

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEABODY CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 26, 2023

PRESENT COUNCILLORS: TURCO, DAIGLE, O'NEILL, PEACH, MANNING-MARTIN, GOULD, ROSSIGNOLL, GAMACHE, MELVILLE, AND MCGINN

ABSENT COUNCILLORS: WELTON

An in-person and remotely held meeting of the Peabody City Council opened with a moment of silent prayer after being called to order by City Council President Pro Tempore Anne M. Manning-Martin.

Salute to the American Flag.

COUNCILLOR MANNING-MARTIN – OPEN MEETING LAW STATEMENT: THIS MEETING IS BEING TELEVISED LIVE ON CABLE CHANNEL 9 AND BEING TAPED BY PEABODY ACCESS TV, AND ALSO BEING RECORDED BY OUR CITY COUNCIL STENOGRAPHER.

P723-23 COUNCILLOR GOULD – MOVE TO receive and approve, under suspension of the rules, the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2023.

(Unanimous)

HEARINGS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Finance Committee
October 26, 2023

P724-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – The Finance Committee of the Peabody City Council met earlier this evening. Present for the committee were Councillors: Gamache, Gould, Manning-Martin, Turco, and myself as chair. Also present for the meeting were Councillors: Peach, Daigle, O'Neill, and Rossignoll. We had four items on the agenda. The first one was a transfer of fund request land purchase 166R Main Street in the amount of \$185,000. That was presented to us by His Honor the Mayor. This was a follow-up to a matter that was approved in Legal Affairs a few weeks ago for the acquisition. This is the second piece of the financing required to close on that deal. The following motion was made. (Report received)

P725-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – MOVE TO approve, under suspension of the rules, the following transfer, as submitted by His Honor the Mayor, under date of October 4, 2023:

<u>FROM:</u>		<u>TO:</u>	
270-0000-33005	\$185,000.00	270-0000-58112	\$185,000.00
Sale of Real Estate		Land Purchase - 166-R Main St.	

(Carried 10-0; Councillor Welton absent)

P726-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – The next item on the agenda was a transfer of fund request cable fund expense; a routine matter. There were four amounts on there, which were presented to us by the Director of Finance, Mr. Gingras; and it was explained that these were RCN payments and 90 percent of those funds are earmarked for Peabody Access TV. The following motion was made. (Report received)

P727-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – MOVE TO approve, under suspension of the rules, the following transfers, as submitted by His Honor the Mayor, under date of September 12, 2023:

FROM:		TO:	
Receipts Reserved Cable Fund		Cable Fund Expense	
Quarter 1&2			
270-0000-33017 Q1	\$15,623.21	270-0000-53007	\$15,623.21
Q2	\$16,241.62		\$16,241.62
270-0000-33017 Q1	\$3,471.83	270-0000-53007	\$3,471.83
Q2	\$3,609.25		\$3,609.25
(Carried 10-0; Councillor Welton absent)			

P728-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – The next item on the agenda was a request for a transfer of funds, CPC Emerson Cemetery Restoration, in the amount of \$33,500. It was presented to us by the Director of Finance, Mr. Gingras. This is a CPC project for the Emerson Cemetery restoration. Some of that work has already been completed and Councillor Gould mentioned, and I reiterated, how great it looks and the fine work that’s been done by the Historic Commission in terms of the revitalization and preservation of these cemeteries. The following motion was made. (Report received)

P729-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – MOVE TO approve, under suspension of the rules, the following transfer, as submitted by His Honor the Mayor, under date of October 4, 2023:

FROM:		TO:	
270-0000-33022	\$33,500.00	270-1811-58563-2024-00-0505	\$33,500.00
CPC - Historic Preservation		CPC - Cemetery Restoration	
(Carried 10-0; Councillor Welton absent)			

P730-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – The last item on the agenda was transfer of funds CPC Douty Family Cemetery restoration in the amount of \$6,855. This particular item was explained to us by His Honor the Mayor. Very similar to the prior item, where it was some fencing and so forth and the Mayor, again, reinforced the kind of good work that is being done by the Historic Commission on this front and the critical funding for that from the CPC. The following motion was made. (Report received)

P731-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – MOVE TO approve, under suspension of the rules, the following transfer, as submitted by His Honor the Mayor, under date of October 4, 2023:

FROM:		TO:	
270-0000-33022	\$6,855.00	270-1811-58563-2024-00-0505	\$6,855.00
CPC - Historic Preservation		CPC - Cemetery Restoration	
(Carried 10-0; Councillor Welton absent)			

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

P732-23 COUNCILLOR TURCO – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-A communication from Councillor Jon Turco regarding Salem Wage Theft Ordinance and refer to the Legal Affairs Committee. (Unanimous)

P733-23 COUNCILLOR TURCO – MOVE TO receive and approve, under suspension of the rules, Item 9-B Utility Contactors License - Champion Environmental Services, 17 Old Dock Rd., Yaphank, NY, subject to all papers being in order.

(Unanimous)

P734-23 COUNCILLOR DAIGLE – MOVE TO receive and approve, under suspension of the rules, Item 9-A Banner - The Progeria Research Foundation, 200 Lake Street, Unit 102, subject to all papers being in order.

(Unanimous)

P735-23 COUNCILLOR O'NEILL – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-B communication from Darren Kelly, Chairman, Community Preservation Committee, regarding Ordinance Amendment - Section 2-177 .3. Rules and regulations and refer to the Legal Affairs Committee.

(Unanimous)

P736-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE – MOVE TO request a "Stop" sign at 45 Benevento Circle, and that an ordinance be drafted and advertised on the same.

(Unanimous)

P737-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE – MOVE TO request a "Stop" sign at Hotel Avenue and Dearborn Road, and that an ordinance be drafted and advertised on the same.

(Unanimous)

P738-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE – MOVE TO request that the Peabody Municipal Light Commission and Public Services Department install a streetlight on the pole at 94 Goodale Street.

(Unanimous)

P739-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE (Co-motion with Councillor Daigle) – MOVE TO request that the Police Department provide accident data for the area of Mount Pleasant Drive at Route 114 and refer to the Municipal Safety Committee.

(Unanimous)

P740-23 COUNCILLOR MELVILLE – MOVE TO receive and approve, under suspension of the rules, late communication Item 1 from Allyson M. Danforth, City Clerk, regarding Election Warrant for November 7, 2023.

(Unanimous)

P741-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules Item 7-A communication from His Honor the Mayor regarding Transfer of Funds - CPC - Cemetery Restoration \$2,035 and refer to the Finance Committee.

(Unanimous)

P742-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules Item 7-B communication from His Honor the Mayor regarding Transfer of Funds - Capital Equipment \$107,000 and refer to the Finance Committee.

(Unanimous)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Previously received.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND OTHERS

Previously received.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

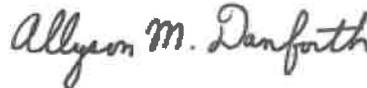
Previously received.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM THE PRECEDING MATTER

None.

MOVED: MOVE TO adjourn. Regular meeting of the Peabody City Council adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

SUBMITTED TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, OCTOBER 31, 2023
RETURNED BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, OCTOBER 31, 2023



ATTEST: _____
(Allyson M. Danforth, City Clerk)

COMMUNICATIONS:

- His Honor the Mayor re: Transfer of Funds – CPC – Cemetery Restoration \$2,035
- His Honor the Mayor re: Transfer of Funds – Capital Equipment \$107,000
- Councillor Jon Turco re: Salem Wage Theft Ordinance
- Darren Kelly, Chairman, Community Preservation Committee, re: Ordinance Amendment – Section 2-177.3. Rules and regulations

BANNER:

The Progeria Research Foundation, 200 Lake Street, Unit 102

UTILITY CONTACTORS LICENSE:

Champion Environmental Services, 17 Old Dock Rd., Yaphank, NY