



*City of Taunton  
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

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*In the Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers  
Minutes, December 29, 2009 at 7:40 O'clock A.M.*

*Regular Meeting*

*Mayor Charles Crowley presiding*

*Prayer was offered by the Mayor*

*Present at roll call were: Councilor's Hoye, Costa-Hanson, Fiore, Marshall, Carr  
Councilors Pottier, Croteau, Buffington and Barbour were  
absent*

Record of preceding meeting was read by Title and Approved. So Voted.

Motion was made to approve payroll and vouchers for the week as the Committee on Finance and Salaries did not meet. So Voted.

*Orders, Ordinances, and Enrolled Bills*

*Ordinance for a second reading to be passed to a third reading*

AN ORDINANCE

Chapter 13

Motor Vehicles and Traffic

**Sec 13-172. Same-Designation of intersections.**

*Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:*

*That Section 13-171 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, be  
and hereby are further amended by adding the following:*

Sec. 13-172 (c), delete:

- School Street Extension, east side as it intersects with Thrasher Street. Sign to face in a southerly direction.

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **Motion was made to pass to a third reading. So Voted.**

*Ordinance for a second reading to be passed to a third reading*

AN ORDINANCE

## Chapter 13

### Motor Vehicles and Traffic

#### Sec 13-171. Same-Designation of intersections.

*Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:*

***That Section 13-171 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, be and hereby are further amended by adding the following:***

Sec. 13-171 (c), add:

- School Street, northbound, at Thrasher Street
- Turner Street, westbound, at South Precinct Street (approx. 150' to 200' east of the intersection)

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **Motion was made to pass to a third reading. So Voted.**

**New Business:**

The Mayor read a communication from the outlined employee benefits, revising the amount from the Auditor. The final employee benefit is now \$6,047,236.66 and overhead is now in the amount of \$154,019.17 for a total of \$6,201,255.83. **Motion was made to accept as amended and move approval. So Voted.**

Councilor Costa-Hanlon asked to create an account under the rules and regulations set forth by Councilor Buffington used only in the event that there is a conflict with the Council versus the City Solicitor. The Mayor stated he feels we need to move forward this year and feels if this is approved it is a diversion. The Mayor stated there should be more communication between himself and the Council. Council Costa-Hanlon stated it is not the position (City Solicitor). The City Solicitor represents the City. Councilor Fiore stated he would be in conflict if he voted on this issue, therefore, we would not have a quorum. Councilor Carr asked how much money. Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated \$25,000.00 or could be \$5,000.00 but from outside legal from Law. Councilor Carr stated the City Solicitor takes an oath to represent the City, what is in the City's best interest. The Mayor stated again that we need to move on. Councilor Marshall stated what is the problem with the placement of \$5,000.00 in an account. Councilor Costa-Hanlon withdrew her motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

A true copy:

Attest:

*Rose Marie Blackwell*  
City Clerk

CITY OF TAUNTON  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
DECEMBER 29, 2009

**THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES**

NO FINANCE AND SALARIES MEETING WAS HELD DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM.

PAYROLLS AND VOUCHERS TO BE APPROVED IN FULL COUNCIL MEETING.