

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 20, 2021

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7:00 pm

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Ricketts.

**CHAIRS STATEMENT:** This meeting is being recorded and videotaped by the City Council and GCTV-15. If any other persons present are doing the same you must notify the chairperson at this time. (It was noted that the City Council did not begin recording until 7:10 pm)

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Roll Call was taken. All Councilors were present (Councilor Stempel-Rae arrived at 7:11 pm)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Roxann Wedegartner; City Clerk Kathryn J. Scott; Finance Director/City Auditor/City Accountant Elizabeth Gilman; School Committee Chairperson Amy Proietti; Police Chief Robert Haigh; Fire Chief Robert Strahan; Fire Lieutenant Kurt Seaman; DPW Director Marlo Warner; Parliamentarian William Roberts; GCTV-15 staff; Melina Anita Fritz, *the Recorder*, and members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:** On a motion by Councilor Jarvis, second by Councilor Elmer, it was unanimously,

**VOTED:** TO ACCEPT THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11 & DECEMBER 16, 2020.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE:** Chairperson Proietti reported the following:

- The tents used for in person learning had been taken down around the end of November for the winter months.
- Phase 2 of the plan to allow some students back into the school buildings for in person learning to begin January 21, 2021.
- The School Committee had begun the process of filling the School Superintendent position due to the resignation of Jordana Harper.

**MAYOR, CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:** Mayor Roxann Wedegartner reported the following:

- Implementation of the COVID-19 vaccination program.
- Commencement of the FY 2022 Budget Season for the City.
- Senator Jo Comerford was expected in Greenfield tomorrow to tour the vaccination effort at John Zon Community Center, as well as the COVID testing at Greenfield Community College.

Mayor Wedegartner, Director Gilman and Chief Strahan answered the following questions:

- Update status on the temporary and permanent Fire Stations.
- Overview of revenue collection for Greenfield and the status of the Governor's FY 2022 proposed budget.
- Number of businesses that had applied for and received grant money for business financial support.
- Number of radios requested by the public safety departments.

**OTHER CITY EMPLOYEES AS NEEDED, BY INVITATION:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The following members of the public spoke:

- Sarah Ahern, High St., spoke to the appropriation of \$163,000 for the purchase of radios for the police and fire departments. She questioned the urgency for this appropriation and if these monies could be used for public services.
- Cathie Anne Llewelyn, Keith St., Turners Falls, spoke to the appropriation of \$163,000 for the purchase of radios for the police and fire departments. She expressed her concerns for public services to people in need.
- Mackenzie Newhouse, Old South St., Northampton, spoke of ways in which the \$163,000 could be used for public services.
- Calvin Moen, Walnut St., Brattleboro, Vermont, spoke of ways to use the \$163,000 for public service programs.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** President Ricketts opened the public hearing at 7:50 pm. Councilor Forgey read the public hearing notice and second reading:

PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield City Council will hold a public hearing on Wed., January 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant St., or via Webex, if required: <https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=mc305f6d25ef86649f02de0c8deda313e>, to receive public input on the following:

- Appropriate \$163,000 from Free Cash to purchase radios for the Fire & Police Departments.

The City Council may consider the same on Wed., January 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant St., or via Webex, if required: <https://greenfieldma.my.webex.com/greenfieldma.my/j.php?MTID=mc305f6d25ef86649f02de0c8deda313e>. Materials can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 14 Court Sq. from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri. or phone 413-772-1555, x. 6163.

Ashley Stempel-Rae, Greenfield City Council President\*

**\*This public hearing was published before Councilor Penny Ricketts was voted in as Greenfield City Council President at the organizational meeting held on January 4, 2021.**

## **City Council – Second Reading- January 20, 2021**

- Appropriate \$163,000 from Free Cash to purchase radios for the Fire & Police Departments.

President Ricketts asked if Councilors had any questions regarding this appropriation:

- Age and condition of the current radios used by the Fire and Police Departments.
- Ways & Means had forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for this appropriation.
- Impact of the failures the current radio system had on the public safety structure and for the citizens of Greenfield.
- Time frame for the technological updates to the radio system.

Mayor Wedegartner addressed the issues the public speakers had during their public comments.

President Ricketts asked if any members of the public wish to speak:

- Calvin Moen, Walnut St., Brattleboro, Vermont, inquired why this appropriation was not in the budgeted for the public safety departments.

Seeing that no one else wished to speak, President Ricketts closed the public hearing at 8:17 pm.

## **MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **Order no. FY 20-042**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Forgey, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$163,000 TO BE APPROPRIATED FROM FREE CASH FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING RADIOS FOR THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Forgey reported the Ways & Means Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation. Comments included:

- Communications between the Police and Fire Departments were vital for the safety of first responders as well as the Greenfield citizens.
- The City had a need to focus on locating funds to aid in social programs that would help Greenfield's most vulnerable Citizens.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 21-042.

### **Order no. FY 21-047**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Jarvis, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PLANNING BOARD AS A FULL MEMBER: MARK MALONI, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2021.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Guin reported the Appointments & Ordinances Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 21-047.

### **Order no. FY 21-048**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING RE-APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR TO THE LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL:

John Lunt, Term expires December 31, 2022

Linda McInerney, Term expires December 31, 2023

Andrew Nighswander, Term expires December 31, 2023

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Guin reported the Appointments & Ordinances Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 21-048.

**Order no. FY 21-049**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Mayo, it was,  
**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE RETIREMENT BOARD: MARIANNE FISKE, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2022.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Guin reported the Appointments & Ordinances Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 21-049.

**Order no. FY 21-043**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Mayo, second by Councilor Elmer, it was by roll call, 7 yes, 6 no,  
**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL TAKE FROM THE TABLE A “RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF THE TEMPORARY FIRE STATION AT THE HOPE STREET PARKING LOT” WHICH WAS TABLED AT THE NOVEMBER 18, 2020, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

The non-binding resolution was now on the floor: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL APPROVES THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION TITLED “RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT TO BEGIN CONTRUCTION OF THE TEMPORARY FIRE STATION AT THE HOPE STREET PARKING LOT”

WHEREAS, confirmation was received from Mayor Roxann Wedegartner and Finance Director Liz Gilman on the positive financial information regarding the Fire Station Project.

WHEREAS, a demonstration of commitment towards any grants received and affirming the City’s promises to the voters of Greenfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenfield City Council support the construction to begin on the Temporary Fire Station at the Hope Street Parking Lot without further delay.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Mayo presented rationale for the submission of the resolution. It was noted that this resolution was not necessary to push forward the building of the temporary Fire Station.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Forgey, second by Councilor Stempel, it was, by roll call, 12 yes, 1 no,

**VOTED:** TO CALL THE QUESTION.

It was by roll call, 5 yes, 8 no,

**DEFEATED:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**Order no. FY 21-050**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Dolan, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was by roll call, 11 yes, 1 no, 1 abstension,

**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL TAKE FROM THE TABLE ORDER NO. FY 21 -041, “AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, RELATIVE TO INCORPORATING LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID) TECHNIQUES AS INDICATED IN THE ATTACHED STRIKEDRAFT, EXHIBIT B; AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES

TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.” WHICH WAS TABLED AT THE DECEMBER 16, 2020, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Order no. FY21-041 was now on the floor: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREENFIELD AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, RELATIVE TO INCORPORATING LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID) TECHNIQUES AS INDICATED IN THE ATTACHED STRIKEDRAFT, EXHIBIT B; AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Dolan reported the Economic Development Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation with amendments.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Dolan, second by Councilor Wheeler, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT RECOMMENDATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE PLANNING BOARD DATED DECEMBER 3, 2020, WHICH INCLUDES ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

On Page 2 of Exhibit B:

- Replace “Where soil condition allow” with **“Where there are well-draining soils”**.
- Replace “Vegetation planted within storm water management features” with **“Trees and shrubs planted within storm water management features”**.
- Replace (three-inch diameter caliper at a point 6 inches above the ground) with **(three inch diameter caliper at a point 4 ½ feet above the ground)**.
- Add **“ten-foot landscaped buffer strip including shade trees”** before “from the Large Trees 40’ to 80’ category of the List of Approved Trees”.

On Page 3 of Exhibit B:

- Replace (three-inch diameter caliper at a point 6 inches above the ground) with **(three-inch diameter caliper at a point 4 ½ feet above ground)**.
- Replace “All trees must be listed on the Approved Tree Species List of Chapter 400 of the Greenfield Code. Large canopy trees are preferred for internal landscaping to provide maximum shading.” With **“All shade trees must be listed under the Large Trees 40’ to 80’ category of the Approved Tree Species List of Chapter 400 of the Greenfield Code. Large canopy trees are required for internal landscaping to provide maximum shading.”**
- Amend chapter 200-4.14: water supply protection district (WP) d. By adding **“detached 3-family dwelling with a minimum lot size of one hundred thousand (100,000) square feet”** before “municipal administration, fire, police, library buildings.”

Order no. FY21-041 with amendments was now on the floor.

It was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 21-041 AS AMENDED: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREENFIELD AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 200, RELATIVE TO INCORPORATING LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID) TECHNIQUES AS FOLLOWS IN THE ATTACHED STRIKEDRAFT, EXHIBIT B; AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF THE CODE. AND FURTHER THAT NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE NUMBERING OF THE ORDINANCE BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT IT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NUMBERING FORMAT OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO GREENFIELD’S ZONING ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT**

**August 25, 2020, Revised September 3, 2020, October 8, 2020, December 3, 2020**

NOTE: Where changes are suggested within existing text, underlined text indicates new language, and text with a ~~strike through~~ indicates deleted language.

Upon review of the Franklin Regional Council of Government’s recommended changes to Greenfield’s Zoning Ordinance to incorporate Low Impact Development (LID) techniques as well as the recommendations of the Engineering Superintendent after a review of these proposed amendments, the Department of Planning and Development recommends the following amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

**Chapter 200 Zoning**

Amend Section 200-2.1, definitions, of the Zoning Ordinance by adding the following new definition for Low Impact Development.

LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT -- Low impact development (LID) is an approach to site design and stormwater management that seeks to maintain the natural features of a site, reduce impervious surfaces like roads and parking lots, and allow stormwater runoff to infiltrate the ground close to where it falls by using small, decentralized stormwater management techniques. These techniques reduce soil erosion and sedimentation and the amount of pollutants that stormwater can pick up from lawns and road-ways, and helps to recharge groundwater levels. Examples include, but are not limited to, sensitive site design, vegetated swales, rain gardens/bioretention areas, rainwater harvesting, green roofs, street trees and the preservation of mature trees and vegetation, and permeable or porous pavement.

Amend § 200-4.14, Water Supply Protection District, of the Zoning Ordinance by allowing Open Space/Cluster Developments by-right within the watershed district as a preferred method of development. Currently Open Space/Cluster Developments are prohibited from the district.

D. Uses permitted in Zone 2 and 3. In addition to the uses listed in § 200-4.14C, the following uses are permitted in Zone 2 and 3 provided they are permitted in the underlying district and comply with all other provisions of this section and this ordinance:

- (1) Open space/cluster developments.
- (2) Detached single-family dwelling with a minimum lot size of sixty thousand (60,000) square feet;
- (3) Detached two-family dwelling with a minimum lot size of eighty thousand (80,000) square feet;
- (4) Detached three-family dwelling with a minimum lot size of one hundred thousand (100,000) square feet.
- (4)(5) Municipal administration, fire, police, library buildings.

F. Prohibited uses in all Water Supply Protection Zones.

~~(18) — Open space/cluster developments.~~

Amend subsection C(10)(a), Design requirements, of § 200-6.5, Parking requirements, of the Zoning Ordinance by allowing for permeable or porous paving for parking stalls and overflow parking areas and to encourage the use of structural soils or cells in conjunction with permeable / porous paving and surrounding landscaped areas to encourage healthy tree growth.

(10) All parking areas and driveways shall be maintained as follows:

- (a) A dust free all-weather surface properly drained to dispose of all surface water accumulating within the area shall be provided. Where soil conditions allow Where there are well-draining soils, permeable or porous paving is encouraged to be used for parking stalls and overflow parking areas to infiltrate stormwater where appropriate. The use of structural soils or cells are encouraged in conjunction with permeable or porous paving and in paved areas surrounding landscaped islands, medians, and buffer strips to provide greater root space for shade trees. Parking areas not required by this ordinance and which are used only occasionally may be maintained in grass;

Amend subsection D, Landscaping, of § 200-6.5, Parking requirements, of the Zoning Ordinance by encouraging LID in parking lot landscaping.

D. Landscaping. Parking areas shall be screened and landscaped to minimize glare and reflection, to provide shading within parking lots, to capture, treat, and infiltrate stormwater on-site through Low Impact Development techniques, to provide noise buffers, to reduce the visual impact on adjacent residential property and public ways, and to prevent headlights from shining onto adjacent property.

(1) Perimeter landscaping:

(b) Low Impact Development stormwater management features such as swales, filter strips, and bioretention areas that capture, treat, and infiltrate runoff from the parking area are encouraged and may be located within the 10 foot setback. ~~Vegetation-Trees and shrubs planted within stormwater management features will count towards the required minimum planting of trees and shrubs.~~

(c) All parking areas except those within the Central Commercial (CC) District shall be separated from the street line by a ten-foot landscaped buffer strip including shade trees from the Large Trees 40 foot to 80 foot category of the List of Approved Trees (three-inch diameter caliper at a point ~~6 inches~~ 4 ½ feet above the ground) planted every ~~forty~~thirty (40/30) feet on center and shrubs at least three (3) feet in height upon maturity. Visibility at ingress and egress shall not be impaired and shall have a triangle of clear sight as defined in ~ 200-2.1B.

(de) Parking Areas within the Central Commercial (CC) District



ii. Low Impact Development stormwater management features such as swales, filter strips, and bioretention areas that capture, treat, and infiltrate runoff from the parking area are encouraged and may be located within the 5 foot setback. Vegetation planted within stormwater management features will count towards the required minimum planting of trees and shrubs.

iii. All parking areas within the Central Commercial (CC) District shall be separated from the street line by an ~~five-eight~~-foot landscaped buffer strip including shade trees (three-inch diameter caliper at a point ~~6 inches~~ 4 ½ feet above the ground) planted every ~~forty~~thirty (40/30) feet on center and shrubs not to exceed three (3) feet in height upon maturity. Curbing and/or wheel stops shall be required. Visibility at ingress and egress shall not be impaired and shall have a triangle of clear sight as defined in ~ 200-2.1B.

(e) To the maximum extent possible, trees and other plant materials should be native species. All shade trees must be listed under the Large Trees 40 foot to 80 foot category of the Approved Tree Species List of Chapter 400 of the Greenfield Code. Large canopy trees are required for internal landscaping to provide maximum shading. Shrubs, ground covers and perennials used below shade trees within parking lots should be of species able to withstand the harsh conditions and runoff of a parking lot. Any trees and shrubs that do not survive one year after planting shall be replaced in accordance with the requirements of this ordinance.

(2) Internal landscaping: All parking lots shall have internal landscaping as follows:

(a) Seven (7) to twenty (20) parking spaces shall have a minimum of five percent (5%) planted lot area;

(b) Greater than twenty (20) parking spaces shall have a minimum of ten percent (10%) planted lot area;

(c) One (1) shade tree (at least three-inch ~~diameter caliper at a point 6 inches above the ground evergreen or deciduous~~) shall be planted for every ten (10) parking spaces. All trees must be listed on the Approved Tree Species List of Chapter 400 of the Greenfield Code. Large canopy trees are preferred for internal landscaping to provide maximum shading. Preservation of existing trees is desirable and may be substituted for planted trees.

(d) Parking lots with distinct parking areas may be treated as separate parking lots if separated by at least ~~eight (8)~~five (5) feet in width of planted landscaped area. Internal landscaping shall be distributed throughout the lot for maximum shading and aesthetic improvement.

(e) Landscaped islands a minimum of eight (8) feet in width shall be used at the end of parking rows, and to break up rows of parking with 15 or more parking spaces in single or double bays. Each island shall incorporate at least one (1) shade tree, and should



include LID stormwater management features to treat and infiltrate runoff from the parking lot when feasible.

(f) Landscaped median divider strips a minimum of eight (8) feet in width may be used in lieu of mid-row islands. Divider strips shall incorporate shade trees planted every twenty (20) feet on center, and should include LID stormwater management features to treat and infiltrate runoff from the parking lot when feasible. If a sidewalk is proposed within the strip, the sidewalk may be placed in the center of the strip or to one side, and shall connect to public sidewalks, if applicable. The divider strip shall be increased in width by no less than four (4) feet to accommodate the sidewalk. Divider strips shall be capped on each end with a landscaped island meeting the requirements of §200-6.5D(2)(e) above.

(g) In parking lots with double-loaded parking rows exceeding forty (40) spaces, landscaped median divider strips a minimum of eight (8) feet in width shall be required every two (2) or fewer rows. Landscaped dividers shall be placed between double loaded rows of parking running the entire length of the rows and landscaped with plantings and shade trees planted every twenty (20) feet on center. LID stormwater management features to treat and infiltrate runoff from the parking lot should be incorporated when feasible. A sidewalk shall be provided in at least one landscaped median divider strip to create a pedestrian route from the parking lot to the building entrance. The sidewalk may be placed in the center of the strip or to one side, and shall connect to public sidewalks if applicable. The divider strip shall be increased in width by no less than four (4) feet to accommodate the sidewalk.

(e) To the maximum extent possible, trees and other plant materials shall be native species. Shrubs, ground covers and perennials used below shade trees within parking lots should be of species able to withstand the harsh conditions and runoff of a parking lot. Any trees and shrubs that do not survive one year after planting shall be replaced in accordance with the requirements of this ordinance.

Add a new subsection 3 to require a stormwater management and maintenance plan for parking areas.

- (3) Stormwater Management Inspection and Maintenance Plan: An Inspection and Maintenance Plan for parking lot stormwater management features shall be submitted to the Planning Board that conforms to the standards for Inspection and Maintenance Plans detailed in Chapter 381 §9 of the Greenfield Code.

Amend § 200-6.11, Driveways and entrances, by adding the following new subsection C(10), Design requirements:

C. Design requirements.

- (10) Encourage the use of pervious material for residential driveways – porous pavers, paving stones, porous asphalt, etc. – and the use of a “two-track” design.

Remove the requirement that applicants show the potential for groundwater pollution is no greater than would be expected for a conventional development by eliminating subsection D(4)(b) of §200-7.1 and renumbering the subsequent sections. By design an Open space/cluster development should have fewer impacts than a conventional subdivision.

- (4) Additional submittal requirements:
  - (a) The number of dwelling units and lots which could be constructed under this ordinance by means of a conventional development plan without open space/cluster approval;
  - (b) ~~Impact of the development on groundwater recharge, surface and groundwater pollution, and measures to prevent pollution and decrease of groundwater recharge;~~

Reference the local wetlands ordinance in Section F. Criteria for Approval, of § 200-8.3. Special permits.

- (4) The proposed project shall not increase erosion, flooding, or sedimentation either on-site or on neighboring properties and shall be consistent with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL c. 131, ~ 40) and Chapter 423 of the Greenfield Code;

Amend § 200-8.4, Site plan review and approval, by adding LID to subsection E(7), Approval guidelines.

- (7) Provisions for surface runoff and drainage which protects the site and adjacent properties from erosion, maximizes groundwater recharge through Low Impact Development (LID) stormwater techniques, and prevents the collection of surface runoff on paved surfaces which may obstruct pedestrian or vehicular flow;

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS** None.**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES****COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE** – None.**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** – None.**APPOINTMENTS AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**- None.**WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE** – None.**TREASURER REPORT** None.**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.**OLD BUSINESS:** Councilor Guin thanked former President Stempel-Rae and former Vice-President Wheeler for their contributions and support in 2020.**NEW BUSINESS: -**

- President Ricketts requested that a page be dedicated to Greenfield Historian Peter Miller.
- Councilor Stempel wanted to bring attention that along with the Coronavirus pandemic there had been an increased mental health crisis and encouraged anyone who would like to obtain help to contact the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 or online at [suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org).
- Councilor Forgey held the first reading:
  - Appropriate \$65,900 from Free Cash for the Phase B1 Main Street Improvement Project.
  - Appropriate \$33,000 from Free Cash for SCBA Fire Department SCBA Gear Grant Match.
- Councilor Desorgher held the following notice of zoning amendment proposals:

**The following zoning amendment proposals have been submitted to the Greenfield City Council for consideration:**

- Amendments to Chapter 200: Zoning, Section 4.2 Rural Residential (RC), Subsection C: Uses Permitted by Special Permit, by striking “limited to tier 1 (5,000 square feet)” from paragraph (19) to read as follows: (19) “Marijuana cultivator pursuant to ~ 200-7.17”, and by adding new paragraph (21) to read as follows: (21) “Marijuana product manufacturing and marijuana retailer as accessory uses for the use “marijuana cultivator pursuant to ~ 200-7.17”, submitted January 3, 2021, by Councilor Timothy Dolan.
- Amendment to Chapter 200: Zoning, Section 4.2 Rural Residential (RC), Subsection C: Uses Permitted by Special Permit, by striking subsections (19) & (20) in their entirety and replace with a new subsection (19) as follows: (19) “Marijuana cultivator pursuant to ~ 200-7.17, provided that any structure erected for such use in the RC Zoning District must also be usable either for other agricultural use (such as hoop houses, greenhouses and barns), or for residential use.”, submitted December 30, 2020, by Greenfield Greenery, LLC.

**MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Jarvis, it was by roll call, 11 yes, 0 no, (Councilors Wheeler and Mayo left the meeting before the vote.)

**VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:08 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kathryn J. Scott, City Clerk

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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	Attendance	FY21-042	FY21-047	FY21-048	FY21-049	FY21-043 Take from Table	Call Question	Resolution	FY21-050 Take from Table	FY21-041 Amendment	FY21-041 as Amended	Adjourn
1. Jarvis, Edward	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
2. Guin, Daniel	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	A	Y	Y	Y
3. Desorgher, Virginia	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4. Bottomley, John	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
5. Dolan, Timothy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6. Gilmour, Sheila	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7. Wheeler, Otis	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	----
8. Mayo, Douglas	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	----
9. Hirschfeld, Norman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
10. Elmer, Philip	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
11. Forgey, Christine	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
12. Ricketts, Penny	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
13. Stempel-Rae, Ashley	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
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*PETER SPENCER MILLER*

*FEBRUARY 21, 1938 – JANUARY 3, 2021*

