



CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: Council Chambers - 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, March 11, 2009**
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

1. MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Carrier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Myers, Deputy Mayor Trefethen, Councilors Callaghan, Carrier, Cheney, DeDe, Scott and Weston.

Absent: Councilor McCusker.

Also Present: City Manager Joyal, City Attorney Krans and City Clerk Lavertu.

4. PROCLAMATIONS – American Red Cross

Mayor Myers said there was no one present to accept the Proclamation.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Trefethen asked to add the Legislative Report to the Agenda.

Councilor Scott asked to have 12.B.3. moved to after the Mayor's Report; seconded by Councilor Cheney.

Mayor Myers asked for a vote on moving Item 12.B.3. to after the Mayor's Report.

Vote: 7/1; Passed. Councilor DeDe was opposed.

Councilor Weston made a motion to accept the amended Agenda; seconded by Councilor Callaghan.

Vote: 8/0.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Citizens are invited to speak on any issue pertaining to the business of the City of Dover. Statements shall be limited to five minutes.

Ronald Huml, 199 Mast Road: He spoke about the article in the newspaper on the School Budget and the additional \$800,000 coming from the State. He said the School thinks the money belongs to them, but he felt it belonged to the taxpayers. He said according to the State \$5,000 per child was an adequate amount for education, and right now Dover students are getting \$9,000 between the State and taxpayers. He felt the additional funds should go back to the taxpayers. He said this was brought up in 2001, when \$1.3 million came from the State, which the City determined belonged to the City and not the School. He said the School told the Council they needed \$900,000 of that money for a one time purchase, and the Council approved letting the School have the \$900,000. He said the School has received this money every year since then, not as the same item, and he felt the School owed the City about \$7 million. He just didn't think it was fair to the taxpayers for the School to keep the \$800,000. He said he also supports people speak at the podium during workshops.



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Harvey J. Lynch, 26B Lincoln Street: He spoke about the Local Government Center teaching municipal workers how to bypass the tax cap. He said some of the citizens don't like this. He said the citizens are paying money to the Local Government Center, only to be worked over. He felt the citizens shouldn't be paying that. He said it would be fine if the managers want to have their own organization, but the citizens shouldn't have to pay for it. He said the City is trying to work around the tax cap, and when the government grants go away the City ends up paying more. He told the Council to be more frugal and make some tough decisions. He said things are not as rosy as the Council painted at the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Mary Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane: She referred to Item 11.B.2. and read the Resolution for the citizens. She said she supported this change to Council rules for a number of reasons. She said the City Council was elected by the citizens to conduct the business of the City. She said any opportunity for citizens to participate in the process, as is their right, to give instructions to their representative, should be permitted and encouraged. She said input from citizens during workshops may contribute to a smoother workshop. She said she also saw the benefit of having citizen's forum at the beginning and ending of a workshop. She said she appreciated the intent of this Resolution, but also felt that the Council had to listen to what the citizens had to say. She said the Council tends to be blocks of stone, without emotion and not answering questions from the citizens. She referred to former Deputy Mayor Hindle, who always made sure he addressed questions. She encouraged the Council to support this Resolution.

John Leggett, 128 Dover Point Road: He referred to the CAFR report, and said it was outstanding. He did have some questions about the upcoming budget and the process. He said the CAFR reported that the City had \$16.5 million in authorized but unissued debt. He said it wasn't clear whether that will be issued in fiscal year 2009, and if that will change the debt service level for 2010. He said the CAFR also showed that the City had a 43% increase in property tax revenue since 2003. He said population has gone up in Dover by 10 to 15 percent, and inflation has gone up an aggregate of 10% for the same period, or 15% over the past five years. He asked that the Council show the top three elements of the budget that have driven the need to increase property taxes above both population growth and inflation. He said the CAFR also shows a growth in net assets, which shows solid fiscal health in the City. He said the assets can't be monetized and don't pay for the costs. He said it hides the significant liabilities that are going to fall to the taxpayers over time. He said one liability was \$42.5 million in unfunded post-employment benefits, which has grown 37% since 2005. He referred to Mayor Myers' question about setting aside a fund for that, but he didn't hear an answer from the auditor on whether that was a good idea or not. He asked if the City is expecting that growth rate to continue, because right now the unfunded post-employment benefits are 100 to 150 percent of current payroll. He asked if this amount was expected to decrease either by setting aside a fund to take care of it, or if the City expected it to decrease over time. He referred to the energy efficiency workshop and Johnson Controls' comment that the biggest benefit would come from the Arena. He said the Council should look at selling the Arena, because it would add cash into the budget and he felt a private firm could run it more efficiently than the City. He said he didn't know if the City wanted to run a commercial enterprise, but it needs to be run like a commercial enterprise to pay down the debt. He said he also agreed with the Workshop rules, and felt it would be beneficial for the residents.



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Richard Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane: He said good evening to the blocks of stone. He said he asked years ago to have agendas and agenda packets provided at the podium for the citizens to view. He said he understood the need to conserve paper, but he asked the City Manager to provide those again. He said the video equipment for recording the meetings is horrendous, and asked the City Manager to look into it and get it fixed. He also asked that the video be available for viewing on the website.

Mayor Myers, seeing no one else wishing to speak, closed the Citizen's Forum.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 73, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, MCCONNELL CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST

Mayor Myers, seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the Public Hearing.

B. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 131, OFFENSES
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CHENEY

Abby Martine, 8th grader at Dover Middle School; Olivia Luce, Sophomore at Dover High School; Max Bortz, 7th grader at Dover Middle School: Miss Luce said they were here from Dover Youth to Youth, an after school prevention program. She said they were here in support of banning tobacco products from Shaw's Lane fields. Miss Martine reiterated why they were present. She said they were not here because of the health effects from second hand smoke, because it is an open outside area. She said it wasn't teaching children the right message seeing adults smoking at this facility. Miss Luce said there was also the problem of cigarette butts littering the ground. Mr. Bortz mentioned the fire hazards from cigarettes butts. Miss Luce said this was a facility used by kids and the message must be sent that smoking isn't allowed. Miss Martine asked for the Council's help in making these fields tobacco free.

Richard Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane: He said there were two sides to every story. He said he agreed with the children 100 percent. However, the Council can't legislate morality. He said he was curious if the children that just spoke went over to the adults and told them they were littering when a cigarette butt was thrown on the ground. He said that is what they should be doing as a people, and not come before the Council asking for legislation against stupid people. He again said the children were right, but it was up to the people to stand up and do something about it.

Mayor Myers, seeing no one else wishing to speak, closed the Public Hearing.



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C. RESOLUTION: SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR LIBRARY ROOF REPAIRS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR BONDING SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CALLAGHAN

Mayor Myers, seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the Public Hearing.

D. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 166-56, VEHICLES & TRAFFIC, SCHEDULE I, NO PARKING AT ANY TIME ON WASHINGTON STREET SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR WESTON

Charles Alty, 46 Morrison Lane: He said Morrison Lane is also known as Washington Highlands. He said he is President of his association, which consists of 24 units. He said he was present on behalf of the Board of Directors for his association. He said there have been complaints from previous board members that led to the City's investigation of this situation, which led to the recommendations to the Transportation Advisory Committee, that are now before the Council. He said the changes are recommended so the dangerous conditions don't continue. He said it is extremely dangerous to pull out into traffic from Morrison Lane onto Washington Street, and a few residents have almost been hit by oncoming traffic, because a truck has been parked on the side of the road obscuring their view. He said it is even more difficult with snow. He said, speaking on behalf of all the residents on Morrison Lane, that he encouraged the Council's adoption of this Ordinance. He handed out pictures of the area in question to the Council.

Mayor Myers, seeing no one else wishing to speak, closed the Public Hearing.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyal spoke about the availability of the stimulus funds, and said the State has very little information at this point on the amount of funds and how they will be distributed. He said the City is identifying particular programs and budget items that could be available for funding to take the burden off the taxpayer. He said there are two transportation projects which the City knows they will be receiving funds for, and a drainage project for which the City is just waiting for confirmation. The transportation projects are the Route 9 Bridge and the Washington Street Bridge. The drainage project is on Broadway. He said there are 300 different programs available for funding, and the City's staff is looking at opportunities for additional funding. He took the time to address some questions from Citizen's Forum. He said he will follow up with Mr. Leggett's questions on the CAFR, but that most information was on Pages 20 to 30 in the Budget book. He said the question of selling the Arena has come up before. He said the City is not in a position to sell the Arena, because the land is in a trust. The City has looked into contracting a private company to run the facility, but was told they couldn't run the facility for less than the City currently does. He apologized that there weren't copies of the agenda on the podium, but they are usually put there for the citizens. He said he will have one agenda packet available at each meeting, but that it is readily available on-line and in the City Clerk/Tax Collection Office for the public. He referred to the comments about Channel 22 and said the



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most recent problems have been because they didn't have camera operators to record the meeting.

Mayor Myers asked about putting the broadcast on the website.

City Manager Joyal said that part of the funding through the cable franchise agreement will allow for On Demand broadcasting of the meetings.

Councilor Scott complimented the City Manager for numbering the pages of his City Manager's Report, because it makes it easier to follow. He referred to Page 27 and the Sand & Gravel bid. He asked if Severino was included in the bid process, how much can the City expect to pay, and how much is the City going to buy.

City Manager Joyal said the City goes through this process every year, and has answered this question for Councilor Scott before. He said the City needs processed sand and gravel. He said the Mast Road gravel pit is not processed. He said if Severino can process it, they will be considered. He said Severino does screen sand for the City to use during the winter, and at no cost.

Councilor Callaghan asked about the distribution of the agenda and how a citizen can get a copy to take home.

City Manager Joyal said copies are available to be viewed at the City Clerk/Tax Collection Office and the Library. He said they can have a copy made to take home.

Councilor Callaghan asked if they had to pay for that.

City Manager Joyal said yes, \$.50 a page.

Councilor Callaghan asked for the amount spent to date on snowplowing.

City Manager Joyal said his report wasn't copied correctly, and he would get that information to the Council.

Councilor Callaghan referred to the people on the list for snowplowing. He said he spoke to someone who was the last one put on the list, and they have not been asked to plow this season. He asked what the procedure was for snowplowing.

City Manager Joyal said first the City goes out to bid annually for private contractors to supplement and assist the City with plowing. He said anyone on the list is subject to a call based on the needs of the snowplowing crew. He said it was based on the type of equipment the contractors had.

Mayor Myers said he appreciated having the Arena information on a separate sheet. He said he was happy to see the Fast Trans route numbers.

Councilor Cheney referred to a discussion from a year ago about work being done by the City at facilities that don't pay taxes, and having a payment made in lieu of taxes. She said she didn't recall hearing anything more about this and asked the City Manager to refresh the Council what came about with that.

City Manager Joyal said he did approach different entities, the Dover Housing Authority being one. He said as part of last year's budget, Dover Housing Authority agreed to provide additional funding for an additional police officer. He said the other issues are with churches and non-profit organizations, where the City doesn't have a leg to stand on because they are exempt. He said he and Mayor Myers met with representatives of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, and they have agreed to provide funding for the outreach program.

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved to accept the City Manager's Report; seconded by Councilor DeDe.

Vote: 8/0.



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9. MINUTES

A. February 25, 2009

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved for their approval; seconded by Councilor DeDe.
Vote: 8/0.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Myers said he attended several ribbon cuttings. He said it was a positive sign that businesses were growing. He said he had been communicating with Lorraine Sencicle, a woman from Dover, England. He referred the citizens to a website: www.doversociety.homestead.com. He said it was a website about different Dovers throughout the world. He said he met with Leslie Vogt, State Representative for the 2010 Census. He said in the first phase citizens will start seeing census workers who are verifying addresses and gathering information for their database. He said the actual counting part for the census will be through the mail in 2010. He mentioned again the need for volunteers for boards and commissions. He congratulated Steven Jencso on earning his Eagle Scout. He mentioned his meeting with the Municipal Organization that morning. He mentioned that he and the City Manager met with Senator Amanda Merrill to discuss the budget, stimulus funding, and revenue sharing. He said Senator Merrill appreciates the communication that the Council has with her. He thanked the City Manager and Dover Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring the State of the City event on March 10th. He said his "Coffee with the Mayor" event was very well attended. He said his son is on the Dover High School basketball team, and they are playing their first game in the playoffs.

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved to accept the Mayor's Report; seconded by Councilor Weston.
Vote: 8/0.

12.B.3. RESOLUTION: DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH DEAN PESCHEL SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved for its approval; seconded by Councilor DeDe.
Councilor Scott said he asked for this to be moved up on the Agenda, because he felt it was a general policy issue, and he didn't like to see these major policy issue resolutions at the end of the session. He said this proposal increases the annual salary of an individual by 18.7%, and felt in consideration of the uncertain economic situation that the City should refrain from any pay increases. He said he felt the City employees will understand that many taxpayers are having difficulty paying their taxes, along with the value of their houses and retirement savings going down. He felt we should all bear the sacrifice of restraining all of our expenses. He said when the economy changes this can be revisited.

Councilor DeDe said this is a larger increase than one might expect to hear, but there are several other arrangements within the contract where the applicant is giving up money. He said the healthcare contribution went from 9% to 20%. He said this individual has been with Dover for 17 years. He said this contract is a new dimension with more responsibilities, and should be compensated. He said the Council should be happy we don't have to train someone new, and



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that saves the City money. He said the City of Dover was recognized for land preservation. He said Mr. Peschel is a loyal employee.

Councilor Cheney said she asked the City Manager for specifics on savings. She said the last paragraph stated that the City would save \$51,000 over three years. She said she was concerned about the raises being determined by the department head. She asked, if the Section 125 charge was taken out, would the City still see the \$51,000 savings over three years?

City Manager Joyal said no, it would back out at least \$21,000, leaving \$30,000 in savings over three years. He explained the creation of the Deputy Community Services position. He asked the Council to allow this position to be added to the classification plan several months back, recognizing that one of the largest departments in the City was without a second in command. He said the bottom line is that the City is not increasing staff, but taking an existing staff position and expanding duties and responsibilities for that position. He said the individual has more than 20 years with the City, is part of a union, and is grandfathered accrued leave time. He said the salary increase in the contract is \$13,000, but the employee has \$20,000 of accrued leave time. He spoke of the 125 spiking charge, which the Council was familiar with, where a penalty is charged to the employer. He said there is a change to the individual's base salary, but the net gain is negligible. He said the cost savings to the City was considerable.

Councilor Weston asked if Mr. Peschel's current title will be removed from the classification plan.

City Manager Joyal said he didn't plan to remove it from the classification plan, but he didn't have any intention of filling it.

Councilor Weston asked if the City Manager planned on funding Mr. Peschel's existing position as Environmental Projects Manager in next year's budget.

City Manager Joyal said he would not be funding that position.

Councilor Weston asked if Mr. Peschel will be able to do both his old job duties and his new responsibilities.

City Manager Joyal said he would have to juggle priorities.

Mayor Myers reminded the Council that this person was in a position that had not received a pay increase in the last four years. He said you have to factor in Mr. Peschel not getting a raise in the last four years, additional responsibilities, accrued leave off the books, a quality employee, and that this gives the Community Service Director backup. He said the numbers work on this when you look at the entire scenario.

Deputy Mayor Trefethen said he would support this Resolution.

Councilor Callaghan said he did realize Mr. Peschel is an excellent employee. He said he had a problem with the amount of the increase. He felt it should not be more than 5%, and felt it should be 5% each year. He said Mr. Peschel would be making \$105,300 five years from now. He said he wasn't sure the City needed another upper management position. He said he was concerned with Mr. Peschel becoming so involved in helping the Community Services Director, that he will lose sight of Willand Pond and Tolend Landfill, and another person will need to be hired. He said he was uncomfortable with the Community Services Director being the sole person who can, at his own discretion, give Mr. Peschel a raise. He felt that only the City Manager or the Council should be able to give him a raise. He said he hasn't seen Mr. Peschel's resume, but felt the Environmental Projects Manager was being put in charge of one of the largest departments doing multiple tasks at one time. He said he would like to work on this Resolution. He said he probably wasn't going to support it, because he really wanted the numbers spread out.



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Councilor Carrier said he didn't feel that the City could take the experience that Mr. Peschel has and replace him with the salary he is receiving today.
Councilor Scott made a motion to table this Resolution; seconded by Deputy Mayor Trefethen.
Vote: 7/1; Passed. Councilor DeDe was opposed.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES IN THE 2nd READING

**1. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 73, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE,
MCCONNELL CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST**

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor DeDe.
Mayor Myers referred to the State Statute where a Planning Board member can only serve on a very limited number of committees. He said this was just a housekeeping measure to remove the Planning Board member from this committee.
Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

**2. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 131, OFFENSES
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CHENEY**

Councilor Cheney moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Weston.
Councilor Cheney said there was a new copy of this Ordinance on the Councilors' desks. She made a motion to substitute as a whole; seconded by Councilor Weston.
Vote: 8/0.

Councilor Cheney went over the changes. She said she was approached by members of Youth to Youth. She said she brought this forward to stop smoking at the City's fields. She said kids tend to emulate what they see. She asked the Council for support.
Deputy Mayor Trefethen said he was also approached by members of Youth to Youth. He went over the whole Ordinance and all it covered. He said he agreed that maybe we should do some of these ourselves, but he couldn't see a child going to an adult to tell them they are littering. He said he would be supporting this Ordinance.
Councilor Callaghan agreed with the Deputy Mayor that the world had changed. He said he wasn't sure a child could go to an adult and tell them they are doing something wrong, or that even an adult could go to an adult. He said regulations are necessary. He said he would support this Ordinance.
Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

**3. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 166-56, VEHICLES & TRAFFIC, SCHEDULE I, NO
PARKING AT ANY TIME ON WASHINGTON STREET
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR WESTON**

Councilor Weston moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Cheney.



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Councilor Weston said this was reviewed by the Police Department and the Transportation Advisory Committee. She said this was a very dangerous intersection, because of the curvature of the road.

Councilor Carrier said he travels that road a lot and agrees that it is very dangerous.

Councilor Cheney said she would be supporting this Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION: SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR LIBRARY ROOF REPAIRS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR BONDING
SPONSORED BY COUNCILORS CALLAGHAN AND WESTON

Councilor Callaghan moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Weston. Councilor Callaghan said the Council has debated this Resolution for a while and made a motion to vote; seconded by Councilor Cheney.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

2. RESOLUTION: AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL RULES – RULE 2 CITIZEN'S FORUM DURING WORKSHOP SESSIONS
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CHENEY

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Councilor Cheney moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Scott.

Councilor Cheney said there were several reasons for this Resolution. She said the Council is supposed to receive instruction from our constituents. She said the citizens know the Council meets almost every Wednesday. They come to speak to the Council, but if it's a workshop session they are not allowed to speak. She said if the citizens felt it was important enough to come to the meeting, then they should be heard by the Council. She said this Resolution would allow for a Citizen's Forum before and after a workshop session. She said she needed a 2/3 vote to pass this Resolution, and she asked the Council for their support.

Councilor DeDe read an email the Council received from a constituent. It asked the Council to vote no on this Resolution.

Councilor Cheney said the email was not received by the entire Council. She said this is not an earth shattering change, but it could be changed back if it is.

Councilor Callaghan said he didn't receive the email. He felt the Council should be more open and public. The Council can determine the value and weight of a person speaking.

Councilor Carrier said he supported the Resolution.

Councilor Scott said he welcomed the public.

Councilor Weston said the Council was elected to represent the citizens.

Deputy Mayor Trefethen said this Resolution is being portrayed that certain members of the Council don't want others to speak. He said the Resolution has no provision to limit the subject matter. He said some people do not respect current rules, and he gave the example from the February 25, 2009 meeting. He said a Citizen's Forum is not the only



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way to communicate with the Council. He said people just want to be on television. He said the Council wants to listen to the citizens, and the Council wants to do its job. Mayor Myers said he agreed with the Deputy Mayor. He mentioned his Coffee with the Mayor sessions as a way to communicate with the citizens. He said he responds to signed emails, calls, and letters. He said a workshop is for the Council to receive information or roundtable discussion. He said there is no vote during a workshop and the citizens have an adequate amount of time to contact the Councilors. He said he would not support the Resolution as written. He said the Citizen's Forum discussion could derail a workshop. He said he would support the Citizen's Forum at the end of the workshop, and only on that workshop topic.

Councilor Cheney asked the Council to try it.

Councilor Scott said this was a way to open up government to more people. He said it was worth a try.

Councilor Callaghan said there are always people you like and people you don't like. He said he had no problem listening to those who come to the meeting. He said the Council might have one good idea come forward. He said he could agree to a topic-specific citizen's forum at the end of a workshop, but wanted the citizen's forum at the beginning of the meeting to be about anything. He said the Council needs to treat everyone equally.

Councilor Weston asked to make a friendly amendment.

Mayor Myers said it couldn't be amended at this time.

Councilor Weston asked the Council to consider a citizen's forum at the beginning of a workshop for any topic, and at the end of a meeting, on the workshop topic.

Roll Call Vote: 5/3; Failed. (2/3 vote required) Councilors Callaghan, Carrier, Cheney, Scott and Weston voted in favor.

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **TAG - Strafford County Stars**
2. **TAG - Dover Youth Football**
3. **PARADE - Rochester Runners Club**
4. **PARADE – Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk 2009**

5. **RESOLUTION: RFP B07044 MOWING/MAINTENANCE ATHLETIC FIELDS**
SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST

6. **RESOLUTION: NORTH END PRESSURE AND WATER MAIN DESIGN**
AMENDMENT #4
SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST

7. **RESOLUTION: ACCEPTANCE OF NYE LANE**
SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST



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| 2. Arena Committee | 9. Solid Waste Advisory Committee |
| 3. Arts Commission | 10. Transportation Advisory Committee |
| 4. McConnell Center Committee | 11. Joint Building Committee |
| 5. Planning Board | 12. Legislative Liaison |
| 6. Cable Franchise Negotiations Committee | 13. Coast Bus |
| 7. School Board Liaison | |

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved for its approval; seconded by Councilor Weston.
 Roll Call Vote: 7/0. Councilor Callaghan was absent from Council Chambers.

B. RESOLUTIONS

**1. RESOLUTION: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT AFSME LOCAL #572
 SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST**

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved for its approval; seconded by Councilor DeDe. Deputy Mayor Trefethen congratulated the union on coming to an agreement with a minor cost of living adjustment. He said because of legislation it would cost the City a significant amount of money if the Council was to pass this Resolution. Councilor Scott said he would be voting no on this Resolution, because of the difficult times.

Roll Call Vote: 1/7; Failed. Councilor Callaghan voted in favor.

**2. RESOLUTION: HORNE STREET SCHOOL JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE
 APPOINTMENTS
 SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS**

Mayor Myers moved for its adoption; seconded by Deputy Mayor Trefethen. Mayor Myers said this Resolution was on the agenda two weeks ago. He said he wanted to give people and Councilors an opportunity to express an interest in serving on the Joint Building Committee (JBC). He read Councilor McCusker's statement to the Council.

Councilor Callaghan made a motion to add the names of Raymond Bardwell, Catherine Cheney, and Karen Weston to the Resolution as appointees; seconded by Deputy Mayor Trefethen.

Mayor Myers asked for a vote on the amendment.

Vote: 8/0.

Mayor Myers asked for a vote on the amended Resolution.

Vote: 8/0.

**3. RESOLUTION: DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES EMPLOYMENT
 AGREEMENT WITH DEAN PESCHEL
 SPONSORED BY MAYOR MYERS BY REQUEST**



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Moved to after Mayor's Report on Agenda.

C. ORDINANCES IN 1ST READING

**1. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 166, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, YOUNG STREET NO PARKING (TO BE REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 8, 2009)
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR WESTON**

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved to refer to Public Hearing on April 8, 2009; seconded by Councilor Weston.

Vote: 8/0.

**2. ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 166, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, DURHAM ROAD NO PARKING (TO BE REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 8, 2009)
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR WESTON**

Deputy Mayor Trefethen moved to refer to Public Hearing on April 8, 2009; seconded by Councilor Weston.

Vote: 8/0.

D. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

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13. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST

Councilor DeDe spoke on his legislative report. He said he will be sending it to the Senator, District Representatives, and all the Mayors in New Hampshire. He spoke on the Resolution regarding Citizen's Forum. He said he welcomes positive suggestions and intelligent criticisms. He said he is anxious to serve the public. He said some citizens come misinformed and speak over and over on an issue. He said some people are tired of long meetings.

14. ADJOURN

Councilor DeDe made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Carrier.