

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council was held on Monday evening February 26, 2024 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM with ten members present. President Rodrigues absent.

Councilor Asack is acting President and stated that President Rodrigues is away.

Acting President Asack had a moment of silence for former City Clerk Anthony J. Zeoli.

Councilor Nicastro spoke briefly on former City Clerk Anthony J. Zeoli and stated his obituary is available online if anyone is interested in attend his wake and funeral.

83. Acceptance of the Minutes of the February 12, 2024 City Council meeting.

Accepted and placed on file

#### **HEARINGS:**

Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc to install one JO Pole on E Ashland Street. Beginning at a point approximately 30 feet Northeast of the centerline of the intersection of Gerald Avenue. Install 50ft class H1 pole between P71 and P72 E Ashland Street. The pole will be located on town property on the Northeast side of E Ashland Street. The pole will be labeled 71-50.

Muhammad Jamous a representative from National Grid appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

Hearing held.

Councilor Thompson commented.

No one was in opposition.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilor Rodrigues absent.

Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc to install one JO Pole on Hovendon Avenue. Beginning at a point approximately 246 feet Northeast of the centerline of the intersection of Belcher Street. Install 55ft class H1 pole between Pole 28 and Pole 29 Hovendon Avenue. The pole will be located on town property on the North side of Hovendon Avenue. The pole will be labeled 28-50.

Muhammad Jamous a representative from National Grid appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

Hearing held.

Councilor Lally commented.

No one was in opposition.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilor Rodrigues absent.

Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc to install one JO Pole on Hovendon Avenue. Beginning at a point approximately 182 feet South of the centerline of the intersection of Kevin Road. Install 50ft class H1 pole between Pole 47 and Pole 48 Hovendon Avenue. The pole will be located on town property on the South side of Hovendon Avenue. The pole will be labeled 47-50.

**26. (HEARINGS CONT.)**

Muhammad Jamous a representative from National Grid appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

Hearing held.

No one was in opposition.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilor Rodrigues absent.

Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc to install one JO Pole on Plain Street. Beginning at a point approximately 120 feet Southeast of the centerline of the intersection of Cushing Road and Plain Street. Install 5new Pole P58-50 at approximately 42°03'06.5" N 70°59'35.9" W.

Muhammad Jamous a representative from National Grid appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

Hearing held.

Councilor Nicastro commented.

Rob Jordan of 555 Plain St. was in opposition. He stated he wanted to make sure the pole wasn't located on his property.

Muhammed Jamous showed on the map that it indeed wasn't going to be. (Map is attached to agenda and also available on file in the clerk's office)

Councilor Nicastro asked if the Jordan's were satisfied and they commented they were.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilor Rodrigues absent.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

84. From the Police Chief requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FY 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant (JAG) from the U.S. Office of Justice Programs in the amount of \$76,181.00.

Accepted and placed on file

85. From the BPD Grant Writer requesting that the grant award documents be processed to allow the City of Brockton to expend funds authorized under the FY 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for \$76,181.00. Grant funds will be utilized for the purchase of Department equipment.

Accepted and placed on file

86. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$76,181 from the United States Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs to the City of Brockton Police Department. The funds will be used for the purchase of departmental equipment.

FROM: UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE \$76,181

TO: THE BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT \$76,181

**27. (COMMUNICATIONS CONT.)**

Accepted and placed on file

87. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$76,181.00 from the United States Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs to the City of Brockton Police Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

The funds will be used for the purchase of departmental equipment.

FROM: UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	\$76,181
TO: THE BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$76,181

Accepted and placed on file

88. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the transfer of \$2,500

FROM: CITY COUNCIL- PART TIME SALARIES	\$2,500
TO: CITY COUNCIL- PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME	\$2,500

In order to cover unanticipated expenses for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Accepted and placed on file

89. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, I hereby certify that it is my professional opinion, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the total proposed transfer of \$2,500, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

FROM: CITY COUNCIL- PART TIME SALARIES	\$2,500
TO: CITY COUNCIL- PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME	\$2,500

Accepted and placed on file

90. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the transfer of \$5,200

FROM: CITY CLERK- TEMP SEASONAL	\$1,200
CITY CLERK- OUT OF GRADE	\$4,000
TO: CITY CLERKS – PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME	\$5,200

In order to cover unanticipated expenses for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Accepted and placed on file

91. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the total proposed transfer of \$5,200, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

FROM: CITY CLERK- TEMP SEASONAL	\$1,200
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**28. (COMMUNICATIONS CONT.)**

CITY CLERK- OUT OF GRADE \$4,000

TO: CITY CLERK – PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME \$5,200  
Accepted and placed on file

92. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the transfer of \$450,000

FROM: STORMWATER CERTIFIED RETAINED EARNINGS \$450,000

TO: STORMWATER- PERSONAL SERVICE NON-OT \$ 226,251  
STORMWATER- PURCHASE OF SERVICE \$ 223,434  
STORMWATER- GOODS AND SUPPLIES \$ 315

In order to cover unanticipated expenses for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Accepted and placed on file

93. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the total proposed transfer of \$450,000, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

FROM: STORMWATER CERTIFIED RETAINED EARNINGS \$450,000

TO: STORMWATER- PERSONAL SERVICE NON-OT \$ 226,251  
STORMWATER- PURCHASE OF SERVICE \$223,434  
STORMWATER- GOODS AND SUPPLIES \$ 315

Accepted and placed on file

94. From the Fire Chief informing the City Council that the Brockton Fire Department has been awarded a FY 2024 Firefighting Safety Equipment Grant Program in the amount of thirty thousand four hundred forty-seven dollars and sixty-two cents (\$30,447.62) from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fire Services (DFS). This is a non-matching grant with no cost to the City. Brockton Fire Department is requesting acceptance and expenditure of thirty thousand four hundred forty-seven dollars and sixty-two cents (\$30,447.62). This will cover the cost of four (4) sets of gear for our newest recruits and partial cost of a secondary set of gear for the sixteen (16) recruits hired last year.

Accepted and placed on file

95. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$30,447.62 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to the City of Brockton Fire Department. This is a non-matching grant with no cost to the city. The funds will be used for the purchase of four sets of gear for the newest recruits and partially cover the cost of a secondary set of gear for the sixteen recruits hired last year.

FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF

FIRE SERVICES \$30,447.62

**29. (COMMUNICATIONS CONT.)**

TO: THE FIRE DEPARTMENT \$30,447.62

Accepted and placed on file

96. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$30,447.62 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to the City of Brockton Fire Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. This is a non-matching grant with no cost to the city. The funds will be used for the purchase of four sets of gear for the newest recruits and partially cover the cost of a secondary set of gear for the sixteen recruits hired last year.

FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF

FIRE SERVICES \$30,447.62

TO: THE FIRE DEPARTMENT \$30,447.62

Accepted and placed on file

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

73. Ordered: In compliance with the provisions of the Election Laws, notice is hereby given that the Presidential Primary will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 in the following designated Polling Places:

Ward One	Precinct A	Housing Authority, 70 Hawley St
Ward One	Precinct B	West Middle School, 271 West Street
Ward One	Precinct C	Hancock School, 125 Pearl Street
Ward One	Precinct D	Hancock School, 125 Pearl Street
Ward Two	Precinct A	Barret Russell School, 45 Oakdale Street
Ward Two	Precinct B	Manning Towers, 45 Goddard Road
Ward Two	Precinct C	Brockton Public Library, 304 Main Street
Ward Two	Precinct D	War Memorial Building, 156 West Elm Street
Ward Three	Precinct A	South Middle School, 105 Keith Avenue Ext
Ward Three	Precinct B	South Middle School, 105 Keith Avenue Ext
Ward Three	Precinct C	John F. Kennedy School, 900 Ash Street
Ward Three	Precinct D	West Side Library, 540 Forest Avenue
Ward Four	Precinct A	Gilmore School, 150 Clinton Street
Ward Four	Precinct B	Gilmore School, 150 Clinton Street
Ward Four	Precinct C	Davis Elementary School, 380 Plain Street
Ward Four	Precinct D	Campello High Rise Apts, 1380 Main Street
Ward Five	Precinct A	East Side Library, 54 Kingman Street
Ward Five	Precinct B	East Middle School, 464 Centre Street
Ward Five	Precinct C	Downey School, 55 Electric Avenue
Ward Five	Precinct D	Caffrey Towers, 755 Crescent Street
Ward Six	Precinct A	Brookfield School, 135 Jon Drive
Ward Six	Precinct B	Ashfield School Gymnasium, 225 Coe Road
Ward Six	Precinct C	Brookfield School, 135 Jon Drive
Ward Six	Precinct D	Brookfield School, 135 Jon Drive
Ward Seven	Precinct A	North Middle School, 108 Oak Street
Ward Seven	Precinct B	Belair Street High Rise, 105 Belair Street
Ward Seven	Precinct C	Sullivan Towers, 140 Colonel Bell Drive
Ward Seven	Precinct D	Raymond School, 125 Oak Street

**30. (UNFINISHED BUSINESS CONT.)**

The polls will be open at 7:00 A.M., and will be closed at 8:00 P.M.

Said voters will then in their respective polling places give in their votes each on one piece of paper to the Warden for the election of candidates for the following named offices, viz: Presidential Preference, State Committee Man, State Committee Woman, and Ward Committees. (FAVORABLE)

**ORDERS:**

97. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Appropriation of \$76,181.00

The funds will be used for the purchase of departmental equipment.

FROM: UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE \$76,181

TO: THE BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT \$76,181

Referred to Finance

98. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Transfer of: \$2,500

FROM: CITY COUNCIL- PART TIME SALARIES \$2,500

TO: CITY COUNCIL- PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME \$2,500

In order to cover unanticipated expenses for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Referred to Finance

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CITY CLERK- OUT OF GRADE \$4,000

TO: CITY CLERK – PERSONAL SERVICES OVERTIME \$5,200

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Referred to Finance

100. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Transfer of: \$ 450,000

FROM: STORMWATER CERTIFIED RETAINED EARNINGS \$450,000

TO: STORMWATER- PERSONAL SERVICE NON-OT \$226,251

STORMWATER- PURCHASE OF SERVICE \$223,434

STORMWATER- GOODS AND SUPPLIES \$315

### 31. (ORDERS CONT.)

In order to cover unanticipated expenses for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Referred to Finance

101. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Appropriation of \$30,447.62

FROM: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF

FIRE SERVICES \$30,447.62

TO: THE FIRE DEPARTMENT \$30,447.62

This is a non-matching grant with no cost to the city.

The funds will be used for the purchase of four sets of gear for the newest recruits and partially cover the cost of a secondary set of gear for the sixteen recruits hired last year.

Referred to Finance

#### **Councilor's Recognition**

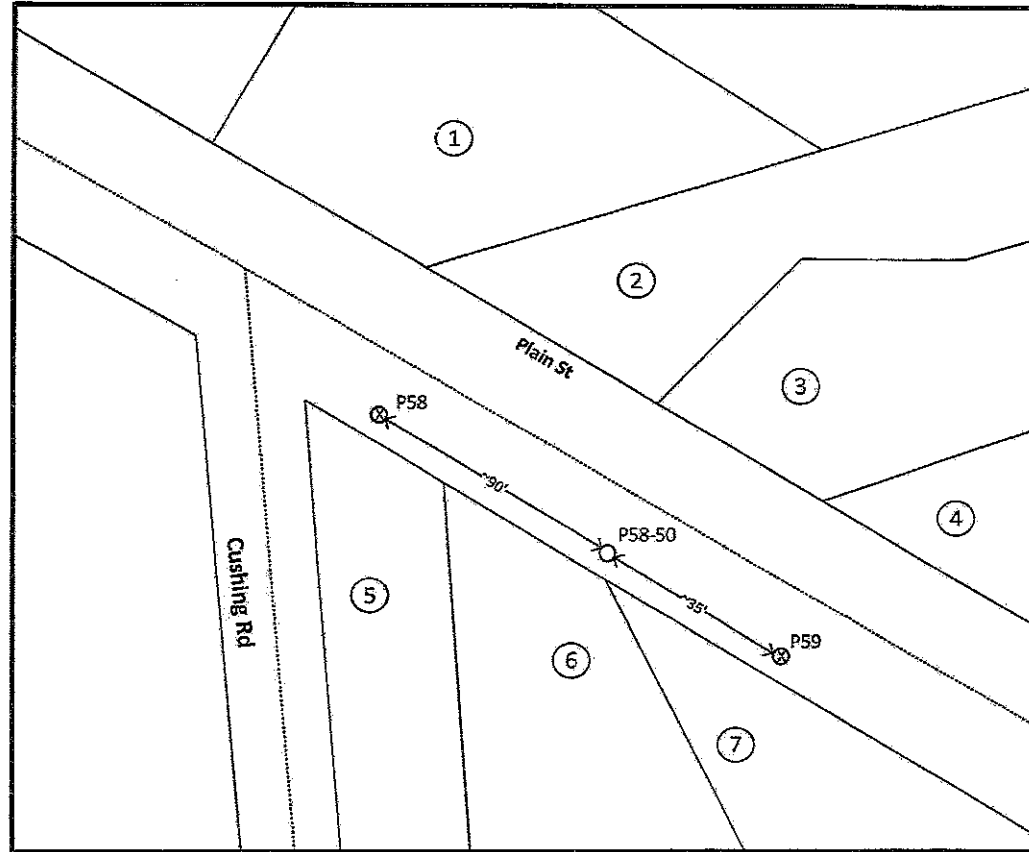
Acting President Asack congratulated Councilor Farwell on his new granddaughter.

Councilor Minichiello commented on how impressed he was with the Brockton Animal Control on how they handled a situation on Belmont Ave. and West Elm St with a dog.





Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM

All council business as listed on the agenda have been emailed to the City Council members in their complete form, with exception of oversized material, such as maps, photos, etc. Recommendations are based on reports from committees.

PETITION SKETCH  
TOWN OF BROCKTON  
PLYMOUTH COUNTY



Legend

-  Proposed JO Pole
-  Existing JO Pole
-  Center Line
-  Property Line

The exact location of said facilities to be established by and upon the installation and erection of the facilities thereof.

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- 530 Plain St  
Owner: ERNEST MAZZOLI  
Book, Page: 39697, 218  
Property ID: 120-136
- 538 Plain St  
Owner: JOAO ROSA  
Book, Page: 45597, 949  
Property ID: 120-137
- 544 Plain St  
Owner: DANIEL HEALY  
Book, Page: 17808, 85  
Property ID: 120-138
- 552 Plain St  
Owner: KEILA GONZALEZ  
Book, Page: 54301, 68  
Property ID: 120-269
- 533 Plain St  
Owner: JUDD CARLISLE  
Book, Page: 18911, 83  
Property ID: 120-127
- 539 Plain St  
Owner: ANDREA LEFORE  
Book, Page: 54953, 86  
Property ID: 120-126
- 551 Plain St  
Owner: JOSE REIS  
Book, Page: 25423, 200  
Property ID: 120-125

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**PROPOSED POLE INSTALLATION  
PLAIN ST, BROCKTON, MA**

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