

TO: JOHN P. BOHENKO, CITY MANAGER

FROM: KELLI L. BARNABY, CITY CLERK

RE: ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON APRIL 18, 2005 COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, ONE JUNKINS AVENUE, PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

PRESENT: ASSISTANT MAYOR GRASSO, COUNCILORS FERRINI, MARCHAND, PANTELAKOS, HYNES, RAYNOLDS, WHITEHOUSE, AND ST. LAURENT

ABSENT: MAYOR SIRRELL

1. Acceptance of Minutes – April 4, 2005 – Voted to accept and approve the minutes of the April 4, 2005 City Council meeting.
2. Public Comment Session – There were three speakers: Tom Carroll (Scrap Metal at Port); Joel Carp (Scotia Prince at Port); and Phyllis Killam-Abell (African Burial Ground Committee Recommendations).
3. Voted to suspend the rules in order to take up Item X. D.1. – Report Back Re: Mayor's Blue Ribbon African Burial Ground Committee. Voted to accept the report of the African Burial Ground Committee and refer it to the Traffic & Safety Committee for a report back and authorize the City Manager to proceed with a more comprehensive plan for the closure of the street.
4. Acceptance of Donations to the New Library Building Fund:
 - Walter F. and Carmen A. Lang - \$50.00
 - Raimond Bowles in memory of his mother, Ella Shannon Bowles - \$500.00
 - Anonymous Donation - \$500.00

Voted to approve and accept the donations to the New Library Building Fund as listed.

5. First reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 6, Article VII, - Dog Ordinance be deleted in its entirety and replaced with new Sections 6.701 – 6.715; Chapter 8, Article II, Section 8.202(D) – Dogs in Parks; and Chapter 9, Article IV – Removal of Dog Excrement deleted in its entirety – Voted to pass first reading of the amended ordinances, as submitted, and hold a public hearing and second reading at the May 2, 2005 City Council meeting.
6. Third and final reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.330 – No Parking sub-section A – Islington Street: southerly side from Essex Avenue to a point 180 feet westerly – Voted to pass third and final reading of the amended ordinance, as submitted.
7. Letter from Attorney Alec McEachern, Shaines & McEachern Professional Association, request for Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to Permit Financial Institutions in the Office/Research Zone – Voted to refer to the Planning Board for report back.
8. Letter from Roger Clements, New Hampshire National Guard, requesting permission to hold a Military Appreciation Day Parade on Saturday, August 6, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. – Voted to refer to the City Manager with power.

9. Report Back Re: Request for a Proposed Rezoning Properties Located off Mirona Road from Industrial to General Business – Voted to accept the Planning Board's recommendation to rezone properties off Mirona Road from Industrial to General Business and authorize the City Attorney to draft an ordinance amendment that would schedule this zoning change for a first reading at the May 2, 2005 City Council meeting.
10. Acceptance of Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan 2005 – Voted to accept the Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan 2005, as submitted and send to FEMA for approval.
11. Proposed License Agreement with COAST – On a roll call 7-1, voted to authorize the City Manager to enter into a License Agreement with COAST for the purposes of providing electricity to the electric gate. Councilors Ferrini, Marchand, Hynes, Reynolds, Whitehouse, St. Laurent and Assistant Mayor Grasso voted in favor. Councilor Pantelakos voted opposed.
12. Consideration of Appointments – The City Council considered the reappointment of John Gregg to the Cable Television and Communications Commission and the reappointment of Donald Green to the Conservation Commission. These appointments will be voted on by the City Council at the May 2, 2005 meeting.
13. Appointment – Voted to reappoint Steven Berg to the PEDLP Review Committee until April 18, 2008.
14. Proposed Request to Reschedule May 19, 2005 Municipal Budget Work Session – Voted to reschedule the Municipal Budget Work Session to Monday, May 23, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Room A.
15. Adjournment – At 8:05 p.m., voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kelli L. Barnaby, City Clerk