

METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024 @ 7:00 P.M.

Organizational Business

Proposed City Council Subcommittees      **Approved Unanimous vote**

Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings: January 16, 2024 regular meeting  
**Tabled Unanimous**

Consideration of Appointments:

Jeffrey Torrisi Promoted to Police Sergeant **Approved Unanimous vote**

Public Service:

- A) Grants: None
- B) Licenses: None
- C) Contract(s):

C-24-42- McGovern MHQ, inc.- Fire Department 1 2023 F350 SRW XL 4WD Supercab-CIP24 funds -\$61,219.05 **Approved Unanimous vote**

C-24-43- Waterline Industries Corp. WTP Electrical Resiliency Improvements \$1,877,677.00- ARPA funds (Granite St. Improvements) **Approved Unanimous vote**

- D) “Order Calling for Presidential Primary” March 5, 2024 **Approved Unanimous vote**
- E) Approval of Election Personnel for 2024 Elections **Approved Unanimous vote**

Unfinished Business

Resolutions:

TR-24-1 A Resolution to Initiate the Process of Filling the Open Position of Assistant City Council Clerk (Requested by Councilor Beauregard) **Approved Unanimous vote**

TR-24-3 Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$60,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to Hire Two Patrol Officers (Request of Chief McNamara) **Approved Unanimous vote**

TR-24-4 Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$60,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to Hire Two Emergency Medical Technicians (Request of Chief Sheehy) **Approved Unanimous vote**

TR-24-5 Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$25,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to support the Merrimack Valley Prevention and Substance Abuse Project (Request of Mayor) **Approved 8 to 1 vote (Clr. Beauregard recused himself)**

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TR-24-6 Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$50,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to fund expanded substance abuse and mental health services of the City's Health and Human Services Department (Request of Mayor and Health Department)

**Approved Unanimous vote**

Ordinances: None

New Business:

Resolutions:

TR-24-2 Resolution authorizing the submission of a home rule petition to amend the maximum allowable aged of special police officers of the City of Methuen Request of Mayor and Chief McNamara) Charter Objected on January 16, 2024 **Approved Unanimous vote as amended**

TR-24-7 A Resolution Changing City Council Rule II – Agenda (Request of Chair Faretra)  
**Approved Unanimous vote**

TR-24-8 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2024 Shannon Community Safety Initiative Grant **Approved Unanimous vote**

TR-24-9 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Gift of **\$1,000** from LowellFive to Provide for Assistance for elderly residents (Request of Treasurer) **Approved Unanimous vote**

Ordinances:

TO-24-1 An Ordinance to Restructure the City of Methuen's Health, Human Services and Inspections Department **Tabled sent to Public Safety Committee**