CITY OF FITCHBURG
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MEETING DATE: Thursday, January 09, 2020
MEETING TIME: 7:00 □AM □PM
MEETING PLACE:
Name of building (if applicable)
MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY
Room number (if applicable)
Address
615 ROLLSTONE STREET
City
FITCHBURG, MA 01420

AGENDA ITEMS:* SEE ATTACHED

*Please note: Massachusetts Open Meeting Law requires that all topics that the Chair reasonably anticipates must be listed and that the list of topics must be sufficiently specific to reasonably inform the public of the issues to be discussed at the meeting.
WELCOME TO THE FITCHBURG CITY COUNCIL!
This is intended to help you understand the meeting format and assist you with the rules of the Council as they pertain to your participation.

All meetings of the Fitchburg City council are open to the public. This does not mean that the public participates in all aspects of the meeting. It simply means that the meeting itself, including all discussions and votes, is open for public view.

Executive Session
The only time a Council meeting can be closed to the public is when the Council votes for Executive Session in order to discuss sensitive matters in private, such as pending litigation. Any votes taken however, must be taken in open session.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK DURING A COUNCIL MEETING:

Public Forum
The Public Forum occurs immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance. The President will ask if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on any matter appearing on the Agenda. If you wish to address the Council, you must stand and be recognized and follow these rules before speaking:

1. State your name and address.
2. Approach the center table and either stand or sit. This allows you to be seen and heard clearly by everyone in attendance.
3. You may speak only on items appearing on the agenda for no more than (2) minutes. Copies of the agenda are available on the center table prior to the meeting.
4. Please state the petition, order, ordinance, or resolution number to which you refer.

Public Hearings
Public hearings are held on various issues such as Special Permits and Zoning changes. The same rules apply with the following exceptions:

1. You must stand and be recognized either “in favor” or “in opposition” when asked by the Council President.
2. You need not refer to the petition number.

If you have any questions or comments either before or after the meeting, any Councillor would be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your interest!
I. PUBLIC FORUM

II. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECORDS

III. COMMUNICATION
His Honor the Mayor
Re-Appointment Letter


Appointment Letter

1. Mr. Adam G. Goodwin, as a member of the Fitchburg Housing Authority, term to expire March 1, 2023 (to fill the remaining term of Mr. Andrew Van Hazinga).

IV. COMMUNICATION
Pension Reserves Investment Management Board

V. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Appointments Committee Oral Report
Meeting of January 9, 2020, 6:45 PM

Re-Appointments:
Fitchburg Council on Aging
(Term to expire December 31, 2022)
Mr. Joseph Byrne

(Term to expire December 31, 2022)
Mr. Richard Hautala

Fitchburg Trustees of Public Burial Grounds
(Term to expire on January 1, 2023)
Ms. Diane Ouellette

(Term to expire February 1, 2023)
Ms. Andrienne G. Clark

New Appointment:
Associate Member of the Planning Board
(Term to expire December 31, 2021)
Ms. Alyne Butland
VI. ORDERS–FINANCE

003-20. ORDERED THAT: The City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the MEMA Emergency Management Performance grant in the approximate amount of $15,500.00 (FIFTEEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS) for the purpose of said grant, which is to purchase a fire extinguisher demonstration prop, equipment for heavy vehicle extraction, and hands free lighting for the Dive Team.

004-20. ORDERED THAT: There be and hereby is transferred the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS ($300,000.00) same to be charged against RESERVE FOR SNOW & ICE REMOVAL and credited to the following DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, SNOW & ICE accounts:
PERSONAL SERVICES, OVERTIME $ 60,000.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL $ 80,000.00
PLOWS & BLADES $ 40,000.00
SALT $120,000.00

VII. ORDER–OTHER

005-20. WHEREAS, on March 13, 1995, the City of Fitchburg (City) entered into an agreement with the Town of Westminster whereby the City agreed to accept and treat the wastewater from the Town.
WHEREAS, the term of the agreement is set to last for twenty (25) twenty-five years and provides for an extension of additional time.
WHEREAS, the City is currently in good faith negotiations with the Town of Westminster.
NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, that the City of Fitchburg shall, through its Mayor Stephen L. DiNatale, approve and authorize the execution and delivery of the Second Amendment to the Certain Intermunicipal Agreement for Wastewater Collection, Treatment and Disposal between the City of Fitchburg and the Town of Westminster, in the current or substantially similar form, and to authorize all other acts and the execution of all other documents which may be necessary, helpful or convenient, to effectuate the purposes of the same in good order.

VIII. ORDINANCES

272-19. AN ORDINANCE: Amending Chapter 134 (Peddling and Soliciting), Section 16 (Police Investigation of applicant, contents of license) re: Fingerprints. (Final Reading)
IX. PETITIONS

006-20. Baraka Bitariho, to petition for a Class II Dealer’s License located at 426 River Street.
(Public Safety Committee)

007-20. Sgt. Boudreau, Fitchburg Police Department, to petition for an FGO prohibiting anyone from throwing, snow blowing or plowing snow from private property back into the roadway after it has been plowed as outline in the enclosed petition.
(Public Safety Committee)

008-20. Sgt. Boudreau, Fitchburg Police Department, for an Ordinance re: All motorists shall remove snow and ice from their motor vehicles and trailers while in operation with special attention to the following: hoods, roofs, windows and bumpers, and any vertical or horizontal surfaces that could hold snow or ice. Violators will be fined $55.00 for violation of this ordinance.
(Public Safety Committee)

Next Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 21, 2020, 7:00 PM