

Draft

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Amended
The City of Warwick
Docket of the City Council
Regular Public Hearing Meeting
For
October 16, 2023
@ 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
Stephen P. McAllister, President

Roll Call: 8/1 (Gebhart)

Time: 7:00 PM

Salute To The Flag: Northeast Family Martial Arts Students

1. Remarks, not to exceed five minutes, from Daniel Luzzi and Northeast Family Martial Arts regarding bullying prevention.

Gives brief overview of the school offering free class during anti-bullying month

General Communications

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

McAllister – Playground in Apponaug is open tomorrow – ribbon cutting at 3:30

Howe – Saturday 10/21 10:00 AM – McElroy Now & Then sports collectables grand opening – 10/21 6-8 PM Annual Sand Pond Spooky Path all ages – Costumes welcome \$5 donation – 10/28 12-3 PM Elizabeth Gray Foundation 2023 dress your dog \$20 donation @ Shannon View under tent

Travis – 10/18 6-8 PM Tori Lynn Andreozzi Foundation – call to action drunk driving @ Warwick Vets Middle School

Travis – Moment of silence for Lois Sarno

Executive Communications

None

- A. Acceptance of minutes from council meeting held on:
October 2, 2023**
Moved by: **Howe**
Seconded by: **McElroy, Foley**
Vote: **vv**

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.

Richard Langseth – 11/14 Harbor Commission Workshop topic rights of way – will present case – Buttonwoods Fire District appropriate funds to fix private roads but public funds were allocated. Simply does not add up. Will keep on these issues. 61 streets in Warwick with no parking. Would appreciate members of the City Council to attend.

Rob Cote – 9/18 concerned Councilman Howe violated council rules – Public Hearing Councilman Ladouceur requested Councilman Howe suspend rules – Councilman Howe spoke as a private citizen – you are no longer a private citizen. Question to solicitor now allowing Council to speak – set a precedent – discusses the Mayor military background – City Council should read rules and understand them – 7/23 1st amendment was violated – do your homework

1. Consent Calendar –

1. PCR-112-23 Resolution Relative to Bids (Councilman Howe)

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

Action: **Favorable as amended**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley**

Adopted as amended R-23-99

Consent calendar vote: **8/0**

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

1. PCR-113-23 2024-223 Crack Sealing Contract

Action: **Favorable to amend**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley**

Vote: **8/0**

Adopted as amended R-23-100

Favorable as amended

Howe

Foley

8/0

2. PCR-114-23 2024-245 Monthly Service & Maintenance for Composting Toilets

Action: **Favorable to amend**

Moved by: **Howe**

Seconded by: **Foley, Travis**

Vote: **8/0**

Adopted as amended R-23-101

Favorable as amended

Howe

Foley, Travis

8/0

Referred Business

1. PCO-20-23 An Ordinance amending the City of Warwick Zoning Ordinances Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Applicant assessors Plat 332, Lots 396, 397, 402, 403 & 470 Winter Avenue / off Loring Avenue
(Councilman McElroy)

First Passage – Public Hearing

Committee Report (Land Use): **Reccomend Public Hearing**

Action: **Recommend Public Hearing**
Moved by: **McElroy**
Seconded by: **Rix, Howe**
Vote: **vv**

Speaking for:
Tom Kravitz
Dan Geagan
George Watson
Keith Vellente

Speaking against:
Paul Blakeslee

Action: **Move to close Public Hearing**
Moved by: **Foley**
Seconded by: **Rix, Howe, McElroy**
Vote: **vv**

Ladouceur – asks to waive rule to allow Mr. Blakeslee to speak

McAllister – asks if anyone objects

No objections to allowing Mr. Blakeslee to speak additional two minutes granted

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **McElroy**
Seconded by: **Foley, Rix, Howe**
Vote: **8/0**

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. PCR-63-23 Leah DiLeone Claim (Councilman Foley)

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

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Foley**
Seconded by: **Rix, McElroy**
Vote: **7/1 (Ladouceur)**

Adopted R-23-102

New Business

1. PCO-21-23 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 48, Article III of The City of Warwick Code of Ordinances to provide retirement health insurance coverage to employees that enter service with the City in a union position, subsequently take a nonunion position, and establish at least Ten years of creditable service (Councilman Howe on behalf of Mayor Picozzi)

First Passage

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

Action: **To Withdraw**
Moved by: **Sinapi**
Seconded by: **Rix**
Vote: **8/0**

2. PCR-109-23 A Resolution to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management approving the City of Warwick's submission to the 2024 Outdoor Recreation Grant Program (Councilman Foley, Councilman Howe, Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report (Intergovernmental): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Foley**
Seconded by: **Howe, Ladouceur**
Vote: **8/0**

Adopted R-23-103

3. **PCR-110-23 A Resolution authorizing a Telecommunications Tower Lease at Clegg Field with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless** (Councilman McElroy on behalf of Mayor Picozzi)

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

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **McElroy**
Seconded by: **Howe, Rix, Foley**
Vote: **8/0**

Adopted R-23-104

4. **PCR-111-23 Resolution relative to the City Council meeting calendar for 2024** (Council President McAllister)

Committee Report (Intergovernmental): **Favorable**

Action: **Favorable**
Moved by: **Travis**
Seconded by: **Ladouceur, Foley, McElroy**
Vote: **8/0**

Adopted R-23-105

Unanimous Consent

None
All Pass

Motion to Adjourn: Travis

Seconded by:

Vote: vv

Time: 8:09 PM

Next Available Numbers: PCR-113-23
PCO-24-23

Docket Session

All Pass

8:09 PM

Attest,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn D'Abrosca".

Lynn D'Abrosca
City Clerk

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