CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Singer.

President Singer stated this meeting was being recorded. If any other person present was doing the same, they must notify the chairperson at this time. It was noted the Town Council was audio recording and GCTV-15 was video recording the meeting for future broadcast.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilors Kelner and Renaud were absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Director of Municipal Finance and Administration Marjorie L. Kelly; Assistant Town Clerk Deborah Tuttle; Councilor-Elect Keith Zaltzberg; Baystate Nurses Union Representatives and Nurses; GCTV-15 staff; Anita Phillips, the Recorder; and members of the public.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2012.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Councilor Sutphin read the following public hearing notice: In accordance with Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield Town Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at GCTV-15, 393 Main Street to receive public input on the following:

- Appropriate $150,000 from Contractual Agreement Stabilization Fund to fund Fiscal Year 2012 contractual agreements between the Town of Greenfield and labor unions.
- Appropriate $7,325 from Fire Prevention revolving Fund to pay the first year of a four (4) year lease for a replacement vehicle for the Fire Prevention Officer.
- Appropriate $33,425 from Free Cash to fund an unexpected buyback in the Police Department.

The Town Council will consider the same at their meeting on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 which begins at 7:00 p.m. at the GCTV-15 Studio, 393 Main Street. Materials in alternative format can be obtained from the Town Clerk’s Office with advance notice at 413-772-1555. Copy is available in the Greenfield Town Clerk’s Office, from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri.

Councilor Sutphin held the following second reading:

- Appropriate $150,000 from the Contractual Agreement Stabilization Fund to fund FY12 contractual agreements between the Town of Greenfield and labor unions.

Councilor Sutphin explained the first public hearing for the fire department vehicle and buyback for the police department were withdrawn and would take place during the July meeting.

President Singer opened the public hearing at 7:09 pm. He asked if anyone from the public wished to speak. Seeing none, the hearing would remain open.

COMMUNICATIONS:
MAYOR: Mayor Martin made the following remarks:

- Urged citizens to volunteer to fill voids on committees.
SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: None.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Order no. FY 12-163

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -163.

Order no. FY 12-164

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -164.

Order no. FY 12-165

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE GREENFIELD LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL: LYDIA TAGGERT – THREE YEAR TERM- JUNE 30, 2015

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -165.

Order no. FY 12-0166

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated Raymond Trombley requested to be removed from the appointment. He had accepted a position that would keep him out of town and he would be unable to fulfill the obligations required.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McLellan, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY REMOVING RAYMOND TROMBLEY FROM THE PROPOSED LIST OF APPOINTEES.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis reported the Appointment and Ordinance Committee had not forwarded a recommendation regarding Paul Viens. The Appointment and Ordinance Committee did forward a unanimous positive recommendation for approval regarding Dr. Ben Weil, Nancy Hazard and Sara Campbell. Councilor Ronhave stated he had made the motion at the Appointment and Ordinance Committee meeting to remove Mr. Viens name from the appointment list.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Ronhave, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was,

MOVED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY REMOVING PAUL VIENS NAME FROM THE LIST TO BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY FROM THE OTHERS.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Vicencio-Rasku suggested it was unfair to have a discussion without additional input. Councilor Allis had requested Mr. Veins be put on a separate order, however due to a clerical error, that did not happen. Councilor Ronhave felt Mr. Viens was not qualified to serve on the board. Councilor McLellan stated 9 Councilors would need to vote in opposition, as required by the Charter, to defeat the appointment.

It was by majority, 1 no and 1 abstention,

VOTED: TO REMOVE PAUL VIENS NAME FROM THE LIST TO BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY FROM THE OTHERS.

It was unanimously,


DISCUSSION: Councilor Farrell stated with the knowledge and licenses Mr. Viens held, he exceeded the ability to serve on this committee. Councilor Wisnewski stated appointees should appear before the committee for a question/answer period. Councilor Vincenco-Rasku stated there should be a check and balance process to appointments. Councilor Allis stated the job of the committee was the check and balance process which results in reporting to the full council.
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McLellan, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously 
VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was (5 no, 2 yes, 3 
abstentions)
DEFEATED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT 
TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR 
TO THE GREENFIELD SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE: PAUL VIENS – UNTIL THE 
COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.

Order no. FY12-167
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO 
CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO 
THE GREENFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING: MARY C. WILLIFORD – THREE YEAR TERM TO 
EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-168
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO 
CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO 
THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS: TAMMY MOSHER – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 
2015.

Order no. FY 12-169
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO 
CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO 
THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION: TIMOTHY MOSHER – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE 
JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-170
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO 
CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO 
THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ACCESS: SARA CAMPBELL (TOWN REPRESENTATIVE) 
– THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-171
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO 
CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO 
THE GREENFIELD LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL: FRANCESCA PASSIGLIA – THREE YEAR 
TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015 - THOMAS ROULSTON – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 
2015.

Order no. FY 12-172
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE GREENFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY: TIMOTHY STRAHAN – FIVE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2017.

Order no. FY 12-173
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH: JANINA THAYER – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-174
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE GREENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES: ED BERLIN – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-175
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE GREENFIELD BOARD OF LICENSING COMMISSIONERS: WILLIAM ALLEN – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-176
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE GREENFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: WENDY MARSDEN – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015 - JEAN WALL – THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-177
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,


Order no. FY 12-178
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PLANNING BOARD: MARY NEWTON - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015 - CLAYTON SIBLEY - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.
DISCUSSION: In response to a question by President Singer, Mayor Martin stated no other individuals expressed interest in being appointed to the Board. Councilor Devlin asked if either applicant appeared before the A&O committee. Councilor Allis stated they had not.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Ronhave, second by Councilor Wisnewski it was with 9 yes and 1 no,
VOTED: TO SEPARATE THE APPOINTMENTS.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Allis it was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PLANNING BOARD: MARY NEWTON - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McLellan, second by Councilor Sutphin it was with 6 yes, 4 no, 1 abstention,
VOTED : THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PLANNING BOARD: CLAYTON SIBLEY - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-179
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE: KURT RICHARDSON - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-180
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: ROBERT HAWKINS - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015 - EDWARD HAMMOND - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-181
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE RECREATION COMMISSION: JILL FITZSIMMONS - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015 - RICK ROY - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

Order no. FY 12-182
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: HOWARD BARNARD - THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 2015.

President Singer closed the Public Hearing at 8:04 pm.
**Order no. FY 12-210**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Sutphin, second by Councilor Allis, it was unanimously,  

**VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD APPROPRIATES THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS ($150,000) FROM THE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT STABILIZATION FUND TO FUND FY12 CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AND ITS LABOR UNIONS.

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**Order no. FY12-187**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Vincencio-Rasku, second by Councilor Hoffman, it was,  

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION: THAT WE, THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL, RECOGNIZE THE VITAL ROLE OF BAYSTATE FRANKLIN MEDICAL CENTER, AS A HEALTHCARE SERVICES PROVIDER AND AS THE LARGEST EMPLOYER FOR THE COMMUNITY OF GREENFIELD, WE EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE SWIFT AND FAIR RESOLUTION TO CURRENT CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION AND THE MASSACHUSETTS NURSES ASSOCIATION TO ENSURE CONTINUED QUALITY HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY.

**DISCUSSION:** Councilor Vincencio-Rasku stated Community Relations Committee voted 4 yes and 1 no to approve this resolution. She stated the member who voted against didn’t think it was in the best interest of the town to get involved in contract negotiations. Councilor Allis would not support the resolution or get involved in contract negotiations or bargaining. Councilor McLellan would not vote in favor of supporting a resolution pertaining to contract negotiations or bargaining. Councilor Wisnewski would support the resolution because it was fairly balanced. Councilor Farrell would abstain from the vote. He further stated contract negotiations or bargaining did not belong on the Council floor.

It was by majority, 6 yes, 4 no, 1 abstention,  

**VOTED:** TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -187.

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**Order no. FY 12-188**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was,  

**MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HEREBY AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE WORD “TOWN” AND INSERTING IN ITS PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “CITY” THROUGHOUT THE DOCUMENT EXCEPT AS REFERENCED IN ARTICLE 1 SECTION 1-7 IN THE SECOND LINE. AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Devlin, it was unanimously,  

**TABLED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HEREBY AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE WORD “TOWN” AND INSERTING IN ITS PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “CITY” THROUGHOUT THE DOCUMENT EXCEPT AS REFERENCED IN ARTICLE 1 SECTION 1-7 IN THE SECOND LINE. AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HEREBY
AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE WORD “BYLAW” AND INSERTING IN ITS PLACE
THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “ORDINANCE” THROUGHOUT THE DOCUMENT.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT
THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE AMENDED
BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION IN ARTICLE 1, SECTION 1-8: DAILY
REFERENCE:
Article 1, SECTION 1-8: DAILY REFERENCE:
The term “City” shall be synonymous with the term “Town” and furthermore, shall not prohibit
or preclude the use of the term “Town” in any way in relation to City Officials, City department
correspondence, or the seal of the of the City of Greenfield.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT
THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

DISCUSSION: Councilors Wisnewski and Hoffman would vote to table the motion. Councilor Farrell
would vote in favor of the main motion. Councilor Devlin was baffled by the ongoing debate. He
further stated although Greenfield had a city form of government, citizens would still refer to Greenfield
as a town and would vote in favor of the main motion.

MOTION: On a motion my Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was by majority
show of hands, 6 yes and 5 no,
TABLED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE AMENDED
BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION IN ARTICLE 1, SECTION 1-8: DAILY
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correspondence, or the seal of the of the City of Greenfield.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT
THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 2,
SECTION 2-3: PROHIBITIONS, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION
AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING SECTION:
Article 2, SECTION 2-3: PROHIBITIONS
No member of the City Council shall hold any other City office or City employment for which a salary
or other emolument is payable from the City treasury unless;
a. A vote is taken by the council to exempt said councilor with a majority vote of the council for the calendar year of said employment; and
b. Such employment is temporary or part time; and
c. Such employment is not subject to any City funded benefit package; and
d. Such employment does not exceed payment of more than $7500 per year.

No former member of the City Council shall hold any compensated appointed City office or City employment until one (1) year following the date on which such former member's service on the City Council has terminated unless a majority vote of the council is taken to exempt said councilor. This provision shall not prevent a City officer or other City employee who has taken a leave of absence in order to serve as a member of the City Council from returning to the same office or other position of City employment held at the time such leave of absence commenced; provided, however, no such person shall be eligible for any other municipal position until at least one (1) year following the termination of service as a member of the City Council.

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

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously, VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2-3: PROHIBITIONS.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2-3: PROHIBITIONS, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING SECTION:

Article 2, SECTION 2-3: PROHIBITIONS

No member of the Town Council shall hold any other Town office or Town employment for which a salary or other emolument is payable from the Town treasury unless:

a. A vote is taken by the council to exempt said councilor with a majority vote of the council for the calendar year of said employment; and
b. Such employment is temporary or part time; and
c. Such employment is not subject to any Town funded benefit package; and
d. Such employment does not exceed payment of more than $7500 per year.

No former member of the Town Council shall hold any compensated appointed Town office or Town employment until one (1) year following the date on which such former member's service on the Town Council has terminated unless a majority vote of the council is taken to exempt said councilor. This provision shall not prevent a Town officer or other Town employee who has taken a leave of absence in order to serve as a member of the Town Council from returning to the same office or other position of Town employment held at the time such leave of absence commenced; provided, however, no such person shall be eligible for any other municipal position until at least one (1) year following the termination of service as a member of the Town Council.

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

Order no. FY 12-192

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HEREBY AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE AT THE END THE PARAGRAPHS OF ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-2 (f) EXECUTIVE POWERS; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES:

“Exception: With respect to the City Council, the Mayor shall be an ex-officio member of the city council and exercise every other right, including, so called, executive sessions, to participate in discussions, but shall not have the right to make a motion or to vote”.

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

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-2 (f) EXECUTIVE POWERS; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Wisnewski stated the Charter had a strong Mayor and would not vote in favor of the motion. Councilors Farrell, Sutphin, Ronhave, and McLellan would not vote in favor of this motion. President Singer discussed the “check and balance” within the Charter including the current language.

It was by majority (2 yes, 8 no),

DEFEATED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HEREBY AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE AT THE END THE PARAGRAPHS OF ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-2 (f) EXECUTIVE POWERS; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES:

“Exception: With respect to the Town Council, the Mayor shall be an ex-officio member of the town council and exercise every other right, including, so called, executive sessions, to participate in discussions, but shall not have the right to make a motion or to vote”.

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

**Order no. FY 12-193**

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HEREBY AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-2 (g) EXECUTIVE POWERS; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES:

(g) In the event that the Mayor shall find that a state of emergency exists within the City due to circumstances arising out of a natural or manmade disaster, requiring immediate action to protect the health, safety or general welfare of the citizens, he/she may declare, by resolution, the exact nature of the state of emergency and simultaneously publish such resolution by the most effective means available and take such actions as he/she thinks shall be in the best interest of the City, including but not limited to, complete authority over all local government, and municipal buildings. The declaration shall be effective for a period of time not to exceed 5 calendar days, except that such effective time may be extended upon the approval of the City Council that a state of emergency continues to exist.

AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-2 (g) EXECUTIVE POWERS; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES.

DISCUSSION: In response to Councilor Sutphin’s inquiry regarding whether the Mayor could control and declare a state of emergency for the school buildings or if the authority lay with the School Superintendent Councilor Allis noted if any proposed amendments conflicted with State Legislature they would not be approved.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HERBY AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-2 (g) EXECUTIVE POWERS; ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES:

(g) In the event that the Mayor shall find that a state of emergency exists within the Town due to circumstances arising out of a natural or manmade disaster, requiring immediate action to protect the health, safety or general welfare of the citizens, he/she may declare, by resolution, the exact nature of the state of emergency and simultaneously publish such resolution by the most effective means available and take such actions as he/she thinks shall be in the best interest of the Town, including but not limited to, complete authority over all local government, and municipal buildings. The declaration shall be effective for a period of time not to exceed 5 calendar days, except that such effective time may be extended upon the approval of the Town Council that a state of emergency continues to exist.

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

Order no. FY 12-194
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HERBY AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-3 (d): APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR:
(d) The mayor shall appoint (4) members of the Franklin County Technical School Committee subject to confirmation by the City Council, Consistent with the General Laws (M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 1).

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

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor McLellan, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-3 (d): APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

DISCUSSION: Councilors Sutphin, McLellan, and Farrell would not vote in favor of this amendment.

It was unanimously,
DEFEATED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE HERBY AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION ARTICLE 3, SECTION 3-3 (d): APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

(d) The mayor shall appoint (4) members of the Franklin County Technical School Committee subject to confirmation by the Town Council, Consistent with the General Laws (M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 1).

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

Order no. FY 12-195

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4-2 (a): SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR: BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:
SECTION 4-2: SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR
(a) Election and Term - As soon as practicable after the School Committee members-elect have been qualified following each City election, as provided in section 8-8, the School Committee shall organize by electing one (1) of its members to serve as School Committee chair and one (1) of its members to serve as School Committee vice chair until the next City election.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4-2 (a): SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR: BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: SECTION 4-2: SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR.

DISCUSSION: President Singer stated this amendment was clarifying the Charter rather than changing the Charter.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4-2 (a): SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR: BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:
SECTION 4-2: SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR
(a) Election and Term - As soon as practicable after the School Committee members-elect have been qualified following each Town election, as provided in section 8-8, the School Committee shall organize by electing one (1) of its members to serve as School Committee chair and one (1) of its members to serve as School Committee vice chair until the next Town election.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

Order no. FY 12–196

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4-3: PROHIBITIONS, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:
SECTION 4-3: PROHIBITIONS

No person elected as a School Committee member shall hold any other City office or City employment for which a salary or other emolument is payable from the City treasury unless;

a. A vote is taken by the school committee to exempt said committee member with a majority vote of the committee for the calendar year of said employment; and
b. Such employment is temporary or part time; and
c. Such employment is not subject to any City funded benefit package; and
d. Such employment does not exceed payment of more than $7500 per year.

No former member of the School Committee shall hold any compensated appointed City office or City employment until one (1) year following the date on which such member's service on the School Committee has terminated unless a majority vote of the school committee is taken to exempt said school committee member. This provision shall not prevent a City officer or other City employee who has taken a leave of absence in order to serve as a member of the School Committee from returning to the same office or other position of City employment held at the time such leave of absence commenced; provided, however, no such person shall be eligible for any other municipal position until at least one (1) year following the termination of service as a member of the School Committee.

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

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4-3: PROHIBITIONS, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: SECTION 4-3: PROHIBITIONS.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4-3: PROHIBITIONS, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: SECTION 4-3: PROHIBITIONS.

No person elected as a School Committee member shall hold any other Town office or Town employment for which a salary or other emolument is payable from the Town treasury unless;

a. A vote is taken by the school committee to exempt said committee member with a majority vote of the committee for the calendar year of said employment; and
b. Such employment is temporary or part time; and
c. Such employment is not subject to any Town funded benefit package; and
d. Such employment does not exceed payment of more than $7500 per year.

No former member of the School Committee shall hold any compensated appointed Town office or Town employment until one (1) year following the date on which such member's service on the School Committee has terminated unless a majority vote of the school committee is taken to exempt said school committee member. This provision shall not prevent a Town officer or other Town employee who has taken a leave of absence in order to serve as a member of the School Committee from returning to the same office or other position of Town employment held at the time such leave of absence commenced; provided, however, no such person shall be eligible for any other municipal position until at least one (1) year following the termination of service as a member of the School Committee.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

Order no. FY 12 -197

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-3: SUBMISSION OF THE BUDGET AND BUDGET MESSAGE, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT IN THE FIRST SENTENCE “NINETY (90)” AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “SIXTY (60)”.
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

DISCUSSION: Councilors Sutphin and Wisnewski would not vote in favor of the proposed amendment.

It was unanimously, 2 yes and 8 no,
DEFEATED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -197.

Order no. FY 12 -199

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-7 (b): SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGETS; OTHER APPROPRIATIONS, SUBSECTION, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:
(b) **Interdepartmental Transfers** - With the approval of the City Council funds appropriated to the use of one (1) municipal agency may be transferred to the use of another municipal agency as follows:

1. The City Council may, by majority vote, on recommendation of the Mayor, transfer within the last 2 months of any fiscal year, or during the first 15 days of the new fiscal year to apply to the previous fiscal year, an amount appropriated for the use of any department. Except as provided in the preceding sentence (1) no transfer shall be made of any amount appropriated for the use of any city department to the appropriation for any other department except by a 2/3 vote of the City Council and (2) The City Council shall, by Ordinance, provide a procedure governing such requests, which shall include at least two (2) readings and a public hearing by the City Council and it shall specify the circumstances under which notice by publication in a newspaper shall be required. Requests for the transfer of funds from one municipal agency to another shall be made by the Mayor, in writing, to the City Council and shall include a statement setting forth the reason the additional funds are needed by the agency to which it is proposed they be transferred. The request shall be accompanied by a certificate, signed by the Finance Director, Accountant, and head of the agency from which the appropriation is proposed to be taken, that such transfer will not prevent that agency from performing its vital functions. The City Council will hold a public hearing prior to its approval. Notice of the hearing will be posted or published at least five (5) days prior to the vote in accordance with the City Ordinance governing these requests.
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously, VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY Deleting THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-6 (a), (b), AND (c): ACTION ON THE BUDGET, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: SECTION 5-6: ACTION ON THE BUDGET.

President Singer noted the order was read out of order and requested this be tabled.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously, TABLED: THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-7 (b): SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGETS; OTHER APPROPRIATIONS, SUBSECTION, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:

(b) Interdepartmental Transfers - With the approval of the Town Council funds appropriated to the use of one (1) municipal agency may be transferred to the use of another municipal agency as follows:

2. The Town Council may, by majority vote, on recommendation of the Mayor, transfer within the last 2 months of any fiscal year, or during the first 15 days of the new fiscal year to apply to the previous fiscal year, an amount appropriated for the use of any department. Except as provided in the preceding sentence (1) no transfer shall be made of any amount appropriated for the use of any town department to the appropriation for any other department except by a 2/3 vote of the Town Council and (2) The Town Council shall, by Ordinance, provide a procedure governing such requests, which shall include at least two (2) readings and a public hearing by the Town Council and it shall specify the circumstances under which notice by publication in a newspaper shall be required. Requests for the transfer of funds from one municipal agency to another shall be made by the Mayor, in writing, to the Town Council and shall include a statement setting forth the reason the additional funds are needed by the agency to which it is proposed they be transferred. The request shall be accompanied by a certificate, signed by the Finance Director, Accountant, and head of the agency from which the appropriation is proposed to be taken, that such transfer will not prevent that agency from performing its vital functions. The Town Council will hold a public hearing prior to its approval. Notice of the hearing will be posted or published at least five (5) days prior to the vote in accordance with the Town Ordinance governing these requests.

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

Order no. FY 12-198
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was, MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-6 (a), (b), AND (c): ACTION ON THE BUDGET, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: Sec SECTION 5-6: ACTION ON THE BUDGET
(a) **Review** - The City Council shall consider, in open public meetings, the detailed expenditures proposed for each City agency and may confer with representatives of each such agency in connection with its review and consideration. The City Council may require the Mayor, or any other City agency, to furnish it with such additional information as it may deem necessary to assist it in its review and consideration of the proposed operating budget.

(b) **Public Hearing** - *Not less than five (5) days before* it is scheduled to vote on its final budget request, the City Council shall publish a summary of the proposed budget stating the time and place for which a public hearing on the proposed operating budget as submitted by the Mayor will be held.

(c) **Action by City Council** - The City Council shall adopt the budget, with or without amendments, within sixty (60) days following the day the proposed budget is received by it. In amending the budget, the City Council may increase or decrease amounts and expenditures as allowed pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 s. 32 or the City Council may only decrease amounts or add amounts to the schools budget pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 s. 32., If the City Council fails to take any action with respect to any item in the proposed budget within sixty (60) days following the date of its receipt of the proposed budget, such amount shall, without any action by the City Council, become a part of the appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year and shall be available for the purposes specified.

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

**MOTION:** On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously, **VOTED:** TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-6 (a), (b), AND (c): ACTION ON THE BUDGET, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: Sec SECTION 5-6: ACTION ON THE BUDGET.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Kelly stated the Public Hearing requirement for five (5) days publication was to bring the Charter into conformance with a financial ordinance enacted in 2006. It was noted the “60” day deadline listed in this section was referring to the Town Council having “60” days after submission of the budget by the Mayor to act on the proposed budget.

It was unanimously, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-6 (a), (b), AND (c): ACTION ON THE BUDGET, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING: Sec SECTION 5-6: ACTION ON THE BUDGET

(c) **Review** - The Town Council shall consider, in open public meetings, the detailed expenditures proposed for each Town agency and may confer with representatives of each such agency in connection with its review and consideration. The Town Council may require the Mayor, or any other Town agency, to furnish it with such additional information as it may deem necessary to assist it in its review and consideration of the proposed operating budget.

(d) **Public Hearing** - *Not less than five (5) days before* it is scheduled to vote on its final budget request, the Town Council shall publish a summary of the proposed budget stating the time and place for which a public hearing on the proposed operating budget as submitted by the Mayor will be held.

(c) **Action by Town Council** - The Town Council shall adopt the budget, with or without amendments, within sixty (60) days following the day the proposed budget is received by it. In amending
the budget, the Town Council may increase or decrease amounts and expenditures as allowed pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 s. 32 or the Town Council may only decrease amounts or add amounts to the schools budget pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 s. 32. If the Town Council fails to take any action with respect to any item in the proposed budget within sixty (60) days following the date of its receipt of the proposed budget, such amount shall, without any action by the Town Council, become a part of the appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year and shall be available for the purposes specified.

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

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE: THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5-7 (b): SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGETS; OTHER APPROPRIATIONS, SUBSECTION, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT SECTION AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:

(b) Interdepartmental Transfers - With the approval of the Town Council funds appropriated to the use of one (1) municipal agency may be transferred to the use of another municipal agency as follows:

1. The Town Council may, by majority vote, on recommendation of the Mayor, transfer within the last 2 months of any fiscal year, or during the first 15 days of the new fiscal year to apply to the previous fiscal year, an amount appropriated for the use of any department. Except as provided in the preceding sentence (1) no transfer shall be made of any amount appropriated for the use of any town city department to the appropriation for any other department except by a 2/3 vote of the Town Council and (2) The Town Council shall, by Ordinance, provide a procedure governing such requests, which shall include at least two (2) readings and a public hearing by the Town Council and it shall specify the circumstances under which notice by publication in a newspaper shall be required. Requests for the transfer of funds from one municipal agency to another shall be made by the Mayor, in writing, to the Town Council and shall include a statement setting forth the reason the additional funds are needed by the agency to which it is proposed they be transferred. The request shall be accompanied by a certificate, signed by the Finance Director, Accountant, and head of the agency from which the appropriation is proposed to be taken, that such transfer will not prevent that agency from performing its vital functions. The Town Council will hold a public hearing prior to its approval. Notice of the hearing will be posted or published at least five (5) days prior to the vote in accordance with the Town Ordinance governing these requests.

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

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -199.

Order no. FY 12-200

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 6, SECTION 6-7 BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT THE CURRENT TITLE AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING:

“PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS AND OTHER FACILITIES”
AND THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE TOWN CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER.

Order no. FY 12-201

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION IN ARTICLE 6, ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION:

SECTION 6-24: MAYOR’S TASK FORCE AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

(a) There shall be a Mayor’s Task Force Against Domestic Violence consisting of (9) members; seven members to be appointed by the Mayor, with review by City Council as provided in section 2-10 of the Charter, and four to be appointed as provided in Sub-Section B below.

(b) The five committee members appointed by the Mayor shall serve for terms of three (3) years each so arranged that the term of at least 2 members shall expire each year. In making appointments to the committee, the Mayor shall seek persons having experience in the fields of youth services, woman’s and men’s advocacy groups, mental health providers, probation officers in the District or Superior Court system, and medical persons on the staff at the Franklin Medical Center. The other four members of the committee shall be (i) a police officer designated annually by the Chief of Police of Greenfield, (ii) a representative of the Franklin County District Attorneys Office designated annually by the District Attorney, (iii) the Mayor, or the Mayor’s designee appointed annually, and (iv) a City Councilor designated annually by the President of the City Council. The committee shall appoint its own chair by majority vote of the members at a meeting duly called for such purpose.

(c) Six (6) or more members must reside in Greenfield. The committee shall meet at least twice annually, and provide its members with notice of meetings at least 15 days in advance.

The Mayor’s Task Force on Domestic Violence shall act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor with regard to forming public policy on Domestic Violence.

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

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT SECTION 6-24: MAYOR’S TASK FORCE AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE NUMBER 9 AND REPLACING IT WITH THE NUMBER 7 IN SECTION 6-24 (A) AND BY DELETING THE NUMBER 5 AND REPLACING IT WITH THE NUMBER 3 IN SECTION 6-24 (B).
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING THE NUMBER 6 AND REPLACING IT WITH THE NUMBER 4 IN SECTION 6-24 (C).

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO AMEND THE MOTION BY DELETING “SEVEN” AND REPLACING IT WITH THE NUMBER 3 IN SECTION 6-24 (A).

It was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER BE AMENDED BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION IN ARTICLE 6, ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION:

SECTION 6-24: MAYOR’S TASK FORCE AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

(a) There shall be a Mayor’s Task Force Against Domestic Violence consisting of (7) members; 3 members to be appointed by the Mayor, with review by City Council as provided in section 2-10 of the Charter, and four to be appointed as provided in Sub-Section B below.

(b) The three committee members appointed by the Mayor shall serve for terms of three (3) years each so arranged that the term of at least 2 members shall expire each year. In making appointments to the committee, the Mayor shall seek persons having experience in the fields of youth services, woman’s and men’s advocacy groups, mental health providers, probation officers in the District or Superior Court system, and medical persons on the staff at the Franklin Medical Center. The other four members of the committee shall be (i) a police officer designated annually by the Chief of Police of Greenfield, (ii) a representative of the Franklin County District Attorneys Office designated annually by the District Attorney, (iii) the Mayor, or the Mayor’s designee appointed annually, and (iv) a City Councilor designated annually by the President of the City Council. The committee shall appoint its own chair by majority vote of the members at a meeting duly called for such purpose.

(c) Four (4) or more members must reside in Greenfield. The committee shall meet at least twice annually, and provide its members with notice of meetings at least 15 days in advance.

The Mayor’s Task Force on Domestic Violence shall act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor with regard to forming public policy on Domestic Violence.

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

Order no. FY 12-202
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 7, SECTION 7-8 (b) CITIZEN REFERENDUM PROCEDURES, CERTAIN INITIATIVE PROVISIONS TO APPLY, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT IN THE FOURTH LINE “(e)” AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “(f)” AND STRIKING OUT IN THE FIFTH LINE “(f)” AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “(g)”. 

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

Order no. FY 12-203

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN CHARTER ARTICLE 6, SECTION 6-1 (c) ORGANIZATION OF TOWN AGENCIES, BE AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT IN THE EIGHTEENTH LINE “(a)” AND INSERTING IN PLACE THEREOF THE FOLLOWING “(b)”.

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

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis noted this amendment had not come from the Charter Commission. The “typo” had been caught by the Town Clerk. Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for the amendment.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -203.

President Singer thanked the Charter Commission members, Marcia Day, David Nixon, Peter Ruggeri, Diana Schindler, Councilor McLellan, and Councilor Allis, for their work.

Order no. FY12-204

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was,

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN UNDERLINED BOLD TEXT AS ATTACHED HERETO, CHAPTER 30, MAYOR, SECTIONS 30-1 AND 30-2 AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 30

MAYOR

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 7-17-1985, approved by AG 9-19-1985 (Sec. 2.1 of the 1985 Bylaws). Amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

GENERAL REFERENCES

Mayor regulations — See Part III.

§ 30-1. Powers and duties.

In addition to the powers and duties outlined in Section 3 of the Greenfield Home Rule Charter, the Mayor shall have the following powers and duties:

A. The Mayor shall have the care, custody and control of all Town property which is not required by law, Greenfield Home Rule Charter, or these ordinances to be under the jurisdiction of any other department. 1

B. The Mayor shall be the agents of the Town to institute, prosecute, defend and prosecute, defend and compromise any and all claims, actions, and proceedings by or against the Town or in which

1. Editor’s Note: The provisions of Subsection A were originally adopted by Town Meeting 3-4-1889 and 4-1-1889.
the rights or interests of the Town are or may be involved.

C. The Mayor shall annually in the month of June appoint and employ a Town Attorney who shall hold office for a term of one (1) year from the first day of July following and until his/her successor is appointed and qualified.

D. The Mayor may request that the Town Attorney assist in the prosecution of any violations of these ordinance and may, if it determines that any rights or interests of the Town are or may be involved, request that the Town Attorney conduct the defense of any action of proceeding brought against any Town agency or Town officer.

§ 30-2. Compensation.

A. The Mayor shall receive an annual base salary of $70,000 dollars as set forth in section 3-1 of the Greenfield Home Rule Charter. The Mayor may request in his/her budget submission to the City Council, an increase in the base salary, however the increase shall be the lesser of:

1. The average increase including any COLA or Step in pay for the same fiscal year negotiated with all bargaining units within the city of Greenfield, or:

2. Five (5) percent of the Mayors salary for the prior fiscal year.

B. Any increase voted by City Council in any year shall then become the new base for any future increase request. The base shall never exceed $100,000 dollars.

C. The base salary shall reset to $70,000 upon election of a new Mayor.

D. The City Council shall take up the request to increase his/her salary only in the annual budget each year provided the Mayor includes a request for such increase.

E. Increase requests shall not be considered by the City Council in any supplemental budget unless:

1. The request was made in the annual budget process and not approved by the Council due to non settled bargaining unit contracts.

2. The Mayor includes in writing at the time of the annual budget that as part of his/her overall budget plan he/she plans to wait to ask for the increase until the supplemental budget process.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval. The Mayor had reviewed the amendment and agreed with the proposed language.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, 
MOVED: TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE BY DELETING THE WORD CITY AND REPLACING IT WITH THE WORD TOWN THROUGHOUT.

Councilor Allis stated all of the ordinances to this point have had the word “town” amended to “city.”

Councilor Wisnewski withdrew his motion.
Councilor Sutphin suggested the base salary of the Mayor be reviewed for possible increase. Councilor Allis noted the Charter Committee had reviewed Mayor’s salaries of Peer Communities and they varied widely. By ordinance, the Town Council could increase the base salary of the Mayor this evening. President Singer, Councilors Wisnewski, and Hoffman suggested the topic be thoroughly discussed prior to an increase.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -204.

Order no. FY 12-205

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,


Chapter 49

COUNCIL ON AGING

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 10-16-1985, approved by AG 2-20-1986 (Sec. 2.7 of the 1985 Bylaws). Amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 8B

GENERAL REFERENCES

Council on Aging Bylaws — See Ch. 1301.

§ 49-1. Holding of office.

Appointees shall hold office until successors are designated.


The Council shall submit an annual report to the Town — City and shall send a copy thereof to the Massachusetts Department of Elder Affairs.

§ 49-3. Employees.

The Council may appoint such clerks and such employees as it may require, subject to the appropriation thereof.

Order no. FY 12-206

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Farrell, it was unanimously,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE UNDERLINED BOLD TEXT AS ATTACHED HERETO, CHAPTER 61, DRAINAGE, SECTION 61-1 AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 61

DRAINAGE

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield 10-16-1985, approved by AG 2-20-1986; amended 5-15-1996 (Sec. 3.3 of the 1985 Bylaws). Former Sec. 3.7.2, Drainage of Rain Water Permit, was deleted 10-16-1985 as well. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

GENERAL REFERENCES

Soil removal — See Ch. 154.
Damage to streets — See Ch. 159, Art. VIII.
Subdivision of land — See Ch. 880.

§ 61-1. Discharge of water restricted.

No person shall cause or allow the discharge of water or other liquids from his/her property onto or across the public ways and sidewalks which discharge creates a hazardous condition, a nuisance or damage to said public ways and sidewalks.2

Order no. FY 12-207

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was unanimously, VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD AS WRITTEN IN THE STRIKETHROUGH AND UNDERLINED BOLD TEXT AS ATTACHED HERETO, CHAPTER 172, TREES, ARTICLE I AND ARTICLE III AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX OF THE CODE.

Chapter 172

TREES

ARTICLE I
Damage to Trees

ARTICLE II
Attachment of Wires and Fixtures

ARTICLE III
Removal and Planting of Trees

2. Editor's Note: The original Drainage Bylaw was originally adopted by Town Meeting 3-4-1889 and 4-1-1889.
[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Greenfield as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

MGL c. 40, § 21

GENERAL REFERENCES

Destruction of public lands -- See Ch. 136.

ARTICLE I

Damage to Trees

[Adopted by 7-17-1985, approved by AG 9-19-1985 (Sec. 4.9 of the 1985 Bylaws)]

§ 172-1. Cutting or mutilation prohibited.
No person shall in any manner cut or mutilate any tree standing in any street or public place in the Town City.

ARTICLE II

Attachment of Wires and Fixtures

[Adopted by 10-16-1985, approved by AG 2-20-1986 (Sec. 3.4 of the 1985 Bylaws)]

§ 172-2. Written consent required.
No electric wires, cables, guys, poles, cross arms, brackets, insulators, or other wires or fixtures shall be attached to or come into contact with any tree standing for use or ornament in any public way or street (either within a street, tree belt, or sidewalk), park, or any other public property without the written consent of the Mayor.

1. Editor’s Note: the wires and fixtures bylaw was originally adopted by Town meeting 3-4-1889 and 4-1-1889.

ARTICLE III

Removal and Planting of Trees

[Adopted by Greenfield Town Council 5-20-09]

§ 172-3.1. Trees on Town City property
The Town City, through the DPW Director or designee, will determine if a tree is on town-city or private property.

§ 172-3.2. Dead, seriously comprised trees on Town City Property
With respect to trees on Town City property that are dead or seriously comprised (i.e. uprooted, damaged by weather or vehicle, poorly attached limbs) the Tree Warden will view and photograph the tree. If in his/her professional opinion the tree is a threat to the public way and public safety, he/she will place a removal notification on the tree. In the case where the tree is a grave and/or immediate threat, the tree may be removed by the Town City, in its sole and reasonable discretion, with no prior notification.

§ 172-3.3. Dying, diseased, compromised trees on Town City Property:
With respect to trees on Town City property that are dying, diseased or compromised for any reason, the Tree Warden will view and photograph the tree. If in his/her professional opinion the tree is not an
immediate threat to the public way and public safety but should be removed because of its poor condition, he/her will have placed a removal notification on the tree. Under these circumstances, removal work by the Town-City will be prioritized based on the condition of the tree.

§ 172-3.4. Removal of healthy trees on Town-City Property:
With respect to trees on Town-City property that are healthy and that must be removed for good reason(s) (i.e. installation of a sidewalk), the Tree Warden will view and photograph the tree. He/She will then post the tree in accordance with MGL Chapter 87 Section 3 and schedule a public hearing. If after a public hearing, the tree is determined to be removed, removal work by the Town-City will be scheduled as needed.

§ 172-3.5. Town-City Rights/Removal of Trees on Private Property
a. The Town-City, through the DPW Director or designee, will determine if a tree is on town-City or private property.

b. The Tree Warden has no jurisdiction over trees on private property except as provided for in this Section 3.5 and 3.6. The Tree Warden has jurisdiction over a tree on private property if, in his/her professional opinion, the tree is a threat or will become a threat to the public way or public safety (i.e. leaning, broken branches, hanging over street, sidewalk, or public ground such as a park etc).

c. If, in the professional opinion of the Tree Warden, a tree on private property is determined to be a threat, or will become a threat as the tree declines, to the public way or public safety and must be trimmed and/or removed, he/she will complete a USDA Forest Service “Urban Tree Risk Management and Community Guide to Program Design and Implementation” tree risk evaluation form, photograph the tree and notify the DPW Director, or, if, at the time of this determination and evaluation, the Town-City’s Tree Warden is not a certified arborist, in addition, the Town-City will hire or consult with a certified arborist to determine and evaluate if the tree is a threat to the public way or public safety in the same or similar manner. If, in the professional opinion of the Tree Warden and/or the certified arborist, the tree is a threat or will become a threat to the public way or public safety, the DPW Director will notify the owner(s) in writing that the tree must be trimmed and/or removed. If the owner fails to address the problem in the manner and within the time frame required in the notice, or pursue an appeal as outline in 3.6 below, the Town-City may hire a private contractor to trim or remove the tree and charge the owner(s) for the trimming or removal. After appropriate notification and timelines have lapsed, unpaid invoices for the removal of the tree shall become a lien against the property as a municipal charges lien as set forth in MGL Chapter 40 Section 58.

§ 172-3.6. Appeals Process
a. If, after the notice is received, the owner does not agree with the Tree Warden’s written determination, the owner may file an appeal of the Tree Warden’s decision with the DPW Director, or appointee, within 20 days after receipt of the notice of determination/evaluation from the Tree Warden, time being of the essence.

b. The DPW Director, or appointee, shall schedule a meeting with the owner to take place within 30 days after receipt of the appeal, and notify the owner in writing. The appeal will be limited to the criteria used to determine the hazardous nature of the tree or the time frame in which the order specifies trimming/removing, however the owner may hire an independent certified arborist to write an opinion and/or attend the appeal meeting. Within 30 days after the appeal meeting takes
place, the DPW Director, or appointee, shall notify the owner in writing of the
determination/evaluation resulting from the appeal. If, after receipt of notice the owner fails to
address the problem in the manner and within the time frame required in the post appeal
determination/evaluation, the Town City may hire a private contractor to trim or remove the tree
and charge the owner(s) for the trimming or removal. After appropriate notification and
timelines have lapsed, unpaid invoices for the removal of the tree shall become a lien against the
property as a municipal charges lien as set forth in MGL Chapter 40 Section 58.

§ 172-3.7. Town City Rights/Emergency Removal
Nothing in sections 172-3.5 or 3.6 shall preclude the Town City from removing a tree on private
property without prior notice if the tree represents an immediate threat to the public way or public safety
(i.e. tree seriously damaged by storm, uprooted etc). In such cases the Town City shall remove the
portion of the tree that poses an immediate threat (i.e. hanging limb) but the Town City shall no be
responsible for the complete removal of the tree unless said removal is necessary in order to protect the
public way or safety, or to grind the stump. In the case of an emergency removal where the owner has
had no prior notice that the tree was a threat to the public way, the owner will not be charged for the
removal of the tree.

§ 172-3.8. Planting of Trees
a. Trees shall not be planted on the tree belt; however, the DPW Director may, for isolated and
unique circumstances, permit planting in such area on a case by case basis.
b. When a tree is removed the Town City will contact the property owner to determine if the owner
wants a replacement tree planted on owner’s property. If the owner desires and notifies the Town City in writing, , the DPW will, as funding and work load allows, plant a replacement tree, or
trees, on the owner’s private property. Prior to planting, the Town City will obtain written
permission from the owner. The owner may request a specific location and type of tree to be
planted. The DPW will review the location and the type of tree to be planted in order to insure
there are no potential negative impacts on utilities and/or the public way, and make the final
decision. If the owner accepts the final decision the tree will be planted as work load allows.
After planting the tree(s) shall become the property and responsibility of the owner, including all
maintenance, pruning and future removal when/if it becomes necessary.

Order no. FY 12-208
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor McLellan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMENDS THE
CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD BY DELETING THE EXISTING CHAPTER 1302 –
RECREATION FACILITY USE FORM, IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACING WITH THE NEW
CHAPTER 1302 ATTACHED HERETO AS “EXHIBIT A” AND FURTHER AMENDS THE INDEX
OF THE CODE.
City of Greenfield Recreation Department  
20 Sunderson Street, Greenfield, MA, 01301  
Phone (413) 772-3600   Fax (413) 772-3615  
Email: greenfield.recreation@greenfield-ma.gov  
http://www.greenfield-ma.gov/departments/parksandrecreation/recreation/

Facility Use Request Form

Name of Organization: ____________________________
Type of Organization: Private  NonProfit  Municipal  Educational  Other
Contact Person: ____________________________
Mailing Address: ____________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________ Work Phone: ____________________________ Cell Phone: ____________________________
E-Mail: ____________________________

Event Purpose: ____________________________

Facility Requesting
- Abercombie Field
- Beacon Field
- Green River Swimming & Recreation Area
- Hildreth Park
- Green River Park
- Highland Park

Specify Area/Other
- Baseball Field
- Soccer Field
- Tennis Courts
- Beach
- Electricity
- Other (please specify)

Date Requested

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Start Time (include setup) AM / PM

End Time (Include cleanup) AM / PM

Frequency: One-Time  Weekly  Bi-Weekly  Monthly  Other (Please attach a schedule)

Expected Attendance: Children  Adults

Will you be charging admission? NO  YES  Admission Charge:

Will you be serving food? NO  YES  Who is providing/delivering food:

Are they Fire/First Certified? NO  YES

Does your organization charge dues? NO  YES  If yes, amount:

Will you be selling anything? NO  YES  What:

How many attendees do you expect:

Priority for Facility Use Reservation Requests:

Group A: City of Greenfield Recreation Department
Group B: City of Greenfield School Department
Group C: City of Greenfield Group represented by a responsible Greenfield resident
Group D: Non-Resident Group represented by a responsible staff person appointed by the school or group to hold full responsibility for the group's activity and actions, and approved by the Recreation Department.
City of Greenfield Recreation Department
20 Sanderson Street, Greenfield, MA. 01301
Phone (413) 772-1553  Fax (413) 773-0115
Email: chrismr@greenfield-ma.gov
http://www.greenfield-ma.gov/Pages/GreenfieldMA_Recreation/Default.aspx

Facility Reservation Policies Agreement
This agreement made this day of , 20 by and between the City of Greenfield through its Recreation Department (hereinafter referred to as “Greenfield”) and (hereinafter referred to as “User”). WHEREAS Greenfield wishes to promote the use of its parks and recreational areas and provide for the enjoyment of the general public, and WHEREAS User wishes to use the facilities. NOW, THEREFORE parks and recreation facilities of the City of Greenfield shall be used by User in accordance with the following policies and procedures:
1. Reservations must be made with the Recreation Department with an outline of event plans no later than 2 weeks prior to the proposed use of facility.
2. Applicant hereby assumes responsibility and liability for any and all injury or damage to the person or property of the User or others connected therewith, be they business or personal invites, and further shall indemnify and hold the City of Greenfield harmless in the event of any such injury or damage from any and all claims, awards or attorneys’ fees.
3. The applicant will abide by all County, City and other ordinances, rules of Board of Health, Police, and Fire Departments regarding public assemblies.
4. In the event the User wishes to provide amplified music, the music shall be at a volume that can not be heard beyond the park boundaries and shall not be used before 10:00am or after 8:00pm.
5. The restrooms will be locked at 8:00 pm (when available). Additional charges may apply for use of temporary facilities at Energy Park if additional cleaning is necessary.
6. No glass bottles or containers allowed on City Park/Recreational facilities.
7. The User shall be responsible for its own clean up immediately following the event; the User must leave the area in the same condition in which it was found:
   a. The User will remove any and all streamers, balloons, ribbon, tape, posters, signs, etc. from pavilion and picnic tables. Only BLUE PAINTERS tape is permitted for hanging decorations.
   b. In the event that the City must clean up the area following the event, the User shall be charged that expense. The Director of Recreation will determine “same condition,” and the Director's decision is final.
8. A $50.00 refundable damage deposit must be paid with the application. The deposit shall be returned in full following the event provided that the park/ recreational facility was left as set forth in Policy 7.
9. Special events attracting more than 75 people may necessitate having police officer on duty, at the expense of the User, to assist with traffic control and parking, at the discretion of the Director of Recreation.
10. This permit may be revoked at any time by the Director of Recreation, Mayor, or members of the City of Greenfield Police Department for violation of the above or any other Park, City or State Ordinance.

The following stipulations shall also apply due to the specific use by the User:

I (We) assume full responsibility for any damages to City of Greenfield property and/or equipment that occur as a result of the requested use. Furthermore, I (We) understand that the City of Greenfield, its staff, and members of the Recreation Department, will not be held liable for any injury or damage which may occur to me, my guests, and/or members of the above named organization and or property during our requested use of the property. Sport groups and organizations not sponsored by the Recreation Department must provide a Certificate of insurance, naming the City of Greenfield, its agents, servants and employees as additional insured, evidencing the following: Certificate of general liability insurance with per occurrence and aggregate limits of not less than $2,000,000.

Cleaning Fees:
The following additional fee will be assessed for cleaning that is required due to failure of the reserving party to thoroughly police and clean areas after use. This fee will be itemized and billed to the reserving party once the duration of the facility reservation is completed. Security/Damage deposit will not be returned in addition to cleaning charges. Minimum Fee: $50.00

USER SIGNATURE ______________________ DATE ____________

My Signature on this form indicates that I have read the Facility Use Request Form, Policy & General Rules and agree to abide by them.

For Office Use Only

Reservation Fee $_________ + Damage Deposit: $50.00 = $_________

Payment:
Cash Check # Visa/MC/Discover: Account # Exp. Date

Received by: ______________ Entered into Rectrac By: ____________________

Insurance Certificate Received: Yes No

Approved / Denied: _______________ Date__________________

Comments:

Christy Moore, Recreation Director

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City of Greenfield Recreation Department
20 Sanderson Street, Greenfield, MA, 01301
Phone (413) 772-1553  Fax (413) 773-0115
Email: christyn@greenfield-ma.gov
http://www.greenfield-ma.gov/Pages/GreenfieldMA_Recreation/index

General Facility Rules and Swim Area Rules

1. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on premises.
2. Smoking is prohibited on the beach and within 30 feet of the playground.
3. Pets are not allowed in the Swimming and Recreation Area June 1st through November 1st.
4. Coast guard approved flotation devices only.
5. Glass containers are prohibited on the beach area.
6. Please watch your children carefully - lifeguards cannot babysit.
7. Bicycles are not allowed in the waterfront areas - please use the rack provided near the bath-house.
8. Fishing in or near swimming area is prohibited.
9. Keep the waterfront and park areas clean, throw trash in containers.
10. Throwing sand, stones, mud or sticks is not allowed.
11. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on the beach, bridge or picnic areas.
12. Loitering around or in guard chairs, restrooms, guardroom or concession stand is prohibited.
13. Due to shallow depth, diving or jumping off of bridge and walls are prohibited.
14. WALK in all waterfront areas.
15. Climbing, playing, or swimming around the dam and bridge is prohibited.
16. Rough play, running, splashing, showing or dunking is not permitted.
17. Balls and throwing objects may be used in the athletic fields only.
18. Parking is only allowed in designated parking areas.
19. Non swimmers must have competent adult swimmer in the water with them and no further than one arms length away.

Supervision Guidelines

1. A minimum of one person per 25 participants/per area shall be assigned by User to supervise;
2. Youth groups shall have a designated Coordinator with a ratio of not less than 1 chaperone per 10 youth ages 8 and older; not less than 1 chaperone per 6 children under age 8;
3. Chaperones must be with youth at all times, including but not limited to the beach, playground, restroom areas, parking lots, etc. Recreation Department staff, including lifeguards, are not responsible for supervision of visiting groups, individuals or children in the park.
4. Lifeguards must be notified before youth groups enter the water; water events MUST BE SCHEDULED WITH THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT IN ADVANCE, and group chaperones must supervise groups per State Law. Camps must provide certified Lifeguards;
5. It is the group supervisor’s responsibility to prevent disruptive or disrespectful behavior, vandalism and excessive noise, and to remove those causing disturbances or contact police to have offenders removed;
6. Groups must leave the area in the same condition in which it was found; groups are encouraged to bring their own trash bags;
7. CHILDREN ARE NEVER TO BE LEFT ALONE AT ANY PARK.
### Swim and Facility Fees

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*Definition of a family:* Only two adults and their children under the age of 19, all residing at the same address can be listed on a family pool pass. For the purchase of a swim pass, an adult is defined as a person 18 years of age or older.

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<td>Under 2 FREE</td>
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| Group Rates        | Same as Daily | Same as Daily |

Groups larger than 10, must call the Recreation Director in advance for discount.

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<td>Special Events (15 or more people)</td>
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*Minimum of 2 hours*
Additional Energy Park Rules

1. All animals must be leashed at all times. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after pet.
2. Skateboarding is not allowed in park, on stage or stairs and in parking lot.
3. All food vendors, distributors, and special events must obtain permits.
4. Smoking is prohibited in the park.
5. Gas grills, charcoal grills and Hibachis are prohibited.
6. Limited parking in adjacent lot, other parking available on Miles St, Main St, and Hope St.
7. All signage for or during events must be approved by Events Director. Posters are to be hung on the designated board in park and on kiosk at main entrance. The use of duct tape is prohibited on light posts, fence or stage. Only BLUE PAINTERS tape is permitted.
8. All other park and supervision rules apply.

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<td>Facility Supervisor per hour*</td>
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*Maximun of 200 people

Public events can be posted on the Energy Park website and on the events calendar which is printed at the beginning of each season. Please provide the details and a brief explanation (include highlights) of your event. All additional advertising is the responsibility of the organizers.
DISCUSSION: In response to Councilor Wisnewski, Ms. Kelly stated the Town of Greenfield had accepted a Mass General Law which allowed boards and commission to set their own fees.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12-208.

Councilor Allis thanked all of the current and former members of the Appointment and Ordinance Committee who worked on the Ordinance review.

Order no. FY 12-209
MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION TITLED “CONCERNING THE PROCLAMATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF CO-OPERATIVES” AS FOLLOWS:

CONCERNING THE PROCLAMATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF CO-OPERATIVES.

WHEREAS, Co-operative enterprises help build and sustain a healthy, vibrant economy in {enter name of state or city}; promote jobs and enhance the quality of life for those in our community, the state of Massachusetts, the region of New England, our nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, More than 29,000 co-operatives operate in the United States, generating 2 million jobs, making a substantial contribution to the U.S. economy with annual revenues of $652 billion and assets of $3 trillion; and

WHEREAS, More than 500 co-operatives operate in the state of Massachusetts, generating more than $3 billion in revenue annually, sustaining more than eleven thousand jobs and making a substantial contribution to the Massachusetts economy by paying more than $580 million in salaries per year;

WHEREAS, Co-operative enterprises have proved resilient during the recent economic recession, sustaining jobs, community infrastructure and alleviating many of the most pressing social issues of our time;

WHEREAS, The United Nations General Assembly Resolution 64/136 on co-operatives in social development proclaims the year 2012 as the International Year of Co-operatives (IYC), with the theme “Co-operative Enterprises Build a Better World”;

WHEREAS, The UN Resolution recognizes that co-operatives promote the fullest participation in the economic and social development of all people and are becoming a major factor of economic and social development and contribute to the eradication of poverty;

WHEREAS, The contribution of co-operative enterprise to our local community deserves acknowledgment, affirmation, and celebration; now, therefore, We, the Town Council of Greenfield Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim the year 2012 to be “The International Year of Co-operatives” and do encourage all citizens to recognize and support the co-operative enterprises in our communities.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Wisnewski stated the EDC forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation for approval. Councilors Wisnewski, Hoffman, and Hirschfeld would vote in favor of this proclamation. Councilors McLellan did not feel this resolution belonged before the Town Council.

It was by majority, 1 no and 2 abstentions,
VOTED: TO APPROVE MOTION ORDER NO. FY 12 -209.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Chairman Wisnewski noted the committee reviewed the Sign Plan with the Town Engineer Sara Campbell.

President Singer thanked all of the Committee Chairpersons for all of their work during Fiscal Year 2012.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilor Sutphin held the following first reading:

- Ordered that $27,000 be appropriated from Additional State Aid to fund FY12 buybacks in the Police Department.
- Ordered that the sum of $47,950 be appropriated from Free Cash to fund FY12 buybacks in the Police Department.
- Ordered that the following sums be transferred from 914 Employee Health Insurance to the following departments to balance the FY12 Operating Budget:
  - $142,000 to 543 Veterans’ Services
  - $1,200 to 915 Employee Life Insurance
  - $25,000 to 145 Treasurer-Collector
- Ordered that $50,000 be transferred from 220 Fire Department to 213 Central Dispatch
- Ordered that $1,000 be transferred from 177 Planning and Community Development to 176 Zoning Board of Appeals
- Ordered that $14,000 be transferred from 192 Central Maintenance to 212 Parking Enforcement
- Ordered that $4,700 be transferred from 916 Medicare Match to 940 Police and Fire Indemnity
- Ordered that $7,200 be transferred from 241 Building Inspector to 246 Plumbing & Wiring Inspections

President Singer read a tribute to Councilors Farrell, McLellan, and Sutphin. Councilor McLellan thanked all the voters who elected him to the position of Councilor, the staff of the Town Clerk and Council Offices, President Singer, Councilor Sutphin, Councilor Farrell, Councilor Allis, and all the remaining Councilors for all of their respective attributes. Councilor McLellan urged citizens to volunteer and run for elected office. He suggested the Town Council vote to pay themselves a salary in hopes of bringing in candidates. Councilor Wisnewski thanked Councilors Farrell and McLellan for all they taught him over the years that they served together. Councilor Farrell reflected on his time as an active member of Greenfield’s Executive and Legislative boards. He urged new Councilors to work together and learn the separate functions of the Legislative and Executive offices. He thanked the employees in the Town Clerk’s office and said “no one knows more about local government than the Town Clerks office.” Councilor Farrell hoped to be elected to the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors to work closely with town officials. Councilor Sutphin thanked the Town of Greenfield for allowing her to be a Town Councilor and Christine Forgey for appointing her to sit on the Planning Board. She thanked Ms. Kelly and former Councilor Mark Maloney for their instrumental
financial guidance. Councilor Sutphin thanked Councilors Allis, Farrell and Singer for all she had learned from them.

**MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION:** None.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor McLellan, it was unanimously

**VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:10 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: 

Maureen T. Winseck, Town Clerk

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**GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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