



**CITY OF PITTSFIELD
REGULAR MEETING
PITTSFIELD CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

August 9, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

1. Open microphone
2. COVID Update
3. Approval of the June 28, 2022 minutes
4. Approval of the July 12, 2022 minutes

APPOINTMENTS

5. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Denise Roszkowski to the Cultural Council
6. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Rebecca Brien to the Commission on Tourism
7. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Andrew Kelly to the Cultural Development Board
8. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Nicole Rose to the Cultural Development Board
9. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Dr. William Travis, Kathleen Amuso, Brendan Sheran, Ty Allen Jackson, Colleen Hunter-Mullet and Brian Filiault to the School Building Needs Commission

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR THE MAYOR

10. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Scott McGinnis as a Permanent Fire Lieutenant with the Pittsfield Fire Department
11. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a donation of funds in the amount of \$572.00 from various donors in support of the running track at Taconic High School
12. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$1,500,000 from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services for the Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant
13. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting a presentation from the administration with a quarterly update on the American Rescue Plan Act
14. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$207,810.00 from the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration
15. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$269,356.50 from the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration

16. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order authorizing the purchase and acquisition of four permanent avigation easements in the vicinity of the Pittsfield Airport
17. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a certain deed in lieu of foreclosure in accordance with the provisions of MGL, Chapter 60, Section 77C for real estate located at Rutledge Ave
18. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a conveyance and donation of two parcels of land located on West Housatonic Street from the Norton Family Nominee Trust to the Conservation Commission

PUBLIC HEARING

19. A public hearing on a Special Permit Application for reconfiguration of the McDonalds drive-thru; with the relocation of the menu board and addition of a second menu board under Section 7.839 of the Zoning Ordinance

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

20. A communication from the City Clerk on two Orders: 1. Authorizing the issuance of the warrant for the State Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 and Order 2. Designating police detail, polling locations and hours for said election.
21. A communication from the Community Development Board on an application from McDonalds Corp. for approval under Section 7.839 (drive-through restaurant)
22. A communication from President Marchetti appointing Councilor Kalinowsky as a Council Liaison to the Parks Commission
23. A communication from Commissioner Morales in response to a petition from Councilor Kalinowsky to investigate safety issues with the new bike lanes and the change in traffic pattern on North Street

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

24. A communication from Attorney Pagnotta on a petition requesting a legal opinion as to all the steps necessary to create a new position (*tabled February 8, 2022*)

NEW BUSINESS

25. A petition from Councilor Sherman requesting funding to be allocated to repair flooding issues on and around the property of 9 Newell Street
26. A petition from Councilor Kalinowsky requesting to change North Street back to its original design
27. A petition from Councilor Warren requesting \$75,000.00 appropriated for the creation of an Alternative Community Emergency Services (ACES)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee

28. A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee on an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Human Resources, Section 16-13 (b) (1), recommending to approve 4/0
29. A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Conant requesting to amend the property tax exemption eligibility age from age 68 to 65 for exemption clause 41, recommending to approve 4/0
30. A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Lampiasi requesting to develop an Ordinance establishing a process for commemorative and honorary street designations, recommending to approve as amended 4/0
31. A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee on a petition from the Taxicab Commission requesting to amend City Code, Chapter 21, Section 21-23, Rates – Generally recommending to approve 4/0
32. A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Warren requesting an opinion of the “legality of the City’s current Committee entitled ‘Charter Review Study Committee’”, recommending to accept and place on file 4/0
33. A report from the Ordinances and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Kronick requesting to amend Chapter 8, Section 12 entitled “Depositing Waste Materials in Public Ways” and Chapter 8, Section 15 to extend the definition of business to apartments of 3 or more units, recommending to amend Chapter 8, Section 12; failed 0/4, recommending to amend Chapter 8, Section 15; failed 0/4

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Commissioner of Public Services

34. A petition from Councilor Sherman and President Marchetti requesting to remove dead trees on Unaccepted Streets that are safety hazards to residents and vehicles

Referred to the Commissioner of Public Services and Open Space Manager

35. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting a better maintenance plan at the Onota Lake beach area

Referred to the Traffic Commission

36. A petition from Councilor Sherman requesting for signage to be installed around the intersection of Holmes Road and Elm Street
37. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting to ban large commercial vehicles on the Hancock Road Bridge
38. A petition from President Marchetti and Councilor Maffuccio requesting a no parking zone across from 37 McArthur Street
39. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting to install speed limit signs on Churchill from Hancock Road to the Lanesboro line
40. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting a speed bump to be installed on Vin Hebert Blvd

Referred to the Pittsfield Economic Development Authority

41. A petition from Councilor Warren requesting the Economic Development Board provide a status report

Referred to the Ordinances and Rules Committee

- 42. A petition from Councilor Warren requests establishing standard provisions for acceptance for grants and gifts
- 43. A petition from Councilor Warren requesting the approval of contracts over \$500,000.00 to be approved by the City Council
- 44. A petition from Councilor Warren requesting subsequent contract over \$500,000.00 after initial award is less than authorized bonding authority; approval of the City Council required

Referred to the Ordinances and Rules Committee

- 45. A petition from Councilor Kalinowsky requesting to amend the zoning ordinance concerning the keeping of chickens

Referred to the Mayor and the Police Chief

- 46. A petition from Councilor Kalinowsky requesting to allocate a portion of ARPA funds to the cities first responders to acknowledge those who served during the pandemic