

Approved 9-6-23

Posted August 17, 2023

The City of Warwick
Docket of the City Council
Regular Business
Regular Public Hearing Meeting
For
August 21, 2023
@ 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
Stephen P. McAllister, President

Roll Call: 9/0

Time: 7:00 PM

Pause 9:49 PM

Resumed 10:24 PM

Salute To The Flag: Nancy – Rocky Point Blueberry Farm

General Communications

1. Announcements of Congratulations, Condolences, or Community Events.

**McAllister – Happy Birthday Councilwoman Travis – Vietnam Traveling Wall
9/8/2023 – Rocky Point – Reading of all names of RI residents 9/8 – 9/10**

**Ladouceur – Very good discussion regarding Bid Items – a lot of new faces in
Chambers – Good opportunity to see/hear reason for purchases**

**Howe – Years and years of Committees that do their job and make
recommendations - Departments do jobs too**

**Gebhart – Congratulations Warwick PAL Primary Youth Sports – Active Duty
Executive Director – Funds come from Opioid Settlement - Position open –
Accepting Applications**

**Howe – Thanks Colleagues and DPW – Crossing lights on Sandy Lane – 4
Crosswalks – Just Striped and Buttons for Crosswalk – Asks Honorable Body for
a Moment of Silence for Captain Crowley, WFD.**

Executive Communications

None

A. Acceptance of minutes from council meeting held on: July 17, 2023

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley**

Vote: **vv (McAllister Abstains)**

Public Comment

RULE 41 After General Communications and prior to the Consent Calendar at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council each month, there shall be a period of time, not to exceed thirty (30) minutes, during which citizens may comment about Warwick City Government issues subject to the following stipulations:

- a. The total period of time for public comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. Comments need to be brief in order to allow as many citizens as possible to participate. Each citizen signed up and present shall have not to exceed five (5) minutes to speak, provided, however that if more than six (6) Citizens are signed up and present the thirty (30) minutes will be split evenly amongst speakers. Time shall not be transferable amongst speakers.
- b. The topics for comment shall be issues directly affecting City government.
- c. City Council members will not respond to questions during the public comment period.
- d. The public comment session will terminate at the expiration of the earlier of all speakers concluding their allotted time or thirty (30) minutes. Waiver of this provision requires a unanimous vote of the Council.

McAllister – Motion to give five minutes to everyone signed up to speak

Cindy Wilson – Listen to Talk Radio – Warwick is filled with clowns and criminals – Disappointed at the way Rob Cote was treated and how no one stood up for him – New group of people here to get all but two of you out

Gia DaSalvia – 1st meeting last month – shocked at behavior of Council – no one stood up for the Constitution – should be ashamed – we want people for the people

Mike DaSalvia – 1st Amendment very important – last meeting forgot 1st Amendment – Elected by the people shame on all no one stood up for the resident – we want leaders elected – Water no bullying – needs to be fired with no pension – in mayors circle

Chris Barker – What point do actions of Council person correct City Charter by recall or corrective action – 1st Amendment right no allowed last month – asks citizens to hold elected officials accountable in the future

Barry Cooke – 7-17 meeting abuse of Rob Cote inexcusable and uncalled for – McAllister is responsible for Councilwoman Travis – admire Councilman Ladouceur and Councilman Rix expected them to stand up for resident – Warwick Police present are intimidating – Sergeant of Arms escorting Rob Cote out was not necessary

Don Fife – asking Mr Cote to leave – wrong he advocates for the people – you must hate him because he thinks different from you people – RI has 1/3 highest debt in the Country – quite often we ask questions & Council cannot answer

Jim Iteleone– loves Warwick wants to grow with the Community – called Mayor Solomon asked why lots 433 and 434 had gone to disrepair near property – problems with COVID will get to it as soon as possible – Mayor Picozzi's office said problem with tractor – spoke to Highway on list – called again year later – still on list another part needed – will be resolved in three weeks – called three times since May – can someone give an answer

Joanne Miller – Councilwoman Travis – constituent has questions that effect the Residents – asks her to formally apologize to Mr Cote – asks Council to reprimand Councilwoman Travis – as members of the City of Warwick we should be able to ask questions your behavior

Paused 9:49 PM – Return to Committee

1. Consent Calendar –

1. PCR-87-23 Resolution Relative to Bids (Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable as Amended**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley**

Adopted R-23-77

2. PCR-88-23 Resolution Relative to Abatements (Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable to Amend**

Action: **Favorable as Amended**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley**

Adopted R-23-78

3. PCR-89-23 Resolution Relative to Claims (Councilman Foley)

Committee Report (Public Safety): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Foley**

Seconded by: **McElroy**

Consent calendar vote: **9/0**

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

PCR-90-23 2022-066 City of Warwick Medical, Pharmacy, and Dental Insurance Benefits (Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved By: **Howe**

Seconded By: **Foley**

Vote: 8/0/1 (Rix Abstains)

****Adopted R-23-79**

PCR-91-23 Abatements (Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved By: **Howe**

Seconded By: **Foley**

Vote: 8/0/1 (Sinapi)

****Adopted R-23-80**

PCR-92-23 Jalitza Reyes Claim (Councilman Foley)

Committee Report (Public Safety): **Hold 9-18-2023**

PCR-93-23 Victoria Almquist Claim (Councilman Foley)

Committee Report (Public Safety): To Deny

Action: To Deny

Moved By: Foley

Seconded By: McElroy

Vote: 9/0

PCR-94-23 Marie Hennedy Claim (Councilman Foley)

Committee Report (Public Safety): Favorable

Action: Favorable

Moved By: Foley

Seconded By: McElroy

Vote: 5/4 (Ladouceur, Rix, Sinapi, Travis)

****Adopted R-23-81**

Unfinished Business

(Items to be considered may include second passage of ordinances not tabled, first passage of ordinances not tabled, resolutions, reports of committees on items referred and previously tabled, removal of items from the table, and action on items removed from the table)

1. PCO-18-23 An Ordinance regulating the Smoking or Vaporizing of Cannabis (Councilman Howe)

First Passage

Committee Report (Ordinance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Ladouceur**

Vote: **9/0**

2. PCR-68-23 2023-427 Lincoln Avenue Pipeline Rehabilitation – Contract 1
(Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **To Withdraw**

Action: **To Withdraw**
Moved by: **Howe**
Seconded by: **Foley**
Vote: **9/0**

3. PCR-81-23 2023-443 Conimicut Point Lighthouse Restoration
(Councilman Howe)

Committee Report (Finance): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **McElroy**
Seconded by: **Foley, Howe**
Vote: **9/0**

Adopted R-23-82

New Business

None

McAllister - Objections to hear Unanimous Consent
No Objections

Unanimous Consent

1. PCR-86-23 Resolution to sell Real Property 3027 West Shore Road, Plat 347, Lot 0251-0256 (Council President McAllister on Behalf of Mayor Picozzi)

Action: **Favorable**
~~Moved by:~~
~~Seconded by:~~
Vote: **9/0**

Adopted R-23-83

Motion to Adjourn: Travis

Seconded by:

Vote: vv

Time: 10:48 PM

Next Available Numbers:

PCO-19-23

PCR-90-23

Docket Session

Foley – Res 4-Way Stop Sign Tyler & Jefferson (Public Safety)

Sinapi – Ord regarding Delivery (Ordinance)

10:50 PM

Attest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn D'Abrosca".

Lynn D'Abrosca
City Clerk

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