

METHUEN CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.  
GREAT HALL, SEARLES BUILDING

Chair Zeigler called the Special Meeting of the Methuen City Council to order Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Councilor Finocchiaro, Councilor McCarty, Councilor Saba, Councilor Saffie, Councilor Simard, Councilor Beauregard, Councilor DiZoglio, Councilor Faretra, and Chair Zeigler.

**AGENDA:**

Consideration of Appointment – Human Resource Director - Gina M. LaGreca, Esq.

**APPROVED VOTE: 8 yes, 1 no**

Contracts:

C-23-96 Borden and Remington, 63 Water Street, P.O. Box 2573, Fall River, MA 02722 for Chemicals for Water Treatment Plan Sodium Hypochlorite (15% Solution) Bulk Delivery \$2169 per wet pound - Amount \$90,000.00

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

C-23-97 International Dioxide, In., 40 Whitecap Drive, North Kingstown, RI 02852 for Chemical for Water Treatment Plant with Sodium Chlorite – 25% Solution (\$0.730 per wet pound) Bulk Delivery in the Amount of \$65,000.00

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

C-23-98 Univar, 200 Dean Sievers Place, Morrisville, PA 19067 for Chemicals for Water Treatment Plant for Sodium Hydroxide (Caustic Soda – 50% Solution) Bulk Delivery \$2200 per wet pound – Amount \$110,000.00

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

C-23-99 A/D Instrument Repair, Inc., 39 Adeline Street, Hampstead, NH 03841 for Instrumentation Maintenance and Emergency Service in the Amount of \$13,200.00 per year for a total of \$39,600.00 for three (3) years for yearly maintenance only

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

C-23-100 Waste Management of Londonderry, Inc., 26 Liberty Drive, Londonderry, NH 02053 for Hauling & Disposal of Transfer Station Construction & Demolition (C&D) Related Material Amount: FY'24 Ext. \$189.00 per ton estimated on 2000 tons (360,000.00) plus fuel adjustment (FY'23 was \$180 per ton)

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

C-23-101 Holland Company, Inc. 153 Howland Avenue, Adams, MA 01220 for Providing Water Treatment Plant with Aluminum Sulfate (Rate of \$1.69 per gallon) 50% Bulk Delivery in the Amount of \$150,000

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C-23-102 Employment Contract by and between the City of Methuen and Michael Fluet, Assistant Fire Chief

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

Unfinished Business

TR-23-28 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Massachusetts Office of Grants and Research 2023 Car Seat Distribution program award which includes 68 child car seats valuing up to a total of \$7,415; Requested by the Mayor, Chief of Police & CAFO

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

TR-23-29 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$426,000 from various General Fund budget lines to General Fund Police Department Personal Service Expenses budget line to fund necessary personnel expenditures Requested by the Mayor & CAFO

**APPROVED VOTE: 8 yes, 1 no (Clr. Finocchiaro)**

TR-23-30 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$130,000 from the Enterprise Fund Department of Public Works Personal Services Expenses to the Enterprise Fund Department of Public Works Other Expenses budget line due to unanticipated utility expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

TR-23-31 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$13,500 from Accounting Personal Service Expense budget line, of which \$10,000 shall be transferred to Accounting Other Expense Budget Line and \$3,500 shall be transferred to the Assessing Personal Services budget line to fund necessary year end payroll processing expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

TR-23-32 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$350,000 from the General Fund Department of Public Works Personal Services Expenses to the General Fund Solid Waste Disposal budget line due to unanticipated expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO

**APPROVED VOTE: 8 yes, 1 no (Clr. Finocchiaro)**

TR-23-33 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$150,000 from the General Fund Department of Public Works Personal Services Expenses to the General Fund Department of Public Works Other Expenses budget line due to unanticipated utility expenditures; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO

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TR-23-34 Resolution Authorizing Transfer \$3,500 from Legal Other Expense to be transferred to Legal Personal Service Expense to fund necessary year-end personnel expenditure projections; Requested by the Mayor & CAFO

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

TR-23-35 A Resolution Accepting M.G.L. c. 138, § 19C Requested by Councilors Beauregard, McCarty, and Saffie, Chair Zeigler, Vice-Chair Faretra, and Mayor Perry

**APPROVED VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

Ordinances: None

New Business:

TR-23-36 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds from free cash to General Fund Police Department Personal Service Expenses budget line to fund Superior officer retroactive payments for approved FY`7-FY22 collective bargaining agreements (EPA REQUESTED)

**APPROVED VOTE: (EPA) 7 yes, 2 no (Clr. Finocchiaro, Clr. McCarty)**

MOTION BY: Councilor Faretra, seconded by Councilor DiZoglio to approve.

**APPROVED VOTE: 8 yes, 1 no (Clr. Finocchiaro)**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Methuen City Council will vote to enter into Executive Session with the Mayor, the Chief of Police of the City of Methuen, Methuen's Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, and the City Solicitor for the City of Methuen, in accordance with Exemption 5 (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(5)), in order to investigate charges of criminal misconduct or to consider the filing of criminal complaints. **Following the conclusion of the executive session, the City Council will adjourn and not reconvene in open session.**

MOTION BY: Faretra, seconded by Councilor Simard to enter into Executive Session.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE: UNANIMOUS

The Methuen City Council entered into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.