

GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, July 26, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

Kyrouz Auditorium – City Hall

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Present: Chair, Councilor Joseph Ciolino; Vice Chair, Steven LeBlanc, Jr.; Councilor Paul Lundberg; Councilor Valerie Gilman; Councilor Scott Memhard; Councilor Sean Nolan; Councilor James O’Hara; Councilor Joseph Orlando, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Cox

Also Present: Mayor Sefatia Theken; Joanne Senos; Kenny Costa; Dan Smith; Chip Payson; John Dunn; Tony Gross; Chris Sicuranza; Joan Whitney

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The Council President announced that this meeting is recorded by video and audio in accordance with state Open Meeting Law.

Flag Salute & Moment of Silence: Councilor Orlando honored Dominic Nicastro who had recently passed away, describing him as a man who meant a great deal to the entire community recounting that he was a devoted family man, a fisherman, a lobsterman, a Little League coach and a guardian of St. Peter’s statue. He said he will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Oral Communications:

Richard Clarke, 4 Duck Pond Road, Beverly, spoke about their family cemetery at the First Parish Cemetery at 122 Centennial Avenue and referenced a hand-out to the Council (previously placed on file). He noted he was a retired member of the Air Force. He said the family cemetery; a part of the First Parish Cemetery is completely overgrown and strewn with all kinds of piles of trash. He said there is signs around the city that show its respect to veterans which he said seems hollow if the First Parish Cemetery owned by the city, where Revolutionary and Spanish/American War veterans are buried is being treated so disrespectfully.

Kathy Clarke, 4 Duck Pond Road, Beverly, said her family has been a part of Gloucester since it started and that they were fishermen soldiers. Their great-grandfather was the sixth generation of their family to be born in Gloucester and that he and his sons all served in the Union Army. She said the condition of the cemetery is terrible overrun with knotweed. She said with a group of volunteers they are diligently working but they just can’t get the situation under control. It needs the intervention of the Public Works Department to keep back the vegetation, she said. She mentioned some of the historic gravestones that are hidden by the overgrowth and disrespected with trash. She asked the city to step up and clean up the cemetery. She asked the Council to intervene and come up with the funds to get the vegetation under control since the roots grow under the headstones and tip them.

Joshua Gerloff, 104A High Street, Ipswich, added that he is a volunteer in the First Parish and Clarke Cemetery for two years. Having seen the state of the cemetery he said he and his girlfriend took it upon themselves to start cleaning it up. The Clarke Cemetery is in the back of the First Parish Cemetery, and because it was so completely overgrown it was completely hidden, and he described the conditions. He said they are looking for an acknowledgement of the historical importance of the burial ground and be respected to be cleaned up and maintained. Clarke Cemetery is not on the DPW contract to be mowed, he pointed out, and should be included in that mowing contract to get part of the maintenance started. He then read a letter from Marian O’Connell Frost, 95 High Street, Ipswich, reminiscing about the cemetery and asked that the cemetery be restored and maintained. Also noted was a letter from Historic Gravestone Services, Mara Conde, President, of New Salem, MA.

Tara Cunningham, 5 Revere Street, spoke to the condition of overgrowth of trees on the corner of Revere and Washington Streets, one tree in particular which she said that is rotted and expressed concern for the safety of her residence and that of her tenant. She said she reached out to the DPW three times but did not have any substantive response about that or a protruding water pipe on her property. She noted that these trees are on a small city-owned parcel. She said while having other work done to her property that she had an arborist look the tree situation and had her concern confirmed. She said that she spoke on June 15 to Joseph Lucido of the DPW who did not follow through and respond to her, and spoke to Chris Sicuranza. She did utilize “SeeClickFix” once she was made aware of it through her ward Councilor, Valerie Gilman. She did get a response finally that the tree was not in imminent danger of causing damage and that she was told that the water pipe was not the DPW division but the Water Division and she could contact them for information. She said she remains very concerned and is appealing to the DPW to take preventative action on the overhanging tree and help her in receiving relief as to the protruding water pipe. **Ms. Cunningham** submitted a full written statement with color photographs of the situation she described.

Presentations/Commendations: None.

New Appointments:

Harbormaster

Thomas T.J. Ciarametaro

TTE 02/14/19

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor O'Hara, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appoint Thomas "T.J." Ciarametaro Harbormaster, TTE 02/14/19.

DISCUSSION:

Mayor Sefatia Theken said she was before the Council on behalf of Thomas T.J Ciarametaro, the city's new Harbormaster. She recounted that her administration conducted a thorough job search utilizing a search committee, of which Councilor LeBlanc and Waterways Chair, Tony Gross, took part. She said that the department is being thoroughly updated with staffing and computer programming and by use of social media to better inform city and transient boaters. She noted Mr. Ciarametaro's hiring is a successful one -- the department is seeing rapid forward movement with the creation of a great web page full of information for boaters, the staff out on the water but ensuring the office is covered, and that there are initiatives being worked on that will roll out in the on-going months. She urged the Council to appoint Mr. Ciarametaro.

Mr. Ciarametaro said that after taking up the position of Harbormaster, he began to modernize and organize the city's Harbor Department. Budgetary issues need to be addressed in the future, he noted, in order to expand the department's ability on and off the water to effectively run the many different administrative and on-the-water initiatives. He and the new Deputy Harbormaster are looking at public access, and landings maintenance, he noted, and said that when the summer season is over they will move forward with implementing new programs to add value to the department. He said while it's the height of the on-the-water busy season, he has been able to visit with many people in all the different sectors of the Gloucester waterfront community. He said everyone has been welcoming and that he looked forward to bringing the city's Harbormaster's Department into the 21st century.

Councilor LeBlanc acknowledged he participated in the search for a new Harbormaster. He called Mr. Ciarametaro, "a breath of fresh air," and that he has gotten to know Mr. Ciarametaro not only professionally but personally. He said in visiting with the staff on a busy weekend he was greatly encouraged by how far the staff has come in just a few short weeks into Mr. Ciarametaro's tenure. He assured Mr. Ciarametaro that he has the Council's full support.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the City Council voted 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 (Cox) absent, to appoint Thomas "T.J." Ciarametaro Harbormaster, TTE 02/14/19.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Kristopher Howard (Alternate)

TTE 02/14/18

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor O'Hara, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appoint Kristopher Howard (Alternate) to the Zoning Board of Appeals, TTE 02/14/18.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Howard said he was born and raised in the city and is a graduate of Gloucester High School. He served with U.S. Air Force. He noted he has a Master's degree in facilities management. He worked locally for Jeffrey Richon, a contractor, and obtained his contractor's license. He said Real Estate Operations for a real estate agency in Cambridge for the last 10 years.

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Zoning Board of Appeals Joseph Parisi III (Full Member)

TTE 02/14/18

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor O'Hara, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appoint Joseph Parisi, III (Full Member), to the Zoning Board of Appeals, TTE 02/14/18.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Parisi said he has been on the Board of Appeals since January 2016 and that he was born and raised in Gloucester. He said he is pleased to be able to serve the Board in a full membership capacity.

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Consent Agenda:

- **MAYOR'S REPORT**
 1. Memorandum from Police Chief re: permission to pay FY16 invoices with FY17 funds (Refer B&F)
 2. New Appointment: Stage Fort Park Advisory Committee TTE 02/14/19 William R. Schofield (At Large) (Refer O&A)
(Filling unexpired term of member) (Info Only)
 3. Follow up to City Council regarding initial formation of an ad hoc beach clean-up team (Info Only)
 - **COMMUNICATIONS/INVITATIONS**
 - **APPLICATIONS/PETITIONS**
 - **COUNCILORS ORDERS**
- 1. CC2016-033 (LeBlanc) Amend GCO Chapter 4, Sec. 4-22 "Fees and penalties" by adding "(c) Pursuant to MGL c. 40, §147, the City Clerk shall retain \$0.75 for each dog license issued and said money shall be placed in a special revenue fund to be designated for use by City Clerk for City business only." (Refer O&A & B&F)
- 2. CC2016-034 (Gilman) Request Traffic Commission conduct a site visit at the intersection of Holly & Washington Sts. & make a recommendation to O&A as to whether to amend the GCO for safe traffic flow patterns and parking (Refer O&A & TC)
- 3. CC2016-035 (Nolan) Request the City Council vote to move the Ward 5, Precinct 2 polling place from Magnolia Library to West Parish School effective with the November 8, 2016 Presidential Election (Refer O&A)
 - **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**
 1. City Council Meeting: 07/12/16 (Approve/File)
 2. Standing Committee Meetings: B&F 07/21/16 (under separate cover), O&A 07/18/16, P&D 07/20/16 (no meeting) (Approve/File)

Items to be added/deleted from the Consent Agenda:

By unanimous vote of the Council, the Consent Agenda was accepted as presented.

Committee Reports:**Budget & Finance: July 21**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Orlando, seconded by Councilor Ciolino, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council accept a federal grant under MGL c. 44, §53A a Federal Clean Vessel Act Grant from the U.S. Department of the Interior passed through the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries for \$76,000.00 for the purpose of servicing resident and transient boaters of the City for the disposal of sewage from vessel holding tanks and portable toilets of which \$8,500 is earmarked for the City's pump-out boat and \$67,500 is earmarked for the purpose of a shore side pump-out facility at Solomon Jacobs Park Landing.

DISCUSSION:

Councilor Memhard explained this is an annual grant from the Mass. Division of Marine Fisheries through the U.S. Dept. of the Interior to fund the city's operation of its pump-out boat and a special earmark of \$67,000 for a shore-side pump-out facility at Solomon Jacobs Park Landing which will be built upon the conclusion of National Grid's Remediation of that immediate area. The match is in-kind, comprised of the Harbormaster's Department personnel budget, he noted.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Orlando, seconded by Councilor Ciolino, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council accept a federal grant under MGL Chapter 44, §53A an Opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative grant extension from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services passed through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services in the amount of \$100,000 per year for two years. Expenditure period is from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 and July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with a contract renewal option through June 30, 2020 with a maximum obligation of \$700,000.

DISCUSSION:

Joan Whitney, Director of the Healthy Gloucester Collaborative said this is a two year extension of a Regional Collaborative Opioid Prevention Grant that the city administers and leads. This grant addresses the opioid issues faced by the city and its partner communities of Danvers and Beverly. This is awarded due to the city's innovative programs and implementation of successful interventions and to help people access treatment. This contract renewal sees an infusion of \$100,000 in funds each year for the two years, and is renewable for another term. The city works in conjunction with their partners to address the opioid crisis through a strategic regional approach targeting prevention of opioid misuse by youths and adults, and overdose training, along with other grant components to strengthen the city's programs and their partner communities. She briefly reviewed the outreach programs in the city and with the city's regional grant partners. It is about building capacity and strength, she said.

Councilor Gilman asked about the spirit of collaboration with the member communities and what the city gains from it. **Ms. Whitney** said substance abuse crosses borders and as the police departments work together it crafts more consistent responses; they're assisting in the development of school curriculum for health issues. There is a pilot program in cooperation with the Children's Dental Center to create skills for earlier interventions with children and their parents/guardians for making healthy choices. It is a sharing of expertise and skill sets, she pointed out. The city has a history of sustainable practices and change which places them squarely in the forefront of the sound prevention practices and implementation of innovative programs.

Councilor Memhard asked for confirmation that the administrative costs are covered under the grant program. **Ms. Whitney** said all personnel costs are included in the grant, and that the city receives great support for their leadership in intervention.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Memhard, seconded by Councilor Orlando, the City Council voted 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 (Cox) absent, to accept a federal grant under MGL Chapter 44, §53A an Opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative grant extension from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services passed through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services in the amount of \$100,000 per year for two years. Expenditure period is from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 and July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with a contract renewal option through June 30, 2020 with a maximum obligation of \$700,000.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor Orlando, seconded by Councilor Ciolino, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council authorize the following Supplemental Appropriation:

Ordered: That the City of Gloucester (City) appropriates One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$115,000) from the Capital Project Stabilization Fund (Fund #7600), representing 5.0% of the estimated \$2.3 million total project amount, for the purpose of paying costs of a Feasibility Study/Schematic Design for the Roof Replacement/Repair project located at 32 Leslie O. Johnson Road, Gloucester, MA, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, for which the City of Gloucester may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Gloucester High School Building

Committee. The City acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the City incurs in excess of any grant approved and received by the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the City.

DISCUSSION:

Councilor Memhard conveyed the following information to the Council: The MSBA has invited the city to participate in a Feasibility Study/Schematic Design for the Roof Replacement/Repair project for Gloucester High School. The roof is in dire need of replacement which has been recognized by the MSBA as it is past its life expectancy and must be replaced. While there is no guarantee that the city will be accepted into the MSBA program, it is a very positive step that the city has received this invitation. It should be noted that this is a reimbursement grant program similar to what the city received when it reroofed several elementary schools a few years back. If the Council does pass this motion, a Motion to Reconsider will be offered immediately afterward because the deadline for submitting the documentation of the Council vote must be submitted to the MSBA along with School Department documentation by tomorrow, July 27.

John Dunn, CFO, complimented Councilor Memhard's summary on the matter. He added that to move forward on this project, the transfer of funds will come from the Capital Project Stabilization Fund, and once voted it will demonstrate to the MSBA that the city's support for this program.

Councilor Orlando said that not only is the High School auditorium receiving on-going damage due to the roof's deteriorated condition, but so is the Field House, and it is important to take care of the High School, which is an important city asset.

Council President Ciolino offered his congratulations for the diligence and perseverance of the School Department's Administration and the School Committee in bringing the city to the point of receiving the MSBA's invitation, to place the city into the line for possible grant funding for the GHS School Roof project, a project that must be undertaken regardless of receipt of grant funding.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Memhard, seconded by Councilor Orlando, the City Council voted by ROLL CALL 8 in favor, opposed, 1 (Cox) absent, to authorize the following Supplemental Appropriation:

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MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilman, seconded by Councilor Orlando, the City Council voted by ROLL CALL 0 in favor, 8 opposed, 1 (Cox) absent, to Reconsider the Vote for a Supplemental Appropriation of \$115,000 from the Capital Project Stabilization Fund representing 5.0% of the estimated \$2.3 million total project amount, for the purpose of paying costs of a Feasibility Study/Schematic Design for the Roof Replacement/Repair project for Gloucester High School.

MOTION FAILS.

Ordinances & Administration: July 18

Councilor LeBlanc reported there were no matters for Council action under this heading.

Planning & Development: July 20 – Meeting Cancelled.

Scheduled Public Hearings:

1. **PH2016-037: Amend GZO Sec. VI “Definitions” re: Open Space & Compost Facility/Composting Operation (TBC 08/09/16)**

This public hearing is opened at 7:49 p.m.

Council President Ciolino said that this matter has not yet been taken up by the P&D Committee that is awaiting a recommendation of the Planning Board.

This public hearing is continued to August 9, 2016.

2. **PH2016-038: Amend GCO Sec. 265 “Turning movements-Generally,” amend Sec. 22-159 “Same-Between certain hours and on school days,” Sec. 22-291 “Tow-away zones,” re: Pleasant Street relative to the traffic patterns & parking in the area of former St. Ann’s School (West Parish Swing School)**

This public hearing is opened at 7:50 p.m.

Those speaking in favor: None.

Those speaking in opposition: None.

Communications: None.

Councilor Questions: None.

This public hearing is closed at 7:51 p.m.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor O’Hara, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council Amend the Gloucester Code of Ordinances by DELETING FROM THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 22 “Traffic and Motor Vehicles”:

Sec. 22-265 “Turning movements-Generally,” “Pleasant Street. While school is in session, Pleasant Street in a northerly direction no left turn onto Smith Street, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Sec. 22-159 “Same-Between certain hours and on school days” by DELETING as follows: “Pleasant Street. While school is in session, Pleasant Street from a point beginning at its intersection with Prospect Street, westerly side, in a northerly direction to Smith Street, no parking between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. on school days.

Sec. 22-291 “Tow-away zones” “Pleasant Street. While school is in session, Pleasant Street from a point beginning at its intersection with Prospect Street, westerly side, in a northerly direction to Smith Street, no parking between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 on school days.

DISCUSSION:

Councilor Lundberg stepped away from the dais.

Councilor LeBlanc said that these traffic ordinances were put in place for the duration of the city’s leasing of the St. Ann’s School as the West Parish Swing School during the new West Parish construction. That effort is now complete, the new school is open, and it is now time to return the traffic flow and parking restrictions to their previous state by deleting that which was put in place in 2014.

Councilor Lundberg returned to the dais.

Council President Ciolino said the previous Council made a promise when the swing school closed the traffic patterns would revert to what they were before the swing school opened at the former St. Ann’s School, and that this is keeping that promise.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the City Council voted 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 (Cox) absent, to Amend the Gloucester Code of Ordinances by DELETING FROM THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 22 “Traffic and Motor Vehicles”:

Sec. 22-265 “Turning movements-Generally,” “Pleasant Street. While school is in session, Pleasant Street in a northerly direction no left turn onto Smith Street, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

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3. PH2016-039: Amend GCO Sec. 22-270 “Parking prohibited at all times” & Sec. 22-291 “Tow-away zones” re: Maplewood Avenue

This public hearing is opened at 7:53 p.m.

Those speaking in favor: None.

Those speaking in opposition: None.

Communications: None.

Councilor Questions: None.

This public hearing is closed at 7:54 p.m.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor O’Hara, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council Amend the Gloucester Code of Ordinances by ADDING FROM THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 22 “Traffic and Motor Vehicles”:

Sec. 22-270 “Parking prohibited at all times” “Maplewood Avenue, easterly side, from its intersection with Gloucester Avenue, in a southerly direction, for a distance of 100 feet (pole #1371).

Sec. 22-291 “Tow-away zones,” “Maplewood Avenue, easterly side, from its intersection with Gloucester Avenue, in a southerly direction, for a distance of 100 feet (pole #1371).”

DISCUSSION:

Councilor LeBlanc said that the city received some funds from the state to help with the roadway there. The sidewalk was extended at the upper side of Maplewood and Gloucester Avenues which created a traffic problem when more parking was added as a result. He explained that this has created a problem for an elderly couple and a veteran that lives in the two areas affected and have a hard time pulling in and out of their driveway. He said these residents requested that the parking be eliminated and the Traffic Commission endorsed change.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the City Council voted 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 (Cox) absent, to Amend the Gloucester Code of Ordinances by ADDING FROM THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 22 “Traffic and Motor Vehicles”:

Sec. 22-270 “Parking prohibited at all times” “Maplewood Avenue, easterly side, from its intersection with Gloucester Avenue, in a southerly direction, for a distance of 100 feet (pole #1371).

Sec. 22-291 “Tow-away zones,” “Maplewood Avenue, easterly side, from its intersection with Gloucester Avenue, in a southerly direction, for a distance of 100 feet (pole #1371).”

4. PH2016-040: Amend GCO Sec. 22-285 “Parking of trucks, trailer trucks and other commercial vehicles” subsection (d) re: Harbor Loop

Council President Ciolino said that this public hearing is opened at 7:56 p.m. and continued to August 9, 2016 at the request of Councilor Cox.

This public hearing is continued to August 9, 2016.

5. PH2016-041: Amend GCO Sec. 22-286 “Parking of trailers, semi-trailers and tour buses “subsection (b) re: Rogers Street

Council President Ciolino opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. and continued it to August 9, 2016 at the request of Councilor Cox.

This public hearing is continued to August

For Council Vote: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

Individual Councilor’s Discussion including Reports by Appointed Councilors to Committees:

Councilor Lundberg, recounted the activities of the Poet Laureate Selection Committee conveyed that the Committee for the Arts is seeking interested applicants. He knew them to be in that process now and when there is a suitable pool of qualified applicants, the Poet Laureate Selection Committee will meet, and he will join them and report back to the Council at that time.

Councilors’ Requests to the Mayor:

Councilor Gilman noted that the conversation on the Dog Ordinance is returning to O&A. Pointing out the members of the O&A Ad Hoc Dog Ordinance Committee in attendance, she asked Councilor LeBlanc to explain why the matter was returning to his Committee for further discussion. **Councilor LeBlanc** explained that at the Committee’s July 18 meeting they had Councilor O’Hara’s Council Order before them. The motion to amend the ordinance was never presented to O&A and was not fully discussed. Councilor O’Hara’s Council Order and the motion read and voted on in the record were two different matters altogether. The Committee has to return this matter to their agenda and see Councilor O’Hara either rewrite his Council Order for resubmission to the O&A Committee, or to offer an amendment to the Council Order so that it co-exists with the motion that had been placed on the table. He added that the agenda did not reflect the discussion undertaken between the O&A Committee and the Ad Hoc Dog Committee and that in and of itself was of concern as the motion was to amend by adding, Niles Beach, Cressy Beach and Plum Cove, but that the Council Order read for Crab Beach, Stone Pier and Lane’s Cove. This matter has to be returned to O&A for correction and further discussion.

Councilor Gilman then mentioned Sat., July 30 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. there is composting for brush and leaves and yard waste on Cherry Street off of Dogtown Road. She pointed out that leaves must be clean and free of rocks and debris, brush must be less than 3 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length. She urged residents to empty all bags for better composting and absolutely no plastic bags.

She then offered her commendation to the city’s Conservation Agent, Ken Whittaker whom she said has done a great job for the city especially about the recent Hodgkins Cove matter. She conveyed he was very responsive to the neighbors and was proactive in his actions.

Councilor Orlando requested that the Mayor provide an update as to the Maplewood Property project and rights and responsibilities of the city in the event it is not developed.

Council President Ciolino noted that seeing the Adventure and Lannon under sail is an incredible sight and is like seeing the city as it was in the past, and is a nice city tradition.

A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana C. Jorgensson
Clerk of Committees

DOCUMENTS/ITEMS SUBMITTED AT MEETING:

- Full written Statement and six 6"x4" color photos by Tara Cunningham, 5 Revere Street under Oral Communications
- Color documentation of the conditions of the First Parish Cemetery and the Clarke Family Cemetery at the back of that burial ground submitted by Richard Clarke, 4 Duck Pond Road, Beverly under Oral Communications