

Protection and License Committee

Chairman Infurna, Forbes, Medeiros
Absent: Brodeur, Seaboyer
Attending: Conn, McAteer-Margolis,
Mortimer, Tramontozzi, Wright, Boisselle

Protection and License called to order by Chairman Infurna at 7:30 p.m.

Alderman Medeiros motions to open Public Participation, 2nd by Alderman Forbes. All in favor. No one comes forward. Alderman Forbes motions to close Public Participation, 2nd by Alderman Medeiros. All in favor.

Order No. 10-36, TRANSFER Amount: \$1,611.04 From: A/C #012411-511000 - Inspectional Services, Salaries To: A/C #012412-503502 - Inspectional Services, Weights & Measures Supplies

Alderman Forbes moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Medeiros.

Chairman Infurna says the Building Commissioner is unable to attend tonight's meeting and reads his memo dated 8 October 2009. The Sealer of Weights and Measures resigned his position and the Inspector of Wires has assumed those duties. It is the Commissioner's opinion that the existing Sealer of Weights and Measures equipment will not pass re-certification by the state's Division of Standards. This transfer will be used to update the equipment and serves as the last step in combining the two positions.

On the motion to recommend, All in favor.

Alderman Forbes motions to adjourn, 2nd by Alderman Medeiros. All in favor.

Protection and License adjourns at 7:34 p.m.

Health, Education and Welfare Committee

Chairman Medeiros, Brodeur, Forbes, Infurna
Absent: Seaboyer
Attending: Conn, McAteer-Margolis, Mortimer, Tramontozzi, Wright, Boisselle
In attendance: Linda Walsh, Melrose Public Library Assistant Director

Health, Education and Welfare Committee called to order by Chairman Medeiros at 7:34 p.m.

Order No. 10-33, APPROPRIATION Amount: \$33,000.00 From: Trustees of the Melrose Public Library To: A/C #016112-534200 - Library, Books & Periodicals \$28,000.00 A/C #016112-534100 - Library, A/V Materials 5,000.00

Alderman Infurna moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Forbes.

Alderman Forbes motions to suspend the rules to allow Ms. Walsh address the committee, 2nd by Alderman Infurna.

Ms. Walsh says this appropriation is being requested to meet the requirements set by the Board of Library Commissioners to maintain state certification.

Alderman Infurna thanks the Library staff and the Board of Trustees for their hard work and dedication in making the library the jewel that it is. The City is proud of the library and the residents of Melrose are very fortunate given the fiscal condition of many other cities and towns.

President Boisselle asks Ms. Walsh if she thinks electronic books will ever replace hard bound editions. Ms. Walsh says she doesn't think they will replace them, but will supplement them. President Boisselle asks if she expects to see the Library's interaction with Kindle in the future. Ms. Walsh says there are some downloadable books currently offered through the NOBLE consortium, but the library's circulation increased by 14% this past summer. President Boisselle asks what she expects will happen when the price of Kindle falls. Ms. Walsh says it depends on the topic; different topics lend themselves to different formats.

Alderman McAteer-Margolis asks if she expects the library to carry entertainment software any time soon. Ms. Walsh says there is not a huge demand for it, and there aren't many libraries in the NOBLE consortium that circulate them.

On the motion to recommend, All in favor.

Order No. 10-34, APPROPRIATION Amount: \$69,000.00 From: A/C # 29032-590000 - Library Fines, Transfer Out \$30,000.00; Account # 28072-590000 - Library Donations, Transfer Out \$39,000.00; To: Account # 016112-534200 - Library, Books & Periodical \$66,000.00; Account # 016112-534100 - Library, A/V Materials \$3,000.00

Alderman Infurna moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Forbes.

Ms. Walsh says these funds are coming from the donation account given by Melrose residents.

On the motion to recommend, All in favor.

Order No. 10-39, REAPPOINTMENT Of: Paul Boutchia, 166 Derby Rd., Melrose
To: Historical Commission said term to expire on the last day of February, 2012

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

Order No. 10-40, REAPPOINTMENT Of: George J. Proakis, A.I.C.P., 188 Florence St., Melrose, MA To: Historical Commission said term to expire on the last day of February, 2012

Alderman Brodeur moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Forbes.

Alderman Brodeur says Mr. Proakis is remarkably well qualified and his continued service is a great asset to the City.

On the motion to recommend, All in favor.

Order No. 10-41, REAPPOINTMENT Of: Jose A. Rotger, 25 Dyer Ave., Melrose, MA
To: Historical Commission said term to expire on the last day of February, 2012

Alderman Forbes moves to recommend, 2nd by Alderman Brodeur. All in favor.

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

Health, Education and Welfare adjourns at 7:47 p.m.

There are no orders in the Public Works Committee to be acted on.

Maribeth Harrington
Clerk of Committees