

January 3, 2022

Meeting called to order by the City Clerk at 10:09AM.

City Clerk will introduce the City Council and the School Committee.

Pledge of Allegiance

Election of President Pro Tempore:

Councillor Shirley Asack is nominated by Councillor Moises Rodrigues and seconded by Councillor Winthrop Farwell.

Councillor Susan Nicaastro moves to close nominations, seconded by Councilor Jeffrey Thompson.

By a roll call vote take by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilor D’Agostino absent. Councillor Shirley Asack is elected President Pro Tem.

Councilor Asack Commented.

President Pro Tem Asack: Appoints Councillors Mendes, Lally and Teixeira to examine the credentials of newly elected council and school committee members.

Councillor Mendes reports that the committee has found the credentials in order and hands them to the Clerk.

President Pro Temp: Report of committee on credentials received and placed in file.

President Pro Temp: The Clerk will now administer the oath of office to the Mayor.

The Oath will be administered and upon completion the Mayor will then sign the Oath book.

President Pro Temp: A moment of silence for our friends and co-workers that have passed away.

Mayor Sullivan commented that due to the current Covid surge he will not make his inaugural speech today.

President Pro Temp: Request that the members of the City Council please stand and answer “present” as their names are called by the Clerk:

Councillor by Ward:

W-1 Thomas J. Minichiello

W-2 Maria T. Tavares

W-3 Mark D’Agostino- Councilor D’Agostino was not present due to Covid. The City Clerk will Swear him in at a later date.

W-4 Susan J. Nicaastro

W-5 Jeffrey Thompson

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W-6 John F. Lally

W-7 Shirley Asack

Councillors at Large:

Moises Rodrigues

Winthrop H. Farwell

Rita Mendes

David C. Teixeira

President Pro Temp: The Clerk will now administer the Oath of Office to the Councillors Elect.

The Oath was administered and upon completion the Councillors signed the Oath book.

President Pro Temp: Instructs the Clerk to call the roll of Elected School Committee members and request the members to stand and answer “present” as their names are called.

School Committee:

W-1 Kathleen Ann Ehlers

W-2 Cynthia Rivas Mendes

W-3 Jared A. Homer

W-4 Tony Rodrigues

W-5 Judy A. Sullivan

W-6 Joyce J. Asack

W-7 Timothy Sullivan

President Pro Temp: Will the Clerk administer the Oath of office to the School Committee.

After completion of oath, the School Committee signed the Oath Book.

President Pro Temp: Nominations are now open for the Election of the City Council President for the year 2022.

Councillor Nicaastro nominates Councillor Jack Lally and is seconded by Councillor Rita Mendes.

Councillor Farwell moves to close the nominations and is seconded by Councillor Teixeira.

President Pro temp: Councillor Lally has been nominated and nominations have been properly closed. Will the Clerk please call the roll?

By a roll call vote take by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilor D’Agostino absent. Councillor Jack Lally is elected President.

President Pro temp: After balloting, announce the election of new President Lally.

Councilor Lally Commented.

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President Pro Temp: Councillors, would you please stand as the President of the Council for the year 2022 takes his position.

President Pro Temp: Past President Winthrop Farwell handed the gavel over to the newly elected President Lally. President

President Lally presented outgoing President Farwell with a plaque and thanked him for his service.

New President Lally addressed the Council briefly.

President: Asked the clerk to read the committees for the year 2022.

Clerk reads committees for 2022.

President Lally: Nominations are now open for the Election of the City Clerk:

Councilor Farwell Commented.

Councillor Farwell nominates Timothy Cruise for a three-year term as City Clerk. Councillor Asack seconds the motion. Councillor Nicaastro moves to close the nominations. Councillor Rodrigues seconds the motion.

President Lally- Timothy Cruise has been nominated as the City Clerk and nominations are now closed. Will the Clerk please read the roll?

By a roll call vote take by “yeas” and “nays”; ten members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilor D’Agostino absent. Timothy Cruise is elected City Clerk.

Timothy Cruise has been elected City Clerk by the City Council.

City Clerk Timothy Cruise Commented

President: There being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Adjourned at 10:40 AM