

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2019

Greenfield High School Auditorium, 21 Barr Ave.

7:00 pm

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

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

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilor Stempel was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Assistant City Clerk Geneva Bickford; Finance Director/City Auditor/City Accountant Elizabeth Gilman; City Attorney Gordon Quinn; Director of Administration Mark Smith; Police Chief Robert Haigh; Fire Chief Robert Strahan; School Committee Vice Chairperson Katie Caron; DPW Director Marlo Warner; GCTV-15 staff; Joshua Solomon *the Recorder*; and members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

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

VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF April 17, 2019.

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL WAIVE THE RULES OF PROCEDURE, 8 ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS.

First Reading

Councilor Wheeler held the following first reading:

- Appropriate \$1,756,616 for the FY2020 Water Budget.
- Appropriate \$2,581,259 for the FY2020 Sewer Enterprise Budget.
- Appropriate \$1,116,744 for the FY2020 GCET Enterprise Budget.
- Establish spending limits on Revolving Funds not to exceed \$410,000.

COMMUNICATIONS:

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Vice Chairperson Katie Caron spoke to the following:

- The School Committee elected Glen Johnson as a new School Committee member.
- The School Committee received a visit from Dr. Bill Diehl from Collaborative for Educational Services. He may be helpful in regionalization.
- The School Committee received a visit from Karen Cousland, Principal of the Greenfield Middle School who was working on a turn-around plan for the school.
- The School Committee will receive training in Open Meeting Law after a complaint was filed.
- Deliberations continue relating to the School's FY2020 budget.
- Greenfield High School graduation will take place on May 31.

Vice Chairperson Caron answered the following questions:

- Enrollment in the Math and Science Academy and plans for a unified Middle School.

MAYOR, CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES: Mayor Martin spoke to the following:

- Changes and updates in regards to the FY2020 proposed Mayor's operating budget.
- Increases and reductions from the Mayor's proposed budget could be transferred to the School's budget.
- Thanked Councilor Wheeler for his response to the Department Heads' concerns with their experiences at the Committee during the budget meetings.
- Issues with the audit that could cause the City to delay bonding the debt until August.

OTHER CITY EMPLOYEES AS NEEDED, BY INVITATION: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The following members of the public spoke:

- Paul Jablon, 73A Fairview St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Karen Larabee, 24 Oakhill Acres, spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Ellen Thompson, 54 High St., spoke in support of rescinding the library vote.
- Kia Burton-King, 27 Riverside Dr., spoke in support of fully funding the School's FY2020 proposed budget.
- Karin Patenaude, 17 Mary Potter Lane, read a letter from Principal Jake Toomey of the Discovery School, 20 Phyllis Lane, for his support of fully funding the School's FY2020 proposed budget.
- Robert Cloutier, 266 Wisdom Way, spoke in support of rescinding the library vote.
- Jennifer Perreault, 258 Chapman St., spoke in support of fully funding the School's FY2020 proposed budget.
- Mirinda Scappace, 90 High St., spoke in support of fully funding the School's FY2020 proposed budget. She supported the building of the new library.
- Crystal Zimmer, 10 1/2 Stanley St., spoke in support of fully funding the School's FY2020 proposed budget.
- Janice Adam, 252 Davis St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Benjamin Miner, 284 Chapman St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote. He supported the reduced speed limit.
- Caitlin von Schmidt, 15 Congress St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote. She supported fully funding the FY2020 School's proposed budget.
- Ed Berlin, 20 Orchard St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Chris Forgey, 290 Barton Rd., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Rachel Gordon, 10 Eastern Ave., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote. She supported fully funding the FY2020 School's proposed budget.
- Chrystal Santos, 714 Country Club Rd., spoke in support of fully funding the FY2020 School's proposed budget.
- Steve Adam, 252 Davis St., spoke in favor of the new library.
- Lori Teahen, 198 High St., spoke in support of rescinding the library vote.
- Steve Ronhave, 206 High St., spoke in support of rescinding the library vote.
- Melodie Goodwin, 29 Meadow Ln., Principal of the Newton School, spoke in support of fully funding the FY2020 School's proposed budget.
- Ann Mayo, 143 Wells St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Herbert Forgey, 290 Barton Rd., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Milan Dragicevich, 210 High St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Joannah Whitney, 112 Franklin St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Faith Kaufmann, 39 Gold St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Laura Baker 22 Cleveland St., spoke to supporting the investment of the library and the schools.

- Bernie Baker, 22 Cleveland St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote and supported funding the FY2020 School's proposed budget.
- Wendy Goodman, 29 Green River Rd., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote.
- Sarah Ahearn, 15 Abbott St., spoke in support of fully funding the FY2020 School's proposed budget.
- Patricia Senser, 36 Newcomb Ln., spoke in support of rescinding the library vote.
- Garrett Connelly, 84 Congress St., spoke in opposition to building a new library.
- Robert Cloutier, 266 Wisdom Way, spoke in support of the library going to a vote.
- Philip Elmer-DeWitt, 28 Chestnut Hill, spoke in support of building a new library.
- Jessica Pollock, 69 Norwood St., spoke in opposition to rescind the library vote. She supported fully funding FY2020 School's proposed budget.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: President Renaud opened public hearing at 8:25 p.m.
Councilor Wheeler held the following public hearing notice:

PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Home Rule Charter, the Greenfield City Council will hold a public hearing on Wed., May 15, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant St., to receive public input on the following:

- The sum of \$9,965 be transferred from the Reserve Fund to the Audit Account 01001360 5301.
- The following sums be appropriated from the Contractual Stabilization Fund and/or Stabilization Fund to fund retroactive provisions of contract agreement:

United Public Service Employees Union (DPW and Central Maintenance)	\$99,386.75
Greenfield Police Union, Masscop Local 470 (Unit A)	\$31,760.72

The City Council will consider these two items on Wed., May 15, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at John Zon Community Center, 35 Pleasant Street. Materials can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 14 Court Sq. from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri. or phone 413-772-1555, x. 6163.
Karen Renaud, Greenfield City Council President

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 - The sum of \$65,000 be appropriated from the Capital Stabilization fund for the replacement of SCBA cylinders for the Firefighters.
 - The sum of \$550,000 be appropriated to hire the Architect and Engineering Firms to develop the plans for a new Fire Station.
 - The sum of \$25,000 be appropriated for roof leak repairs at the Greenfield Middle School and at the Four Corners School.
 - The sum of \$100,000 be appropriated for asbestos remediation at Four Corners - closets and cubbies and Federal Street School - tiles in accordance with the Ahera plan set forth by the District.

- The sum of \$80,000 be appropriated for the replacement of stair treads in the Middle School. The sum of \$125,000 be reassigned from the excess funds of the Hurricane Irene bond to the replace one elevator at Federal Street School.
- The sum of \$ 30,000 be appropriated to replace guard rails.
- The sum of \$120,000 be appropriated for the repair design for the Wiley Russell Dam.
- The sum of \$111,000 be appropriated for the design and engineering of Sanderson Street.
- The sum of \$175,000 be appropriated to repair and repave Green River Road from Plain Road to Eunice Williams Drive.
- The sum of \$30,000 be appropriated for the replacement of the Greenfield Middle School playground equipment.
- The sum of \$550,000 be appropriated for the Sewer Enterprise Fund portion of the Water Meter Replacement Program.
- The sum of \$100,000 be appropriated for Sewer Main replacement and repairs.
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- The Greenfield City Council appropriate the amount of \$ 150,000 to purchase installation related equipment for GCET expansion and customer installation.
- FY20 Operating Budget

○ Legislative	\$72,112
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○ Financial Admin	\$1,026,324
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○ Licensing & Registration	\$241,537
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○ Other Gen'l Government	\$1,679,345
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Karen Renaud, Greenfield City Council President

Councilor Wheeler held the following second reading:

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President Renaud asked if anyone from the public wished to speak. Seeing none she announced the public hearing would be closed at 8:32 pm.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Order no. FY 19-139

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, TO APPROVE CITIZENS' REFERENDUM PETITION REGARDING COUNCIL ORDER NO. 19-050 UNDER SECTION 7-8(A) OF GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER.

DISCUSSION: Attorney Quinn summarized his opinion in regards to the referendum petition filed April 17, 2019.

It was by majority, 1 abstention,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-139.

Order no. FY 19-137

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED PURSUANT TO THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER SECTION 7-8, THAT THE FOLLOWING ORDER NO. FY 019-050, APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL ON MARCH 20, 2019, BE RESCINDED: "UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, THAT THE SUM OF \$19,541,296 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$19,541,296, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS"

DISCUSSION: Discussion included:

- This issue has polarized the community and caused unnecessary isolation of the people who had signed the petition.
- Concerned that citizens who opposed the library were not vocal during the library deliberations.
- A special election would let the people decide on the library.

It was by roll call, 10 no, 0 yes

DEFEATED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-137.

Councilor Allis asked Attorney Quinn if the Charter specified the ballot question used the exact language based on the Citizen's referendum. Attorney Quinn referred to the Charter section 7-7(g).

President Renaud asked Attorney Quinn that the date could be inserted for the election at the time of reading the motion.

Attorney Quinn noted that State Law allowed a Special Election date of 35 days from the date of the vote. The City Clerk had informed the Attorney that 35 days is a conservative time frame and the Clerk’s Office would need at least 2 months to prepare special election ballots, and complete all required processes. It was noted the General November Election date would be inserted into the reading of the motion.

Order no. FY 19-138

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL DIRECTS THE FOLLOWING QUESTION BE PLACED UPON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT AT ~~A SPECIAL~~ **THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2019:**

BALLOT QUESTION

“SHALL THE FOLLOWING MEASURE, WHICH WAS PROPOSED TO BE RESCINDED BY VOTERS IN A CITIZENS REFERENDUM PETITION, TAKE EFFECT?”

“UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, THAT THE SUM OF \$19,541,296 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$19,541,296, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS”

YES _____

Summary – A YES vote would uphold the City Council vote above and ALLOW funding for a new public library

NO _____

Summary – A NO vote would rescind the City Council vote and NOT ALLOW funding for a new public library.

DISCUSSION: President Renaud announced that the motion on the floor would be for the ballot question to be placed on the General Election ballot in November. Other discussion included:

- This vote would need to be done as soon as possible to avoid additional costs from accruing.
- Escalation costs for the delay of constructing the library was discussed.
- A special election required a 25% vote in order for the referendum to be binding.
- A special election would allow for earlier construction of the library.
- Clarification that the cost of the library construction could be negotiated.
- The City would want to avoid possible litigation if the referendum failed at the special election.

Council Allis accepted friendly amendment made by Councilor Pyfrom to add “2019” to the date for the General Election.

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

MOVED: TO AMEND THE ORDER BY STRIKING “AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2019” AND INSERT “AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JULY 9, 2019.”

DISCUSSION: Some Councilors were concerned that there would not be a 25% turn out at a special election.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilmour, second by Councilor Dolan, it was, unanimously,
VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION

President Renaud stated the motion on the floor was for the amendment to hold a special election on July 9, 2019.

It was by roll call, 6 yes, 4 no
VOTED: TO APPROVE AMENDMENT.

Councilor Mass voiced his objection to the vote in its entirety in accordance with Chapter 2.9(b) of the City Charter.

President Renaud calls a recess at 9:51 pm.

President Renaud reconvened the meeting at 10:01 pm.

President Renaud announced the vote on the amendment would be retaken.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Mass, second by Councilor Pyfrom, it was unanimously,
VOTED: TO RECONSIDER THE AMENDMENT.

It was by roll call, 6 No, 5 Yes,
DEFEATED: AMENDMENT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JULY 9, 2019.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Mass, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was by majority,
VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION.

It was by roll call, 10 Yes, 0 No,
VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-138 AS FOLLOWS: THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL DIRECTS THE FOLLOWING QUESTION BE PLACED UPON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT AT ~~A SPECIAL~~ **THE GENERAL** ELECTION TO BE HELD ON **NOVEMBER 5, 2019:**

BALLOT QUESTION

“SHALL THE FOLLOWING MEASURE, WHICH WAS PROPOSED TO BE RESCINDED BY VOTERS IN A CITIZENS REFERENDUM PETITION, TAKE EFFECT?”

“UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, THAT THE SUM OF \$19,541,296 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID SUM OF \$19,541,296, PURSUANT TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7 (3) OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE, AND THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR, CONTRACT FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY FEDERAL AND/OR STATE GRANTS

AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT TO BE USED TO REDUCE THE WITHIN APPROPRIATION, AND FURTHER, THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THESE PROJECTS”

YES _____

Summary – A YES vote would uphold the City Council vote above and ALLOW funding for a new public library

NO _____

Summary – A NO vote would rescind the City Council vote and NOT ALLOW funding for a new public library.

Order no. FY 19-115

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Mass, it was, **MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR MARTIN, ORDERED THAT, THE SUM OF \$9,965 BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE RESERVE FUND TO THE AUDIT ACCOUNT 01001360 5301.

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forward a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was unanimously,
VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-115.

Order no. FY 19-116

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wheeler, second by Councilor Pyfrom, it was, **MOVED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE MAYOR, ORDERED THAT, THE FOLLOWING SUMS BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE CONTRACTUAL STABILIZATION FUND AND/OR STABILIZATION FUND TO FUND RETROACTIVE PROVISIONS OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT:
UNITED PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES UNION (DPW AND CENTRAL MAINTENANCE)
\$99,386.75
GREENFIELD POLICE UNION, MASSCOP LOCAL 470 (UNIT A)
\$31,760.72
CONTRACTUAL STABILIZATION BALANCE: \$77,908.99
STABILIZATION BALANCE: \$1,342,339.99

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Wheeler reported the Ways & Means Committee forward a unanimous positive recommendation. Other discussion included:

- Explanation for the language on the order Contractual Stabilization Fund **and/or** Stabilization Fund.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Mass, it was, unanimously, **VOTED:** TO AMEND THE ORDER TO READ, “THE FOLLOWING SUM BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE CONTRACTUAL STABILIZATION FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$78,555.89 AND THE AMOUNT OF \$52,591.58 FROM THE GENERAL STABILIZATION FUND”.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Pyfrom, it was, unanimously, **VOTED:** TO REPLACE THE ENTIRE LANGUAGE OF THE ORDER TO READ AS FOLLOWS: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE SUM OF \$78,555.89 BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE CONTRACTUAL STABILIZATION FUND, AND THE AMOUNT OF \$52,591.58 BE

APPROPRIATED FROM THE GENERAL STABILIZATION FUND TO FUND RETROACTIVE PROVISIONS OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT:

UNITED PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES UNION (DPW AND CENTRAL MAINTENANCE)

\$99,386.75

GREENFIELD POLICE UNION, MASSCOP LOCAL 470 (UNIT A)

\$31,760.72

FOR A TOTAL OF \$131,147.47.

Order no. FY 19-073

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THE CITY COUNCIL, AMENDS THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD BY ADDING CHAPTER 161 GREENFIELD PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE AS ATTACHED HERETO AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE 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 CITY OF GREENFIELD.

A New Ordinance, Chapter 161: Establishing The Greenfield Patriotic Activities Committee

1. Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a Committee to foster public participation and education related to patriotic activities sponsored by the City of Greenfield. Specifically, this Committee shall be charged with organizing and increasing participation in the Veterans Day, Memorial Day and Fourth of July Activities of the City of Greenfield.

2. Composition

The Committee shall consist of 31 members and include the following:

1. The Veteran's Service Officer or their designee
2. The Recreation director or their designee
3. The Chair of the Recreation Commission or their designee
4. The Chair of the Trustees of the Soldier's Memorial or their designee
5. The Chair of the Human Rights Commission or their designee
6. The President of the City Council or their designee
7. The Chair of the Council on Aging or their designee
8. The Chief of the Fire Department or their designee
9. The Chief of the Police Department or their designee
10. The Chairman of the Public Safety Commission or their designee
11. The Superintendent of Schools or their designee
12. A designee of the Superintendent of Schools who is a student
13. The Chairman of the School Committee or their designee
14. A designee of the Mayor who is a veteran
15. A designee of the Mayor who is experienced with fundraising
16. A designee of the Mayor who is a Gold Star family member
17. A designee of the Mayor who is a student
18. A designee of the Mayor who is experienced in civic education
18. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the American Legion
20. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Veterans of Foreign War

21. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America
22. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Disabled American Veterans
23. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Marine Corps League
24. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart
25. Seven additional designees of the Mayor designed to represent the community as a whole.

3. Governance of the Committee

The Committee shall be governed by an executive committee consisting of the Veterans Service Officer or designee, the Recreation Director or designee, any of the designees of the Mayor appointed to as chair of the executive Committee.

4. Meetings

Meetings may be called at any time as requested by the Executive Committee, but the Committee shall meet no less than quarterly.

5. Term

All members of the Committee shall be appointed for a two year term, unless filling the unexpired term created by a vacancy.

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Gilmour reported the Appointment & Ordinance Committee forwarded a positive recommendation. Other discussion included:

- Rationale given for the proposed formation of this Committee.
- 31 members for this Committee would be too large.
- Volunteers would be more sufficient to help with patriotic activities.
- A substantial amount of work and effort have gone into planning parades.
- Suggested to table motion in order to reduce the amount of members required.

Councilor Mass accepted a friendly amendment suggested by Councilor Gilmour to amend the title of the Committee to the “Greenfield **Veterans** Activities Committee.”

It was by majority, 7 yes, 4 no,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-073 AS AMENDED,
AMENDS THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD BY ADDING CHAPTER 161 GREENFIELD ~~PATRIOTIC~~ **VETERANS** ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE AS ATTACHED HERETO AND FURTHER AMENDS THE TABLE 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 CITY OF GREENFIELD.

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32. A designee of the Mayor who is a veteran
33. A designee of the Mayor who is experienced with fundraising
34. A designee of the Mayor who is a Gold Star family member
35. A designee of the Mayor who is a student
36. A designee of the Mayor who is experienced in civic education
19. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the American Legion
25. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Veterans of Foreign War
26. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America
27. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Disabled American Veterans
28. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Marine Corps League
29. A designee of the Mayor who is a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart
25. Seven additional designees of the Mayor designed to represent the community as a whole.

3. Governance of the Committee

The Committee shall be governed by an executive committee consisting of the Veterans Service Officer or designee, the Recreation Director or designee, any of the designees of the Mayor appointed to as chair of the executive Committee.

4. Meetings

Meetings may be called at any time as requested by the Executive Committee, but the Committee shall meet no less than quarterly.

5. Term

All members of the Committee shall be appointed for a two year term, unless filling the unexpired term created by a vacancy.

Order no. FY 19-081

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THE CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTS MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW CHAPTER 90 SECTION 17C AS DESCRIBED IN ATTACHED RESOLUTION AND AS ATTACHED (EXHIBIT A).

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 90: MOTOR VEHICLES AND AIRCRAFT

Section 17C: Establishment of 25-miles-per-hour speed limit in thickly settled or business district in city or town; violation

Section 17C. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the city council, the transportation commissioner of the city of Boston, the board of selectmen, park commissioners, a traffic commission or traffic director of a city or town that accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4 may, in the interests of public safety and without further authority, establish a speed

limit of 25 miles per hour on any roadway inside a thickly settled or business district in the city or town on any way that is not a state highway.

(b) Upon establishing a speed limit under this section, the city or town shall notify the department. The operation of a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of a speed limit established under this section shall be a violation of section 17.

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Gilmour reported the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation. Councilor Wheeler provided his rationale for his proposed resolution.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-081.

Order no. FY 19-128

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

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, MOVED THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL TAKE FROM THE TABLE ORDER NO. FY 19-82 “ACCEPT MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW CHAPTER 90 SECTION 18B AS DESCRIBED AS ATTACHED (EXHIBIT A).”

WHICH WAS TABLED AT THE APRIL 17, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Order No. 19-082 was now on the table: THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTS MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW CHAPTER 90 SECTION 18B AS DESCRIBED AS ATTACHED (EXHIBIT A).

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 90: MOTOR VEHICLES AND AIRCRAFT

Section 18B: Establishment of designated safety zones for ways in city or town; violation

Section 18B. (a) Notwithstanding section 18 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the city council, the transportation commissioner of the city of Boston, the board of selectmen, park commissioners, a traffic commission or traffic director of a city or town that accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4 may, in the interests of public safety and without further authority, establish designated safety zones on, at or near any way in the city or town which is not a state highway, and with the approval of the department if the same is a state highway. Such safety zones shall be posted as having a speed limit of 20 miles per hour.

(b) The operation of a motor vehicle in such zone at a speed exceeding the speed limit established under this section shall be a violation of section 17.

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Gilmour reported the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation. Councilor Wheeler provided his rationale for his proposed ordinance.

Other discussion included:

- When would both orders be taken into effect.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-082.

Order no. FY 19-135

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED, THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE FRED W. WELLS FUND: ROY EMERSON – FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE

DECEMBER 31, 2022. (TO FILL AN EXISTING VACANCY DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF H. PETER WOOD.)

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Gilmour reported the Appointment and Ordinance Committee forwarded a unanimous positive recommendation.

It was unanimously,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-135.

Order no. FY 19-136

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

MOVED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY VOTE TO REPEAL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 37 OF CHAPTER 19 OF THE REVISED LAWS (NOW KNOWN AS CHAPTER 31 OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS) RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF ITS POLICE FORCE UNDER CIVIL SERVICE RULES AS VOTED AT THE MARCH 5, 1917 TOWN MEETING.

DISCUSSION: Chairperson Gilmour reported the Appointment and Ordinance Committee did not forward a recommendation. They were waiting on a legal opinion. Other discussion included:

- Suggested to table order pending a possible civil service reform.
- Most Towns and Cities in Massachusetts have already removed themselves from civil service.

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

VOTED: TO CALL THE QUESTION.

It was by majority, 1 no, 1 abstention,

VOTED: TO APPROVE ORDER NO. FY 19-136.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND SIMILAR PAPERS None.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE – None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – None

APPOINTMENTS AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE- None

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE – None

TREASURER REPORT None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The FY2020 Annual Budget Meeting would be held on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, 6:00 pm at the Greenfield High School Cafeteria.

Councilor Berson announced that the Senator voted to initiate a train to recognize the Commonwealth as an East to West state and the likelihood of an East to West train that could increase the population and economic possibilities for Western Massachusetts.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Sund, no second, it was,
DEFEATED: TO DEDICATE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TO FORMER COUNCILOR DANIEL LEONOVICH.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Pyfrom, it was, unanimously,
VOTED: TO DEDICATE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TO FORMER GREENFIELD SCHOOL TEACHER JEFFREY BISHOP.

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was unanimously
VOTED: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 11:00 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____
 Kathryn J. Scott, City Clerk

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Greenfield High School Auditorium
 Regular Meeting
 May 15, 2019

	Attendance	FY19-137	FY19-138 July Election	FY19-138 July Election Vote Reconsideratio	FY19-138 Nov Election	
1. Sund, Verne	Y	N	N	N	Y	
2. Berson, Mark	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	
3. Allis, Brickett	Y	N	N	N	Y	
4. Muzyka-Pyfrom, Wanda	Y	N	N	N	Y	
5. Dolan, Timothy	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	
6. Gilmour, Sheila	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	
7. Wheeler, Otis	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	
8. Mayo, Douglas	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	
9. Vacant	---	---	---	---	---	

10. Mass, Isaac	Y	N	N	N	Y	
11. Renaud, Karen	Y	----	----	N	----	
12. Ricketts, Penny	Y	N	Y	N	Y	
13. Stempel, Ashley	N	----	----	----	----	

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IN MEMORY OF

*JEFFREY CRISWELL
BISHOP*

JANUARY 22, 1943 – APRIL 15, 2019

