



AGENDA – JULY 19, 2011

INVOCATION ROLL CALL RECORDS

HEARING: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

APPOINTMENTS

- Re-submittal of the Mayor's nomination of Roger Hoffmann, 1054 Bay Street, Taunton to the Board of Registrar of Voters for a term of three (3) years.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

- Pg. 1 Com. from Mayor Crowley – Notifying of his appointment of a Tax Possession Agent
- Pg. 2 Com. from Superintendent of Buildings – Requesting a meeting of the Committee on Public Property to discuss the Taunton High School field house lobby
- Pg. 3 Com. from City Councilor Thomas C. Hoye, Jr. – Concerning water payments
- Pg. 4 Com. from Assistant City Solicitor – Providing information relative to alterations to budget

PETITIONS

Constable License

Application submitted by James V. Webster requesting a **RENEWAL** of his Constable License desiring to work police details.

Billiard Table License

Petition submitted by Jeffrey Kendzierski, 330 Whittenton St., Taunton requesting a **RENEWAL** of his Billiard Table License –DBA- Pioneer Flying Club, Inc. located at 330 Whittenton Street, Taunton. (2 Tables)

Temporary Fixed Vendor License

Petition submitted by Joe Silva, 316 Middleboro Ave. E. Taunton requesting a **RENEWAL** of his Temporary Fixed Vendor License –DBA- Joe’s Fresh Seafood located at 255 Cape Highway, Taunton.

Miscellaneous

Decision of the Development Impact Review Board on the Petition for Departmental Site Plan Review for a 7,648 sq. ft. auto sales use with a limit of 69 vehicles for display and a 2,420 sq. ft. auto repair shop with 27 storage spaces at 445 Winthrop Street, Taunton which is located in a Highway Business District submitted by Bruce Thomas and John-Paul Thomas, 98 County Street, Taunton. **(Informational Only)**

Departmental Site Plan Review for office use in the existing building and construction of a 15,200 sq. ft. warehouse at 540 Myles Standish Boulevard located in the Industrial District submitted by Robert Turner, Rock Partners, LLC, 34 Bellows Road, Raynham. **(Informational Only)**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Executive Session** – Meet to discuss the Star Theater litigation and an update on Operation Cleanup
- **Executive Session** – Meet to discuss the status of negotiations with all bargaining units of the City of Taunton, any outstanding issues with regard to negotiations, and progress made with regard to said issues

ORDERS, ORDINANCES AND ENROLLED BILLS

NEW BUSINESS

Respectfully submitted,



**Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk**

*City of Taunton
Office of the Mayor*

*Charles Crowley
Mayor*

*Gill E. Enos
Budget Director*

*Todd Castro
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July 12, 2011

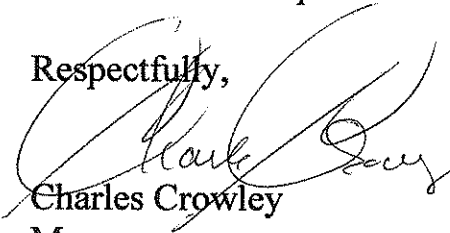
Council President Sherri Costa-Hanlon
Members of the Taunton Municipal Council

Dear Council President Costa-Hanlon,

Please be advised that I am re-submitting my nomination of Roger Hoffmann of 1054 Bay Street in Taunton to the Board of Register of Voters for a term of three (3) years. Roger Hoffmann is a registered Republican and he is replacing Frank Beidak whose term expired at the end of June.

The appointment is crucial to the operation of the Board of Register of Voters as there are five elections in the upcoming year that this board needs to supervise. The chairman of the Board of Register of Voters has encouraged me to appoint someone to the position who will attend the meetings on a regular basis. He informs me that the Board has often operated with less than a full complement of members.

Respectfully,


Charles Crowley
Mayor

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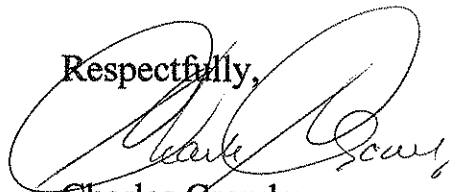
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Dear Council President Costa-Hanlon,

Please be advised the based upon the authority provide me as Mayor of the City of Taunton as outlined in Chapter 60 Section 77B of the Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I am appointing Sue Barber of 220 Erin Road in East Taunton as the Tax Possession Agent for the City of Taunton effective today July 12, 2011.

Please be advised that this communication is for informational purposes as the appointment does not require confirmation by the Municipal Council.

Respectfully,


Charles Crowley
Mayor

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

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July 14, 2011

Committee on Public Property Chairman, Andrew Marshall and
Members of the Committee:
City Hall

Dear Councilors:

On Friday, July 8, 2011 and again on Wednesday, July 13, 2011 the Taunton High School field house lobby experienced flooding after short duration heavy rains. The problem is being investigated by project engineers. After discussion with School Superintendent Dr. Hackett, we agree that a public meeting is needed to respond to concerns of the public and the School Committee. Therefore, I am requesting that a meeting be sponsored by the Committee on Public Property, the THS Project Management team, the City Engineer, and the School Committee to provide information about the suspected cause of the issue and its resolution.

Respectfully,

Wayne E. Walkden

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Superintendent of Buildings

Cc: Mayor Charles Crowley
Dr. Julie Hackett, Supt of Schools

City Councilor Thomas C. Hoye Jr.
28 Marcia Bliss Way
Taunton, Ma 02780

To: Honorable Mayor Charles Crowley, Council President Sherry Costa-Hanlon and
Members of the Municipal Council:

In spite of Beacon Hills constant cuts in local aid Taunton's Water Enterprise system has run in the black over the past five years. Through the enterprise system the DPW has managed to greatly improve our water distribution system throughout the city as well as improving our roads by overlay post water work. Because of this positive cash flow I am suggesting some of these funds by returned to our residents.

I am suggesting that a prompt payment discount of 5% be available to all residents who make a Water payment within 7 business days. This plan gives incentive to make prompt payment which would benefit the city and the resident. A quarterly bill of \$200.00 dollars would be discounted by \$10.00, which if promptly paid would decrease a yearly bill by \$40.00.

I am also suggesting an across the board discount of 5% to all city residents over the age of 65. This will offer moderate relief to some residents that may be on a fixed income.

Given our City's fiscal condition we must all work together to find solutions which not only bring in revenue, but also benefit our residents as well. As I have stated numerous times the only sure fire way to improve our financial situation is through bringing in new business. The city's reliance on one time monies method over the past several years is simply not sustainable, fair to our residents or employees. We need fundamental changes in our reliance on our current revenue streams. New Growth is the only way to institute these changes. Health care may be our biggest budget hurdle each year, but it is not the only one. All of our fixed costs increase each year while our revenue stays stagnant or even decreases.

I am suggesting that this matter be referred to DPW Sub-Committee, Mr. Cornaglia, Mr. O'Brien, the Auditor's office and the Mayor's office for immediate discussion.

Thank you,

Thomas C. Hoye Jr.
Taunton City Councilor



City of Taunton

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CHARLES CROWLEY
MAYOR

PETER J. BERRY
CITY SOLICITOR

JORDAN H. F. FIORE
ASSISTANT CITY SOLICITOR

July 15, 2011

Council President Sherry Costa Hanlon
And Members of the Taunton Municipal Council

Re: Alterations to budget

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You have inquired into the power of the council to change appropriations to the city budget subsequent to its passage. Section 32 of Chapter 44 allows for the council to make additional appropriations on the recommendation of the mayor subsequent to the passage of the budget, provided that they do not exceed the amount recommended by the mayor. The council does not have the authority to cut from a budget subsequent to its passage, nor can it reappropriate any funds without the recommendation of the mayor.

The mayor and council may act together in reviewing expenditures under a budget after the budget is passed. This is the purpose of requests for funding being routinely referred to "finance and salaries and the mayor's office." The mayor and council may act not to expend money that has been appropriated or may work in concert to transfer sums of money from one line item to another. However, the council may not act unilaterally to cut or transfer monies, and expenditures approved by the mayor are subject to council ratification both in weekly warrants and in the exceptional transfers.

Budget and expenditures are a cooperative process and in a city the balance of power is the opposite of that of the state and federal government. While at those levels the legislative branch is the appropriating authority subject to executive review, in city government the mayor is the appropriating authority subject to legislative oversight.

I hope that this offers both branches assistance as you work cooperatively through very difficult financial times.

Very truly yours,

Jordan H. F. Fiore
Assistant City Solicitor



JULY 19, 2011

**HONORABLE CHARLES CROWLEY, MAYOR
COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHERRY COSTA-HANLON
AND MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

PLEASE NOTE:

**THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2011 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE TEMPORARY CITY HALL AT
MAXHAM SCHOOL, 141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA. IN THE CHESTER R.
MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

5:30 P.M.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS AND PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS
2. MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING
3. MEET TO DISCUSS FY 2012 BUDGET
4. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE

1. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON PETITION OF AUTOMOTIVE RECOVERY SERVICES INC. D/B/A INSURANCE AUTO AUCTIONS, 580 MYRICKS ST., E. TAUNTON FOR RENEWAL OF JUNK COLLECTOR LICENSE
2. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR RENEWAL OF JUNK DEALER'S LICENSES:
 - A. GEORGE PERRY, 52 WORCESTER ST. D/B/A HUB CAP KING, 94 TREMONT ST. – 2010 AND 2011 LICENSES
 - B. DAVID BOYER D/B/A SCRAP BROS. RECYCLING, 56 FIDDLERS WAY, EAST TAUNTON
3. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR RENEWAL OF BILLIARD TABLE LICENSES:
 - A. JOHN ARRUDA, 175 SCHOOL ST., TAUNTON FOR PORTUGUESE AMERICAN CIVIC CLUB, 175 SCHOOL STREET.
 - B. ALAN MEDEIROS, TREASURER, ITALIAN SOCIAL CLUB, 2 COLUMBUS BLVD. – 2010 AND 2011 LICENSES
4. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR RENEWAL OF OLD GOLD LICENSES:
 - A. JAMES PERRY, 433 ROBINSON ST., RAYNHAM D/B/A PERRY JEWELERS INC., 400 BROADWAY, TAUNTON

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- B. ALI ABOUZEID, 73 CAVALIER AVE. D/B/A HANNOUSH JEWELERS, 2 GALLERIA MALL DRIVE
5. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR TEMPORARY FIXED VENDOR LICENSES:
 - A. SHEILA COOK, 9 CORAM STREET FOR TAUNTON AREA SCHOOL TO CAREER, 45 BROADWAY – NEW
 - B. TOM AND JIMMIES, INC., 2 CAPE HIGHWAY - RENEWAL
6. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON PETITION OF EDDIE DENNIS, 146 PROSPECT HILL ST. FOR RENEWAL OF SECOND HAND ARTICLE LICENSE D/B/A SAMANTHA'S BOOKS & GIFTS, 398 BAY STREET
7. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH ON PETITION OF MICHAEL KEENE & ARMEN TENKARIAN FOR RENEWAL OF ANTIQUE DEALER LICENSE D/B/A TAUNTON ANTIQUE CENTER, 19 MAIN STREET
8. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF & DETECTIVE SMITH TO DISCUSS FLEA MARKET ON WHITTENTON STREET
9. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

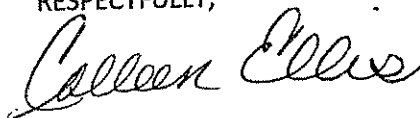
THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

1. MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TAUNTON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO DISCUSS RECREATION LAND LOCATED IN PROPOSED PHASE IV AND V OF MYLES STANDISH INDUSTRIAL PARK
2. MEET WITH BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT WAYNE WALKDEN AND CITY PLANNER KEVIN SCANLON TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL CITY HALL RENOVATION/RELOCATION PLANS.
3. MEET WITH THE CITY PLANNER AND ASSISTANT TAX CUSTODIAN TO DISCUSS LOT 134-83 HOLLOWAY STREET
4. MEET WITH THE ASSISTANT TAX CUSTODIAN TO DISCUSS REQUEST TO PURCHASE PARCEL 89-110 – WAGON WHEEL ROAD
5. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

THE COMMITTEE ON SOLID WASTE

1. MEET WITH THE CITY SOLICITOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, D.P.W. TEAM, JIM BINDER OF A.R.I. AND THE MAYOR TO DISCUSS AND SELECT A COMPANY AND PROCESS THAT WILL HANDLE THE LONG TERM SOLID WASTE NEEDS FOR THE CITY OF TAUNTON. PORTIONS OF THIS MEETING MAY GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.
2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

RESPECTFULLY,



COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES