**Monday, October 7, 2019**

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, October 7, 2019 at 7 P.M.

Six (6) members are present. Councilman Cournoyer was absent.

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

19 LC 33 Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilors Sierra and Ward it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 3 applications for Class F license, 1 application for Class F license with entertainment, 1 application for tobacco sales license, 3 applications for renewal of first class victualing license, 1 application for renewal of holiday license, 6 applications for renewal of quarterly entertainment license, 1 application for transfer of holiday license and 1 application for transfer of tobacco sales license.

19 LC 34 An application of Uniques and Antiques on Main to hold second hand dealer license at 12 Main Street, which was advertised for hearing n this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Councilman Kithes it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Marvin Wells was present for the public hearing.

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted to that the public hearing be adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare: Rob Keegan, Benjamin Gonzales, Estelle Bubble, Jonathan Carney, Shirley Robinson, John Reynolds, Jr.

Upon motion of Councilman Brien seconded by Councilors Kithes and Sierra it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held September 16th be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

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

The following items are listed on the consent agenda:

19 CO 50 A communication from Public Works Director regarding reconstruction of Rhodes Avenue.

19 CO 51 A communication from City Engineer submitting new water treatment plant status report.

19 CO 52 A communication from Public Works Director regarding Getchell Street, North Smithfield water connection.

19 CO 53 A communication from Public Works Director regarding request to lease water tank space to New Cingular Wireless.

19 CO 54 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Marion B. Sanford.

19 CO 55 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Marisol Santiago.

19 CO 56 Monthly odor report from Jacobs Engineering Group.

Councilman Cournoyer arrived at 7:12 P.M.

19 M 12 A communication from Mayor submitting veto message on Ordinance 19 O 45, pursuant to Chapter IV, Section 9 of the Woonsocket Home Rule Charter is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilors Brien and Sierra it is voted to override notwithstanding the Mayor’s veto, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

19 M 13 A communication from Mayor requesting to discuss the following: Shredding and Eco depot, new construction of the freestanding Domino’s, new construction of Family Dollar, Athena’s Guinness Book of World Records Event at River’s Edge Complex, Pumpkin Fest, Spooktacular Dance, Paint Night events, demolition of city properties on River Street and congratulating Bella Mente Counseling.

19 CP 24 A request of Councilman Ward to address the following: request of property owner to acquire land abutting business, Martineau Street; October 6th car event at Diamond Hill Plaza, discussion of House Bill H5028/an act relating to public utilities and carriers-The Rhode Island Utility Fair Share Roadway Repairs Act.

19 CP 25 A request of Vice President Brien to address the following: update of contract negotiations wit Green Development, status of Rivers Edge in connection with Resolution 19 R 87.

19 CP 26 A request of Councilman Kithes to address the following: a discussion of the original and amended versions of 19-R-102, arguments against the nature and text of the amendments, the possibility of the amendment having been out of order and a discussion of removing my name as sponsor of the amended version

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilman Kithes passed.

Councilwoman Sierra passed.

Councilman Soucy spoke about Athena’s Guinness Book of Records and solicited more help.

Councilman Ward congratulated Councilman Soucy on his participation with Athena’s. He spoke about Autumnfest.

President Gendron passed.

Councilman Brien spoke about New Beginnings Karaoke night fundraiser. He spoke about odor report and he spoke about Autumnfest including ride night, the beer tent & and bands.

Councilman Cournoyer passed.

19 O 49 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” Sections 15.3 and 16.7 regulating zoning board of review fees, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilors Sierra and Soucy it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being 6-1 with Councilman Kithes voting no.

19 O 50 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” Zoning Board of Review procedures, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

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

19 O 51 An ordinance amending Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” Section 2, Section 12 and Section 18, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

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

19 O 52 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” various technical changes, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

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

19 O 53 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, which was passed for the first time on September 16th is read by title, and

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

19 O 55 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilwoman Cournoyer it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous. Councilman Kithes recused himself from this vote.

19 O 56 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

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

19 O 58 An ordinance authorizing Finance Director to enter into a contract with KNE Corporation, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

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

19 O 59 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, which was passed for the first time on September 16th, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Cournoyer seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being 5-2 with Councilors Kithes and Ward voting no.

19 O 62 An ordinance authorizing connection to the City of Woonsocket Water System is read by title

A motion is made by Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Councilman Soucy that the ordinance be passed, however, before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Councilman Ward it is voted that the ordinance be amended as follows: In Section 2 delete “Section 10” and in its place insert “Section 9”. This amendment is voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote. The ordinance, as amended, is then voted on and passed for the first time on a unanimous roll call vote.

19 O 63 An ordinance authorizing the lease of water tower space to New Cingular Wireless is read by title, and

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

19 O 64 An ordinance amending Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket, Chapter 2 entitled “Administration” is read by title, and

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

19 O 65 An ordinance granting a petition for Cox Communications for underground installation for fiber optic cable at the corner of Depot Square and Main Street is read by title, and

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

19 O 66 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilman Cournoyer it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous. President Gendron recused himself from this vote.

19 R 106 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilwoman Sierra it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Councilman Kithes recused himself on this vote.

19 R 107 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilwoman Sierra seconded by Brien that the resolution be passed, however before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilors Kithes and Sierra it is voted that the resolution be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

19 R 108 A resolution authorizing Public Works Director to enter into a contract with J.H. Lynch & Sons Inc. is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilors Kithes and Sierra it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Councilman Cournoyer abstained from voting.

19 R 109 A resolution invoking the authority to make inquiries and conduct an investigation by the Woonsocket City Council is read by title, and

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

19 R 110 A resolution authorizing the engagement of Gorham & Gorham in connection with making inquiries and conducting an investigation by the Woonsocket City Council is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of Councilman Kithes seconded by Councilman Ward it is voted that the resolution be amended as follows: In Section 1 after “approved” add “, up to a maximum payment of $10,000. Payment beyond $10,000 requires additional approval by the Woonsocket City Council at the time it is requested”. The resolution, as amended, is then voted on and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

19 R 111 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

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

Upon motion of Councilman Ward seconded by Councilman Kithes it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon City Clerk