

Protection and License Committee

Chairman Infurna, McAteer-Margolis,
Seaboyer
Absent: Boisselle, Forbes
Attending: Brodeur, Conn, Medeiros,
Mortimer, Tramontozzi, Wright
In attendance: Building Commissioner
Paul Johnson, City Planner Denise Gaffey

Protection and License Committee called to order by Chairman Infurna at 7:00 p.m. Alderman McAteer-Margolis motions to open Public Participation, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor. No one comes forward. Alderman McAteer-Margolis motions to close Public Participation, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor.

Order No. 11-54, Requesting that the Building Inspector appear before the appropriate Committee of the Melrose Board of Aldermen to discuss flashing illuminated signs in businesses along Main Street and the Melrose Zoning Ordinances pertaining to same. (AL-2)

Alderman McAteer-Margolis motions to suspend the rules to hear from Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor.

As the maker of the order Alderman Conn says it is his understanding that regulation of interior illuminated and flashing signs are not included in the City Ordinances. Mr. Johnson says that is correct. He has some authority to regulate flashing signs if they are found to be distracting to the community. Alderman Conn says he counted 37 signs on Main Street; some establishments have three or four, and some flash. Mr. Johnson says the Planning Board subcommittee is drafting a revised ordinance; he could add this to the agenda. Alderman Conn recognizes that Mr. Johnson is busy with other duties and asks if he could look at ordinances in other communities.

Alderman Tramontozzi comments on the flashing wash and fold signs at the laundry near the traffic lights at Main and Grove streets. Mr. Johnson says he will look at it.

President Wright asks if the hi-definition signs cropping up in area communities are prohibited by Melrose ordinances. Ms. Gaffey says no, but it is preferred not to have them.

Alderman Seaboyer motions to place the order on hold, 2nd by Alderman McAteer-Margolis. All in favor.

Public Works Committee

Vice Chairman Infurna, Seaboyer,
McAteer-Margolis
Absent: Forbes, Boisselle
Attending: Brodeur, Conn, Medeiros,
Mortimer, Tramontozzi, Wright
In attendance: City Engineer Bob Beshara,
Deputy City Engineer John Scenna

Public Works called to order by Vice Chairman Infurna.

Order No. 11-49, TRANSFER Amount: \$90,000.00
From: A/C #014332-522700 - PW-Sanitation, Trash Disposal
To: A/C #014852-531850 - PW – Automotive, Major Repairs
as set forth herein.

Alderman McAteer-Margolis motions to suspend the rules to hear from Mr. Beshara and Mr. Scenna, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor.

Mr. Beshara says the street sweeper needs repair and the recycling truck is being converted to a dump truck. The engine and body are still in good condition; converting it is more valuable to the department than the trade-in value. The street sweeper is worth repairing because it is used at the schools and parking lots, not streets.

Alderman Conn asks how much the retrofitting will cost. Mr. Scenna says it's estimated at \$45,000 to \$50,000. Alderman Conn asks the price of a new dump truck. Mr. Scenna says \$150,000. Mr. Beshara says the vehicle is still operational but it's too small; two trips daily are made to haul the amount of recyclables collected in the City. Alderman Conn asks why a larger vehicle wasn't purchased six years ago. Mr. Beshara says the vehicle was sufficient six years ago; Melrose residents are recycling more today.

Alderman McAteer-Margolis moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor.

<u>Health, Education and Welfare Committee</u>	Chairman McAteer-Margolis, Seaboyer, Infurna Absent: Boisselle, Forbes Attending: Brodeur, Conn, Medeiros, Mortimer, Tramontozzi, Wright
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Health, Education and Welfare is called to order by Chairman McAteer-Margolis.

Order No. 11-47, REAPPOINTMENT OF: William A. Irvin, 62 Tappan street, Melrose
TO: Melrose Housing Authority Expiration: first Monday in March 2015

Alderman Infurna moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor.

President Wright says he looks forward to his reappointment.

On the motion to recommend All in favor.

Alderman Infurna motions to adjourn, 2nd by Alderman Seaboyer. All in favor.

Health, Education and Welfare adjourns at 7:25 p.m.

Maribeth Harrington
Clerk of Committees