE STATE INDEPENDENT LIVING MCCONNELL CENTER LEASE

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

7. APPROVAL OF KID'S CULTURE CHILD CARE MCCONNELL CENTER LEASE

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

8. APPROVAL OF NORTHEASTERN BALLET THEATRE MCCONNELL CENTER LEASE

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Councilor Hackett.

Mayor Carrier asked the Council if they had any items they would like to pull for further discussion.

Councilor Cullen pulled 13.A.1. and 13.A.2.

Councilor Nemeth pulled 13.A.3.

Mayor Carrier asked for a roll call vote for the remaining items on the Consent Calendar.

Roll Call Vote: 8-0.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve 13.A.1. seconded by Councilor Retrosi. Roll Call Vote: 9-0.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve 13.A.2. seconded by Councilor Hackett. Roll Call Vote: 8-1, with Councilor Cullen opposed.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to approve 13.A.3. seconded by Councilor Nemeth. Roll Call Vote: 9-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

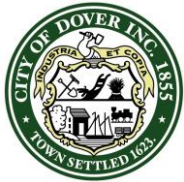
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| 1. Arts Commission (Nemeth) | 16. Solid Waste Advisory Committee (Hackett) |
| 2. Conservation Commission (Williams) | 17. Transportation Advisory Commission (Richer) |
| 3. Library Board of Trustees (Nemeth) | 18. Joint Building Committee – DHS (Carrier) |
| 4. Appointments Committee (Williams) | 19. Heritage Commission (Retrosi) |
| 5. Planning Board (Cullen) | 20. Board of Health (Richer) |
| 6. School Board Liaison (Hackett) | 21. Downtown TIF Advisory Board (Warach) |
| 7. Arena Commission (Hackett) | 22. Cocheco Waterfront Development Advisory Committee (Carrier) |
| 8. Recreation Advisory (Retrosi) | 23. COAST (Shanahan) |
| 9. Energy Commission (Richer) | 24. Waterfront TIF Advisory Board (Warach) |
| 10. Parking Commission (Warach) | 25. Dover Main Street (Carrier) |
| 11. McConnell Center Advisory Committee (Retrosi) | 26. Strafford Regional Planning Commission (Williams) |

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- 12. Legislative Liaison (Shanahan)
- 13. Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion (Nemeth)
- 14. Graffiti Management Advisory Committee (Nemeth)
- 15. Ordinance Committee (Shanahan)

- 27. Government Affairs (Carrier)
- 28. Pool Advisory (Retrosi)
- 29. Cemetery Board (Warach)
- 30. Joint Building Committee – Athletic Complex (Cullen)

Councilor Williams provided an Appointments Committee Report:

2 Resignations: Jason Aube and Bruce Batchelder from Conservation Commission

2 Changes in Status: Kristen Murphy alternate to regular member, Conservation Commission.
Jake Geddes, alternate to regular member, Conservation Commission.

Re-appointments: Nancy Volpe, regular member, Open Lands
Robert Marggraf, regular member, Cemetery Board

4 new appointments:

Lucas Veitch, alternate member, Energy Commission

Kean McDermott, alternate member, Transportation Advisory Commission

Mallory Strange, alternate member, Planning Board

Russ Warnock, alternate member, Conservation Committee

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to accept the appointments committee recommendations to include the recommendation for new appointments, accepting resignations, and new appointments seconded by Councilor Warach. Vote: 9-0.

Deputy Mayor Shanahan gave an overview of the COAST report to the Council.

Councilor Retrosi gave an overview of a recreation committee and pool committee meeting that he attended with City Manager Joyal.

Councilor Cullen gave an update on the JBC for the Athletic Complex.

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. B24026 FIFTH & GROVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for its adoption, seconded by Councilor Warach. Roll Call Vote: 9-0.

2. B21048 ADDITIONAL SCOPE OF WORK DESIGN CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE FIFTH & GROVE STREETS RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT AMENDMENT #4

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

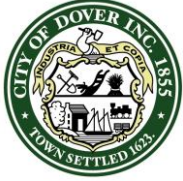
Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for its adoption, seconded by Councilor Nemeth. Roll Call Vote: 9-0.

3. B22040 HVAC PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICES AMENDMENT #2 YEAR THREE EXTENSION

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved for its adoption, seconded by Councilor Nemeth. Roll Call Vote: 9-0.

4. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 CIP PROJECT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HVAC UPGRADE



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(THIS RESOLUTION REQUIRES A PUBLIC HEARING AND A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE TO OCCUR ON APRIL 10, 2024)

SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Shanahan moved to refer the resolution to a public hearing to take place on April 10, 2024, seconded by Councilor Warach. Vote: 9-0.

C. ORDINANCES IN 1ST READING

14. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

A. Letter from Xfinity, dated March 15, 2024

Mayor Carrier motioned to put letter on file, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shanahan. Vote: 9-0.

15. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST

Councilor Nemeth congratulated the High School on their performance of Freaky Friday. She also thanked Community Services for their work pre-treating the roads during a weather event. She also thanked the teams that were involved in the clean up during the storm.

Mayor Carrier reminded the Council of the State of City taking place on March 28.

City Manager Joyal reminded the Council that next week's meeting will start with a Workshop at 7pm and then a Special Meeting will follow for the Council to adopt the FY2025 budget.

Mayor Carrier explained that he wants to acknowledge the accomplishments of other schools in the City.

Councilor Richer explained that her and Councilor Warach have been working on a Ceasefire resolution to be inclusive.

16. ADJOURN

Councilor Nemeth motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Richer. Vote: 9-0.