



**CITY OF DOVER**

## CITY COUNCIL – MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**  
Meeting Location: **City Hall, Council Chambers**  
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, March 11, 2015**  
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

**Present:** Mayor Weston, Deputy Mayor Carrier, Councilor Gagnon, Councilor Garrison, Councilor Hooper, Councilor McManus, Councilor O'Connor, and Councilor Thibodeaux.

**Absent:** Councilor Cheney

**Also Present:** City Manager Joyal, General Legal Counsel Blenkinsop, and City Clerk Lavertu.

### 5. PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS

Mayor Weston read the proclamation to the USS Norfolk representatives.

### 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Hooper moved to add the School Board Report.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to make an amendment to the minutes, and to substitute as a whole Item 12.A.1.

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

Vote: 8/0.

### 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### A. CHAPTER 166, SECTION 56 – NO PARKING ANYTIME – WOODMAN INSTITUTE – SUMMER STREET

SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

**Thom Hindle, Woodman Institute Curator:** He spoke in favor of Item 12.A.1.

### 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 Bamford, 296 Gulf Road:** He spoke in favor of the Dover Schools, and said they are underfunded.

**Nancy Lukens, 6 Cote Drive:** She spoke against Item 12.A.2.



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**Steven Shackford, 56 Durham Road, #13:** He spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Evan Rogers, Sixth Street:** He spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**John Kimball, 24 Isaac Lucas Circle:** He spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Margaret Fogarty, 16 Florence Street:** She spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Carman Buford-Paige:** She spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Mary Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane:** She spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Patricia Wulfson, 5 Rainbow Drive:** She spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Richard Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane:** He spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Jay Wulfson, 5 Rainbow Drive:** He spoke against Item 12.A.2.

**Donald Medbery, 3 Covered Bridge Lane:** He spoke against Item 12.A.2. He challenged the citizens of Dover to engage with the Council. He asked why the Local Government Center (LGC), which is now known as New Hampshire Municipal Association, still supplies the City insurance. He talked about a conflict of interest with the City Manager serving on the Board. He talked about the letter sent out from the Tax Collector regarding past due taxes, and said he had a friend who received a letter for owing \$1.00.

### 9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyal said he submitted his report in writing. He spoke about the economic development presentation given at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce. He spoke about the melting snow and stated that the crews are working on clearing storm drains. He asked for citizens' help in clearing out fire hydrants and storm drains. He gave over the City's current finances. He said they have used the snow budget. He said they are hopeful to get State help for snow removal. He said he will be presenting the 2016 City Budget on March 25, 2015, during the City Council meeting.

Mayor Weston asked when the City will know if the emergency money will be coming.

City Manager Joyal said he believes it will be in May.

Mayor Weston asked the City Manager to address the Citizen's Forum comments regarding the LGC.

City Manager Joyal said the LGC is no longer in existence and he has nothing to do with the LGC. He does not serve on the Board. He gave an overview of the City's health insurance from HealthTrust. He said for property liability they have moved to Primex. He said they are a member of the New Hampshire Municipal Association, which helps the City to be informed on legislative issues. He gave an example by referring to a vote held today regarding telephone poles not being taxable, and gave an overview of the bill to the Council.

Mayor Weston asked about comments made during Citizen's Forum regarding the tax letter that was sent out to citizen's.



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City Manager Joyal said it was a necessary evil to address people to pay their past due taxes, and he said the City doesn't have the option to write it off.

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

Vote: 8/0.

### 10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### A. February 25, 2015 – Regular Meeting

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to approve the Minutes as amended; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.

Vote: 8/0.

### 11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weston said she attended the Economic Development Breakfast at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce. She spoke about the Coheco Waterfront Development Advisory Committee (CWDAC) and recommended the following appointments for approval by the Dover Housing Authority:

Brian Gottlob, Jack Buckley, Dennis Ciotti, and Norm Fracassa. She said there is still one more vacancy, and asked citizens to apply with the City Clerk's office.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to approve the Mayor's Report; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.  
Vote: 8/0.

### 12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### A. ORDINANCES IN THE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

##### 1. CHAPTER 166, SECTION 56 – NO PARKING ANYTIME – WOODMAN INSTITUTE – SUMMER STREET

SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.

General Legal Counsel gave an overview of the resolution to the Council.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

#### B. ORDINANCES IN THE 3<sup>RD</sup> READING



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### **C. RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. 2014-2015 PROCEDURAL RULES CHANGE – COUNCIL MEETINGS  
(REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL)  
SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR GARRISON**

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Garrison.  
Vote: 8/0.

- 2. ADVANCED REFUNDING FOR CITY OF DOVER JUNE 2006 AND JUNE 2007  
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE REFUNDING  
BONDS (REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL)  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST**

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Hooper.  
Finance Director Lynch gave an overview of the resolution to the Council.  
Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

### **13. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. RAFFLE – Great Bay Figure Skating Club**
- 2. RAFFLE – Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce**
- 3. RAFFLE – Maine Coast Runners Flyball Team**
- 4. RAFFLE – St. Mary Academy**
- 5. RAFFLE – St. Thomas Aquinas High School**
- 6. BLOCK PARTY - Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce - Tuesdays**
- 7. BLOCK PARTY - Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce - Fridays**
- 8. ROAD RACE – Goodwin Community Health**
- 9. ROAD RACE – Reds Race**
- 10. ROAD RACE – St. Mary Academy**
- 11. WALK – Portsmouth Christian Academy of Dover**
- 12. PURCHASE OF ARMORED RESCUE VEHICLE THROUGH NEW HAMPSHIRE  
HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST**
- 13. RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON 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. Legislative Liaison
10. Pool Advisory Committee
11. Parking Commission
12. Ordinance Committee
13. Police and Parking Facility Building Committee
14. **Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC**

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for the adoption of the Consent Calendar; seconded by Councilor Gagnon.

Mayor Weston asked the Council if they had items they would like pulled for further discussion. Councilor O'Connor pulled item 13.A.12.

Deputy Mayor Carrier pulled the Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC Report.

Councilor Hooper pulled the School Board Report.

Mayor Weston pulled item 13.A.13.

Mayor Weston asked for a vote on the remaining items of the Consent Calendar.

Vote: 8/0.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for the adoption of Item 13.A.12.; seconded by Councilor McManus. Police Chief Colarusso gave an overview of the resolution to the Council and the reasoning why he felt this vehicle was needed in the City and neighboring communities.

Roll Call Vote: 7/1; Passed. Councilor McManus was opposed.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for the adoption of Item 13.A.13.; seconded by Councilor Garrison.

Mayor Weston requested a strikeout version of the Zoning Board of Adjustments Rules.

Councilor O'Connor moved to table the Resolution; seconded by Deputy Mayor Carrier.

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 Thibodeaux.

Vote: 8/0.

Deputy Mayor Carrier gave a verbal report on the Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC Report to the Council. He said there will be three public information sessions with tours of the building: March 26, March 28, and March 31, 2015. He is recommending Mark Gunther to fill a vacancy on the Committee, which will be accepted with the acceptance of this Report.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to accept the Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC Report; seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux.

Vote: 8/0.



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### **B. RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL #1312**  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.  
Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

- 2. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT DOVER PROFESSIONAL FIRE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION #2909**  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Hooper.  
Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

- 3. B15021 - DOVER ARENA LED LIGHTING UPGRADE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINANCING (REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL) (TO BE REFERRED TO A PUBLIC HEARING ON MARCH 25, 2015, WITH A COUNCIL VOTE ON APRIL 8, 2015)**  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Garrison.  
Vote: 8/0.

### **C. ORDINANCES IN 1ST READING**

#### **14. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE**

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

Councilor O'Connor thanked Community Services for their work on the recent water main break.

Councilor Gagnon reminded the public about the Dover High School information sessions with the Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC and urged people to attend these sessions.

Councilor Thibodeaux said she will be involved in the wheelchair basketball event at Somersworth High School on March 19, 2015.

Mayor Weston talked about Dover Download and informed citizens on how to get access to it. She asked the Council to continue to support the Schools with the State legislature.



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### 16. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor McManus.  
Vote: 8/0.