**Monday, April 3, 2017**

At a public hearing of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.

All members are present.

17R 33 A resolution authorizing Mayor to submit the City of Woonsocket’s 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan & application to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development is read by title.

Charles Lemoine addressed the council.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the public hearing be adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

The regular meeting starts at 7 P.M.

All members are present.

The prayer is read by the Clerk. The Pledge of Allegiance is given by the assembly.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare: Dennis Desaulniers, William Doe, Dana Linder, John Reynolds Jr., Pauline Riel, Charles Lemoine, Marcel Laliberte, Ronald Thifault, Dennis Falardeau and Linda Falardeau.

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held March 20th be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

17 CO 19 A communication from Planning & Development Director regarding ordinances 17 O 15 and 17 O 16 (Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Designation for property at Burnside Avenue and Robinson Street).

17 CO 20 A communication from Planning & Development Director regarding 2017-2018 Community Development Block Grant Application.

17 LC 12 Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 2 applications for street vendor licenses, 3 applications for tobacco sale licenses, 5 applications for renewal of automobile junkyard licenses, 10 applications for renewal of holiday licenses, 10 applications for renewal of quarterly entertainment licenses, 5 applications for renewal of second hand dealer licenses, 4 applications for renewal of street vendor licenses and 1 application for transfer of first class victualing license.

17 LC 13 A request of Elite A.C.E. Group to hold a tag day on Saturday, June with a rain date of Saturday, June 17, 2017 is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilwoman Murray that the license be granted, however this motion died for lack of a second.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following resolution:

17 R 39 A resolution authorizing the Finance Director to enter into a contract with Northeast Revaluation Group is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following resolution:

17 R 33 A resolution authorizing Mayor to submit the City of Woonsocket’s 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan and application to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp that the resolution be passed, however before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the resolution be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous. President Gendron recused himself from this vote.

17 CP 16 A request of Leno Brunetti to address the City Council regarding the City of Woonsocket’s future elections and new charter changes is read by title.

Leno Brunetti was present and addressed the council.

17 CP 17 A request of Albert G. Brien to address the City Council regarding RIGL 44-5-13.11 and blight account is read by title.

Albert Brien was present and addressed the council.

17 CP 18 A request of Councilman Fagnant to address the following items: City of Woonsocket Animal shelter and rabies clinic being held on Saturday, May 6, 2017, Cass Park project and monies being spent, Capital Improvement Program 2018-2022 & law on unregistered vehicles on private property and what is being done.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilman Beauchamp passed.

Councilman Brien apprised the council of legislation supported by delegation, namely H5141. He also addressed letter from ACLU regarding immigration.

Councilman Cournoyer addressed Finance Director regarding transfer of funds to Senior Services. He requested a list of vehicles and equipment. He spoke about RFP for incinerator.

Councilman Fagnant passed.

Councilwoman Murray spoke about Earth Day of April 15th at Woodlawn Cemetery from 9-1. She spoke about event at WNDC on April 8th, the Farmer’s Market & Food Truck Nights.

Councilwoman Sierra spoke about Woonsocket Police Department’s Annual CopsWalk event on April 22nd at the CYO Center.

President Gendron asked of the street sweeping start date.

17 O 7 An ordinance amending Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket Appendix C entitled “Zoning” to amend downtown overlay district, which was passed for the first time March 20th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 9 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 14 entitled “Miscellaneous Offenses and Provisions” of the Code of Ordinances, which was passed for the first time on March 20th. Is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 13 An ordinance amending Chapter 13 entitled “Licenses and Permits” of the Code of Ordinances, which was passed for the first time on March 20th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 6 An ordinance adopting a Capital Improvement Program for the City of Woonsocket for Fiscal Years 2018-2022, which was tabled at the meeting of February 20th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the ordinance be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 O 15 An ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Woonsocket (Robinson Street and Burnside Avenue) is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the ordinance be tabled and also that the following ordinances be tabled for advice and recommendation from the Planning Board:

17 O 16 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances Appendix C entitled “Zoning” changing the zoning designation from Assessor’s Plat 36 Lots 17, 64, 65, 67, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 and 76 from R-4 (Residential) to MU-2 (Mixed Use) with restrictions.

17 O 18 An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” Section 5.3.

17 O 19 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” regarding various technical changes.

17 O 17 An ordinance transferring funds from Contingency to Board of Canvassers is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien that the ordinance be passed, however before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp & Brien it is voted that the ordinance be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous

17 R 27 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes, which was tabled at the meeting of March 20th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 34 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 35 A resolution accepting deed for property located at 17 Miller Lane is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 36 A resolution in support of House Bill 5921 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 37 A resolution in support of House Bill 5104 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilmen Beauchamp and Cournoyer it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

An amendment was made by Councilwoman Murray seconded by President Gendron as follows: in third whereas delete “ed” on protected and add “s” to home.

17 R 38 A resolution creating a special event vendor permit for the first annual Blackstone Valley Craft ad Musical Festival is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilmen Beauchamp and Cournoyer that the resolution be passed, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 39 A resolution authorizing the Finance Director to enter into a contract with Northeast Revaluation Group is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 40 A resolution approving the appointment of members of the Redevelopment Agency by the Mayor is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilmen Beauchamp and Cournoyer it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R41 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilors Cournoyer and Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 42 A resolution in support of House Bill 5874 was withdrawn.

17 R 43 A resolution establishing a City Council Committee to explore renewable energy options for city owned property is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 44 A resolution memorializing members of the General Assembly for Woonsocket to enact changes to the Woonsocket Home Charter as approved by the voters in the November 2016 election is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

17 R 45 A resolution allowing exceptions to the suspension of the 5 + 5 abatement program for residential properties is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon-Duarte City Clerk