

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chambers with Councillor Studenski presiding. The meeting was called to order at 8:04pm with ten members being present. Councillor Petti absent.

In City Council, October 24, 2011

Councillor Monahan motioned to accept and act on 2 late files and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote.

- 395** Appointment of Brian J. Benvie, Sr., 359 Ash St., Brockton to the rank of Lieutenant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councillor Petti absent.

- 396** Appointment of James Baroud, 26 Highland Ave., West Bridgewater to the rank of Sergeant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councillor Petti absent.

Councillor Monahan motioned for reconsideration on items **395** and **396** with the wish that it not prevail and was properly seconded. Reconsideration failed by a hand vote.

#### HEARINGS

Petition of Rania Almussquaoui for a transfer of Motor Vehicle Repair Mechanical/Body license located at 1104 North Montello St., to Green Light Motors, Inc.

Rania Almussquaoui appeared in favor. Councillor MacMillan was in favor. He stated that it was a simple transfer, due to the death of her husband. No one was in opposition. Hearing held. Granted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councillor Petti absent.

Councillor MacMillan stepped down.

#### REPORTS

- 383** Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of October 17, 2011.

Accepted and placed on file.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- 384** From the Director of IT requesting a transfer of \$7,000 from Overtime to On Call Account. This money is needed to cover the on call coverage of the IT Staff for the Fire Department’s Computer Aided Dispatch System.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 385** From the Mayor in accordance with M.G.L., Ch. 44 recommending a transfer of \$7,000 from Information Technology-Overtime to Information Technology-Personal Services other than overtime for the coverage of IT staff for the Fire Department’s Computer Aided Dispatch System.

Accepted and placed on file.

**COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)**

- 386** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the proposed transfer of \$7,000 from Information Technology-Overtime to Information Technology-Personal Services other than overtime

Accepted and placed on file.

- 387** From the Executive Director of the Parking Authority requesting a transfer of \$5,000 from City Lots-Capital Projects to Capital Outlay-Capital Projects to pay for the unbudgeted portion of the purchase of a new fee computer and entry station for the Adams Parking Garage.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 388** From the Mayor in accordance with M.G.L., Ch. 44 recommending a transfer of \$5,000 from Parking Authority-Capital Projects-City Lots to Parking Authority-Capital Projects to cover an unbudgeted portion of the purchase of a new fee computer and entry station for the Parking Garage.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 389** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the proposed transfer of \$5,000 from Parking Authority-Capital Projects-City Lots to Parking Authority-Capital Projects.

Accepted and placed on file.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 380** Appropriation of: \$425  
From: Massachusetts Association of Health Boards (MAHB)  
To: City of Brockton Board of Health.  
(These grant monies are for reimbursement for previous expenditures associated with emergency preparedness activities)(FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councillor Petti absent.

- 381** Appropriation of: \$5,396  
From: Massachusetts Department of Public Health Boards (MAHB)  
To: Board of Health-MAHB FY12 award. (These monies are to be used for the purpose of building the level of volunteers for our area Medical Reserve Corps)  
(FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councillor Petti absent.

- 370** Resolve: That representatives of National Grid be invited to appear before a committee of this council to discuss the recent power outage event caused by Tropical Storm Irene and its aftermath which severely impacted the residents of Brockton. (FAVORABLE)

Councillor Petti stepped in.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS (cont'd)

- 355** Resolved: That a representative of Aquaria Water, LLC and the DPW Commissioner be invited to appear before a committee of this council to provide information of regarding the use of water provided by Aquaria to the City of Brockton and the efforts of Aquaria to market water to other communities. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative

## ORDERS

Councillor DuBois motioned to take item **390** under suspension of the rules and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote.

- 390** Ordered: That the DPW is authorized to issue a residential sewer connection to John H. and Virginia C. Grandmont (74 Burgess Point Road, Wareham, MA 02571) for the new lot created through the subdivision of the land located at 240 Field Street (Plot 26 Field Street/Book 22446, page 347) Brockton, MA.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative

- 391** Ordered: That the Mayor and/or Treasurer Collector are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the sale of the property located at and known as Plot 10 Bates Road (Map 156-Route 354) to Joanne and Salvatore Cordaro 44 Bates Road, Brockton, MA 02302 for the sum of \$1,900. This property is to be sold under the Abutter Lot Program and shall have a permanent, non-buildable restriction

Referred to Finance.

- 392** Transfer of: \$7,000  
From: Information Technology-Overtime  
To: Information Technology-Personal Services other than overtime  
(For the coverage of IT staff for the Fire Department’s Computer Aided Dispatch System)

Referred to Finance.

- 393** Transfer of: \$5,000  
From: Parking Authority-Capital Projects-City Lots  
To: Parking Authority-Capital Projects  
(To cover an unbudgeted portion of the purchase of a new fee computer and entry station for the Parking Garage)

Councillor Cruise motioned to take item **393** under suspension of the rules and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote. Councillor cruise stated that Mr. Malley was present and could answer any questions. Councillor Stewart stated that he was impressed by the proposal that Mr. Malley had put together. The new Parking Plan will support economic development in Brockton and Councillor Stewart appreciated all of his efforts.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councillor Cruise motioned for reconsideration with the wish that it not prevail and was properly seconded. Reconsideration failed by a hand vote.

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**ORDERS (cont'd)**

- 394** Resolved: That representatives of Girls' LEAP (Lifetime Empowerment & Awareness Program) be invited to appear before a committee of this Council to discuss their efforts to establish a program to provide personal safety and self-defense training for at-risk girls ages 8 to 18 in the City of Brockton.

Referred to Finance.

**LATE FILES**

Councillor DuBois motioned to accept a late file and was properly seconded. She stated that the Ordinance is regarding water bills and that one of the residents in her ward will be losing her home, due to the large payments she has to make, due to the lien on her house caused by the water bills.

- 397** Ordinance: An Ordinance amending Chapter XXIII of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Brockton. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Brockton as follows: Ch. 23. Water, Sewer and Sewage Disposal is hereby amended by adding the following new section to Article II. Water: Section 23-31. Actual Meter reading and estimated bills.

Referred to Ordinance

Councillor Sullivan takes a moment of personal privilege to state that on October 25, 2011 at 6:30pm there will be a production called "SILENCE" at Bridgewater University. It is a documentary on drugs and addiction.

Councillor Cruise takes a moment of personal privilege to remind us that this is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. He thanked the Mayor for her support. He also gave a shout out to Mary Waldron.

Councillor Monahan takes a moment of personal privilege to state that this Thursday at George's Café at 7pm there will be a Ward 2 Meeting

Council President Studenski stated that the next Finance Committee will be held on November 7, 2011 at 6:30pm.

Councillor MacMillan stated that there will be an Ordinance Meeting on November 7, 2011 at 6:30pm.

Adjourned at 8:25pm