

AMENDED NOTICE OF MEETING

COMMITTEE: APPOINTMENTS AND ORDINANCE
PLACE: Zoom Conferencing System
DATE: Wednesday, July 13, 2022
TIME: 5:30 PM

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AGENDA: **(Please note: All items listed on this agenda may not be considered or discussed at this meeting and may be addressed at future meetings.)**

1. Call to Order

CHAIRS STATEMENT: This meeting is being recorded by the Appointment and Ordinance Committee. If any other persons present are doing the same you must notify the chairperson at this time. In accordance with MGLc 30A SS 20(g) “No person shall address a meeting of a public body without permission of the Chair and all persons shall, at the request of the chair, be silent. No person shall disrupt the proceedings of a meeting of a public body. If, after clear warning from the chair, a person continues to disrupt the proceedings, the chair may order the person to withdraw from the meeting and if the person does not withdraw, the chair may authorize a constable or other officer to remove the person from the meeting.”

2. Roll Call
3. Accept minutes – June 8, 2022.
4. Public Hearings - None
5. Motions

- Mayor's Appointments – Community Preservation Committee, David Chichester; Planning & Construction, Mike Pratt; Planning Board (Full Member), David Chichester; Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee, Greta Shwachman.
6. Discussion
 - Update on (Former Councilor) Otis Wheeler's proposed Ordinance to prohibit unmuffled compression release engine brakes.
 7. New Business
 8. Old Business
 9. Next Meeting – August 10, 2022, 5:30 pm, via Zoom Conferencing System, unless otherwise posted.
 10. Adjournment

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY BE CALLED

Please note that the list of topics was comprehensive at the time of posting, however, the public body may consider and take action on unforeseen matters not specifically named in this notice. Posted in accordance with M.G.L.c 30A § 18-25.

APPOINTMENTS AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 8, 2022

Zoom Conferencing System

5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Chairperson Guin called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

PRESENT Councilors Guin and Bullock. (President Gilmour would join as a voting member to provide quorum.)

ABSENT Councilors Forgey and Lapienski.

CHAIRPERSON STATEMENT: This meeting was being recorded by the Appointment and Ordinance Committee. If any other persons present were doing the same they must notify the chairperson at this time. In accordance with MGLc 30A SS 20(g) “No person shall address a meeting of a public body without permission of the Chair and all persons shall, at the request of the chair, be silent. No person shall disrupt the proceedings of a meeting of a public body. If, after clear warning from the chair, a person continues to disrupt the proceedings, the chair may order the person to withdraw from the meeting and if the person does not withdraw, the chair may authorize a constable or other officer to remove the person from the meeting.”

ALSO PRESENT City Clerk Kathryn J Scott; City Council President Sheila Gilmour; Councilor Virginia Desorgher; Councilor Penny Ricketts and members of the public.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was by majority, 2 yes, 1 abstention,

VOTED: TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES DATED APRIL 13, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING- None.

Order no. FY 22-156

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bullock, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

- Council on Aging - Randie Handleman, Term to Expire December 31, 2022 (short term to replace Mary Williford)
- Human Rights Commission - Philippe Simon, Term to Expire June 30, 2023 (short term to replace Carolyn McDaniel)
- Human Rights Commission - Irene Woods, Term to Expire December 31, 2024 (short term to replace Maureen Lyons)
- Mayor’s Task Force Against Domestic Violence - Scott Smith, Term to Expire December 31, 2024 (short term to replace Irene Woods)
- Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee - Walter Kim Boas, Term to Expire June 30, 2025
- Council on Aging - Margaret “Peg” Saulnier, Term to Expire June 30, 2025
- Housing Authority - Trish Leonard, Term to Expire June 30, 2027
- Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee - Nancy Hazard, Term to Expire June 30, 2025

Order no. FY 22-144

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bullock, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was,

MOVED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE 6: ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION, SECTION 6-11 (D): PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION; POWERS AND DUTIES, BE AMENDED AS INDICATED BELOW, WITH BOLD TEXT TO BE ADDED AND STRIKETHROUGH TEXT TO BE REMOVED:

SECTION 6-11: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

(d) *Powers and Duties:* The commission shall assist the Mayor in the supervision and oversight of ~~the~~ **ALL DEPARTMENTS** (police, ~~and fire,~~ **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DISPATCH**) ~~departments,~~ including the coordination of the administration of ~~both~~ **ALL** departments with one another, and with other City departments and agencies by making recommendations to the Mayor concerning: :

1. Setting priorities within said departments;
2. The annual operating budgets of **ALL** ~~both~~ departments, after the Mayor and commission have met with the **PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT HEADS** ~~chiefs~~ to discuss the proposed budgets; .
3. The capital budget requests of ~~both~~ **ALL PUBLIC SAFETY** departments **SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO** ~~after~~ the Mayor **AFTER** ~~and~~ the commission **HAS** ~~have~~ met with the **DEPARTMENT HEADS** ~~chiefs~~ to discuss the requests, provided, however, that commission members may only inspect the departments on an annual basis in connection with ~~the~~ budget review. **INSPECTIONS CAN INCLUDE FACILITY AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE, DEPARTMENT RECORDS, STATUS OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, AND REVIEWS OF ANY OTHER ASPECT OF THE DEPARTMENTS DEEMED NECESSARY TO THE SMOOTH OPERATION OF SAID DEPARTMENTS.** ~~or in relation to a written complaint from the public. (Inspections shall be made only after approval from the DEPARTMENT HEADS~~ ~~chiefs~~ ~~has been obtained to insure it will not unduly disrupt department operations.)~~
4. Final interviews for appointments and promotions of **ALL PERSONNEL** ~~officers and employees,~~ in the police and fire department, shall be conducted by the commission and the **RESPECTIVE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT HEADS** ~~chief~~. The **PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT HEADS** ~~chief~~ shall submit ~~his~~ recommendations to the commission and the commission, if it does not agree with said recommendations, shall submit written reasons for not concurring with said recommendations to the Mayor. Appointments and promotions of public safety personnel shall be made in accordance with collective bargaining agreements and applicable General Laws, and local hiring policy requirements as defined by the Mayor, respectively.

AND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE CITY CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER.

DISCUSSION: The previous amendment voted by the Council contained incorrect language due to the fact it was taken from an older charter section. This measure would use the correct language as it appeared in the most recent charter.

It was by majority, 2 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION.

Chairperson Guin opened continued discussion on the proposed amendments to the rules of procedure as follows:

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE CHAPTER 565 RULE 2: MEETINGS, SECTION D: QUORUM, TO ADD THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN BOLD:

D. QUORUM

The presence of seven (7) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Affirmative Vote of a majority vote of those present shall be required to adopt any ordinance or appropriation order unless otherwise provided by general law or by Charter. **(Charter Section 2-6-(b))**

Chairperson Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-2. Rule 2, Meetings;

G: PUBLIC COMMENT **(New Paragraph)**

All regular and special meetings of the City Council shall provide for a period of public comment, during which members of the public may address the Council on any matter. Any Greenfield resident, owner of property in the City, or owner of a business in the City, or a designee of any of the same, shall be given three (3) minutes to address the Council. Upon their time having expired, the speaker shall desist unless their time is extended by the chair. Any other person, not of the above description, shall be permitted to publicly comment only at the discretion of the chair.

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided on the proposed amendment.
- Special meetings should not be included since they are scheduled for discussion/or vote of a specific purpose that could not be heard at the regular meeting.
- A specific time limit should not be included in the rules of procedure; it should be at the discretion of the Chair.

Further discussion in regards to the City Council Treasurer remaining in the Rules of Procedure would be forwarded to the full Council meeting.

Chairperson Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-4. Rule 4, Voting.

A. ROLL CALL

On any matter requiring a vote, a roll call may be requested by any Councilor and shall be accepted by the President. **The roll shall be called in ascending order of precinct Councilor, followed by at-large Councilors in alphabetical order on the first roll call of each meeting. After this, on each subsequent vote the first to be called shall advance one place down the list, so that the second roll call begins with Councilor Precinct 2, the third with that of Precinct 3, and so on. The chair shall be exempt from this order and shall vote last, or not at all, by their discretion.**

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided on the proposed amendment.
- Could cause confusion and unnecessary time consumption for the clerk.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE CHAPTER 565 RULE 4: VOTING; SECTION B: VOTE, TO ADD THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN BOLD:

B. VOTE

Every Councilor present when the question is put shall vote yes, no, or abstain; **with the exception of the President or Presiding Officer, who may vote on any item they so choose to or when required to break a tie vote.**

Councilor Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-5. Rule 5, Debate.

E. ENDING DEBATE **(New Paragraph)**

Any Councilor may move to call the question at any point during debate, and shall not be required to gain recognition of the chair to do so. A two-thirds vote shall be required in order to end debate. No Councilor, having already moved a given question and the vote to end debate having failed, or having failed to obtain a second, shall move the same question a second time without the permission of the chair.

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided on the proposed amendment.
- This proposal could prevent Councilors the ability to speak on an issue.
- Robert's Rules addressed the issue in regards to a Councilor speaking when they were not recognized by the Chair.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was by majority, 2 yes, 0 no, **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE § 565-7. RULE 7, DUTIES OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL, SECTION F: FILING OF PAPERS, TO REMOVE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN STRIKETHROUGH AND ADD THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN BOLD:

F. FILING OF PAPERS

Any order or resolution or other form of business to be presented to the City Council at its regular meeting for its action shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Council no later than ~~12:00 noon of the Wednesday~~ **five (5) business days** preceding the regular ~~Council meetings.~~ **monthly Committee Chairs meeting.**

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bullock, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE § 565-7. RULE 7, DUTIES OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL, SECTION G: FILING FOR COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS, TO REMOVE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN STRIKETHROUGH AND ADD THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE IN BOLD:

G. FILING FOR COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS

All documentation for City Council Committees shall be submitted ~~one (1) week in advance of Committee meetings, except for Public Hearing notices which should be submitted twelve (12) days before the hearing date.~~ **in the same manner as listed in Section F.**

Chairperson Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-8. Rule 8, Order and Disposition of Business.

A. AGENDA

(1) At every regular meeting of the City Council the order of business shall be as follows:

(1) Public Comment

(2) Call To Order

(3) Roll Call Of Members

~~(4) Pledge Of Allegiance (Voluntary)~~

(5) Approval Of Minutes ~~From Previous Meeting~~

(6) Communications From Mayor, ~~City Officers And Employees~~ **(10 minutes)**

(7) Communications From Superintendent Of Schools And School Committee **(10 minutes)**

~~(8) Communications From Other City Employees As Needed, By Invitation~~ **city officials as invited by the chair (10 minutes)**

(9) Public Hearings

(10) Motions, Orders, And Resolutions

(11) Presentation Of Petitions Or Similar Papers

(12) Reports Of Committees

(13) Unfinished Business

- (14) Old Business
- (15) New Business
- (16) Motions For Reconsideration
- (17) Adjournment

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided on the proposed amendments.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was not considered a mandatory gesture to perform at Council Meetings.
- Public Comment, if moved to the first item on the agenda, would occur before the meeting was officially called.
- Suggestion was made to have public comment before communications from City officials.
- Limiting the time for City Officials to speak could be beneficial to the Council who would hear key points instead of a long itinerary.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bullock, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: TO KEEP THE DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS IN RULE 8, SUBSECTION A(1) AS WRITTEN AND ADD THE TEN (10) MINUTES TIME FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE MAYOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Chairperson Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-8. Rule 8, Order and Disposition of Business, Section

A. AGENDA

(3): At each full meeting of the City Council a Councilor designated by the President of the Council shall have the opportunity to invite a person or group of people to lead the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance (voluntary) in A.(1)(3). No Councilor shall be required to make such an invitation or participate in the Pledge of Allegiance notwithstanding that they have made such an invitation. The inviting Councilor shall be provided the opportunity to introduce the invited guest(s). ~~The President shall produce a schedule of Councilor designated meetings within the 1st week of January of each year, providing that no Councilor is given more than one invitation.~~ The President shall be able at their discretion provide such an invitation when other Councilors decline to participate or at Special meetings of the Council as they see fit.

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided for the proposed amendment.
- This subsection seemed more of a vanity or pageantry gesture that should not be displayed at a Council meeting.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: TO REMOVE 565-8. RULE 8, ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS, SECTION A: AGENDA, SUBSECTION (3) IN ITS ENTIRETY.

~~(3): At each full meeting of the City Council a Councilor designated by the President of the Council shall have the opportunity to invite a person or group of people to lead the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance (voluntary) in A.(1)(3). No Councilor shall be required to make such an invitation or participate in the Pledge of Allegiance notwithstanding that they have made such an invitation. The inviting Councilor shall be provided the opportunity to introduce the invited guest(s). The President shall produce a schedule of Councilor designated meetings within the 1st week of January of each year, providing that no Councilor is given more than one invitation. The President shall be able at their discretion provide such an invitation when other Councilors decline to participate or at Special meetings of the Council as they see fit.~~

Chairperson Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-8. Rule 8, Order and Disposition of Business, Section

A. AGENDA

(3) (New Paragraph) During the time of meeting, the City Council shall, at 90-minute intervals, be automatically scheduled to take a five-minute recess. If said time occurs during debate, or when a motion is on the floor, the recess shall be held after the question has been addressed and voted on. If a question, on which the chair can reasonable expect a lengthy discussion, arises when the next recess will occur in ten minutes or less, the chair shall ask for the pleasure of the Council as to whether to recess before or after. Any recess may be skipped by majority vote.

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided for the proposed amendment.
- It would be beneficial to have breaks to allow people to leave the room, stretch, refresh their thoughts and walk around.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND 565-8. RULE 8, ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS, SECTION A. AGENDA TO ADD NEW SUBSECTION (3) AS FOLLOWS (WITH STRIKETHROUGH TO REMOVE LANGUAGE):

(3) During the time of meeting, the City Council shall, at 90-minute intervals, be automatically scheduled to take a five-minute recess. If said time occurs during debate, or when a motion is on the floor, the recess shall be held after the question has been addressed and voted on. If a question, on which the chair can reasonable expect a lengthy discussion, arises when the next recess will occur in ten minutes or less, the chair shall ask for the pleasure of the Council as to whether to recess before or after. Any recess may be skipped by majority vote.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND 565-8. RULE 8, ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS, SECTION D: ITEMS REFERRED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION, SUBSECTION (E), TO REMOVE LANGUAGE WITH STRIKETHROUGH AND ADD LANGUAGE IN BOLD AS FOLLOWS:

(e) The Clerk of the Council will keep a list of pending matters which will be furnished to the Councilors ~~monthly.~~ **by way of the Committee Chairs Agenda.**

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bullock, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: TO RETAIN THE TITLE OF THE COMMITTEE AS WAYS AND MEANS AND TO AMEND 565-9. RULE 9, COMMITTEES, SECTION B: COMPOSITION-CHARGE, SUBSECTION (1), TO REMOVE LANGUAGE WITH STRIKETHROUGH AND ADD LANGAUGE IN BOLD AS FOLLOWS:

A. COMPOSITION – CHARGE

(1) Ways and Means Committee

To consist of five (5) members of the Council to deal with all matters ~~that pertains~~ **pertaining** to expenditures, ~~and matters pertaining to budget,~~ **tax classification and other financial issues.** The Ways and Means Committee shall hold all public hearings on the above matters, unless otherwise provided for.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was, **WITHDRAWN:** TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE 565-9: COMMITTEES, SECTION B: COMPOSITION-CHARGE, SUBSECTION 4: COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE TO REMOVE LANGUAGE WITH STRIKETHROUGH AND ADD LANGUAGE IN BOLD AS FOLLOWS:

B. COMPOSITION – CHARGE

(4) Community Relations ~~and Education~~ Committee

To consist of five (5) members of the Council to act as liaisons between City departments, commissions, and boards with a focus on quality of life issues in Greenfield. ~~The Community Relations and Education Committee will also provide a regular venue during meetings for communications with the School Department on cultural and social aspects within the schools.~~ The Community Relations and Education Committee shall promote on-going communication between residents and City government, encourage resident participation in City meetings, **discuss proposed Resolutions**, and provide forums, ~~both in-person and electronic~~, for interaction between Council members and the public.

DISCUSSION: The Community Relations and Education Committee was considered a “throw away” committee; however, it was a very underutilized committee that did not take advantage of its role as a committee that could open dialogue between the City and the public. Other comments included:

- Councilor Gilmour withdrew the motion, Councilor Bullock withdrew her second.
- Clerk Scott made a suggestion to amend the language to reinstate the strikethrough and replace schools with City Departments.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Bullock, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was unanimously, **VOTED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE 565-9: COMMITTEES, SECTION B: COMPOSITION-CHARGE, SUBSECTION 4: COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE TO REMOVE LANGUAGE WITH STRIKETHROUGH AND ADD LANGUAGE IN BOLD AS FOLLOWS:**

C. COMPOSITION – CHARGE

(4) Community Relations ~~and Education~~ Committee

To consist of five (5) members of the Council to act as liaisons between City departments, commissions, and boards with a focus on quality of life issues in Greenfield. The Community Relations ~~and Education~~ Committee will also provide a regular venue during meetings for communications with ~~the School~~ **City** Departments on cultural and social aspects within the ~~schools~~ **City**. The Community Relations ~~and Education~~ Committee shall promote on-going communication between residents and City government, encourage resident participation in City meetings, **discuss proposed Resolutions**, and provide forums, ~~both in-person and electronic~~, for interaction between Council members and the public.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously, **VOTED: TO FORWARD A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND RULES OF PROCEDURE 565-12: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, SECTION A (1): CONDUCT, TO REPLACE LANGUAGE WITH STRIKETHROUGH TO LANGUAGE IN BOLD AS FOLLOWS:**

A. CONDUCT

- (1) Any citizen or petitioner shall be limited to ~~five (5)~~ **three (3)** minutes or another amount of time at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.

Chairperson Guin opened discussion on the following proposed amendment: § 565-12. Rule 12, Public Participation, section A: CONDUCT **(4) (New paragraph) Prohibit the intimidation, bullying, or threat towards City Councilors with lawsuits through print, televised, social or any other media platform.**

Comments included:

- Rationale was provided for submission of amendment.
- This issue should be addressed; however, the measure would not belong in the City’s rules of procedure.
- The City had adopted a Code of Civility.
- Councilors Guin and Bullock were in the process of establishing a Code of Ethics.

The recommendations forwarded from the Committee to the full Council at their July meeting.

Clerk Scott logged off the meeting at 7:28pm.

Councilor Guin opened discussion on Councilor Desorgher's regarding the Public Safety Commission: Comments included:

- Concerns were raised in regard to the Public Safety Commission's role in how they oversaw Public Safety Departments' use of their social media platforms to prohibit threatening and intimidating messages directed at City employees and public officials.
- Massachusetts General Laws were in the process of establishing Oversight and Citizen Committees to address the issue of public safety department conduct.
- Enforcement and compliance with language provided in the City Charter on the powers and duties of the Public Safety Commission.
- Suggestion was made for Chairperson Guin to forward an inquiry to the Public Safety Commission that would address their compliance with their powers and duties as written in the City Charter.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Bullock, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:07 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL ORDER
City of GREENFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS

Councilor _____ :
Second by Councilor _____ :

The City Council,

Moved that it be ordered,

THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

Community Preservation Committee - David Chichester, Term to Expire June 30, 2025 (Planning Board Designee)

Planning & Construction Committee - Mike Pratt, Term to Expire June 30, 2025

Planning Board - David Chichester, Term to Expire June 30, 2023 (moving from alternate to full member, finishing out Mark Maloni's term)

Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee - Greta Shwachman, Term to Expire June 30, 2024 (short term to maintain staggered appointments)

Majority Vote Required.

VOTE:

Explanation of supporting rationale: Charter Section 2-10 does not call for a formal vote to affirm the appointees but does say that "at least nine (9) members shall be necessary to reject an appointment proposed by the Mayor"

ROXANN WEDEGARTNER
Mayor



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GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

MEMO

TO: Sheila Gilmour, City Council President
Dan Guin, City Council Vice President
FROM: Mayor Roxann Wedegartner
DATE: June 24, 2022
RE: July Appointments to City Boards and Commissions -

I submit the following names for appointments and reappointments to these City Boards and Commissions:
Appointments:

- David Chichester; Community Preservation Committee, Planning Board Designee; June 30, 2025
- Mike Pratt; Planning & Construction; June 30, 2025
- David Chichester; Planning Board; June 30, 2023 (moving from alternate to full member, finishing out Mark Maloni's term)
- Greta Shwachman; Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee; June 30, 2024 (short term to maintain staggered appointments)

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roxann Wedegartner".

Mayor Roxann Wedegartner



Mayor of Greenfield <mayor@greenfield-ma.gov>

Appointment to Community Preservation Committee

1 message

davechi@comcast.net <davechi@comcast.net>

Thu, Jun 9, 2022 at 6:42 PM

To: Mayor@greenfield-ma.gov

Cc: caitlin.vonschmidt@greenfield-ma.ov, Eric Twarog <eric.twarog@greenfield-ma.gov>, Charles Roberts <cwr4@comcast.net>

Mayor,


Charles Roberts, Chair of the Greenfield Planning Board, has recommended me to represent the Planning Board on the Community Preservation Committee. I would be delighted to join that august group and ask that you appoint me as a member.

I have attached an abbreviated resume.

I appreciate your consideration.

David Chichester

(413) 475-3169

 Chichester curriculum vitae.docx
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DAVID CHICHESTER

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EDUCATION

1960 – Graduated B.A. from Trinity College, Hartford, CT

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

1960 – 1980: Connecticut General Life Insurance Company: Final position, Director of Dental Insurance

1980 – 1981: Allstate Insurance Company: Final position, Director of Group Insurance Claims

1981 – 1994: Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company: Retired as Vice-President

1984 – 1996: Applied Professional Systems: Owner and President, CEO

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE (DATES ARE APPROXIMATE)

1982 – 2012: Involved with various local organizations including NELCWIT, Pioneer Valley Symphony, Arena Civic Theater, Franklin County Restorative Justice Program, and Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition

1982 – 1988: Chair of Finance Committee, Chair of Audit Committee, member Ethics Committee, and member Board of Directors, Franklin Medical Center, Greenfield, MA

1996 – 2000: Founder and member Board of Directors, Foundation for Community Justice, Greenfield, MA

1996 – 2017: Chair of Board of Health (14 years), Health Inspector (12 years), Member Planning Board (5 years), Emergency Management Director (3 years), Town of Conway, MA

2004 – 2020: Volunteer, Emergency Department, Baystate Franklin Medical Center, Greenfield, MA

2019 – Present: Trustee, Silver Crest Condominium Association, Greenfield, MA

2022 – Present: Appointed to Greenfield Planning Board as an Alternate

RECOGNITION

2018 Selected as Greenfield Recorder's Citizen of the Year, including Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition, citations from Mass House of Representatives, Greenfield and Conway, MA



Mayor of Greenfield <mayor@greenfield-ma.gov>

Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee

1 message

Greta Shwachman <greshw1@gpsk12.org>

Wed, Jun 1, 2022 at 3:54 PM

To: Mayor@greenfield-ma.gov

Cc: Carole Collins <carole.collins@greenfield-ma.gov>

Good afternoon,

I'm writing to express my interest in serving on the Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee. I have worked in Greenfield as the GPS Food Service Director since December 2021. While I am new to this position, I bring a background in Farm to School, and am looking forward to furthering sustainability initiatives within the school district and the city. I believe this Committee will be a wonderful opportunity for me to meet new stakeholders and establish connections between GPS and the broader Greenfield community.

Thank you for your consideration. Please find my resume attached.

Sincerely,

Greta Shwachman

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Greta Shwachman (she/her)

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Greta Shwachman

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SUMMARY

I have worked in School Nutrition since 2015, championing "real school food" featuring local ingredients. I'm passionate about using social media and the power of community to promote school food and create strong partnerships.

CAREER

2021 - PRESENT

FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR

Greenfield Public Schools

- Oversee the GPS Food Service Department, consisting of approx 25 staff members across 6 schools, serving 1200 meals daily
- Manage dept finances, grants, federal & state requirements
- Write appealing and nutritious menus
- Administer breakfast, lunch, snack, and summer programs
- Communicate with families and collaborate with community organizations

2017 - 2021

FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Chicopee Public Schools

- Interfaced with local farmers, producers, and distributors to procure local food
- Planned and executed events for students, staff, & families
- Wrote grants to support department goals
- Conducted outreach, communication, and marketing to increase participation

2015 - 2017

SERVICE MEMBER

FoodCorps, Chicopee Public Schools

- Developed and grew the "ChicopeeFRESH" brand
- Forged community partnerships
- Led hands-on gardening, cooking, and nutrition lessons

EDUCATION

2011 - 2015

RICE UNIVERSITY

Houston, TX

- B.A. in Kinesiology (Health Sciences)
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude
- 4.04 GPA
- Member Phi Beta Kappa
- Studied abroad in Denmark and Chile

COMMUNITY POSITIONS

- Committee Member, Chicopee Community Garden (since 2018)
- Member, Chicopee Center Food Force (since 2020-2021)

SKILLS

- Partnership & relationship building
- Strategic planning & goal setting
- Procurement & logistics
- Technological proficiency
- Event planning
- Fundraising & grant writing
- Budget creation and management
- Communication & public speaking
- Spanish language proficiency
- Marketing, graphic design, social media



June 27, 2022

To: Roxann Wedegartner, Mayor
City of Greenfield
City Hall, 14 Court Square
Greenfield, MA 01301

Re: Position on the Planning and Construction Committee

Mayor Wedegartner,

My name is Michael Pratt and I live at 69 Meadowood Dr., Greenfield. For the past 17 years I've been a broker associate in real estate sales for land, residential and commercial properties. I currently work for Coldwell Banker Community Realtors out of the Shelburne Falls and Greenfield offices.

I am interested in becoming a member of the planning and construction committee. My experience with buildings and land development will be something I can offer, as well as a feeling of giving back to my city.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best,

Mike

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Rationale:

Compression release engine brakes, aka ‘ Jake brakes,’ are an important safety component of large commercial motor vehicles, particularly when hauling heavy loads on steeply graded roadways, but their use within residential areas creates noise pollution that adversely affects public health.

Operators should be encouraged to deploy engine brakes judiciously and respectfully in our community, avoiding unnecessary use in non-emergency situations; for example, on flat, low-grade, or uphill roadways; in an unloaded or lightly loaded vehicle; to compensate for excessive speed or insufficient braking distances as a result of improper operation; in residential and downtown areas; during late night/early morning hours, etc.

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