REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEABODY CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 9, 2023

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

ABSENT COUNCILLORS: None

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 Craig S. Welton.

Salute to the American Flag.

COUNCILLOR WELTON – 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.

P743-23 COUNCILLOR GOULD – MOVE TO receive and approve, under suspension of the rules, the revised minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2023, and the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 26, 2023.
(Unanimous)

HEARINGS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Finance Committee
November 9, 2023

P744-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – The Finance Committee of the City Council met earlier this evening. Present for the committee were Councillors: Gamache, Gould, Manning-Martin, Turco, and myself as chair. Also present this evening were Councillors: Peach, Daigle, O'Neill, and Melville. We had two items on the agenda. The first item was a transfer of funds for capital equipment in an amount of $107,000. That was presented to us by Mr. Gingras, Director of Finance, and he explained that this was a request for a piece of equipment, a tractor, for the narrow rows at Brooksby Farm. He also indicated that since this request came in, they got a revised quote that included a discount which lowered the amount to $95,367. The following motion was made. (Report received)

P745-23 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 19, 2023:

FROM:		**TO:**	
Brooksby Farm Revolving		Capital Equipment	
260-00000-35603	$95,367.00	300-09421-58506-2024-00-00-00-6620	$95,367.00

(Carried 11-0)

P746-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – The second item on the agenda was transfer of funds – CPC – Cemetery Restoration in an amount of $2,035. This was also brought to us by the Director of Finance, Mr. Gingras, who explained that this was an add-on project to the Emerson Cemetery project for an additional section of fencing. There were no real questions on it, but a comment by Councillor Manning-Martin kind of reiterating the earlier praise that several councillors had for this project, with which I very much agreed. The following motion was made. (Report received)

P747-23 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 19, 2023:

FROM:		**TO:**	
270-0000-33022	$2,035.00	270-1811-58563-2024-00-0505	$2,035.00
CPC - Historic Preservation		CPC - Cemetery Restoration	

(Carried 11-0)

P748-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – Reporting for the Finance Committee – MOVE TO request that the Clerk send a thank-you letter to the Historical Commission for their work on these projects.
(Unanimous)

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

P749-23 COUNCILLOR TURCO – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-C communication from Jennifer Davis, Dir., Park, Recreation & Forestry Dept., regarding Response to Motion P717-23 (8 Holden Street).
(Unanimous)

P750-23 COUNCILLOR TURCO – MOVE TO receive and approve, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-E communication from Thomas St. Pierre, Building Commissioner, regarding Transfer of Special Permit 7-2018; LPF 1 Technology Drive, LLC, One Technology Drive, subject to all papers being in order.
(Unanimous)

{Item 10-A, MacArthur Road}
P751-23 COUNCILLOR TURCO – BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Peabody that An ordinance Amending Chapter 19-93 entitled Restricted Parking of the Code of the City of Peabody be adopted as advertised and read.
(Unanimous)

P752-23 COUNCILLOR TURCO – MOVE TO request that the Public Services Department install signage regarding the restricted parking ordinance on MacArthur Road.
(Unanimous)

P753-23 COUNCILLOR DAIGLE – MOVE TO request that the City Solicitor provide an opinion on how the City can move forward to require Hemisphere Development, the owner of the property at 15 King Street, to pull a permit to perform the remediation work, as required by a court order.
(Unanimous)

P754-23 COUNCILLOR O'NEILL – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-A communication from Alan Titelbaum, 44 Emily Lane, regarding 2 Linda Jean Lane, refer to the Legal Affairs Committee, and request a legal opinion from the City Solicitor.
(Unanimous)

P755-23 COUNCILLOR O'NEILL – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-B communication from Donald Conn, City Solicitor, regarding 27 Emily Lane Peabody MA Proposed Lot Line Adjustment Plan Progress Drawing 10202023; 2 Linda Jean Lane, refer to the Legal Affairs Committee, request a legal opinion from the City Solicitor, and an opinion from Community Development Department.
(Unanimous)

P756-23 COUNCILLOR PEACH – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-H communication from Turn Key Auto Repair, Inc., 1 Willard Street, #20, regarding Special Permit application and set up a public hearing.
(Unanimous)

P757-23 COUNCILLOR PEACH – MOVE TO request a “handicap” parking sign along the property line of 49 Warren Street on the Endicott Street side, and that an ordinance be drafted and advertised on the same.
(Unanimous)

P758-23 COUNCILLOR PEACH – MOVE TO request that the Police Department provide any police reports surrounding the car wash on Central Street and present options to the Council on how to move forward to make this area safer.
(Unanimous)

P759-23 COUNCILLOR MANNING-MARTIN – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, the following communications, refer to Sharon Cameron, Dir., of Health and Human Services Dept., and refer to the Municipal Safety Committee.

Item 8-D Chief Jay Dowling, Fire Dept., regarding Response to Motion P699-23
Late 1 Tracy O’Neill, Fire Dept., regarding fire department inspected group homes.
(Unanimous)

P760-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE – MOVE TO request that the Peabody Municipal Light Plant install a streetlight on pole #4 at 8 Newton Road.
(Unanimous)

P761-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-F communication from John R. Keilty, Esq., 38 Central Street, regarding Special Permit application and set up a public hearing.
(Unanimous)

P762-23 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO receive, under suspension of the rules, Item 8-G communication from Carlos R. Pinto, 58 Foster Street, regarding Special Permit application and set up a public hearing.
(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 7:50 p.m.

SUBMITTED TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, NOVEMBER 14, 2023
RETURNED BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Alan Titelbaum, 44 Emily Lane, re: 2 Linda Jean Lane
Donald Conn, City Solicitor, re: 27 Emily Lane Peabody MA Proposed Lot Line Adjustment Plan Progress Drawing 10202023; 2 Linda Jean Lane
Jennifer Davis, Dir., Park, Recreation & Forestry Dept., re: Response to Motion P717-23 (8 Holden Street)
Chief Jay Dowling, Fire Dept., re: Response to Motion P699-23
Thomas St. Pierre, Building Commissioner, re: Transfer of Special Permit 7-2018; LPF 1 Technology Drive, LLC, One Technology Drive
John R. Keilty, Esq., 38 Central Street, re: Special Permit application
Carlos R. Pinto, 58 Foster Street, re: Special Permit application
Turn Key Auto Repair, Inc., 1 Willard Street, #20, re: Special Permit application