

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 26,2001**

AGENDA

- 1 Open Microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

2. Communication submitting an Order for a one-twelfth budget that will provide spending authority for the City from July 1, 2001 to August 1, 2001
3. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$700,000 from various accounts to the Health Insurance Trust Fund
4. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$156,012.69 from various accounts to an account of the Dept. of Administration and Finance
5. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$18,864 from an Unclassified account to an account of the Dept. of Administration and Finance
6. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$18,522 from various accounts to an account of the Dept. of Finance and Administration
7. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$64,705 from various accounts to an Unclassified account
8. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$2,037 between accounts of the Dept. of Maintenance
9. Communication submitting an Order establishing new rates for sewer service for Fiscal Year 2002
- 10 Communication submitting an Order establishing rates for disposal of waste materials by City residents at the resource recovery facility
11. Communication submitting a progress report of Downtown Inc. and a presentation thereon

APPOINTMENT

12. Communication submitting the appointment of Michael J. Wynn as a Sergeant in the Pittsfield Police Dept.

PUBLIC HEARING

13. Public hearing on the petition from the Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, Sections 4.203 and 3.407

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

14. Petition from President Hickey appointing Councilors to the City Council Audit Committee

15. Petition from Councilor Barry for installation of a crosswalk, proper signage, and extension of the breakdown lane on the east side of Cheshire Rd. from the Petricca property line to the entrance to the bike path at the Mall Road
16. Petition from Councilor Barry that the City resolve and repair the drainage problem on Mervin Street
17. Petition from Councilors Scapin and Kerwood that the Council express its support that the FAA fund on-site noise monitoring as part of the proposed airport improvement project
18. Petition from Councilors Kerwood and Grunin that the Council President schedule a meeting of the Committee of the Whole for the purpose of a presentation on findings from the Health Insurance Ad-Hoc Commission
19. Petition from Councilor Kerwood that the Mayor establish a GE Economic Development Fund review committee
20. Petition from Councilor Kerwood that the Parks Commission explore the possibility of establishing an "Adopt a Park" program

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

21. Communication from the Mayor submitting an Order designating parking on School Street for police vehicles only
22. Report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilors Scapin and Barry requesting the Council looks at eliminating the Ordinance for all-night parking
23. Petition from Peter Arlos that the City Council have Senator Nuciforo file a bill on behalf of the City calling for an ignition lock to be used in vehicles of repeat DWI offenders
24. Petition from Councilors Hickey and Grunin that Berkshire Sports and Events, LLC explore the possibility of shifting the proposed stadium site to avoid using property on Worthington Street
25. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Council support Senate 818 with regard to drunk drivers
26. Petition from Mary Murphy for an audit of medical bills of city employees
27. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Army Corps of Engineers undertake further studies on the Housatonic River adjacent to the Mill St. Dam to determine the feasibility of removing the dam

NEW BUSINESS

28. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Council endorse Senate No.676 regarding equal choice of long-term care settings
29. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Mayor appoint a five-member ad hoc committee to develop a master plan for the rehabilitation of Wahconah Park
30. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Council oppose the elimination of Saturday mail service

31. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Council President appoint a councilor to act as a liaison to the BRTA
32. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Council vote to support making public that starting July 1, Medicaid will pay for screenings for cancer detection
33. Petition from Kenneth Ramsdell that the City establish criteria that must be met before any vote to appropriate funds and require background information on prospective consultants, brokers and other vendors wishing to conduct business with the City

ORDINANCE (final reading)

34. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 6 Finance and Taxation

TENTATIVELY REFERRED TO THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Mayor

35. Petition from Councilor Guzzo that the Mayor send a letter of intent to place Wahconah Park on the State's Historical Registry

Referred to the Dept. of Health and Building Dept and Conservation Commission

36. Petition from Councilor Guzzo that debris from the Hollister Building on Wahconah St. be cleared

Referred to the Traffic Commission

37. Petition from Councilor Grunin for "Children" signs at each end of Commonwealth Avenue

Referred to the Chief of Police

38. Petition from Councilor Guzzo for traffic patrol on Ridge Avenue

39. Petition from Peter Arlos that Chief Riello submit the total cost for the police detail for the June 5~ election

Referred to the Chief of Police and Director of Maintenance

40. Petition from Councilor Guzzo for regular checks on parking at the corner of Linden and Onota Streets and monthly reports thereon

Referred to the Chief of Police and Building Inspector's Office

41. Petition from Councilor Guzzo for action to be taken to have the grass cut at the vacant lot on the Corner of Linden Street and Robbins Avenue

Referred to Berkshire Regional Transit Authority

42. Petition from Councilor Guzzo that the BRTA provide rider information on the Hancock Road route

Referred to Berkshire Training and Employment

43. Petition from Peter Arlos that BTEP assign two Americorps employees to the Parks Dept.

Referred to the Parade Committee

44. Petition from Peter Arlos that elected officials and candidates for public office be permitted to march

in the Fourth of July Parade

PLACED ON FILE

45. Response from Congressman Olver regarding a petition from Councilor Kerwood concerning the shift in the location of the sectional facility center of the Pittsfield Post Office

46. Response from the Director of Finance regarding a petition from Peter Arlos to disclose the dollar amount paid to individuals regarding issues such as workers' compensation, injuries to firefighters and police officers, medical bills, school dept. services and ad hoc situations