



**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AGENDA
TEMPORARY CITY HALL
141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA 02780**

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JUNE 16, 2015 – 7:00 PM

**INVOCATION
ROLL CALL
RECORDS**

HEARING: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

APPOINTMENTS

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

Pg. 1-2 Com. from Assistant City Solicitor – CE Design, LTD v. Matrix LS, INC.

Pg. 3-5 Com. from City Solicitor – Potential Acquisition of Land for Cemetery Purposes

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

Pg. 6-7 Com. from Michael Callahan, 111 Wren St., E. Taunton – Requesting letter of commendation

PETITIONS

Second Hand Article, Old Gold, Junk Dealer, and Pawn Broker Licenses

Petition submitted by Kenneth Ferreira, 58 Stevens St., East Taunton requesting a **RENEWAL** of his Second Hand Article, Old Gold, Junk Dealer and Pawn Broker Licenses for Money Tree located at 49 Weir St., Taunton.

Claims

Claim submitted by Patrick Bowers, 418 Center St., Raynham seeking reimbursement for damages to his automobile from hitting a trench on Court Street near the District Court Building.

Claim submitted by Richard M. Sylvester, 389 Richmond St., East Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to his automobile from hitting a large hole in the road near 629 Middleboro Avenue, East Taunton.

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Claim submitted by Jonathan Crowell, 36 Shores St., Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to his automobile from hitting a pothole at the intersection of Wilson Avenue and Jackson Street, Taunton.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS


ORDERS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

FY2016 Preliminary Budget for a first reading to be passed to a second reading

<u>Salary & Wages</u>		<u>Other Expenses</u>		<u>Capital Expenses</u>	<u>Total Budget</u>
General Government	\$ 3,227,246.30	\$ 2,275,972.98	\$	50,000.00	\$ 5,553,219.28
Public Safety	\$ 22,588,045.38	\$ 1,989,376.40	\$	521,180.85	\$ 25,098,602.63
Education	\$ -	\$ 80,014,151.00	\$	-	\$ 80,014,151.00
Public Works/Facilities	\$ 3,327,473.60	\$ 5,951,175.92	\$	736,084.96	\$ 10,014,734.48
Health/Citizen Services	\$ 1,442,981.52	\$ 1,135,196.68	\$	-	\$ 2,578,178.20
Culture & Recreation	\$ 1,823,719.93	\$ 787,433.94	\$	17,316.36	\$ 2,628,470.23
Debt & Interest	\$ -	\$ 8,309,200.00	\$	-	\$ 8,309,200.00
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 9,041.80	\$	-	\$ 9,041.80
Employee Benefits	\$ 71,189.76	\$ 48,736,374.59	\$	-	\$ 48,807,564.35
Other Financing Uses	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$	-	\$ 5,000.00
Enterprise Accounts	\$ 6,712,432.67	\$ 19,455,070.91	\$	18,231.00	\$ 26,185,734.58
Total Budget	\$ 39,193,089.16	\$168,667,994.22	\$	1,342,813.17	\$209,203,896.55

NEW BUSINESS

Respectfully submitted,


Jennifer Leger
Assistant City Clerk



City of Taunton
LAW DEPARTMENT

141 Oak Street
Taunton, Massachusetts 02780
Phone (508) 821-1036 Facsimile (508) 821-1397



Thomas C. Hoye, Jr.
MAYOR

Jason D. Buffington
CITY SOLICITOR

Daniel F. de Abreu
ASST. CITY SOLICITOR

June 11, 2015

Honorable Mayor Thomas C. Hoye, Jr.
Members of the Taunton Municipal Council
141 Oak Street
Taunton MA 02780

RE: CE Design, LTD v. Matrix LS, Inc.

Dear Mayor Hoye and Members of the Municipal Council:

Enclosed please find a copy of a check in the amount of \$320.10 which represents the City's portion of a class action settlement in the above-matter. This case alleged that Matrix, Inc. violated the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), 47 U.S.C. §227, by faxing advertisements to class members without first obtaining their prior express invitation or permission.

Respectfully,

Daniel F. de Abreu, Esq.
Assistant City Solicitor

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Enclosure

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CE Design v. Matrix
Class-Settlement.com
PO Box 9009
Hicksville, NY 11802-9009



DATE
May 29, 2015

CHECK NO.
54070

VOID AFTER NOV 30, 2015

PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

CITY OF TAUNTON

\$320.10

Three Hundred Twenty Dollars and Ten Cents

CITY OF TAUNTON
ATTN: DANIEL F. DE ABREU, LAW DEPT. 141 OAK ST
TAUNTON, MA 02780-4431

CE Design, LTD v. Matrix LS, Inc.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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Thomas C. Hoye, Jr.
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June 12, 2015

Honorable Mayor Thomas C. Hoye, Jr.
Members of the Taunton Municipal Council
141 Oak Street
Taunton MA 02780

RE: Potential Acquisition of Land for Cemetery Purposes

Dear Mayor Hoye and Members of the Municipal Council:

There is a city cemetery at the corner of Stevens Street and Pinehill Street in East Taunton. Immediately to the north of it is Assessor's Parcel 95-44, which appears to consist of 3.54 acres. I recent met with Marilyn Greene, Commissioner of the Parks, Cemeteries, and Public Grounds Department, who has expressed a strong desire to acquire parcel 95-44 in order to expand the adjacent cemetery.

While a thorough title search has not yet been conducted, preliminary information indicates that the City acquired ownership of this land for nonpayment of taxes going back to 1966. On September 27, 1978, the City deeded this land to the TMLP in consideration of \$500.00. This deed is recorded at the Bristol North Registry of Deeds.

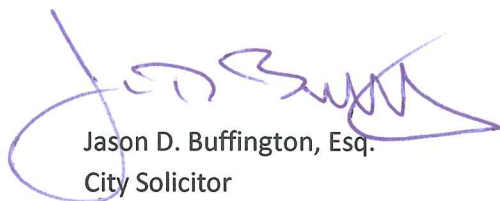
I recently met with TMLP General Manager Ken Goulart and Attorney Robert G. Funke, TMLP legal counsel. They confirmed that, while the TMLP has transmission lines and poles running through a portion of the property, and would therefore need to retain an easement to maintain the same, the TMLP is willing to convey this property to the City for nominal consideration.

In fact, it appears that the TMLP has previously attempted to do just that. I was presented with a copy of a deed dated September 18, 2002, and signed by all three-then TMLP Commissioners, which purports to transfer the land to the City for one dollar. However, this deed was never recorded, and we have thus far been unable to locate any

evidence that the Municipal Council ever voted to accept this conveyance. The original of the 2002 deed cannot be located.

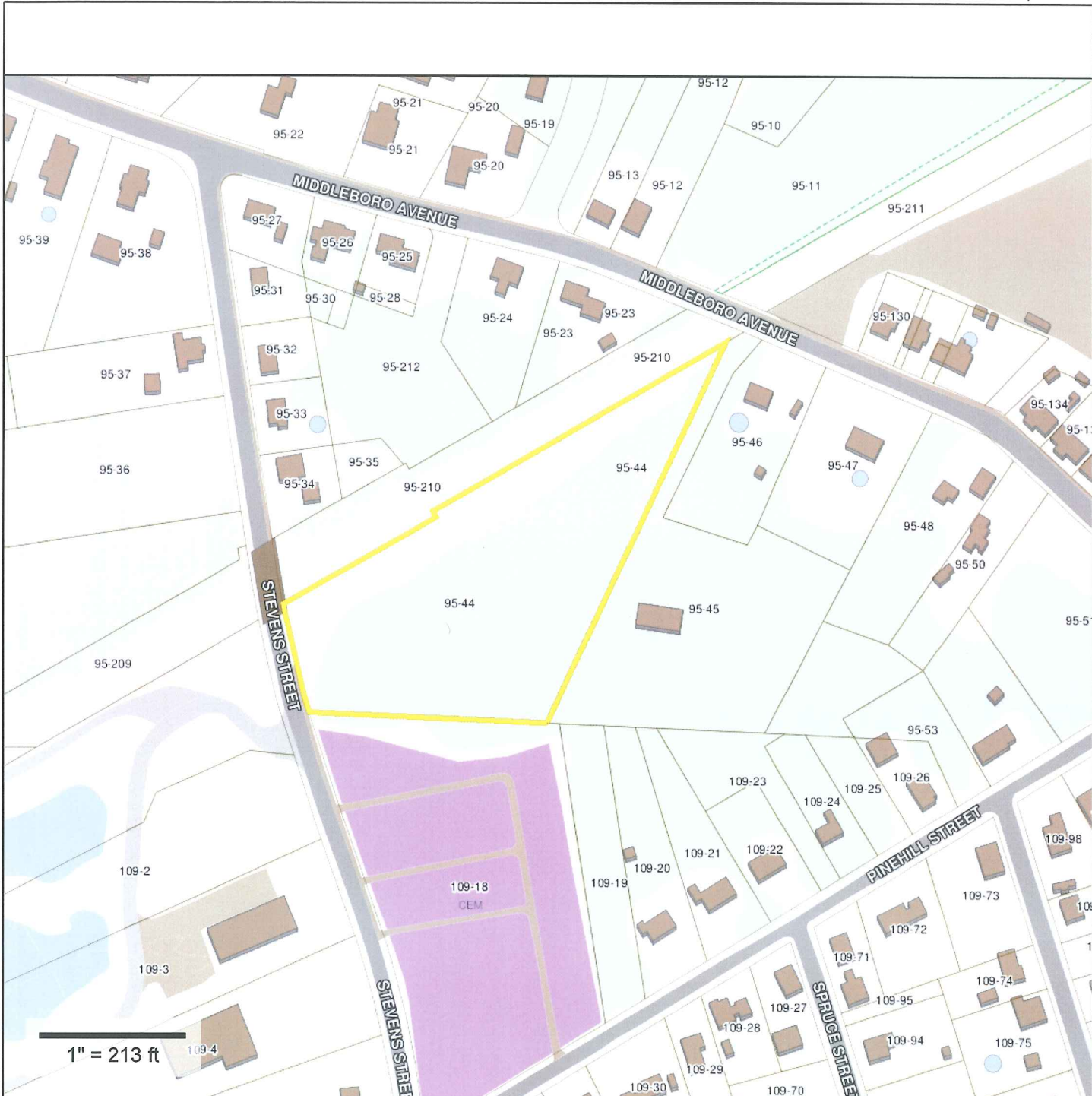
At this time, I am writing to the Mayor and Municipal Council to make you aware of the situation and to determine whether you would be interested in accepting this land for cemetery purposes. Once we have a sense of whether you are so interested, we can begin the process of performing the legal work necessary to effectuate this transfer. Kindly let us know at your earliest opportunity. Thank you.

Very truly yours,




Jason D. Buffington, Esq.
City Solicitor

- cc: Mrs. Marilyn Greene
- Mr. Ken Goulart
- Attorney Robert G. Funke



Property Information

Property ID	95-44-0
Location	STEVENS STREET
Owner	CITY OF TAUNTON



**MAP FOR REFERENCE ONLY
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Rosie Blackwell

From: Taunton Council <tauntoncouncil@taunton-ma.gov>
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2015 8:01 AM
To: rblackwell@taunton-ma.gov; Thomas Hoye
Subject: FW: Taunton Boy Scout Eagle Recognition

From: mscjec [<mailto:mscjec@comcast.net>]
Sent: Saturday, June 06, 2015 10:14 AM
To: tauntoncouncil@tmlp.net; Eborges@comcast.net; Mayor Thomas C Hoye Jr
Subject: Taunton Boy Scout Eagle Recognition

June 6th, 2015

Mayor Thomas Hoye
Taunton City Council

Taunton MA

Taunton City Council and Mayor Thomas Hoye:

This letter is to ask for your assistance in recognizing the achievements and service of Quinton Callahan, Troop 22, Boy Scouts of America, newly risen Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America via a Letter of Commendation.

Quinton has worked admirably and with cheerful service to his community and troop over the long years, serving as Den Chief, Librarian, Patrol Leader, and recently as Senior Patrol Leader for the troop and in many other services for Scouting and his community. This has culminated in his service project for the Taunton Public Library, for which he was awarded his Eagle Rank. In this project, Quinton worked with library staff and gathered construction volunteers from around the Taunton area to design and refurbish a new Young Adult section for the Library, including repainting of the area, and the construction of five freestanding shelving units providing a capacity of roughly 1000 books plus four cushioned sitting blocks to match the stained woodwork of the shelves.

Upon Saturday June 27th, 2015, all of the recognitions and letters will be compiled, placed in a binder or other suitable keepsake, and after they are read, will be displayed during this special occasion for Quinton.

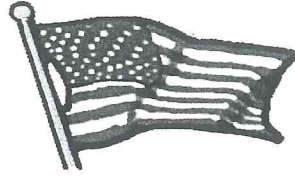
Thank you very much for taking time to help this community and this unit recognize the personal achievement and service of Eagle Scout Callahan.

Sincerely,

Michael Callahan
111 Wren St.
East Taunton, MA 02718

Assistant Scout Master
Troop 22, East Taunton, MA

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JUNE 16, 2015

HONORABLE THOMAS C. HOYE, JR., MAYOR
COUNCIL PRESIDENT ESTELE BORGES
AND MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

PLEASE NOTE: THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TEMPORARY CITY HALL AT MAXHAM SCHOOL, 141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA. 02780, IN THE CHESTER R. MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

5:30 P.M.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & SALARIES

1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS
2. MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING
3. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

1. MEET WITH RISK MANAGER TO DISCUSS INSURANCE FUND FROM CITY HALL FIRE.
2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

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RESPECTFULLY,

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

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