



CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL – MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**
Meeting Location: **Council Chambers, City Hall**
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, September 23, 2015**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ~~MOMENT OF SILENCE~~

3. ~~PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE~~

4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

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

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

5. PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Carrier noted that the revised agenda had an additional Public Hearing, Item 7.C. and under Unfinished Business Item #12.C.2. He said there is also a substitution for Item #12.A.1. He also moved to add two committee reports: Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC, and the Police and Parking Garage Building Committee.

Councilor Hooper moved to add the School Board Report.

Councilor McManus asked about the addition of the Public Hearing and Resolution. Mayor Weston said it was properly noticed and the Council did receive it electronically before tonight.

General Legal Counsel Blenkinsop said it was properly noticed and the Council can waive the Council Rules if they wish because they didn't get this last Thursday.

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

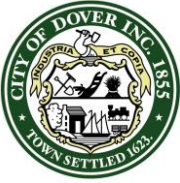
Vote: 9/0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. CHAPTER 131 SECTION 23.A.(4) HUNTING ON CITY PROPERTY SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR GAGNON AND COUNCILOR O'CONNOR

Mary Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane: She complained about agenda and notification to the public. She spoke in favor of the ordinance.

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



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B. CHAPTER 166 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC: REPEAL OF TOLEND ROAD WEIGHT LIMIT

SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

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

C. FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1 – AMEND SCHOOL ADEQUACY AID REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATION (REQUIRES A 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL)

SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

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

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.

Mary Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane: She spoke about the Legal Officer Charter Amendment question. She talked about speaking before the Council during Citizen's Forum, and why she will say what must be said. She accused the Mayor of inappropriate actions.

Richard Hebbard, 97 Spruce Lane: He said he had nothing to tell the Council.

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

Mayor Weston said the comments regarding her inappropriate actions were untrue and impossible.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyal spoke about the annual flushing hydrants period that is happening. He said the City has found the water leaks in the system. He spoke about the various United Way projects around the City to be held on October 11th. He thanked the Timberland Team who were sent to the Tri-City area working on various projects on September 17, 2015. He asked the City Clerk to address the election needs.

City Clerk Lavertu gave an overview of the help needed for the November 3, 2015 Municipal and the February, 2016 Presidential Primary elections.

Councilor Garrison asked how Attorney Bolt became involved with the Legal Officer Charter Amendment question.

City Manager Joyal said Attorney Bolt became involved when the resolution came before the Council to have this Charter Amendment question on the ballot. He said the resolution needed to be signed as to legal compliance, which the City of Dover General Legal Counsel had a conflict with. He asked outside Council to review the resolution.



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Councilor Cheney explained why she disagreed with that response.

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

Vote: 9/0.

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. September 2, 2015 – Workshop Session**
- B. September 9, 2015 – Regular Meeting**
- C. September 16, 2015 – Special Meeting**

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

Vote: 9/0.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weston talked with Keene Mayor Lane about the adequacy aid lawsuit. He said the cap on formula was unfair and absurd. She attend the Government Affairs meeting at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce. She spoke about the Transportation Advisory Commission meeting and making the intersection of Fourth Street and Grove Street a 4-way stop. She said there will be an ordinance to bring that change.

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

Vote: 9/0.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES IN THE 2nd READING

1. CHAPTER 131 SECTION 23.A.(4) HUNTING ON CITY PROPERTY

SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR GAGNON AND COUNCILOR O'CONNOR

Councilor Gagnon moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.

Councilor Gagnon gave an overview of the ordinance change to the Council.

Roll Call Vote: 9/0.

2. CHAPTER 166 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC: REPEAL OF TOLEND ROAD WEIGHT LIMIT

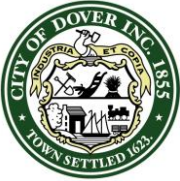
SPONSORED BY MAYOR WESTON BY REQUEST

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor Cheney.

Councilor Gagnon recused himself from the vote.

Deputy City Manager Steele gave an overview of the project to the Council.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0. Councilor Gagnon recused.



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B. ORDINANCES IN THE 3RD READING

C. RESOLUTIONS

1. B15021 LED LIGHTING UPGRADE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINANCING MCCONNELL CENTER (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 Thibodeaux.
Roll Call Vote: 9/0.

2. FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1 – AMEND SCHOOL ADEQUACY AID REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATION (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 Garrison.
Councilor McManus spoke about his objection regarding this resolution since it wasn't on the original agenda. He was also concerned that this puts the City over the tax cap.
Councilor O'Connor moved to direct the City Manager to make budget changes to find \$2,248.00; seconded by Councilor Cheney.

Vote: 4/5; Failed. Councilor Cheney, Councilor Gagnon, Councilor O'Connor, and Mayor Weston voted in favor.

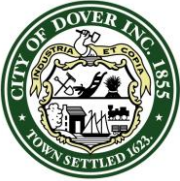
Mayor Weston asked for a roll call vote on the original resolution.

Roll Call Vote: 8/1; Passed. Councilor Cheney was opposed.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. RAFFLE – Zebra Crossings**
- 2. PARADE – Dover Children's Center**
- 3. PARADE – Dover Knights of Columbus: Council #807**
- 4. ROAD RACE – Dover Turkey Trot**
- 5. BROADWAY RAILROAD CULVERT DESIGN SERVICES**
SPONSORED BY KAREN WESTON BY REQUEST
- 6. CITY WIDE GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM**
SPONSORED BY KAREN WESTON BY REQUEST
- 7. APPROVAL OF UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE LEASE AGREEMENT, BUTLER BUILDING**
SPONSORED BY KAREN WESTON BY REQUEST



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8. RIVER ST PUMP STATION UNDERGROUND TANK SPONSORED BY KAREN WESTON BY REQUEST

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| 1. School Board | 10. Pool Advisory Committee |
| 2. Planning Board | 11. Parking Commission |
| 3. Appointments Committee | 12. Ordinance Committee |
| 4. Recreation Advisory Board | 13. Police and Parking Facility Building Committee |
| 5. McConnell Center Advisory Committee | 14. Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC |
| 6. Arts Commission | 15. Dover Main Street |
| 7. Solid Waste Advisory Commission | 16. Library Board of Trustees |
| 8. Transportation Advisory Commission | |
| 9. Legislative Liaison | |

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

Mayor Weston asked the Council if they had items they would like pulled for further discussion. Councilor Cheney pulled Item #13.A.7.

Councilor Hooper pulled the School Board Report.

Deputy Mayor Carrier pulled the Police and Parking Facility Building Committee and Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC Reports.

Councilor McManus pulled Item #13.A.6.

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

Roll Call Vote: 9/0.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for the adoption of Item #13.A.6.; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.

Councilor McManus asked about the no bid situation, and said the City has to stop this practice.

Deputy City Manager Steele gave an overview of the resolution to the Council.

Roll Call Vote: 9/0.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved for the adoption of Item 13.A.7.; seconded by Councilor McManus.

Councilor Cheney asked for clarification on the lease.

Recreation Director Bannon gave an overview of the lease to the Council.

Roll Call Vote: 9/0.

Councilor Hooper gave an overview of the School Board Report to the Council.

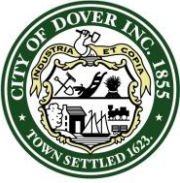
Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to accept the School Board Report; seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux.

Vote: 9/0.

Deputy Mayor Carrier gave an overview of the Police and Parking Garage Facility Building Committee Report to the Council.

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to accept the Police and Parking Garage Facility Building Committee Report; seconded by Councilor Thibodeaux.

Vote: 9/0.



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Deputy Mayor Carrier gave an overview of the Joint Building Committee – Dover High School and Regional CTC Report.

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

Vote: 9/0

B. RESOLUTIONS

C. ORDINANCES IN 1ST READING

14. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

15. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST

Councilor McManus reminded the public that the Dover Public Library is open on Sundays, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Councilor Cheney informed the Council that she will be bringing forward a resolution regarding a Council Rule change.

Councilor Thibodeaux informed the public that she will be holding her Coffee with a Councilor on Saturday.

Councilor O'Connor talked about the 21-year old who passed away from a possible heroin overdose.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.

Vote: 9/0.