



**CITY OF DOVER**

## CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**  
Meeting Location: **Council Chambers, City Hall**  
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, August 22, 2012**  
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Weston led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

**Present:** Mayor Trefethen, Deputy Mayor Carrier, Councilor Cheney, Councilor Crago, Councilor Garrison, Councilor Hooper, Councilor Weeden, and Councilor Weston.

**Absent:** Councilor Spuler.

**Also Present:** City Manager Joyal and Deputy City Clerk Mistretta.

### 5. PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS – None

### 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Weeden moved to add as Item 13.B.3.: Citizen Presentations at City Council Workshop Sessions; seconded by Councilor Weston.

Vote: 8/0.

Councilor Weeden moved to suspend the rules to remove from the table the resolution for Approval of Scenic Byway Application and place on the agenda as Item 13.B.4.; seconded by Councilor Crago.

Mayor Trefethen said he was concerned that the public wasn't informed about this being placed on the agenda and therefore didn't plan to come to the meeting to speak at Citizen's Forum.

Councilor Hooper said she didn't have a clear picture, and suggested another workshop with a presentation from the Planning Board.

Councilor Garrison said he didn't expect this and wasn't prepared.

Councilor Weeden asked if it could be put on the next regular meeting agenda, because he wasn't in a rush.

Mayor Trefethen said it could be put on the next regular meeting agenda.

Councilor Crago said he was comfortable with waiting for the next regular meeting.

Vote: 0/7; Failed. Councilor Cheney didn't vote.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to add the Road Toll Permit Application as Item 13.A.1.b.; seconded by Councilor Weeden.

Vote: 8/0.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Councilor Weston.

Vote: 8/0.

### 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None



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### 8. 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.*

**David Montenegro, 55 Union Street:** He spoke against the resolution for Citizen Presentations at City Council Workshop Sessions.

**Shellie Lemelin, 9 Western Avenue:** She read her statement to the Council about reinstating the FastTrans Route 34. (Her statement has been archived with these minutes.)

**David Martin, 10 Linda Avenue:** He spoke against the Scenic Byway Application and Agenda 21.

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

### 9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyal presented his report in writing to the Council. He spoke about four items that he wanted to bring to the Council's attention. 1) He said Dickinson Development has agreed to pay the City \$10,000/month to extend their contract. 2) The Whittier Street Bridge will be completed in time for school. 3) Recreation summer programs have wrapped up. The indoor pool will be closing for its annual maintenance work. The McConnell Center Gymnasium and Senior Center will take a break to allow for maintenance. He said the City will be hosting the Women's hockey tournament involving multiple days in September. 4) He said the Dover Police helped cover President Obama's visit to Rochester. He said they have charged the Obama Campaign for the officers' time, but being part of a regional team they could not refuse to help. Councilor Hooper asked if Hillary Clinton's campaign ever paid for her visit in 2008. City Manager Joyal said she did pay, but the City has changed their procedure and collect the payment before the visit.

Deputy Mayor Carrier referred to Ms. Lemelin's comments during Citizen's Forum and asked about FastTrans Route 34.

City Manager Joyal said the City was successful in securing grant funds to provide inner city bus routes. He said Route 34 was cancelled when the grant funds ran out, and the City has not budgeted for it.

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

Vote: 8/0.



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### 10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. **August 1, 2012 – Workshop**
- B. **August 8, 2012 – Regular Meeting**
- C. **August 8, 2012 – Workshop**

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to approve the Minutes; seconded by Councilor Garrison.

Vote: 8/0.

### 11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Trefethen spoke about openings on Boards and Commissions, and urged citizens to apply with the City Clerk's office. He said he attended several ribbon cuttings for new members of the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce.

Councilor Garrison said he was glad to see new businesses join the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Trefethen said it shows the City's business community is vibrant.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to accept the Mayor's Report; seconded by Councilor Garrison.

Vote: 8/0.

### 12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. **ORDINANCES IN THE 2<sup>nd</sup> READING – None**
- B. **ORDINANCES IN THE 3<sup>rd</sup> READING – None**
- C. **RESOLUTIONS - None**

### 13. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. **RAFFLE – Dover Elks #184**
- 1.b. **ROAD TOLL – Muscular Dystrophy Association**
- 2. **RESOLUTION: BOOKS & MEDIA PURCHASES**  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR TREFETHEN BY REQUEST
- 3. **RESOLUTION: B12074 IN VEHICLE PARKING METERS**  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR TREFETHEN BY REQUEST



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### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **School Board**
2. Planning Board
3. Appointments Committee
4. Recreation Advisory Board
5. McConnell Center Advisory Committee
6. Arts Commission
7. Solid Waste Advisory Commission
8. Transportation Advisory Commission
9. Joint Building Committee – Horne Street School
10. Legislative Liaison
11. Pool Advisory Committee
12. Parking Commission

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to accept the Consent Calendar; seconded by Councilor Garrison. Mayor Trefethen asked the Council if they had items they would like to pull for further discussion. Councilor Hooper asked to pull the School Board Report. Mayor Trefethen asked for a roll call vote on the remaining items of the Consent Calendar. Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

Councilor Hooper gave an overview of the School Board Report to the Council. Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to accept the School Board Report; seconded by Councilor Garrison. Vote: 8/0.

### B. RESOLUTIONS

#### 1. **FRIENDSHIP FORCE HENRY LAW PARK TREE PLANTING** SPONSORED BY MAYOR TREFETHEN BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its approval; seconded by Councilor Garrison. Councilor Weeden asked what the expected cost was going to be. Mayor Trefethen said there were no costs to the City. Vote: 8/0.

#### 2. **APPROPRIATION AND COMMITMENT FOR MCCONNELL CENTER FITOUT PROJECT (REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL)** **(TO BE REFERRED TO A PUBLIC HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2012)** SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CRAGO

Councilor Crago moved to refer to a public hearing on September 12, 2012; seconded by Councilor Weeden. Councilor Crago gave an overview of the resolution to the Council. Vote: 8/0.

#### 3. **CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS AT CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SESSIONS** SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR WEEDEN AND COUNCILOR CRAGO

Councilor Weeden moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Crago. Councilor Weeden gave an overview of the resolution to the Council, and addressed Mr. Montenegro's comments during Citizen's Forum. Councilor Crago said this resolution encourages and invites participation from the citizens.



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Councilor Hooper started a discussion about implementing a time limit for the presentations.

Councilor Cheney moved to make a friendly amendment to put a 15 minute time limit to the presentation; seconded by Councilor Garrison.

Mayor Trefethen said he doesn't believe they need a time limit. He said it would be added as #5 under Now, Therefore.

Councilor Cheney withdrew her motion.

Councilor Garrison objected to withdrawing his second, and asked for a vote.

Vote: 2/6; Failed. Councilors Hooper and Weston voted in favor.

Mayor Trefethen said he sees potential for abuse and potential to receive great information, but the Council can reverse this policy if it isn't working. He cautioned the Council to know the subject matter before bringing it before the Council.

Deputy Mayor Carrier asked where it stopped. He said saying no to a citizen is disrespectful. Who's more important than others? How many can the Council handle? He felt it should be brought forward during Citizen's Forum.

Councilor Weston moved for a friendly amendment to add #6, to have the Council decide if they wish to hold a workshop.

Mayor Trefethen said #1 and #2 go together and addresses the issue.

Councilor Garrison started a discussion about the extra staff time to address these presentations.

Vote: 5/3; Passed. Deputy Mayor Carrier, Councilors Garrison and Hooper were opposed.

### **C. ORDINANCES IN 1ST READING – None**

#### **14. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE – None**

#### **15. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST**

Councilor Weeden talked about creating a rainy day fund to direct any revenue from Local Government Center (LGC) refund and funds from the Waterfront Development. He said he will be bringing a resolution to the Council.

Councilor Crago talked about scheduling a Speak Out session.

Councilor Cheney started a discussion about inviting the Secretary of State to speak in a Town Forum regarding the LGC decision and hear their side of the story.

Councilor Weston said they should wait until after the 30-day appeal period.

Councilor Weeden said he was having a personal public session on September 8, 2012 to speak with constituents, as he is running for New Hampshire State Representative.

#### **16. ADJOURNMENT**

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Weston.

Vote: 8/0.