**Monday, June 18, 2018**

At a regular meeting of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, June 18, 2018 at 7 P.M.

All members are present.

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

18 CO 24 A communication from Councilwoman Sierra stating her intention to make a motion for reconsideration of vote taken at regular meeting on Monday, June 4, 2018 regarding 18 R 58 appointing Scott MacLennan to the Zoning Board of Review is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted to allow Councilwoman Sierra to reconsider her vote on a 4-3 roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

Councilwoman Sierra reconsidered her vote to appoint Scott MacLennan to the Zoning Board of Review. The resolution is voted on and failed 4-3 on a roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting yes.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare: Stephen Zulawnik, Nancy Phillips, Amber Debole, Albert Beauparlant and Daniel Guernon.

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the minutes of the public hearing held May 31st, regular meeting held June 4th, 2018 and special meeting held June 11th be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted except for communication 18-M-10 which was removed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

18 M 09 A communication from Mayor appointing Michael Cayer as a member of the Woonsocket Housing Authority.

18 CP 41 A monthly odor report from CH2M Hill.

18 M 10 A communication from Mayor appointing Brian J. Kane as second alternate member of the Zoning Board of Review is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the communication be received and placed on file.

18 LC 25 An application of Eva Lanoue d/b/a The Red Brick Grill to hold Class BV license at 83 Main Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilors Brien & Murray it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

18 LC 26 Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilors Beauchamp & Murray it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 1 application for Class F license with entertainment, 4 applications for holiday sales license, 3 applications for peddler license, 1 application for tobacco sales license, 3 applications for renewal of quarterly entertainment license and 1 application for street vendor license. 1 application for special event license was tabled upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilman Beauchamp. 1 application for holiday sales license for Tacos Don Nachos was removed from the agenda.

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted to table application for special event/alcohol license, all voice vote on same being unanimous.

18 CP 42 A request of Councilman Cournoyer to address the following items: status of resolution 18-R-02 that was tabled on January 8, 2018 pending an explanation from the Tax Assessor regarding the abatement of taxes for Clinton Street Partners, LLC c/o First Bristol Corp. at 25 Cummings Way and marijuana cultivation update is read by title.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilwoman Sierra asked Public Works Director about status of lighting for Main Street parking lot.

President Gendron encouraged citizens to attend the St. Jean Baptist event to be held on June 25th. He announced new company (Colony Tool) in Industrial Park. He spoke about the 10th anniversary of the Holiday stroll and their comedy event fundraiser at the Millrace on June 30th and the Summerfest fundraiser to be held at WWII Memorial Park to raise funds for the 40th Anniversary of the Autunmfest.

Councilman Beauchamp promoted annual Romanian Orthodox festival to be held on June 21st and 22nd. He addressed Public Safety Director to follow up on Boy’s and Girl’s club issues and also the parking situation on Earle Street.

Councilman Brien promoted Levitt Amp series of concerts to begin at River Island Art Park on June 29th and stated that volunteers are needed. He spoke about Rotary Literacy Program fundraiser to be held on July 2nd which will help fund the Coleman School Library Literacy Program and he also spoke about odor complaints.

Councilman Cournoyer asked Mayor if RISE Mayoral Academy is moving to 30 Cumberland Street.

Councilman Fagnant spoke about meeting regarding 719 River Street. He announced upgrade in bond rating for the City. He spoke about 2018 Woonsocket High School graduating class and also the School Committee’s approval of SRO’s through the COPS Grant.

Councilwoman Murray spoke about comedy night at 40 South Main Street (Millrace). She indicated the summer concert events are free. She spoke about dinner on the bridge to be held on August 25, 2018.

18 O 29 An ordinance authorizing acceptance of storm drain easement, which was passed for the first time on June 4th, is read by title, and

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

18 O 32 An ordinance authorizing sale of property located at Plat 11, Lot 115 on Elmore Street, which was passed for the first time on June 4th, is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilors Murray & Cournoyer that the ordinance be passed, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted that the ordinance be amended as follows: In 5th Whereas, Section 1 & 2 delete “Three Thousand Two Hundred Dollars ($3,200)” and in its place insert “One Thousand Six Hundred ($1,600)”. This amendment was voted on and passed on a 6-1 roll call vote with Councilwoman Murray voting no.

The ordinance, as amended, is then voted on and passed for the first time unanimously on a roll call vote.

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

18 O 33 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances is read by title, and

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

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

18 O 35 An ordinance authorizing Mayor to enter into a two-year lease extension with Senior Services, Inc. for property known as Assessor’s Plat 13, Lot 104, 84 Social Street is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Fagnant seconded by Councilors Beauchamp & Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

18 O 34 An ordinance authorizing the sale of property located at Plat 11, Lot 115 on Elmore Avenue was withdrawn.

18 O 21 Appropriation ordinance of the City of Woonsocket for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, which was amended and tabled at the meeting of June 4th, 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 Councilors Brien & Sierra that the ordinance be amended as follows: All new amendments are delineated in “Exhibit A” attached hereto and made a part thereof, a roll call vote on same being 4-3 with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilors Sierra & Brien that the ordinance be further amended as follows: In Section 1 delete “$143,520,863” and in its place insert “$143,529,804”, a roll call vote on same being 4-3 with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no. The ordinance, as amended, is voted on and passed 4-3 with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

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

18 R 66 A resolution authorizing the Mayor to procure fireworks display for the residents of the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

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

18 R 67 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

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

18 R 68 A resolution granting permission to use City property is read by title, and

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

18 R 69 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of President Gendron seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following:

18 R 70 A resolution authorizing the City Solicitor to hire outside legal counsel to foreclose on the rights of redemption for properties acquired at tax sale is read by title, and

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

18 R 71 A resolution authorizing and supporting the grant application for funding opportunity for positive train control systems grants under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program was withdrawn.

18 R 72 A resolution granting permission to use City property is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of President Gendron seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the resolution be amended as follows: the “special event/alcohol license” is excluded. This motion is voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

18 O 25 An ordinance directing the assessment and collection of a tax by the City of Woonsocket upon real estate, excise and tangible personal property for fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, which was tabled at the meeting of June 4th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the ordinance be passed, however, before this is voted on

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Sierra that the ordinance be amended as follows: Delete the prior amendment in its entirety and insert in its place - In Section 1 delete “$57,976,655” and in its place insert “$57,980,000”; delete “$58,076,655” and in its place insert “$58,105,000, provided that the total residential levy shall be between $27,240,000 and $27,340,000, the commercial levy shall be between $18,980,000 and $18,995,000. This amendment is voted on and passed on a 4-3 roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no. The ordinance, as amended, is passed, a roll call vote on same being 4-3 with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

18 O 26 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 7345 of the Ordinances of the City of Woonsocket entitled “Salaries of City Officers of the City of Woonsocket” which was amended and tabled at the meeting of June 4th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however, before this is voted on

A motion is made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwomen Murray & Sierra that the ordinance be amended as follows: Reinstate position of Collection Specialist $865.20/wk. This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The ordinance, as amended, is voted on and passed for the first time 4-3 on a roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

18 O 27 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 7288 of the Ordinances of the City of Woonsocket entitled “Personnel Ordinance” as amended pertaining to non-union classified municipal employees, which was tabled at the meeting of June 4th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however, before this is voted on

A motion was made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien that the ordinance be amended as follows: Increase the salary of City Engineer to $1,863.46 weekly. This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The ordinance, as amended, is then voted on and passed for the first time 4-3 on a roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

18 O 28 An ordinance establishing the maximum number of employees in each office, department or agency of the City of Woonsocket for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 in accordance with Chapter IX of the City of Woonsocket Home Rule Charter, which was tabled at the meeting of June 4th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, however, before this is voted on

A motion was made by Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilman Brien that the ordinance be amended as follows: After “Rhode Island” insert “, as amended,” and after “School Year Budget”, insert “as amended,”. This amendment is voted on and passed 4-3 on a roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no. The ordinance, as amended is then voted on and passed for the first time 4-3 on a roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Fagnant & Murray voting no.

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Fagnant it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 10:37 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon Duarte City Clerk