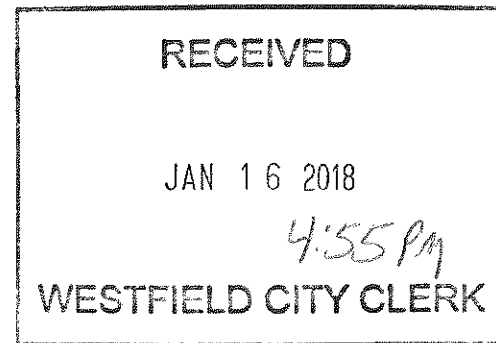


AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL  
59 COURT STREET  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS  
JANUARY 18, 2018



6:30 PM

Mayor briefing to Full Council of items on current agenda under  
"Communications from the Mayor"

7:00 PM

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of record of meeting of January 2, 2018 Inaugural Meeting and January 4, 2018 rescheduled to January 8, 2018 due to inclement weather

Public Participation

Communications from the Mayor

- A. Requesting immediate consideration of the acceptance of an incentive payment from the Westfield Gas and Electric in the amount of \$11,567.00 for the Green Communities cooler/freezer school projects.
- B. Transfer of \$54,891.45 from the Police Department Towing and Storage of Motor Vehicles account #2400-330210 to the Police Department Special Account for Towing and Storage account #24210714-585001 for the purchase of a 2018 Ford Edge in the amount of \$30,535.00 for an unmarked detective bureau vehicle and a 2018 Transit connect Van in the amount of \$24,356.45 for an Animal Control vehicle.
- C. Appropriation of \$300.00 from Reserve for Unforeseen account #19500000-570900 to the License Commission, Supplies account #11650000-540000.
- D. Requesting acceptance of authorization to use the remaining appropriation of \$1,800.00 from the PEG funding for Internet and Fiber in order to use this amount towards FY18 general PEG operation expenses.
- E. Submitting the appointment of Eileen Rockwal, 5 Blueberry Ridge, as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2021, replacing Barbara Sokolowski, resigning.
- F. Submitting the appointment of Kerry Ann Kielbasa, 31 Crescent Ridge Road, as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2021, replacing John Leary, Jr. resigning.
- G. Submitting the appointment of Jeffrey L. Gosselin, 330 Elm Street, Apt. 305 as

a member of the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2019, replacing Paul V. Condarcuri, resigned.

#### Reports of City Officers

#### Petitions, Remonstrances and Other Papers

#### Reports of Committees

##### A. Finance Committee:

1. 12/21/17 - Transfer of \$1,807.67 from current FY18 Department of Public Works, Wastewater Division, Purchase of Services account #67004400-520000 to the Prior Year FY17 Department of Public Works, Wastewater Division, Purchase of Services account #67004400-520000.
2. 12/21/17 - Transfer of \$2,450.00 be transferred from the current FY18 Department of Public Works, Water Division, Purchase of Services account #68004500-520000 to the Prior Year FY17 Department of Public Works, Water Division, Purchase of Services account #68004500-520000.
3. 12/21/17 - Appropriation of \$28,750.00 the PEG Access designated Fund Balance account #2110-340000 to PEG Access Full-Time Salary account #21106940-511000.
4. 01/04/18 Motion of Councilors Surprise and Flaherty to establish a Special Purpose Stabilization Fund in accordance with Chapter 40 Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, and dedicated to the purposes of road and sidewalk repair and maintenance on city-owned roads and sidewalks, to be funded by use of the total revenues of the Westfield Local Option Meals Tax and Room Occupancy Tax as instituted under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 64L and Chapter 64G Section 3.
5. Briefing by Councilors Flaherty and Paul, former Finance committee
6. 6/16/16 - Motion of Councilor Flaherty regarding fee adjustments for FY17.
7. 10/20/16 - Appropriation of \$250,000.00 from Community Preservation Undesignated (Reserve Balance) account #2410-340000 to the CPA Hotel Bismark Façade account #24101770-580200-5119
8. 1/19/17 - Motion of Councilor Flaherty requesting the Audit Department to provide the Finance Committee, prior to February 10th, with a three-year history of revenues related to Comcast's License and Franchise fees, and a corresponding report.
9. 5/18/17 - Motion of Councilor Flaherty for "a Resolution requesting the Mayor of the City of Westfield to appropriate and borrow \$20,000,000 for the rebuilding and repaving of roads and associated storm water management systems and sidewalks contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2½ debt exclusion referendum.

- 10 5/18/17 - Motion of Councilor Flaherty to place Proposition 2 1/2 Debt Exclusion referendum on 2017 ballot.
  - 11 5/18/17 - Motion of Councilor Flaherty to place Proposition 2 1/2 Underride referendum question on 2017 ballot.
  - 12 9/21/17 - Upon motion of Councilor Flaherty, it was VOTED: That for a Resolution be requested from the Mayor to transfer 100% of any healthcare "premium holiday" funds to the OPEB or Stabilization savings accounts in order to help reduce the \$260+ million unfunded obligation.
- B. Legislative and Ordinance Committee:
1. A motion of Councilor Dondley, to explore the possibility of taking legal action to seek damages from pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors of opioids (10/19/17)
  2. A motion repeal the City's sex offender ordinance (12/7/17)
  3. An Order transferring care, custody, management and control of a certain parcel in the City of Westfield located on Montgomery Road known as the West Farms Schoolhouse, from the control of the Westfield School Department to the care and control of the Historic Commission. (12/21/17)
  4. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Westfield authorizing the Mayor to execute a development agreement for the Springfield Road Traffic Signalization Project with N&J LLC. (1/4/18)
- C. Personnel Action Committee:
1. The reappointment of Cindy Gaylord, 25 Butternut Road, as a member of the Historical Commission for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2020.
  2. The reappointment of Michael Tirrell, 36 Darby Drive, as a member of the Park and Recreation Commission for Ward 5, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2021.
  3. The appointment of Meagan L. Laramee, 49 Brookline Avenue, as a member of the Park and Recreation Commission for Ward 2, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2021, replacing Adam Rivera, resigned.
  4. The appointment of John Bowen, 38 Pinehurst Street, as a member of the Planning Board from the Alternate Member to the Full-time member for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2020, replacing Carl Vincent.
  5. The appointment of Peter Cowles, Jr., 18 Egleston Road, as the Media Systems Specialist position for a one year term from the date of appointment.
- D. Natural Resources Committee:
1. Status Report on the 10/6/16 - motion of Councilors Babinski, Onyski and O'Connell regarding the review of Article III, Section 3-170, the Water Resource Protection District ordinance, with specific attention to but not

limited to Section 3-170.3, 3-170.5 and Section 3-170.6. This item remains in committee.

#### Unfinished Business

#### Motions, Orders or Resolutions

- A. Motion by Councilors Allie, Onyski, Paul, Morganelli, Surprise, Flaherty to strengthen the abutter notification ordinance. Refer to ZPD and L&O.
- B. Motion of Councilor Emmershay, Councilor Onyski, and Councilor Surprise requesting the City Properties Committee to account for and evaluate all City owned Real Estate. Evaluation shall include improved and unimproved parcels. To outline and gather input on maximizing currently utilized parcels. The Committee shall provide recommendations on parcels in blocks to liquidate, improve, and maximize value with the intent of returning parcels to the tax rolls. Refer to City Properties.
- C. Motion by Burns, Bean and Paul to allow the Board of Public Works set the sewer rates for the City of Westfield.
- D. Motion by Burns, Bean and Paul to have the law department map out a process to combined the Water Commission and the Board of Public Works.