

CITY OF PITTSFIELD REGULAR MEETING PITTSFIELD CITY COUNCIL May 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. Pittsfield City Hall, City Council Chambers

<u>AGENDA</u>

1. Open microphone

APPOINTMENTS

- 2. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Katrina Medders to the Board of Health
- 3. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Gail Molari to the Airport Commission
- 4. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Kathleen Riely and Mary E. Stucklen to the Resource Recovery Committee
- 5. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Matthew Kerwood and Charles W. Cook to the Resource Recovery Committee
- 6. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Richard Stockwell and Dennis Powell to the Licensing Board
- 7. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Amanda Powers to the Commission on Tourism

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR THE MAYOR

- 8. A communication from Mayor Tyer notifying the Council of the appointments of Lucia Cabral, David Carusotto, Derek Mackey and William Straub as Police Officers with the Pittsfield Police Department
- 9. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$500,000 from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Small Bridge Construction Program
- 10. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting two Orders; Order 1 transferring an amount of funds borrowed pursuant to Order 59 of 2013 to pay costs associated with the repairs to the Upper Sackett Reservoir Dam and Order 2 transferring an amount of funds borrowed pursuant to Order 52 of 2012 to pay costs associated with the repairs to the Upper Sackett Reservoir Dam
- A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$40,689 from the Corporation for National and Community Services for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program
- 12. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a gift of funds in the amount of \$5,000 from the Estate of Irene Eva LaFlash for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program
- 13. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code by striking Chapter 6, Section 6-10, Bonds of City Officers-Generally in its entirety

- 14. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order raising and appropriating \$166,647,100 to fund the City's operating budget for the Fiscal Year 2020 beginning July 1, 2019
- 15. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow an aggregate sum not exceeding \$10,789,300 for Fiscal Year 2020 Capital Expenditures
- 16. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order appropriating \$750,000 from Certified Free Cash to reduce the Fiscal Year 2020 Tax Rate
- 17. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow an aggregate sum not exceeding \$6,115,000 for Fiscal Year 2020 Enterprise Fund Capital Expenditures
- 18. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order authorizing the use and expenditures of the City's current revolving funds for Fiscal Year 2020
- 19. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order appropriating \$172,000 for parking related expenditures for Fiscal Year 2020
- 20. A communication from Mayor Tyer and City Solicitor Pagnotta on a petition from Councilor Krol and Mr. Ramondetta concerning the parking plan for the Columbus Avenue lot

PUBLIC HEARING

- 21. Public hearing on a petition from NSTAR Electric Company DBA Eversource, requesting permission to relocate and install one solely owned pole to be located at Stanton Avenue
- 22. Public hearing on a Special Permit application for Auto Tech Repair at 1335 West Housatonic Street, continued from February 26, 2019

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

- 23. A communication from the Community Development Board on the Site Plan Review application for Auto Tech Repair, Inc. for special permit approval, recommending to approve 4/0
- 24. A communication from Commissioner Turocy for the installation of a new "Heavy Commercial Vehicles Excluded" sign at the corner of Westwood Road and Barker Road
- 25. A petition from Councilor Krol requesting a report on the Pittsfield Small Business Fund
- 26. A petition from Councilor Krol requesting to amend traffic orders 957 and 958 to remove parking meters from the Columbus Avenue municipal lot
- 27. A petition from Councilors Connell, Mazzeo, Simonelli and Morandi requesting Mayor Tyer to establish a working group made up of Councilors and administration to look at alternative methods to fund the Pittsfield At Home initative

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee

 A report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee on an Ordinance from Mayor Tyer amending City Code, Chapter 6, Finance and Taxation, Section 6-89 Authorized Revolving Funds, recommending to approve 5/0

- 29. A report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting City Code, Chapter 8, Solid Waste and Disposal, be fully reviewed and revised where needed, recommending to amend and approve 4/1
- 30. A report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Caccamo requesting City Code, Chapter 8, be amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it, recommending to file 5/0

Report from the Finance Committee

31. A report from the Finance Committee on a presentation of the Third Quarter Review, recommending to accept the presentation and place on file 5/0

Report from the Public Health and Safety Committee

32. A report from the Public Health and Safety Committee on a petition from Councilor Krol requesting a report on the effectiveness of ShotSpotter, recommending the report be accepted and placed on file 4/0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 33. A communication from Mayor Tyer on two (2) Orders authorizing the City of Pittsfield to take by eminent domain a permanent drainage easement over land of Gloria B. Leavitt (*Tabled from 3/27/18*) *Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to ongoing and potential litigation*
- 34. A communication from Commissioner Turocy on an Order taking by eminent domain of 2 temporary easements for the New Road Bridge Replacement Project (*Tabled from 4/23/19*)

NEW BUSINESS

- 35. A petition from Kenneth Warren requesting the Mayor and City Council go on record in support of the proposal to create a stamp in honor of Martin Richard and his desire to spread the message of peace in the world
- 36. A petition from Kenneth Warren requesting the Mayor and City Council reconsider alternatives to funding the Exterior Home Improvement Loan Program

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

37. A petition from Craig Gaetani asking the Council to be given a written accounting by the City Engineers AECOM of every penny spent regarding the updates at the City's two water plants

PLACED ON FILE

- 38. A petition from Craig Gaetani asking the Council to invite the Commissioner of Public Works to give an update on pot holes
- 39. A petition from Craig Gaetani asking the Council to order Police Chief Wynn to appear before the Council concerning walking the beats
- 40. A petition from Craig Gaetani asking for an update by the Department of Health regarding the protocols for Cryptosporidium