

Regular Meeting

These minutes are for the regular meeting of the Beacon City Council, held in the Municipal Center at One Municipal Plaza on July 5, 2016. Please note that the video recording of this meeting is available at <http://vimeo.com/channels/40154>.

Council Members Present:

Lee Kyriacou, At Large
George Mansfield, At Large
Peggy Ross, Ward One
Omar Harper, Ward Two
Pamela Wetherbee, Ward Three
Ali Muhammad, Ward Four
Randy Casale, Mayor

Council Members Absent:**Also Present:**

Nick Ward Willis, City Attorney

A moment of silence was observed for past and present service men and women.

First Opportunity for Public Comments: Each speaker may have one opportunity to speak up to three minutes on any subject matter other than those which are the topic of a public hearing tonight.

Speakers:

1. **Antony Tseng, 18 Rende Drive:** Amending Chapter 223 affordable housing. Missed the public hearing because of the Board of Ed Meeting. Is glad that Beacon is thriving but too much of a good thing is bad. Back in 1999 things were on the way to improving. Does not want people to be priced out of living here. Believes that the community should be partners at the table as well as developers when this matter is discussed.
2. **Andrew Foreman, Kiwanis Club:** Thanks to the City of Beacon and the Recreation Department for throwing a great July 4 celebration. Thanked all those who donated to the fireworks show.

Council Member Reports:

3. **Ali Muhammad:** Noted that Beacon threw a great Fourth of July weekend. Thanks to all who helped make it possible, including the Kiwanis Club and Dennis Pavelock.
4. **Omar Harper:** Fourth of July was great and gets better every year.
5. **Lee Kyriacou:** Happy to be here tonight.
6. **George Mansfield:** The Coast Guard is considering permanent barge docking from Kingston to Yonkers. They want 10 anchorages in the Hudson; five at Denning's Point for oil tankers. The Riverkeeper is trying to get local public hearings about this issue. Wanted to bring it to everyone's attention and try to get local public hearings so we can get our opinion heard on this matter. Would also like to discuss the safe storage act for guns. They just passed this law in the City of Albany and it would seem to be a very reasonable law and not too overreaching. Would like us to consider it.

7. **Pam Wetherbee:** Thanked all who helped out with the fireworks. Gave thanks to the Public Works department for cleaning everything up. Asked if Newburgh responded to the noise concerns? Mayor answered that we have not heard anything back from Newburgh.
 8. **Peggy Ross:** Also concerned about the noise from Newburgh. Music going well into the wee hours of the night. The CAC has been meeting and they are almost at full capacity. They are talking about coming for a community segment regarding water conservation. They are also interested in getting a copy of the greenhouse gas inventory. They are gearing up to do more and more and she appreciates it.
 9. **Mayor Casale:** Thanked Councilman Mansfield for filling in while he was away. Thanked everyone who helped organize the July 4th activities. Mentioned the Costello's, the Kiwanis Club and Dennis Pavelock in particular. He advised that the City Administrator has written two letters to Newburgh about the noise from the waterfront restaurants. He assured everyone that they will keep working on it.
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Resolutions, Ordinances and Local Laws:

10. **Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Hiddenbrooke Park Entrance Sign.**
 - Motion by Council Member Mansfield, second by Council Member Harper7-0
11. **Resolution to Appoint a Water and Sewer Maintenance Helper in the Wastewater Treatment Plant.**
 - Motion by Council Member Harper, second by Council Member Muhammad7-0
12. **Resolution to Appoint a Water and Sewer Maintenance Helper in the Water Department**
 - Motion by Council Member Muhammad, second by Council Member Ross7-0
13. **Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Anna Sullivan to the Conservation Advisory Committee.**
 - Motion by Council Member Ross, second by Council Member Wetherbee7-0
14. **Resolution to Authorize an Amendment to the Agreement with Royal Carting for the Weekly Recycling Collection Program.**
 - Motion by Council Member Muhammad, second by Council Member Mansfield7-0
15. **Resolution to Amend the City of Beacon Fee Schedule to Provide for the Collection of Electronic Waste**
 - Motion by Council Member Harper, second by Council Member Mansfield7-0
16. **Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of a Sewer Line**
 - Motion by Council Member Mansfield, second by Council Member Harper7-0

17. Resolution to Schedule a Public Hearing for July 18, 2016 to Receive Public Comment on a Draft Local Law to Amend Chapter 211 of the Code as it Relates to Parking on Exeter Circle and Howland Avenue

- Motion by Council Member Muhammad, second by Council Member Harper

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18. Resolution to Schedule a Public Hearing for August 1, 2016 to Receive Public Comment on a Draft Local Law to Amend Chapter 223 of the Code as it Relates to Solar Collectors and Installations

- Motion by Council Member Harper, second by Council Member Mansfield

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19. Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with LBG For Bedrock Well Drilling

- Motion by Council Member Mansfield, second by Council Member Ross

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20. Resolution Authorizing an Addendum to the Municipal Consolidation & Shared Services Grant Program

- Motion by Council Member Muhammad, second by Council Member Harper

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Budget Amendments:

21. Approval of Budget Amendments

- Motion by Council Member Mansfield, second by Council Member Muhammad

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Second Opportunity for Public Comments: Each speaker may have one opportunity to speak for up to three minutes on any subject matter on which the Council can take action.

Speakers:

22. No speakers

Adjournment:

23. Adjournment at 8:15 pm

Motion by Council Member Mansfield, second by Council Member Ross

Next Workshop: July 11, 2016

Next Council Meeting: July 18, 2016

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Evans, Assistant to the Mayor