

Board of Aldermen Minutes
City of Rutland
Monday, August 5, 2024

Members present: President Talbott, Aldermen Tadio, Heck, Barbagallo, Davis, McClure, McCann, Adams, Gillam, Savage, and Whitcomb. Also present, Mayor Doenges, Treasurer Markowski, and City Clerk Kapusta.

7:00 PM BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

President Talbott called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

President Talbott asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. President Talbott said that the executive session would be moved to the end of the agenda. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) (July 15, 2024)

A motion was made and seconded (Savage, Barbagallo) approving the minutes from the previous meeting. President Talbott asked if there were any changes or corrections, there were none. **Motion passed.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Liz DiMarco Weinmann from 3 Charter Hill Drive spoke about a neighbor who lives across the street at 1 Irving Heights. There is rubbish, hay, and everything else surrounding their yard. A few years ago, a trampoline almost blew into Ms. Weinmann's front window from this neighbor's yard. Ms. Weinmann and her husband have been in contact with Rhonda Hart, from the City, and Ms. Hart has sent many letters to these neighbors about the condition of their yard and has issued fines. Ms. Weinmann wants to know what else can be done to get these neighbors to clean up their yard.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Un-table Mayoral Appointment for Planning Commission – Rebekah Stephens

Mayor Doenges introduced the request. A motion was made and seconded (Gillam, Davis) to un-table the nomination. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Adams) to circulate the ballot box. **Motion passed.** Clerk Kapusta gathered all votes and presented them to Treasurer Markowski for verification.

Mayor Doenges thanked DPW, Fire department, Police Department, and Recreation and Parks Department for their quick response to the storm yesterday. Everybody was out all day today and some last night getting things cleaned up. The City Foresters had their hands full more than usual with fallen City trees.

The City is going to be sending up some mutual aid to St. Johnsbury with two dump trucks and a couple of DPW employees to help. Currently, the City is not worried about reimbursement. Commissioner Protivansky had reached out to St. Johnsbury asking if they needed any help.

The Police Department has been busy with an increased presence in the streets. There has been a lot of activity, dealing with a lot of things going on. Mayor Doenges wants to thank them and the non-sworn officers and CRS's who have all stepped up to do some extra work.

Mayor Doenges is on the Board of VLCT and this year he was asked to chair the committee on Quality Life and Housing. The committee sets the motions for the methodology for VLCT for the next two years

as they communicate with and lobby to the legislators on behalf of local municipalities. Mayor Doenges stated that it is a pleasure to serve on the committee and that Rutland is very well represented by VLCT as we move forward the next two years in the next legislative session.

The City report and budget process begins again. If you have a City report that needs to be in our report it would be great if those could be sent to the Mayor's office. The Mayor will start a draft of the City's new budget as that is due to the Board at the beginning of November.

Mayor Doenges had the opportunity to go to the ribbon cutting of the road re-opening at Killington. Killington did receive for the road reconstruction a grant from the Federal Government of about \$25M. That grant is usually given out as one grant per year to each state for different roadway projects. These will be things that the City will look toward as the City moves ahead with different roadway projects.

Mayor Doenges spoke about the Quality Inn, Pine Tree Lodge, and the other hotels. The Building and Zoning Department has been working with these hotel owners to keep up the quality of the rooms in these hotels. Over the past several months inspections have happened at the two mentioned hotels, and some rooms have been closed for poor living quality. Those hotel owners are being held accountable for the rooms that are in disrepair and need to be closed. The standard that is being used is the standard that those hotels are being held to when it comes to the fact that they are licensed as hotels. Meaning those hotels rooms need to be used as hotel rooms not just for transitional or temporary housing. Part of the reason that is important is because when this program does end in September, before the next adverse weather conditions pick up, sometime in December, those rooms should be available for transient population that wants to stay in our City.

Mayor Doenges spoke about Union negotiations with DPW are under way and the Police Department negotiations have just begun with the first meeting.

The City had applied for the Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities grant and we were awarded that. The Regional Planning Commission has started that process for the City by creating the LHMP, Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. That plan gives the City eligibility for flood hazard mitigation funds. There is a \$90M grant fund that is available right now for future flood hazard mitigation. This is for solving problems that we have today that could affect us in the future. City Engineer Gillen and the Mayor did a walk around today looking at culverts that may be undersized and talked about locations. Together they will be looking to do a pre-application for that.

There was a ribbon cutting at T-Mobile and the Mayor had a conversation with both the manager and district manager, and both have moved to Rutland and moved their families to Rutland. The district manager also moved his parents from Burlington to Rutland.

President Talbott noted the nomination of Rebekah Stephens for Planning Commission was confirmed by a vote of 10 yes votes and one no vote.

CONSIDERTAION OF SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT REQUESTS

SEP: Alzheimer's Association VT Chapter, Walk to end Alzheimer's - Rutland, Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 8:30AM-1:30 PM

A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, McClure) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Adams) to approve the Walk to end Alzheimer's on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM. **Motion passed.**

SEP: Turning Point Center of Rutland, Overdose Awareness, Saturday, August 31, 2024, from 5PM-8PM

A motion was made and seconded (Adams, Davis) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Adams) to approve Turning Point of Rutland, Overdose Awareness, Saturday, August 31, 2024, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. **Motion passed.**

SEP: Camille's Experienced Clothing's 35th Anniversary Sale, August 15-17, 2024, from 11AM-5PM

A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Savage) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Davis) to approve Camille's Experienced Clothing's 35th Anniversary Sale, August 15-17, 2024, from 11AM to 5PM. **Motion passed.**

SEP: Rutland County Humane Society, Coin Drop, Saturday, August 10, 2024, from 10AM-2PM

A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Savage) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Adams) to approve the Rutland County Humane Society Coin Drop on Saturday, August 10, 2024, from 10AM to 2PM. **Motion passed.**

Amend SEP: Friday Night Live, Amend the permit by adding a street closure for Merchants Row to Washington Street, Friday August 16th

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, McClure) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Savage) to amend the Friday Night Live permit to include the closure of Merchants Row to Washington Street for roller skating on Friday, August 16, 2024. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS AND LETTERS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND OFFICIALS

Superintendent Peters: National Night Out

Superintendent Peters introduced the committee for National Night Out, Colleen Shattuck and Brittany Cassell from Recreation and Parks Department, Emilio Rosario from the Police Department and Corbin Shattuck from the Fire Department. Each committee member spoke about the event that will be held on Tuesday, August 6th from 4:30PM-6:30PM at Meadow Street Park.

Ed Bove, RRA: Business Incentive Assistance Program – C Brown Automotive, LLC

Ed Bove, RRA introduced the request. The RRA Board met to review a Business Incentive Assistance Program (BIAP) application for a business plan for C Brown Automotive, LLC located at 276 West Street. The applicant, Chris Brown, is requesting a \$10,000 BIAP Forgivable Loan. The application meets the criteria for expansion of an existing business through \$34,000 of personal finance investment and the creation of two full-time jobs.

A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Savage) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Adams) to approve the \$10,000 BIAP Forgivable Loan for C Brown Automotive, LLC. **Motion passed.**

Ed Bove, RRA: Set Public Hearing – 133 Forest Street

Ed Bove, RRA introduced the request. The City has been asked by the Housing Trust of Rutland County (HTRC) to apply for a VCDP implementation grant for the 133 Forest Street project to transform the vacant industrial site 133 Forest Street into 30 units of new affordable housing.

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Savage) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Savage) to approve the application for VCDP Pre-application and to set the public hearing for September 3, 2024, at 6:45 PM. **Motion passed.**

Director Tyler Dahlin: Lawn Mower

Director Dahlin introduced the request to trade in or sell four (4) mowers. Three (3) of the mowers have sat idle for three (3) years and the other one is still in good shape and can get a good trade in value for it. The estimated trade in values have been supplied by Toro who is the main grounds equipment dealer.

A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Savage) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Savage) to approve the sale and trade of the four (4) mowers with money to go back into the equipment replacement fund. **Motion passed.**

Commissioner Protivansky & Assistant Engineer Gillen: DPW underground utility work on route 4&7 ahead of paving project

Commissioner Protivansky and Engineer Gillen provided an update on what the crews have been up to on Routes 4&7. DPW is trying to do whatever they can underground before paving takes place. There have been several brand-new water lines put in from routes 4&7 to the side streets of Madison, Terrill, Nichols, Wales, Water, and Chaplin. Video inspected some sewer in three locations where there are broken and repaired them. Replacing a fire hydrant at West and Elm. Additional catch basins by Cumberland Farms and Grand Union are trying to improve that. Inspecting every water shut off valve we have and digging them up and fixing them if they don't work. The DPW crew worked several overnight shifts to complete the work. It saved the City about \$300,000 to \$400,000 that would have been paid to a contractor.

Alderwoman Davis made a request/motion to have the Board Chair write a letter on behalf of the Board of Aldermen, thanking those members of DPW Departments that did this work on the City's behalf and on the Board's behalf. Alderman Gillam seconded the request/motion. **Motion passed.**

Commissioner Protivansky: Authorization to sell a City vehicle

Commissioner Protivansky requested authorization to sell a 2008 GMC Van for scrap. This van was used at the Waster Water Treatment Plant and was originally purchased new by the Recreation Department. It was repurposed to DPW about three (3) years ago. The vehicle recently developed mechanical and electrical issues beyond repair. Due to the nature of the issues, it should be sold as scrap only.

A motion was made and seconded (Adams, Davis) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Adams, Tadio) to authorize to sell a 2008 GMC Van for scrap. **Motion passed.**

Commissioner Protivansky announced that Jim Dorman retired after 27 years of service. Jim spent his career at the Waste Water Treatment Plant as an operator and Commissioner Protivansky wanted to congratulate him and thank him for all his work and wish him well.

Ed Bove, RRA: TIF Declaration to Reimburse Expenditures

Ed Bove, RRA introduced the request. The TIF District process allows municipalities to reimburse themselves for costs associated with the creation of a TIF District. The legislative body must approve a Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Certain Expenditures from Proceeds of Indebtedness for the municipality to pay itself back. With this Declaration, the City of Rutland will be able to include the TIF district setup costs in a future bond vote that will occur to fund public infrastructure improvements associated with the creation of the TIF project.

A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, McClure) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Davis) to approve the Declaration of Official Intent of the City of Rutland to Reimburse Certain Expenditures from Proceeds of Indebtedness. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Tadio, Savage) to refer the discussion of the TIF district to the Community and Economic Development committee. **Motion passed.**

Chief Kilcullen: Disposal of City owned property; 2012 Ford Fusion will not pass inspection

Chief Kilcullen requested authorization to dispose of a 2012 Ford Fusion that will not pass inspection. The vehicle is worth about \$400 for scrap and about \$500 for wholesale.

A motion was made and seconded (Adams, McClure) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Adams, Davis) to approve the disposal of a 2012 Ford Fusion with the money to go back into the equipment replacement fund. **Motion passed.**

Treasurer Markowski: Request for referral to Finance Committee – discussion of financing options for Fire Ladder #1

Treasurer Markowski introduced the request. The purchase of the refurbished Fire Ladder #1 was approved at the Board of Aldermen meeting on September 14, 2022. The original timeline for the rebuild was to have the truck in the spring of 2024, but there were changes and delays in the process. Chief Lovett indicated that the truck should be ready for delivery in early September. At the time of the approval, the financing terms had not been determined.

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Gillam) to refer the discussion of the Fire Ladder #1 financing options to the Public Safety Committee. **Motion passed.**

Treasurer Markowski: FY24 Municipal Checklist for Internal Controls, request for BOA review and sign-off

Treasurer Markowski provided the Board with the Municipal Checklist for Internal Control. Per 24 V.S.A. § 1571 (d), The town treasurer shall annually, on or before June 30, complete and provide to the selectboard a copy of the document made available by the Auditor of Accounts pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 163(11) regarding internal financial controls.

In connection with the Audit, the Treasurer will complete a more detailed self-assessment of internal controls. In the Treasurer's office, we continually review and assess policies and procedures to ensure that we have adequate controls over cash processing and financial accounting.

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Gillam) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Gillam) to approve the Municipal Checklist for Internal Control and sign-off by the Chairman of the Board of Aldermen. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Aldерwoman Tadio: Community & Economic Development from July 16, 2024

Aldерwoman Tadio read the Community & Economic Development committee report from July 16, 2024. Lisa Glover, Placemaking Fellow at the Center on Rural Innovation (CORI), gave a presentation on the work she has done to better understand Rutland's needs. Ms. Glover spent the past year doing community outreach and working with CEDRR, the RRA, and the HUB to understand Rutland. The plan she created includes larger projects for the community and some smaller projects that anyone can work on. Her recommendation is that the City of Rutland formally adopt the plan to use for the future to bring more grants to the area. Ms. Glover would like to wrap up the project by August and she will send a copy of the plan to the Board of Aldermen to review and reconsider in August. This item will remain in the committee.

Next Ed Bove, RRA gave updates of the impacts of H.687 and act created for housing exemptions from ACT 250 for new projects. One option is for Rutland to apply for a Tier 1A status under the act which would create a blanket ACT 250 exemption for a designated area in Rutland. The City can apply in the beginning of 2026.

A motion was made to recommend to the full Board to support the Rutland Redevelopment Authority in the opportunity to apply for an ACT 250 Tier 1A designation. So moved by Aldерwoman Tadio and seconded by Aldерwoman Davis. **Motion passed.**

Ed Bove presented on the tax component of H.687. There is an option for the City to apply for a three-year window to freeze the State Education Taxes and the Municipal Taxes on new mixed income housing developments. Rutland has until January 1, 2028, to apply for this option. No motions were taken on the tax component of H.687 and the item will remain in committee.

Alderman Gillam: Public Works Committee from July 22, 2024

Alderman Gillam read the Public Works committee report from July 22, 2024. The Poli sisters testified that there was an issue of turtles crossing Clement Road west of Dorm Road and the turtles are being destroyed by traffic. The sisters are requesting a way that the City can assist on protecting the turtles from vehicle harm. Suggestions from the committee were a sign to warn drivers, check the culvert for a possible conduit for the turtles to cross, clean the culvert, after repaving add a flat bottom culvert and add netting on both sides of the road to steer the turtles to the culvert.

A motion was made to issue a Wildlife sign and culvert (turtle crossing) out of committee and send to the Commissioner of DPW and City Engineer office to investigate the culvert and work out a plan and report back an update to the DPW committee and the Poli family. So moved by Alderman Gillam and seconded by Alderwoman Davis. **Motion passed.**

Sam Mills the owner of Down Valley Bikes asked to install a bike repair station next to his building. It was decided to add it to the Cottage Street green space project to design a space at that end of the parking lot and a possible multi bike rack to add to the space.

A motion was made to move out of committee and to refer to the DPW Commissioner and City Engineer office this request to be part of the Cottage Street green space design and to report an update on the project to the Public Works committee and the property owner. So moved by Alderman Gillam seconded by Alderwoman Davis. **Motion passed.**

City Engineer Gillen spoke about the proposal for water and sewer allocation rates to attract investment for the housing incentive program for resident housing in Rutland City. The present rate is \$4.00 per gallon per day which averages revenue per year of \$30,000-\$40,000.

A motion was made for the Board of Aldermen to approve the change to water and sewer allocation rate structure, application category: Residential units including condominiums and apartments, the new rate will be an allocation permit fee of \$125.00 and housing incentive rate for water and sewer allocation rate of \$0.25 per gallon/day. The change would go in effect August 15, 2024, and up for review during the Public Works Department budget process in December 2026 for a renewal effective date (FY 2027 budget July 1, 2027). Pending City Attorney review. So moved by Alderman Gillam and seconded by Alderman Barbagallo. **Motion passed.**

With the proposed developments for a TIF District and Center Street project, it is time to put the engineering plan in place to improve the needed municipal infrastructure services. DPW proposed to get 30% of the engineering plan in place to be ready for the Center Street project to coordinate with developers to do construction timetable at the same time frame as the other projects. The bonus would be to prepare the city for projects moving forward to improve the City infrastructure that will attract private investment for existing business and attract new business investment in the downtown and TIF District.

A motion was made for the Board of Aldermen to approve the Center Street infrastructure Improvements project (water, sewer, and stormwater) for 30% engineering project design plan, to hire an engineering firm for no more than \$20,000, to be funded by formal ARPA fund. The engineering services contract to be review by the City Attorney and authorize the Mayor to sign the Engineering Contract for Engineering Servies for the project. So moved by Alderman Gillam and seconded by Alderman McCann. **Motion passed.**

Alderman McCann: Charter & Ordinance Committee from July 23, 2024

Alderman McCann read the Charter and Ordinance committee report from July 23, 2024. The first item discussed was the requirements for membership on the Rutland Redevelopment Authority (RRA) Board. Currently in the Rutland City Charter the RRA Board consists of City Treasurer, one member appointed from the Board of Aldermen (one-year term), and the remaining seven members (three-year terms) of the Board appointed by the Mayor. The RRA Board would like to change the requirements for one position to include a property owner in the City but remove the residency requirement. It was suggested that a Rutland County resident be required.

A motion was made to amend the City charter such that Sub-Chapter 36, Sub-Section 9-36.5 would identify the RRA Board as including the City Treasurer, a member of the Board of Aldermen, six Rutland City Residents to be appointed to three-year terms by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Aldermen, and one Rutland County resident who owns property in Rutland City to be appointed to a three-year term by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Aldermen. The specific language for this change is to be provided by the City Attorney. So moved by Alderman McCann and seconded by Alderwoman Davis.

Motion passed.

The next item discussed was the description of ward boundaries in the Rutland City Ordinances. Title 5, Chapter 1, Sub-Section 601 includes detailed boundary descriptions of five wards. Sub-Section 602 states that the wards will automatically be adjusted if the State makes any changes to its legislative subdistricts unless the Board of Aldermen determine otherwise by resolution. Act 89 defined new legislative subdistricts in 2022 which defined the wards used in both the 2023 and 2024 Town Meeting Day elections.

A motion was made to update sub-section 601, pending review by the City Attorney, to read “The City of Rutland shall be divided into wards. The number, name, and boundaries of each ward shall be the same as the legislative sub-districts identified by the State.” So moved by Alderman McCann and seconded by Alderwoman Savage. Alderman Gillam, Alderwoman Davis and Alderman Heck all expressed that they were opposed to the change made by the State. **Motion passed.** Alderman Heck voted no.

President Talbott: Committee of the Whole from July 29, 2024

President Talbott read the Committee of the Whole report from July 29, 2024. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the “Breaking Housing Matters” initiative presented by Scott Graves. The initiative aims to address the housing crisis by reallocating household income back into the local economy and personal savings rather than being spent on housing costs. Concerns of the committee were market impact, availability of housing, implementation, stakeholders and existing subsidies. The committee took no action.

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Adams) to suspend the rules. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Adams) to remove “Breaking House Matters” initiative as presented by Scott Graves to the Committee of the Whole from the committee as no interest. **Motion passed.**

Alderman Adams: General Committee from July 30, 2024

Alderman Adams read the General Committee report from July 30, 2024. The first topic of discussion was the City’s Coin Drop policy.

A motion was made to update the City Coin Drop policy to remove the maximum number of coin drops per year per organization, and to add a stipulation that each coin drop must be approved individually. So moved by Alderman Adams and seconded by Alderwoman Tadio. **Motion passed.** Alderman Heck voted no.

A motion was made to change the wording in the Coin Drop policy from ‘...Merchants Row in front of Knights of Columbus...’ to “21 Merchants Row.” So moved by Alderman Adams and seconded by Alderwoman Davis. **Motion passed.**

Next, the committee heard two requests for proposals (RFP) on technology-related services. Mayor Doenges explained that the current IT Managed Service provider (MSP) has failed lately to meet the City’s needs. The City has requested termination of the contract at the end of this current term. Mayor Doenges presented the proposal to be approved by the committee and sent to the Board of Aldermen for approval, to allow for proposals to be requested and reviewed as quickly as possible, to be brought to the Board of Aldermen for another approval.

A motion was made to approve the RFP as dated, in substantially the form presented. So moved by Alderman Adams and seconded by Alderwoman McClure. **Motion passed.**

Mayor Doenges then presented an RFP for approval to, “refresh, update, and maintain” the Rutland City website. The website does not need a complete redesign, but our backend content management system (CMS) has been manipulated so much over time by multiple parties that simple changes have unknown and undesired impacts. Funds were previously approved and allocated for this purpose.

A motion was made to recommend to the full Board approval of the request for proposal for website refresh, update, and maintenance in substantially the form presented. So moved by Alderman Adams and seconded by Alderwoman Tadio. **Motion passed.**

The last topic discussed was the remote participation in meetings as set for in VT Open Meeting Laws. President Talbott indicated we are currently meeting most of the requirements. Discussion included access to PEG-TV, specific requests to interact in the meeting being reviewed and accommodated; differentiating between remote access and remote participation; video access; muting remote participants; full Board meetings; committee meetings; disruptiveness; difficulties of maintaining order and productivity in hybrid meetings; legality; and handling of remote participation in remote meetings (meetings not held at City Hall). President Talbott and Alderman Adams with document an outline that considered feedback from the committee and consult the City Attorney prior to submitting it to the General Committee for review. This topic will remain in committee.

Alderman Whitcomb left at 8:24 PM.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

Alderman Barbagallo: Parking Committee Meeting from July 24, 2024

Alderman Barbagallo read the Parking Committee report from July 24, 2024. The first topic was parking at a broken meter. Language changes to ordinance ROR 27-4707 are:

(e) A parking app may be implemented for use in the regulated parking zone. Signs and instructions for the use of such app shall be posted near the parking spaces provided in § 4706 of this chapter, and the Chief of Police shall be responsible for the regulation, control, operation, maintenance and use of such parking app. The parking app shall indicate the time limit for legal parking upon payment in the app. Upon the expiration of the lawful time limit, the right of such vehicle to occupy such space shall cease and the operator, owner, possessor or manager thereof shall be subject to the penalties hereinafter provided.

Language changes to ordinance ROR 27-4708 are:

(b) The parking app may be used to pay for parking in any space in the regulated parking zone, regardless of other available payment systems.

(c) If a meter, kiosk, or coupon system is absent or out of order, the parking app shall be utilized.

(d) If the parking app is unavailable, or the operator of a vehicle does not have the ability to utilize the parking app, the operator shall make every effort to pay using an alternate payment system. Should no

alternate payment system be available, the operator shall contact the City Treasurer's Office or the City Police Department to make a payment and report the absence of alternative payment systems.

A motion was made to adopt the language changes to the ordinance, section ROR 27-4707 and ROR 27-4708 as presented. So moved by Alderman Barbagallo and seconded by Alderwoman McClure. **Motion passed.**

Next the discussion was the new parking ban on the greenbelt space. This new ordinance will go into effect soon but a fine for parking on the greenbelt has not been set.

A motion was made to send a recommendation to Charter and Ordinance to review ROR 27-5201 to establish a fine for parking on the greenbelt and to set the amount of the fine. So moved by Alderman Barbagallo and seconded by Alderwoman McClure. **Motion passed.**

To complete the meter replacement project there was discussion to move a Kiosk to the Wales Street parking lot and move the meters currently in this area up to Court Street. It was also discussed making Justice Square park mobile app only. There are metered spaces close enough that those choosing not to use Park Mobile app could park at a nearby meter. Meters will be installed on the south side of Madison Street near the corner of River Street and in front of the West Street Grill after the completion of the Route 4 repaving project.

A motion was made to allow Commissioner Protivansky, using his discretion, to use the remaining assigned ARPA funds of \$39,933 to complete this project. So moved by Alderman Barbagallo and seconded by Alderwoman McClure. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

There were no Reports of Representatives.

PETITIONS, LETTERS, MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION

There were no Petitions, Letters, Miscellaneous Communication.

BOARD OF CONTROL COMMISSIONERS

There were no items for the Board of Control Commissioners.

BOARD OF CANNABIS COMMISSIONERS

There were no items for the Board of Cannabis Commissioners

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, NEW BUSINESS. ALL QUESTIONS ON PRIORITY WILL BE DECIDED WITHOUT DEBATE

Executive Session to discuss a mediated settlement agreement

President Talbott read the motions. Motion to find that premature general public knowledge regarding pending litigation, to which the City is a party, would clearly place the City at a substantial disadvantage because the discussion will divulge the City's strategy in such pending litigation and will include confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the City. So moved by Alderwoman Davis and Alderwoman McClure. **Motion passed.**

Motion to enter into executive session (with the inclusion of the Mayor, Treasurer, Police Chief, and Clerk) to discuss pending litigation, as allowed under Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(E) and Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(F). So moved by Alderman Barbagallo and Alderwoman McClure. **Motion passed.**

At 8:32 PM the Board went into executive session.

At 8:40 PM a motion was made and seconded (Davis, Savage) to come out of executive session. **Motion passed.**

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Savage) to accept the mediated agreement as presented. **Motion passed.** Alderman Gillam voted no.

Executive Session to discuss a potential with an aggrieved citizen

President Talbott read the motions. Motion to find that premature general public knowledge regarding probable litigation, to which the City would be a party, would clearly place the City at a substantial disadvantage because the discussion will divulge the City's strategy in such probable litigation and will include confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the City. So moved by Alderwoman Davis and Alderwoman Savage. **Motion passed.**

Motion to enter into executive session (with the inclusion of the Mayor, Treasurer, and Clerk) to discuss pending litigation, as allowed under Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(E) and Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(F). So moved by Alderwoman Savage and Alderman Barbagallo. **Motion passed.**

At 8:42 PM the Board went into executive session.

At 8:48 PM a motion was made and seconded (Davis, Savage) to come out of executive session. **Motion passed.**

Executive Session to discuss ongoing union negotiations

President Talbott read the motions. Motion to find that premature general public knowledge regarding the negotiation of a labor relations agreement would clearly place the City at a substantial disadvantage because the discussion will divulge the Board's position on the agreement provisions to be negotiated. So moved by Alderman Adams and seconded by Alderwoman Savage. **Motion passed.**

Motion to enter into executive session (with the inclusion of the Mayor, DPW Commissioner, Treasurer, and Clerk) to discuss the labor relations agreement as allowed under Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(B). So moved by Alderwoman Savage and seconded by Alderwoman Davis. **Motion passed.**

At 8:49 PM the Board went into executive session.

At 9:06 PM a motion was made and seconded (Davis, McClure) to come out of executive session. **Motion passed.**

At 9:07 PM a motion was made and seconded (Davis, Adams) to adjourn. **Motion passed.**

Respectively submitted by,
Tracy L. Kapusta
City Clerk