



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WALLACE J. PUCHALSKI MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
212 MAIN STREET, NORTHAMPTON  
Northampton, MA  
March 6, 2014**

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by City Council President William H. Dwight at 7:20 p.m. On roll call, nine (9) Councilors were present:

- At-Large Councilor Jesse M. Adams
- At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight
- Ward 1 Councilor Maureen T. Carney
- Ward 2 Councilor Paul D. Spector
- Ward 3 Councilor Ryan R. O'Donnell
- Ward 4 Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra
- Ward 5 Councilor David A. Murphy
- Ward 6 Councilor Marianne L. LaBarge
- Ward 7 Councilor Alisa F. Klein

Roll called by Mary L. Midura, Clerk to City Council

Communications from the Mayor

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

1. ~~Proclamation~~ Proclamation: Brain Injury Awareness Month, March 2014

Mayor Narkewicz read the proclamation and presented to Mary Noel Collier. Ms. Collier spoke of her personal experience of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), sustained while riding her bicycle at the age of 7 without a helmet.

2. Upgrade of City of Northampton Bond Rating by Standard & Poor's Rating Service

Mayor Narkewicz noted the City's bond rating has been upgraded to AA+.

One-Minute Announcements of Events

**ONE-MINUTE ANNOUNCEMENTS OF EVENTS**

President Dwight –

- Reminder of Public Hearing RE: Petition of NBID, 7:05 pm, Thursday, March 20, 2014
- City Council will march in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Holyoke on Sunday, March 23, 2014. The parade begins at noon. Marching details are not finalized.
- There will be a Public Hearing on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 7:05 p.m. RE: Capital Improvement Program FY2015-FY2019
- Change June 26, 2014 City Council meeting back to June 19, 2014 (third Thursday of month)?

Councilor LaBarge announced Youth & Heroin: A Valley Crisis, Northwestern District Attorney's Office Citizen Advisory Board forum for Coalition Partners, Monday, March 24, 2014, 1 Gleason Plaza, Northampton, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes of February 6, 2014

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2014**

Councilor LaBarge moved approval of the minutes; Councilor Adams seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 8 Yes, 0 No (Councilor Murphy out of the room).

Approved

Reports of Committees

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- Transportation & Parking Commission Minutes of November 19, 2013 and December 17, 2013
- Public Safety Minutes of February 3, 2014

Councilor LaBarge moved approval of the minutes; Councilor Carney seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 8 Yes, 0 No (Councilor Murphy out of the room).

Approved

Reappointments

Reappointments:

Councilor Carney moved to Suspend Rule 30 Reference to Committees; Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Board of Health

- Suzanne Smith, 134 State St., Northampton – term March 2014 – March 2017

Councilor Carney moved approval of the reappointment; Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Conservation Commission

- Kevin Lake, 35 Washington Ave., Northampton – term March 2014 – March 2017

Councilor Carney moved approval of the reappointment; Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Zoning Board of Appeals

- Sara Northrup, 147 Hinckley St., Florence – term March 2013 – March 2016, full member
- Elizabeth Silver, 67 Willow St., Florence – term March 2013 – March 2016, associate member
- Malcolm Barry Smith, 9 Park St., Florence – term March 2014 – March 2017, full member

Approved

Councilor LaBarge moved approval of the Reappointments; Councilor Carney seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

New Appointment:

Community Preservation Committee

- Linda Morley, Prospect St., Northampton – term January 2014 – January 2017, replacing the expired term of Bill Breitbart

Referred

Councilor LaBarge moved to Refer to Committee; Councilor Spector seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

**RECESS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE 7:38 p.m. – 8:42 p.m.**

Financial Order:

Authorization to Conservation

Commission to Purchase or

Otherwise Acquire

Land at Broad Brook

Gap RE: Gleason

Parcels

Financial Order: Authorization to Conservation Commission to Purchase or Otherwise Acquire Land at Broad Brook Gap RE: Gleason Parcels (*1<sup>st</sup> Reading*)

Councilor Murphy moved approval in first reading; Councilor Spector seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

See meeting of March 20, 2014 for second reading.

Financial Order:

Authorization of

Acquisition of

Easement at Foley

Trust, 53 Gothic

Street, by Gift,

Purchase, or Other

Financial Order: Authorization of Acquisition of Easement at Foley Trust, 53 Gothic Street, by Gift, Purchase, or Other (*1<sup>st</sup> Reading*)

Councilor LaBarge moved approval in first reading; Councilor Sciarrra seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

See meeting of March 20, 2014 for second reading.

Financial Order:

Approval of

Expenditure of

\$3,000 in Gift Funds

from Cronin Family

Gift Account for

Scholarships to

Participants of

Northampton

Recreation

Department

Programs

Financial Order: Approval of Expenditure of \$3,000 in Gift Funds from Cronin Family Gift Account for Scholarships to Participants of Northampton Recreation Department Programs (*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading*)

Councilor Spector moved approval in second reading; Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

The following Order passed second reading:

In City Council, March 6, 2014

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

*Ordered, that*

in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 A (Grants and gifts: acceptance and expenditure) the Council approves the expenditure of \$3,000 in gift funds from the Cronin Family Gift Account, for scholarships to eligible individuals and families to participate in Northampton Recreation Department Programs.

Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Financial Order:

Reprogram \$18,000

from Bridge Street

School Detention

Basin Protect for

the Purpose of

Replacing

Bathroom

Partitions

Financial Order: Reprogram \$18,000 from Bridge Street School Detention Basin Project for the Purpose of Replacing Bathroom Partitions (*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading*)

Councilor LaBarge moved approval in second reading; Councilor Adams seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

The following Order passed second reading:

In City Council, March 6, 2014

Upon recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

Whereas, City Council appropriated \$75,000 for repair of the Bridge Street School Detention Basin on September 16, 2010; Whereas, The DPW Engineering Staff were able to assist with the project which resulted in lower costs relative to the repairs; Whereas, There is a balance of funds remaining from the project of \$46,328.40 and it is the Mayor's intention to reprogram this remaining balance for other capital needs;

Whereas, There is an identified need to replace bathroom partitions at Bridge Street School as the current metal partitions are deteriorated and must be replaced for health and safety reasons;

Whereas, Bridge Street School is the only school building where partition upgrades have not been completed and this project will involve replacement of all bathroom stalls in the school building;

*Ordered, that*

\$18,000 be reprogrammed from the balance of the Bridge Street School Detention Basin project for the purpose of replacing bathroom partitions.

Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Ordinance: Amend §44-3 Accounts

Ordinance: Amend §44-3 Accounts (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

Councilor LaBarge moved approval in second reading; Councilor Adams seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

The following Ordinance passed second reading:

In City Council, March 6, 2014

Upon the Recommendation of the Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances

**ORDINANCE**

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by revising section §44-3 of said code; providing that *Accounts* Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows: That section §44-3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended so that such section shall read as follows:

**§ 44-3. Accounts. [Amended 3-17-1988; 12-4-2003; 2-1-2007; 6-27-2013]**

A. All accounts, except for salaries and wages, shall be in writing, and, before being referred to the City Treasurer or City Auditor, shall be examined and approved in writing by a majority of the proper board or committee having jurisdiction over the account.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, any board or committee may, by majority vote, authorize the Chairman, a department head, or some other person to approve the accounts of said board or committee or the accounts for a particular project of said board or committee. Any board or committee so voting shall notify the City Auditor in writing of said authorization. The authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded by the board or committee.

C. Accounts shall be examined and approved by boards and committees as follows:

(1) Bills chargeable to the appropriation for contingent account: by the Committee on Finance.

(2) Claims: in accordance with MGL c. 84 or MGL c. 258, as applicable, except for claims related to Water, Sewer and Integrated Solid Waste Management Divisions which by the Code of Ordinances is now or hereafter delegated to the Board of Public Works.

~~(3) Printing: by the Committee on Rules, Ordinances, and Orders.~~

(4) (3) Highways, streets and bridges: by the Board of Public Works.

(5) (4) Fire Department: by the Committee on Public Safety.

(6) (5) Fuel: by the Committee on Finance.

(7) (6) Lights, inside City buildings, except school buildings: by the Committee on Finance.

(8) (7) Lights, outside City buildings and on City ways: by the Committee on Finance.

(9) (8) City property: by the Committee on Finance.

(10) (9) Military affairs: by the Committee on Social Services and Veterans Affairs.

(11) (10) Salaries: by the Committee on Finance.

~~(12) (11) (Reserved) Editor's Note: Former Subsection C (12), regarding almoners under the Whiting Will, was repealed 12-19-2013.~~

(13) (12) Board of Health: by the Board of Health except accounts delegated by the Board of Health related to the administration of Integrated Solid Waste Management activities which, by the Code of Ordinances, is now or hereafter delegated to the Board of Public Works.

(14) (13) Forbes Library: by the Trustees of Forbes Library.

~~(15) (14) (Reserved) Editor's Note: Former Subsection C (15), regarding trust funds, was repealed 12-19-2013.~~

(16) (15) Cemeteries: by the Board of Public Works.

(17) (16) City improvement: by the Capital Improvement Committee.

(18) (17) State aid for veterans: by the Committee on Social Services and Veterans Affairs.

(19) (18) School Department, care and repair of schoolhouses, drawing schools, evening schools, textbooks and stationery, salaries, and incidental school expenses: by the School Committee.

(20) (19) Smith's Agricultural School: by the Board of Superintendents thereof.

(21) (20) Memorial Day: by the Committee on Social Services and Veterans Affairs.

(22) (21) Sidewalks: by the Board of Public Works.

(23) (22) Soldiers' and Sailors' relief: by the Committee on Social Services and Veterans Affairs.

(24) (23) City ambulance service: by the Committee on Public Safety.

~~(25) (24) Incidental expenses, as heretofore provided for, and any other claim not clearly within the province of either of the above committees: by the Committee on Finance. Editor's Note: Former §§ 2-228 through 2-231, regarding limitations on expenditures, advertising and invitation for bids, and awarding of contracts, which immediately followed this section, were repealed 4-5-1990.~~

Rules suspended, passed two readings, ordained and enrolled.

Ordinance: Amend §312-36 Parking Meter Locations and Regulations: Private Shared Vehicle Services

Ordinance: Amend §312-36 Parking Meter Locations and Regulations: Private Shared Vehicle Services (Refer to Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances March 10, 2014)

Councilor LaBarge moved to Refer to Committee; Councilor Adams seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Referred

Ordinance: Amend §174-18 and 174-19 Fee Structure for Certain Permits Be Simplified

Ordinance: Amend §174-18 and 174-19 Fee Structure for Certain Permits Be Simplified (Refer to Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances March 10, 2014)

Councilor Murphy moved to Refer to Committee on Economic & Community Development, Housing, and Land Use and Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances; Councilor Carney seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Referred

Ordinance: Amend §280-1 through §280-12 Adding Stormwater and Flood Control Utility Ordinance (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)  
12 Adding Stormwater and Flood Control Utility Ordinance

Ordinance: Amend §280-1 through §280-12 Adding Stormwater and Flood Control Utility Ordinance (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

**Councilor Murphy moved approval in first reading; Councilor Spector seconded for purposes of discussion.**

Councilor Spector thanked all members of the Storm Water Ad-Hoc Advisory Taskforce: Rick Clark, James Dostal, Dan Felten, Emery Ford, Alex Ghiselin, Chris Heilman, Ruth McGrath, Megan Murphy Wolf, Robert Reckman, John Shenette, and David Teece. Councilor Spector noted the website link to the Taskforce report. Councilor Murphy noted that this Ordinance started in the City Council/Board of Public Works Conference Committee, and thanked Councilor Spector and Councilor Adams for their hard work on this Ordinance. Councilor Spector also noted the great contribution of former Councilor Tacy.

**Councilor Adams moved to recognize City Solicitor Alan Seewald, Jim Laurila, Terry Culhane, Dan Felten, and Susan Wright; Councilor Murphy seconded. The motion passed on Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.**

Terry Culhane stated that the Mayor has offered to report exactly which city departments will be affected, and related costs. This may eliminate the need for Councilor Adams' proposed amendment 280-8. "m". Councilor Adams noted that, while no compromise was reached, the intent was to only fund storm water and flood control, not salaries, and he would like this and other enterprise funds to be run the same, and his hope that the conversation goes forward.

**Councilor Adams withdrew proposed amendment 280-8. "m".**

**Councilor Murphy clarified to move approval in first reading, as Amended in Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances meeting of February 25, 2014, with amendments by Board of Public Works, Councilor O'Donnell's amendments, Councilor Adams' amendments (except 280-8 "m"), and City Solicitor Seewald's amendments tonight. Councilor Carney seconded, for purposes of discussion.**

City Solicitor Seewald explained his amendments regarding direct and indirect costs, as defined by Department of Revenue (DOR) Enterprise Funds G.L. c44, §53F ¼. This reflects time spent by employees directly working on enterprise funds; the DOR reviewed the City's policy in July 2013. Mayor Narkewicz noted that time spent on tax bills, enterprise funds, may include Finance, Auditor, Collector's office. City Solicitor Seewald noted 280-6 Mayor has discretion to recommend budget, BPW may recommend \$2million cap. Mayor has authority to decrease, increase or accept. City Council only has right to decrease from Mayor's budget. City Solicitor Seewald recommends to include the ability for the BPW to give specifics to the Mayor for any proposed increases, and to sustain enterprise with revenue, not subsidize with tax.

Councilor O'Donnell noted that 280-6 (b) does not account for inflation in the first five years, only after five years. Councilor Adams noted that the task force recommended no increase for five years, now no increase unless BPW has good reason. Councilor Spector noted citizens have voiced concerns over this. Councilor Dwight noted that the City Council would need to make justification to the community for any increase over the \$2million, and the City Council would have that responsibility.

Councilor Klein questioned why amendments from the City Solicitor were received just this afternoon. Councilor Dwight noted that the City Solicitor was in conversation with DOR; if Councilors have concerns, options include delay or minority reconsideration, consider time pressure as the Mayor must submit his budget – this Council could call a special meeting next week. Councilor Klein expressed concern that all process is done in a legal manner. Councilor Adams noted City Council Rule 36 and noted the City Solicitor has proposed significant changes.

Councilor Spector noted new information is often presented between a first and second vote; if the intent is the same, within legal framework. Councilor Murphy noted time between February 25, 2014 meeting of Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances, and to this date is not delinquent and the proposed changes are not substantial. Councilor Adams noted that he wished these legal changes had come earlier, he was comfortable to proceed with the vote tonight. Councilor LaBarge questioned the time frame for the budget. Susan Wright, Finance Director, stated that it would be most helpful if this were voted before the end of March, to be included in the budget for May 15, 2014 presentation to City Council.

Councilor LaBarge noted the many hearings and public forums, while being uncomfortable with this late information, and the public being misled by information of a five-year cap. Councilor Dwight stated that the BPW must not exceed \$2million, and the City Council retains the authority to hold to that. Councilor Adams noted that the cap is a recommendation, not a mandate. Councilors debated the procedure to include the late information.

**Council President Dwight called a recess. 9:00 pm – 9:10 pm.**

Councilors agreed that Council President Dwight should read the Ordinance in its entirety.

Regarding 280-2., Councilor Spector stated that the taskforce voted and recommended two fee structures, with the recommendation for a fee on a vote of 8-4. Councilor Carney noted the history of floods in 1874 of the Mill River and 1938; within one hour of the flood in 1874, 139 had died.

A scrivener's error was noted in 280-6 (c). Councilor Sciarra questioned the language of "one acre"; Terry Culhane explained that property size, simple single family bill, with problems with shift of all open space and outskirts land, run off impervious, and pervious of one acre; the bill structure was designed to be fair and reasonable. Councilor Dwight noted that credits and abatements would also adjust the fee.

Councilor O'Donnell explained his proposed amendment to 280-6 (f), with a more progressive curve of the fee structure. Terry Culhane noted that the Board of Public Works is amenable to the proposed language. Jim Laurila noted that the data is preliminary; Councilor Dwight noted that property sizes are variable over time.

**Section 280-6. Rates.**

*(f) Small residential properties shall be divided in approximately equal numbers into four groups based on ascending amounts of impervious area. The Board of Public Works shall determine the range of impervious area used for defining each group. All properties within each group shall receive the same bill. The bill for each group shall be calculated based on the average impervious and pervious areas of properties that fall within each group.*

Councilor O'Donnell moved approval of the Amendment; Councilor Murphy seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Councilor Carney explained her proposed amendment to 280-9 (a) to be transparent and clarify that taxpayers are paying on their own property and city property, as well.

**Section 280-9. Stormwater and flood control utility fee Exemptions.**

*(a) The City finds that all real property in the City contributes to runoff and either uses or benefits from the maintenance of the stormwater system. Therefore, except as provided in this section or otherwise provided by law, no public property, including public property funded by taxpayers of the City of Northampton, or private property located in the City of Northampton shall be exempt from the stormwater and flood control utility fee charges.*

Councilor Carney moved approval of the Amendment; Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Councilor Klein questioned whether ongoing inspections of condos and drains would be conducted, and would there be retroactive credits or an appeal process. Terry Culhane noted these concerns are addressed in the Credit and Incentive Policy for Stormwater and Flood Control Utility. Councilor Klein also suggested that soft possibilities to encourage organic lawn care be considered in the credit manual. Jim Laurila noted that the manual would be reviewed annually to be updated on technical details. Councilor O'Donnell noted that the manual states that annual reports would be made to the Board of Public Works. Councilor Spector suggested the annual report be made to the City Council/Board of Public Works Conference Committee.

City Solicitor Seewald stated that Section 280-10 language did not include the Mayor's role.

**Section 280-10. Stormwater and flood control utility fee Credits.**

*(f) The Stormwater Management and Flood Control Utility Fee Credit Policy as developed, maintained and, from time to time, amended by the Department of Public Works and approved by the Board of Public Works may be amended by the Mayor or by ordinance.*

Councilor Carney moved approval of the Amendment; Councilor Spector seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Councilor Dwight noted that Best Practices have been followed in this process, and thanked the DPW and DPW for the heavy lifting and work. Councilor Dwight also stated his thanks for citizen engagement in this process.

**Ordinance: Amend §280-1 through §280-12 Adding Stormwater and Flood Control Utility Ordinance, as Amended by Committee on Rules, Orders, Appointments, and Ordinances February 25, 2014, as Amended by City Solicitor March 5, 2014, and as Amended by City Council March 6, 2014**

Councilor Murphy moved approval in first reading, as Amended; Councilor Spector seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

See meeting of March 20, 2014 for second reading.

Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs NONE

Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7)

Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) NONE

New Business

NEW BUSINESS -- Reserved for topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed. NONE

*The next City Council meeting is March 20, 2014.*

At 10:39 p.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Spector and seconded by Councilor LaBarge. The vote to adjourn passed on a Voice Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Attest: Mary L. Smidarska, Clerk of Council

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Roll Called by Mary L. Midura, Executive Secretary		Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	9 Present 0 Absent
Financial Order: Authorization to Conservation Commission to Purchase or Otherwise Acquire Land at Broad Brook Gap RE: Gleason Parcels ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i> ) Councillor Murphy moved approval in first reading; Councillor Spector seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9 Yes 0 No  Motion Carried
Financial Order: Authorization of Acquisition of Easement at Foley Trust, 53 Gothic Street, by Gift, Purchase, or Other ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i> ) Councillor LaBarge moved approval in first reading; Councillor Sciarra seconded. The motion passed on Roll Call Vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9 Yes 0 No  Motion Carried
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