

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
183rd Regular Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Greenfield High School Cafeteria
21 Barr Avenue

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

President Renaud 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.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Town Clerk Kathryn J Scott; Director of Administration Mark Smith; School Committee Chairperson Adrian Nunez; GCET Director John Lunt; GCTV-15 staff; Dan Desrochers, *the Recorder*; and members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Dolan, it was unanimously,

VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF APRIL 18, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The following members of the public spoke:

- Doris Cowdrey, 170 Leyden Road, spoke to the 9.4 million dollar grant received from the State for the new Town Library.
- David Moscaritolo, 43 County Club Road, spoke of his request for the monthly expenses and revenue of GCET.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR: None.

Mayor Martin responded to Councilor questions regarding the following:

- Funding source for the fence that was Eunice Williams pump area was paid through an unrestricted program fund in the amount of \$11,280.
- Funds for Fire Department relocation and what was contingency plan on Fire Department.
- The situation with Pride poster at the Town Hall.
- Councilors concerned about bonding.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM GCET BOARD OF COMMISSIONER AND/OR GCET DIRECTOR:
Director John Lunt reported:

- Strong sign up for the GCET.
- This will be the 10th straight month of growth in subscribers and revenue.
- This month will cross to 600 subscribers in Town.
- Planning projects for the fall include building in the Town, finishing up on Silver Street and working towards the Northeastern portion of Town.

- When it is complete there should be just about 84% of households in Greenfield covered.
- To complete negotiations with Dish TV Network to be able to offer a package.

Director Lunt responded to Councilor questions regarding the following:

- Inquires of GCET’s monthly expenses.
- Why is GCET going with Dish TV Network.
- How soon businesses on Main Street will have services.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chairperson Adrian Nunez reported:

- Summer school including the summer meals program were underway.
- Hiring for key positions including Director of Human Services and Greenfield Middle School Principal were underway.
- The School Committee recently voted to allocate an additional \$15,000 from School Department budget to complete of the Four Corners parking project.
- The School Committee participation in the Self Evaluation process and results will be announced at August School Committee meeting.
- The School Committee is working with the Massachusetts Association of School Committees in a contracted policy support service.
- Steve Nimbracow is the new Business Manager who started July 1st. School Committee voted to offer Superintendent Jordana Harper a 3 year contract.

Chairperson Nunez responded to Councilor questions regarding the following:

- Four Corners project will be completion date.
- School Safety Officers and additional school safety items.
- Governor’s proposal bringing supplemental aid for school security and the process.
- Possible revision of appropriation on Public Address Systems previously approved by the Council.

TOWN OFFICERS: None.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Order no. FY 19-007

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10 THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES OF THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENT, BY THE MAYOR TO THE FOLLOWING BOARDS AND/OR COMMISSIONS FOR THE EXPRESSED TERM:

REAPPOINTMENT

Irene Woods	Mayor’s Domestic Violence Task Force	3-year term, December 31, 2021
Tara Kurland	Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee	3-year term 12/31/2021
Joshua Carnes	Trustees of Soldiers Memorial	3-year term, December 31, 2021
Andrea Moorhead	Agricultural Commission	3-year term, December 31, 2021
George Touloumtzis	Planning Board	3-year term, December 31, 2021
Jamie Pottern	Planning Board	3-year term, December 31, 2021

APPOINTMENT

David Singer	Zoning Board of Appeals	3-year term, December 31, 2021
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DISCUSSION: Councilor Gilmour reported Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-007.

Order no. FY 19-008

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Dolan, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL RESCIND ORDER 17-123 “THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL VOTE TO “OPT OUT” OF REMOTE PARTICIPATION AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE MAYOR DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2015” APPROVED ON MAY 17, 2017.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Gilmour reported Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation. Discussion included:

- There is nothing in the Executive Order that mandates this, it just allows for it.
- If this motion was defeated the Rules of Procedure precluded this for being brought back up for 9 months.
- This would allow business to be completed sooner.
- Discretion of the Town Council experience with remote participation.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Dolan, it was,
MOVED: TO TABLED ORDER.

It was unanimously,
TABLED: ORDER NO. FY 19-008.

Order no. FY 19-009

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Allis it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL AMENDS THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD BY ADDING CHAPTER 338 PRIVATIZING CITY SERVICES ORDINANCE AS ATTACHED HERETO AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND INDEX OF CONTENTS 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 TOWN OF GREENFIELD.

**Chapter 338
PRIVATIZING CITY SERVICES**

§ 338 - 1: Definitions	§ 338 - 2:???
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§ 338 - 1: Definitions

Privatization: The transfer of programs, services, or goods from public ownership to a private enterprise.

Town Services: activities currently performed by town employees or town departments under public oversight, whether financed directly through taxation or through a user fee.

§ 338 - 2:???

The Town of Greenfield will not privatize any town services without first complying with each of the following requirements:

- (1) The Mayor shall prepare a written statement of the services to be the subject of the proposed privatization contract, and make said statement available to members of the town council and the public. This statement should include details related to expected savings to result from the privatization contract.

- (2) A public hearing and opportunity for public comment shall be provided.
- (3) Every privatization contract shall contain provisions requiring the contractor to offer available employee positions pursuant to the contract to qualified regular employees of the town whose town employment is terminated because of the privatization contract. Every such contract shall also contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity for all persons protected by MGL chapter one hundred and fifty-one B, and to take affirmative steps to provide such equal opportunity for all such persons.
- (4) After soliciting and receiving bids, the town shall publicly designate the bidder to which it proposes to award the contract. The Mayor shall prepare a comprehensive written analysis of the contract costs and benefits based upon the designated bid.
- (5) No bid shall be awarded that does not significantly save the taxpayers money over the term of the contract.
- (6) Before the bid is awarded it must be approved by a 2/3rds vote of the Town Council.
- (7) The School Department is not subject to this ordinance.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Gilmour reported that the Appointment and Ordinance Committee voted to approve at the June meeting. Councilors agreed to send the proposal for a legal opinion.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Dolan, it was,
MOVED: TO TABLE MOTION

It was by roll call, 7 yes and 2 no,
TABLED: ORDER NO. FY 19-009.

Order no. FY 19-010

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Sund, it was,
MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT IT BE ORDERED, THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE ATTACHED STATE PRIMARY ELECTION WARRANT FOR SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAID WARRANT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETAY OF THE COMMONWEALTH
WARRANT – STATE PRIMARY – SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**

SS. FRANKLIN

To either of the Constables of the Town of Greenfield

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at: **GREENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, BARR AVENUE, PRECINCTS – 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8&9.**

On **THURSDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018**, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Primaries for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

SENATOR IN CONGRESSFOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 GOVERNOR FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR..... FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 ATTORNEY GENERAL..... FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERALFOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 AUDITOR FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
 REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS..... SECOND DISTRICT
 COUNCILLOR..... EIGHTH DISTRICT
 SENATOR IN GENERAL COURTHAMPSHIRE, FRANKLIN & WORCESTER DISTRICT
 REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT SECOND BERKSHIRE DISTRICT
 DISTRICT ATTORNEY NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT
 CLERK OF COURTS FRANKLIN COUNTY
 REGISTER OF DEEDS FRANKLIN DISTRICT

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 18th day of July, 2018.

 Town Council President Karen Renaud
 As authorized by a vote of the Greenfield Council

By Constable posting:

 Constable

 Date of posting.

DISCUSSION: Councilor Allis stated a friendly amendment was need to change the day of the week from Thursday in the document to Tuesday, the amendment was accepted by general consent of the Town Council.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-010.

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PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Chairperson Leonovich noted the Committee contined discussion regarding Economic Development in Greenfield.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Chairperson Mass announced future meeting date and location for meetings. He announced he would be unable to attend the August CRE meeting; however, Councilor Mayo would serve as acting Chairperson for this meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Mass, it was unanimously **VOTED:** TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:08 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____
Kathryn J. Scott, Town Clerk

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

GCTV-15
Regular Meeting
July 18, 2018

Attendance
Table 19-009

1. Sund, Verne	Y	Y				
2. Lobik, John	Y	Y				
3. Allis, Brickett	Y	N				
4. Muzyka-Pyfrom, Wanda	A	---				
5. Dolan, Timothy	Y	Y				
6. Gilmour, Sheila	Y	Y				
7. Wheeler, Otis	Y	Y				
8. Mayo, Douglas	Y	Y				
9. Leonovich, Daniel	Y	Y				
10. Mass, Isaac	Y	N				
11. Renaud, Karen	Y					
12. Ricketts, Penny	A	---				
13. Stempel, Ashley	A	---				