

A regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber.

President Brian S. McCarthy presided; City Clerk Patricia D. Piecuch recorded.

Prayer was offered by City Clerk Patricia D. Piecuch; Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire led in the Pledge to the Flag.

The roll call was taken with 14 members of the Board of Aldermen present; Alderman Ben Clemons, recorded absent. Alderman-at-Large Daniel T. Moriarty arrived after roll call at 7:34 p.m.

Mayor James W. Donchess and Corporation Counsel Steven A. Bolton were also present.

REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Donchess

On our agenda tonight is the proposal that we begin a sister city relationship with Mysore, India. Mysore is a city in southern India in the state of Karnataka of about 900,000 people. It has a growing IT economy which is heavily into tech and it is a good fit for us because we have a number of citizens who live in Nashua who are Indian; about 6% of our population. The vast majority of those citizens either come from Karnataka or the neighboring state of Andhra Pradesh, both are in southern India. One of the west and one on the east side of the country both on the ocean. We have about 5,000 people in Nashua who are Indian/American citizens. This is a portion of our population which has grown very rapidly compared with the rest of the city over the last number of years. When I was in city government before we had a small Indian population and now it's grown exponentially. Many of our citizens are involved in the tech and healthcare industries and these are areas of the economy that we want to grow and encourage more people to settle in Nashua. One thing that the Chamber of Commerce pointed out in a report that it presented was that Nashua, during 2010 through 2014 maintained basically a stable population but during that time, but for immigration from other countries, many of the people coming from various parts of India, we would have lost population; probably about 4,000 people. We want a growing and dynamic community and the Indian population that we have are very significant contributors to our community. I think if we form this relationship I think we might be able to help to grow our tech economy along with theirs. Many people from India find that if they come here the opportunities are greater both for employment and to start new ventures. I would recommend that you follow the committee's report and enthusiastically back that relationship.

Another thing I wanted to mention is that in the budget we have the LED project which will save the city considerable money every year in electric bills. Starting last night there is a test where you can see two different LED lights. One version is a 4,000 Kelvin light which you can see along the Broad Street Parkway. It seems brighter but it really has to do with color. Another is a 3,000 Kelvin version which is on Terry Street so if anyone wants to make a comparison you can see them in those two areas. The reason for the test is it's within the contract that we have entered with Siemens and many communities have adopted the 4,000's but more recently communities are begging to adopt the 3,000's because there have been complaints about the 4,000's being too bright and interfering with sleep and the AMA did issue a press release about the problems that they have perceived with respect to the 4,000's. The decision needs to be made by the Board of Public Works in the near future as to which version to go with. I think that it's a possibility that we could do 3,000's in the neighborhoods and 4,000's on the main roads but if any members of the Board of Aldermen or members of the public would like to check those out and provide us your opinion we would certainly welcome that very much.

Finally, we have the senior center transfer on the agenda as well. The senior center has served us well for a long time and they have done a very good job of breaking even and supporting themselves. In the last couple of years that has become a little bit more difficult but they have pared back on expenses and they are raising significant money still and this will help stabilize them for the coming year. We did a similar transfer in recent years and this will help to stabilize this organization. Alderman Caron is on the

board and she can answer any questions I am sure and she has strongly recommended that this support be undertaken.

RESPONSE TO REMARKS OF THE MAYOR

Alderman Siegel

I would like to speak briefly about the LED lighting and set the record straight. The AMA did not issue a recommendation for 3K lights; in fact their statement has no recommendation. The paper that some people in social media are quoting has original research which in fact talks about 5K lighting of an iPad being read for hours at night. We are talking about street lights and as another point the reason that the lights look brighter is because they are brighter to the human eye because they are at the center point of our vision. We are putting in street lights, we are not putting in romantic lighting for people to have candle lit dinners by. I would also argue that communities are not adopting 3K lights, the vast majority is adopting 4K lights and I will leave it at that.

Alderman Schoneman

Mayor Donchess, when does the Board of Public Works hope to make a decision on that?

Mayor Donchess

I think this month. There is an article in the New York Times about this very issue; 3,000 K versus 4,000 K today. In New York they are finding that some troubled neighborhoods prefer the 4,000 K and some of the calmer and affluent neighborhoods want the 3,000 K.

Alderman Schoneman

What is the rating of the brightness on the same scale of existing lights? How much brighter are the new lights?

Mayor Donchess

I believe the Kelvin is a temperature which translates into color; the 4,000 K being a more blue color and brighter or perceived to be brighter than the 3,000's.

President McCarthy

It has to do with the frequency of the lighting that is given off and how the human eye responds to that. I don't know what our mercury lights typically are.

Alderman Siegel

The temperature has to do with the radiated frequency of a black body radiator of heat. So if you heated a perfectly black object to 4,000 K it would radiate at a particular color point. As far as the color of our lights, it depends on their age.

Alderman Schoneman

I think the folks in quieter neighborhoods like the "romantic lighting" and hopefully we can find a way to keep those places feeling like small town America.

Alderman Lopez

I echo the support of the Mayor to twin our cities. My roll call answer was in the language of the city that we are considering twinning with. I think Nashua benefits greatly from diversity. Diversity brings economic strength and I am very enthusiastic about this effort.

RECOGNITION PERIOD – None

READING MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION BY ALDERMAN WILSHIRE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2016, AND THE PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED BY THE BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE ON JUNE 27, 2016, BE ACCEPTED, PLACED ON FILE, AND THE READINGS SUSPENDED

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Cookson

During the Budget Review Committee Public Hearing portion there was reference made to a diagram and I didn't know if there was something displayed that was not included with the minutes.

President McCarthy

There was a presentation and we will have those added to the minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN WILSHIRE THAT ALL COMMUNICATIONS BE READ BY TITLE ONLY
MOTION CARRIED**

From: Patricia D. Piecuch, City Clerk
Re: Request for Change of Polling Site Locations

MOTION BY ALDERMAN WILSHIRE TO ACCEPT, PLACE ON FILE AND APPROVE THE RELOCATION OF THE POLLING SITE LOCATIONS FOR WARD 3 AND WARD 5

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Deane

When we originally approved the relocation of the sites for the different Wards did we not do that through a form of legislation?

President McCarthy

I don't recall.

Alderman Deane

Can you ask our lawyer?

President McCarthy

Attorney Bolton can you answer that?

Attorney Bolton

I wasn't here when that occurred.

Alderman Deane

So we can change things without using legislation and just through memos?

President McCarthy

I don't know that we have...I mean the ordinances do not spell out the polling places so we wouldn't change them by ordinance.

Alderman Moriarty

When we first changed it I expressed that I was against it and I've heard some complaints since and I am glad that it is going back and I am supporting this.

President McCarthy

Alderman Deane, with respect to your point I think that if we do it through the communication or through a resolution it probably has exactly the same affect. If it were in the ordinances themselves I would want to change it by ordinance.

Alderman Siegel

But that seems like something that our Corporate Counsel should be able to clarify. Attorney Bolton, can you please do that?

Attorney Bolton

I may have misunderstood Alderman Deane's question. I don't think it makes a difference whether it's done in response to the communication or by resolution.

MOTION CARRIED

From: David G. Fredette, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Re: Proposed Amendment to R-16-041

MOTION BY ALDERMAN CARON TO ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE

MOTION CARRIED

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT RELATIVE TO ITEMS EXPECTED TO BE ACTED
UPON THIS EVENING

Ms. Latha Mangipudi, 20 Salmon Brook Drive

I am really excited that the sister city resolution is going to be presented and voted on by the Board. I did get a communication from the Mayor of Mysore and the Chamber of Commerce from Mysore and they

are also very excited. That e-mail went to the Mayor and the President of the Chamber of Commerce. It is very exciting for me to see the community engaged in government at the local level.

Chief Steven Galipeau, Nashua Fire Rescue

I am here to speak in favor of R-16-040, the bond for the Spit Brook Road addition. This project has been around since 2007 or 2008. It's received the A-1 approval from Capital Improvements for the last few years and been supported by the Budget Review Committee. It provides the City of Nashua with an increase in operational opportunities that we don't currently have today. It will also provide a safer and healthier work environment for our firefighters with regard to proper protective clothing storage and cleaning and equipment repair. The south end of the city has grown immensely and I thank you for your support.

Master Nikhill Vootkur, 5 Jonquil Lane

The following is an e-mail from R Krishner from Mysore:

A very good morning from R. Krishner from Mysore. I am writing this letter on behalf of the Mysore Chamber of Commerce and industry and also on behalf of the City of Mysore.

It is indeed a great pleasure and privilege for the City of Mysore to be associated with such a beautiful place like Nashua for the sister city relationship. We had already had preliminary discussions with the local authorities including the Mayor of Mysore and are all excited to take this further as early as possible. Our special thanks go to Mrs. Latha Mangipudi and the Nashua Chamber of Commerce for their active involvement in this excellent project. We eagerly look forward to hearing from you on a positive note. We highly convey warm greetings and our appreciation to all leaders of Nashua for supporting this noble cause.

Mr. Jaq Vootkur, 5 Jonquil Lane

I am just here to support R-16-049, a sister city between Mysore and Nashua. I think it will be very beneficial to both of the cities.

Mr. Paggan Chandra, 32 Cushing Avenue

I had been in Mysore for almost 20 years and it's a beautiful city. I hope the sister relationship between the cities will help both of the cities.

Ms. Sumatka Chadhee, Nashua, NH

I am here to support the sister city initiative between Nashua and Mysore. I've been a proud resident of Nashua for about 26 years. My young family and I moved here 26 years ago because it was named the best place to live in America twice. I am very excited about this. I think Mysore is a great match for Nashua; it's a vibrant city with many beautiful palaces. Nashua has a large Indian community who work here and raise their families here. They contribute to the economy and are also involved culturally. There are also charities organized and run by the Indian community. Bangalore and San Francisco have been sister cities for many years. Boston I think has over ten cities so I think this will be great.

PETITIONS – None

NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS

Joint Convention with Edgewood Cemetery Board of Trustees

MOTION BY ALDERMAN COOKSON THAT THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEET IN JOINT CONVENTION WITH THE EDGEWOOD CEMETERY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO TRUSTEES
MOTION CARRIED

President McCarthy called for nominations.

Trustee Maffee nominated Thomas A. Maffee and Carl Andrade for five-year terms to expire March 31, 2021

MOTION BY ALDERMAN SIEGEL TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS
MOTION CARRIED

A Viva Voce Roll Call vote was taken on the appointment of Thomas A. Maffee and Carl Andrade to the Edgewood Cemetery Board of Trustees for terms to expire March 31, 2021, which resulted as follows: A Viva Voce Roll Call was taken, which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Wilshire, Alderman Deane, Alderman Cookson, 21
Alderman Dowd, Alderman Caron, Alderman Siegel,
Alderman Schoneman, Alderwoman Melizzi-Golja,
Alderman McGuinness, Alderman LeBrun, Alderman Moriarty,
Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Lopez, Alderman McCarthy,
Carl Andrade, Douglas Barker, Richard Cullen, Charles Hall,
Morgan Hollis, Thomas Maffee, Mayor Donchess

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

President McCarthy declared Thomas A. Maffee and Carl Andrade duly appointed to the Edgewood Cemetery Board of Trustees for a term to expire March 31, 2021.

Oath of Office administered by Corporation Counsel Steven A. Bolton.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN DOWD THAT THE CONVENTION NOW ARISE
MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Budget Review Committee 06/27/16

There being no objection, President McCarthy declared the report of the June 27, 2016 Budget Review Committee accepted and placed on file.

Finance Committee 07/06/16

There being no objection, President McCarthy declared the report of the July 6, 2016 Finance Committee accepted and placed on file.

Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee 07/07/16

There being no objection, President McCarthy declared the report of the July 7, 2016 Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee accepted and placed on file.

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN WILSHIRE THAT THE RULES BE SO FAR SUSPENDED AS TO ALLOW FOR AN ORAL REPORT OF THE HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD EARLIER THIS EVENING
MOTION CARRIED**

Alderman Wilshire gave an oral report of the Human Affairs Committee meeting held prior to the full Board of Aldermen meeting.

Alderman Wilshire

The Human Affairs Committee met this evening to take up two grants; R-16-043 relative to the acceptance and appropriation of \$63,648 from the Department of Homeland Security into fire grant activity FY '15 assistance to firefighters and this grant is to replace two sets of extrication rescue equipment. The committee recommended final passage on that resolution.

The second resolution was R-16-046 relative to the acceptance and appropriation of an additional \$39,862 from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation into grant activity transportation alternatives program TAP grant and to authorize a transfer of matching funds in the amount of \$7,972.40. The committee recommends final passage on this. It was an additional \$39,862 for engineering for the multi-use path and pedestrian bridge to connect the Heritage Rail Trail and Mine Falls Park recreation area.

There being no objection, President McCarthy declared the oral report of the July 12, 2016, Human Affairs Committee accepted and placed on file.

WRITTEN REPORTS FROM LIAISONS – None

CONFIRMATION OF MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

Cable Television Advisory Board

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN MORIARTY TO CONFIRM BY VOICE VOTE THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO THE CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY BOARD FOR TERMS TO EXPIRE JANUARY 1, 2019: ANDREW CERNOTA, 129 SHELLEY DRIVE, NASHUA, AND PAUL F. JOHNSON, 44 BROWNING AVENUE, NASHUA
MOTION CARRIED**

President McCarthy declared Andrew Cernota and Paul F. Johnson duly appointed to the Cable Television Advisory Board for terms to expire January 1, 2019.

Conservation Commission

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN SCHONEMAN TO CONFIRM BY VOICE VOTE THE APPOINTMENT OF DAN SLOAN, 8 WESTFIELD STREET, NASHUA, TO CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2017
MOTION CARRIED**

President McCarthy declared Dan Sloan duly appointed to the Conservation Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2017.

Oath of Office administered by Corporation Counsel Steven A. Bolton.

Planning Board

MOTION BY ALDERMAN MCGUINNESS TO CONFIRM BY VOICE VOTE THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO THE PLANNING BOARD FOR TERMS TO EXPIRE MARCH 31, 2019: SCOTT LECLAIR, 10 DAYLILY DRIVE, NASHUA, AND DAVID ROBBINS, 102 CHERRYWOOD DRIVE, NASHUA
MOTION CARRIED

President McCarthy declared Scott LeClair and David Robbins duly appointed to the Planning Board for terms to expire March 31, 2019.

Oath of Office administered to Scott LeClair by Corporation Counsel Steven A. Bolton.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - RESOLUTIONS

R-16-039

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman Tom Lopez
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Don LeBrun
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NASHUA TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH NASHUA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, RIVIER UNIVERSITY, DANIEL WEBSTER COLLEGE, TOWN OF HUDSON, TOWN OF MERRIMACK, SOUHEGAN VALLEY TRANSPORTATION COLLABORATIVE, AND THE PLUS COMPANY FOR TRANSIT SERVICES

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN LOPEZ FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-039
MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-16-039 declared duly adopted.

R-16-040

Endorsers: Alderman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Benjamin M. Clemons
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman Ken Siegel
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Tom Lopez
Alderman-at-Large Brian S. McCarthy

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY TREASURER TO ISSUE BONDS NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,650,000) FOR THE SPIT BROOK ROAD FIRE STATION 3 BUILDING RENOVATIONS

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN MELIZZI-GOLJA FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-040 BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Cookson

I was not able to attend the Budget Review Committee meeting where this was discussed but I have a few questions. Listening to Chief Galipeau, he mentioned that we have been discussing this since about 2007/2008. We talked about increasing operational opportunities, places to store protective clothing, etc. He then spoke about the growth in the south end of the city. We are looking to bond \$1.6 million to work on the third building at the Spit Brook Fire Station. I am not sure where this falls into play but this was part of the minutes from the Budget Review Committee meeting which I believe was on the 27th and I am just going to read this statement by Chief Galipeau and this is where my question comes from. "By adding this bay we can put a ladder truck in that bay and the area that they do the work won't be in that area. The big thing is that it affords us nights, weekends and holidays, especially during the colder months. If either engine or the pumper truck or the ladder truck were to go out of service during those times we are forced in that one facility to pay premium dollar to call in a mechanic to repair the vehicle." I completely understand that but since 2007 that's the situation that they have had to deal with so I am assuming that there has been some sort of contingency plan that's been put into play so that when a truck does go out of service that something happens so that they are able to take advantage of this space. I'm just trying to understand what plans are already in place. What would happen today if this bond doesn't go through?

Chief Galipeau

The plan we've had in place since the building opened is that we have to call a mechanic in, nights, weekends, holidays, whatever. As you referenced the premium dollar comment, by having the third bay which the building was originally designed to be and it was cut off, you could take our spare ladder truck or our spare pump truck and bring it down there to get through the weekend or the overnight to the next day and then deal with the mechanical issue at straight pay.

Alderman Cookson

Okay so there is no other contingency plan. You would actually use the space that is available, bring in a mechanic and you would pay premium dollar for that mechanic?

Chief Galipeau

Correct.

Alderman Cookson

With regard to the growth of the south end of the city, how does the third bay assist with that aspect?

Chief Galipeau

At different times of the year we may look to ramp up our response capabilities down there. We all know what it is like sometimes between November and December getting down Daniel Webster Highway. Potentially we could look to relocate one of our downtown engines to the south end during a high peak traffic time to offset response times. There are times that when Engine 2 out of the Lake Street fire house, during those times of the year responding down to the Pheasant Lane Mall to back up Engine 3 and it's a 15 to 18 minutes response and then when they get down there it's twice as long getting out.

Alderman Cookson

And then further to the west you would only have Engines 3 and 6 that would respond; Conant Street and...

Chief Galipeau

Those are the first two companies, yes.

Alderman Cookson

Would you have any other companies...who would be the next after those two to respond to something in the southwest quadrant?

Chief Galipeau

The next company in would be Engine Company 2 out of Lake Street and that has about an 8 to 12 minute response into that southwest area and that's even in good conditions.

Alderman Cookson

The one other comment that you had made during that meeting on the 27th was that this was especially during the cold months that you had to keep the truck in the bay. What do you do during the warmer months?

Chief Galipeau

Actually the truck is in the bay all of the time. I was referring to if Engine 3, our pumper truck were to break down on a long weekend we can't bring the spare pumper truck down there and park it out front because it has water in it and it will freeze up so we are forced to call a mechanic in to fix the problem at that time. With the additional bay and the ability to bring a spare truck down there we could get through that extended weekend or even just through an overnight during the cold months and get the mechanic in during regular business hours to fix the problem.

Alderman Cookson

So during warmer months would you leave the truck out and still be able to bring in a mechanic during normal business hours and not pay that premium cost?

Chief Galipeau

That has not been a practice of ours because we carry a lot of very expensive equipment; we have electronics on the vehicles and we prefer to keep them inside on shore power when they are not being used.

Alderman Deane

My only question is and it's not even a question, I don't understand; were there persistent problems that required people to be called in colder months for long weekends? That whole thing just sounds interesting. The other thing is when Flatley was down there and everything went before the Planning Board maybe we should have knocked on their door and ask them to help contribute to the expansion of the station since their development was expanding the area. I understand that fire house is inadequate.

President McCarthy

Chief, when you do have a situation of having a downed truck in the station where does the primary response come from for that area?

Chief Galipeau

If either the engine or the ladder truck were to break down the back-up vehicle is coming out of the Lake Street fire house.

Alderman O'Brien

I would like to remind everyone on the Board that even though this is kind of fresh and it had received an A-1 rating for the last several years it's not that fresh. The station was built in 1977 with the intention to put three bays on it and 39 years later here we are. Firefighting has changed over the years; their gear needs to be cleansed immediately after a fire. We supply firefighters with two sets of gear. We also have extractors that do that but these machines take up room and the addition of this bay will help us modernize that facility. We are employers and we have people that work for us and like to have adequate living conditions. You also have to remember that in that district there is Apple Tree Green and there was a fire down there and I think it cost over \$1 million. Increasing the size of the station helps out with additional apparatus. We also have a lot of conservation or open land and putting a brush truck into that bay would probably assist in quelling down large acreages burned due to a brush fire. I support this.

Alderman Lopez

It doesn't make sense to me that our current plan includes the back-up truck being stuck in traffic because it has to be there while it's responding to the fire that's happening and if there is something else that is happening then now you have another asset that isn't on the table just because we were trying to send a truck too far across the city for it to be able to do what it needed to do and get back in service as quickly as possible. It also feels to me that we might be able to take care of our equipment a little better and not having to pay overtime. I think we should be all about preventing problems responding to fires.

Alderman Siegel

The original design was modified to save money back in the day and it was really a kick the can problem so it's more than just a question of maintenance. We've got twice as many people in there now and we have a different population at NFR; we have men and women that work for NFR and that's got to be considered. Also the ladder truck, we can't pull the equipment compartments fully open in the existing facility. It's sad because we are faced now with the consequences of poor decisions years ago but nonetheless we have to realize that in Ward 9 we can't afford to wait for a truck to come from Lake Street. Depending on the time of day it is that could potentially be the difference between life and death or serious property loss. I think it's inevitable that we have to vote for this.

Alderman Deane

I've always been under the impression that what we provided our fire department in the city was the envy of everyone else in the State of New Hampshire and Massachusetts and New England for that matter. I've always felt that in my time on this Board that we always made sure that our fire department got the necessary equipment and vehicles that they needed to protect our citizens. Any of the comments that are being made here tonight about kicking cans down the road and things of that nature, that may be the case because there is only so much money to go around and so many people living here to provide it but I think in the long run I have always looked at our fire department as I wouldn't expect anybody to run into a burning building with substandard equipment on. I wouldn't do it and I wouldn't expect anyone else to either. I think we've been very supportive of our fire department and is this bay needed, yes. Do

I think we should have done something while the explosion was happening down there with the Flatley Company; absolutely. We did it when they built the Pink Palace. They bought that truck. You want to build that building then we need a truck to service it. You have to maintain all of this high tech equipment and this was one of the original items on the Capital Improvements list back when it first started a long time ago.

Alderman Schoneman

If a truck breaks down, there are lots of things that can break down on a truck. If a truck breaks down and is mobile, do we let it sit there or do we move it somewhere else and bring a truck in. If we have this third bay are we planning on moving a third truck permanently to the station and if so, are we reducing coverage somewhere else.

Chief Galipeau

Any situation where there is a motor, transmission or break issue, the truck doesn't move until the mechanic has a chance to evaluate it even if it is mobile. During the winter months when the traffic is peaked out on D.W. Highway we can make some operational changes at no additional cost, it's just a matter of realigning our response model with existing personnel. In the summer or spring when brush season is extremely high then we have the ability to put a forestry truck down there and house it there on a regular basis. It's not any additional cost.

Alderman Schoneman

So if the breakage on the truck does not involve its drivability do we then move that broken truck somewhere else to be fixed and bring in a replacement or do we let a drivable truck stay there?

Chief Galipeau

It depends on the situation and it would not be moved until we at least had a discussion with our superintendent of the fleet.

A Viva Voce Roll Call was taken, which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman Wilshire, Alderman Deane, Alderman Cookson, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Caron, Alderman Siegel, Alderman Schoneman, Alderwoman Melizzi-Golja, Alderman McGuinness, Alderman LeBrun, Alderman Moriarty, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Lopez, Alderman McCarthy	14
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-16-040 declared duly adopted.

R-16-041

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderwoman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Ken Siegel
Alderman Don LeBrun
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman-at-Large Brian S. McCarthy

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$25,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 159 – OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY, ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION 54 – PROPERTY SERVICES, HYDRANT FEES TO DEPARTMENT 109 – CIVIC & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION 56 – OUTSIDE AGENCIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF DONATING TO THE NASHUA ASSOCIATION FOR THE ELDERLY

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN CARON TO AMEND R-16-041 IN ITS ENTIRETY BY REPLACING IT WITH THE GOLDEN ROD COPY PROVIDED WITH THE MEMORANDUM FROM TREASURER FREDETTE ACCEPTED EARLIER THIS EVENING
MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION BY ALDERMAN CARON FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-041 AS AMENDED

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Siegel

I would call on my colleague Alderman Caron to please explain the changes to the legislation.

Alderman Caron

The reason we have the golden rod copy is because the amount of money that we were looking to take out of the account for hydrant fees; there were some bills that came in which reduced that balance to about \$14,000. Treasurer Fredette asked that we move it to another contingency fund but it's out of the 2016 budget and it's still for the same \$25,000. We did this last year and the senior center was able to do maintenance on the facility that they normally don't have monies for and this year they want to do some improvements to the ADA signage, installation of fans for the fitness room and stripping and sealing the wood floors. The city does own this facility and the money that they raise during fundraisers and membership really goes towards programming and activities for the center as a whole. I appreciate the support from the Mayor as well as my colleagues.

Alderman Deane

I think it's high time that we take a good long look at this building and put a maintenance plan in place so it doesn't turn into a school project where we are bonding \$10 million or \$15 million to do repairs. Maybe the Mayor next year can think about a yearly appropriation to help keep the building that we own as a city. I support this because we have to take care of what we own.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-16-041 declared duly adopted as amended.

R-16-043

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderwoman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman Ken Siegel
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Tom Lopez

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF \$63,648 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY INTO FIRE GRANT ACTIVITY "FY2015 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT"

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN WILSHIRE FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-043

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Deane

Are these two pieces of legislation time sensitive?

Alderman Wilshire

We don't have another meeting in July and typically when we get grants in June and pass them in July it's because we only have one meeting in July and one meeting in August.

Alderman Deane

But it's not because they are time sensitive in the body of the grants that we are getting. We don't have to meet a certain timeline or holding up a process.

Alderman Wilshire

I would have to ask Deputy Chief Kerrigan who is here this evening.

(Inaudible from a member in the audience)

Alderman Lopez

You said one year and it looks like it says 2015. When did the year start?

Alderman O'Brien

Deputy Chief Kerrigan, if we delay on this would it be detrimental if we didn't act forthwith on this?

Deputy Chief Kerrigan

The equipment that it is replacing is 20 years old so we'd like it replaced as soon as possible. It's costing us money to maintain the current systems that we have in place.

President McCarthy

I guess the direct question is if we were to accept the grant at the beginning of August does that do any damage.

Deputy Chief Kerrigan

I guess not. The time already started once they sent it to us, it's already been two months now.

Alderman Siegel

We've known about the legislation and it's not that controversial and it was debated prior to this meeting. I don't know what purpose is served by delaying the vote on it. It seems straight forward to me.

Alderman Deane

It gives the public a right to know, whether there's an interest or not. They had a committee meeting a half hour prior to this one and then the legislation comes in. We were just told that they have had it for two months and we've had other meetings where this didn't make it on the agenda or it wasn't acted upon. I understand the premise of not wanting to spend money on things that are antiquated, it's just process, it's not the grant itself.

Alderman Siegel

Just to briefly address the right to know, the legislation was available when it had its first reading. The meeting was prior to the Board of Aldermen so there was opportunity for the public to review and comment and to my knowledge no comment was made other than members of Nashua Fire & Rescue.

Alderman Deane

That's not the point.

Alderman Siegel

That's my opinion.

Alderman Schoneman

What are we planning on doing with the existing equipment that is in use?

Assistant Fire Chief Brian Rhodes

That equipment will be traded in. This equipment is known to the public as the "Jaws of Life" and this particular brand is called Amcus which are the spreaders we use for vehicle extrication and industrial accidents. If it would make it more palatable for Alderman Deane we can wait until the next meeting. We have nothing to hide and if you need more information we will surely do that.

Alderman Deane

It's not a point of being palatable, it's a point of government expediting things as a governing body and I don't agree with it. It's the reason behind expediting.

Alderman Dowd

I can see Alderman Deane's point if we brought something up that wasn't on the agenda already but it was on the agenda for a first reading and it was referred to committee and it's on the agenda now and has been since it was posted in the time required. I don't see an issue with any concern regarding public knowledge of the two motions.

Alderman Schoneman

I want to voice my support for proper process. I don't see anything wrong with the purchase but we do have a process and it's best for our image and the people sitting at home that there is a process that's being followed. There is no time sensitivity and I don't know why it didn't wait.

Alderman Siegel

The only point I can see is that where the minutes of the meeting might be critical for review for the full Board or the public at large. Alderman Wilshire, was there any specific discussion in your view point that would be germane to this or was it a fairly quick meeting? I don't think we are violating the process but if the meeting minutes were such that it might potentially change somebody's mind if a piece of information came out then I would be in favor of waiting.

Alderman Wilshire

There was nothing like that. Deputy Chief Kerrigan gave us the information we needed. There was no public to give comment and it was posted on the full Board's agenda. There was nothing that would be controversial.

Alderman Siegel

Was there more information presented at that meeting regarding this purchase than what was just presented now describing it?

Alderman Wilshire

No.

Alderman Siegel

So we have all of the information in front of us?

Alderman Wilshire

Yes.

Alderman O'Brien

This seems to be a procedural question and I would like to explore that. Attorney Bolton, did we meet the Right-to-Know Law?

Attorney Bolton

I believe every requirement of law was properly addressed.

Alderman Schoneman

I'm not saying that it wasn't proper but there is a custom and the public should know that we follow that process unless there is an emergency.

Alderman Lopez

It seems like the process was followed and I wouldn't see why this should be delayed or why we have to maintain equipment that we are going to trade anyway.

Alderman Cookson

There is nothing controversial about this and we followed the letter of the law. Everything was done just fine up to the point where a meeting was conducted 30 minutes prior to this meeting and then acted on a meeting that the public hasn't had the opportunity to review it. Even if there is nothing controversial about it you don't take that right away from them to be able to react to something that we do on their behalf. There's no rush, that's what we heard. If this goes to a vote this evening I am voting no only because of the procedure that we did not follow and not give the citizens of Nashua the opportunity to react to it.

Alderman Schoneman

I think the public's involvement is key.

Alderman Wilshire

I just want to say that this is not precedent setting, we've done this many times. It followed the letter of the law and has not set any precedent and I would urge you to support it.

Alderman Siegel

We have definitely seen anticipated recommendation notations for legislation. It had a first reading and public comment was available. I'd like to see more rapid response for legislation that seems fairly straight forward. I can't agree with my colleagues who want to delay this.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN SCHONEMAN TO POSTPONE R-16-043 TO THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman O'Brien

Again, I think we're losing focus here. I talked to Corporate Counsel. You were all here; I asked. He said by the letter of the law, but what more than that it's almost biblical that the letter of the law was founded.

President McCarthy

The comments only should be about the date to which we're postponing the legislation

Alderman O'Brien

Then I will yield at this particular time.

Alderman Dowd

Since there seems to be some division, roll call.

Alderman Schoneman

The motion to postpone is largely based on the comment from the fire department that said it is not necessary to do it tonight.

Yea: Alderman Deane, Alderman Cookson, Alderman Schoneman, 6
Alderman McGuinness, Alderman LeBrun, Alderman McCarthy

Nay: Alderman Wilshire, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Caron, 8
Alderman Siegel, Alderwoman Melizzi-Golja, Alderman Moriarty,
Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Lopez

MOTION FAILED

President McCarthy

The motion is for final passage of R-16-043.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-16-043 declared duly adopted.

R-16-046

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderwoman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman June M. Caron

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF AN ADDITIONAL \$39,862 FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INTO GRANT ACTIVITY "TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) GRANT" AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,972.40

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN MELIZZI-GOLJA FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-046

ON THE QUESTION

Alderwoman Melizzi-Golja

If we were to delay this to the August meeting, is there a problem with that?

Mayor Donchess

Of course I was thinking about that as you were discussing the last one. I'm not sure if there's a time problem. I can't say that there is, but I didn't ask that question specifically. The project is really a fantastic project which will link the rail trail and improve Everett Street and break through the fence along the canal for the first time in decades and create a bridge crossing into Mine Falls Park. It will enable another entrance and will make the park more accessible to people in the tree streets and surrounding neighborhoods. Is it time sensitive? I suspect not, but I'm not sure of that. I expect not. If it was delayed and it was time sensitive, I would call a special meeting to address it because it is such an

important piece of legislation. I understand the procedural points. I wish I could answer the question as to whether it really should be done today. I suspect August is good enough, but I'm not actually positive of that.

Alderman Melizzi-Golja

Based on the response from the Mayor, I withdraw my motion and move to postpone until August. I would just say I voted to accept and to pass R-16-043. I did that because I think it's really important that we in a timely manner acquire equipment that could save a life. I would hate to know we delayed something and it put off the purchase of that equipment and then the old equipment was needed and failed. For this piece of legislation, it appears that we can postpone it. So my motion would be to postpone until the August meeting.

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN MELIZZI-GOLJA TO POSTPONE TO THE AUGUST MEETING

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Siegel

I'm not sure what the construction season is going to be like for this or the lead time to get this done. If it were going to take longer than a construction season anyway then it makes sense, and I don't get if it is postponed as much. But it seems to me that if we allocate the money now, we can get started sooner and we might get this done before the season is over rather than just waiting around another year. Again, the same arguments apply. Let's not rehash them.

Alderman Lopez

I wasn't against the last one. I don't understand that we have violated anything other than maybe tradition. I don't see any reason to wait.

Alderman Deane

It's the coming of the new board; vote your conscience.

Division Taken

MOTION FAILED

MOTION BY ALDERMAN SIEGEL FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-046

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-16-046 declared duly adopted.

R-16-049

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Ben Clemons
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderdwoman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O' Brien, Sr.
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman Tom Lopez
Alderman-at-Large Brian S. McCarthy

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A TWINNING (SISTER CITY) AGREEMENT
FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION WITH THE CITY OF
MYSORE, KARNATAKA STATE, INDIA**

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN DOWD FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-16-049

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Siegel

I'm pretty sure this legislation is going to pass, but I am against it for a very specific reason. I certainly respect the Indian population. As far as I'm concerned, I'm thrilled that we have a lot of immigration from India and from Mysore here because it's nothing but good. I'm 100 percent in favor of that. My problem is I don't like legislation like this, frankly. I just think its empty stuff. I don't believe that we are going to send a delegation to Mysore because we don't have the money. I'm trying to figure out what the net benefit is for the city here. It's kind of funny that we have a contract. What happens if we violate the contract? Obviously I'm being facetious but we've had great success in having citizens migrate to Nashua and contribute a lot to the city up to now. I don't believe a twinning agreement matters. We have a twinning agreement with South Korea. I don't believe that ever materialized into anything either detrimental or important. It was just a fantastic hand wave. The concept of being friendly with a city is great; the concept of welcoming citizens into the city, I love it. I just personally can't stand this kind of feel-good legislation. It has no purpose whatsoever as far as I'm concerned. I know I'll go down in massive flames, but I just felt like I had to say my peace on this just a matter of principle on legislation.

Alderman Lopez

I understand the hand wave, but I also think if someone offers you a high five, you don't leave them hanging. I think this is a good opportunity for us to formally recognize that we have that diverse population and the opportunities and signal that to a city that is interested in partnering with us. I did want to point out that the Cultural Connections Committee hadn't actually gotten a chance to meet yet. I would be really surprised if they were against it in any way. It's still on their agenda so they can discuss the outcome of tonight's meeting no matter what.

Alderman Wilshire

I support this legislation. I think it's good for our community. I think it's good for the Indian population in our community to feel that their government is supporting them and the contributions they make to our community. What's the harm? I think this is really a good piece of legislation. There are some really good people in the audience tonight and at home who really would like to see this happen. I'm going to support it.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-16-049 declared duly adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – ORDINANCES

O-16-011

Endorsers: Alderman Don LeBrun
Alderman Ken Siegel
Alderman David Schoneman
Alderman Tom Lopez

ADOPTING PROVISIONS FOR REDUCED TAXATION FOR CERTAIN CHARTERED PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES

- Tabled at Full Board Level – 5/10/16

O-16-013

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman Sean M. McGuinness
Alderman Don LeBrun
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Tom Lopez

INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF ELECTION OFFICIALS

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN LEBRUN FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF O-16-013

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Siegel

Briefly, it's election officials. We had some members of the public that thought it was elected. It's "election" officials. We're not raising our salary. I just want to make that clear.

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance O-16-013 declared duly adopted.

O-16-014

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Brian S. McCarthy
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien
Alderman Ben Clemons
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Ken Siegel
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman Sean M. McGuinness
Alderman Tom Lopez
Alderman David Schoneman

ENABLING THE SAMPLING OF BEER OR WINE AT FARMERS' MARKETS

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF O-16-014

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Moriarty

This seems to me this must somehow violate some sort of alcohol permit.

President McCarthy

This is with keeping with state law that becomes effective on August 1.

Alderman O'Brien

I did have a communication with our Chief of Police, and he saw no problem with this as state law is written. Thank you.

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance O-16-014 declared duly adopted.

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

R-16-050

Endorser: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tom Lopez

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS BROAD STREET PARKWAY PROPERTY

Given its first reading; assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE by President McCarthy

R-16-051

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS AND EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR GRANTS UNDER THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 1964, AS AMENDED, FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017 AND 2018

Given its first reading; assigned to the HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE by President McCarthy

R-16-052

Endorser: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF UP TO \$59,861 FROM DEPARTMENT 194 –CONTINGENCY, ACCOUNT 70150 – GENERAL CONTINGENCY INTO VARIOUS SALARIES & WAGES AND FRINGE BENEFIT ACCOUNTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDITIONAL SALARY INCREASES FOR MERIT EMPLOYEES OFF THE MERIT SALARY SCHEDULE

Given its first reading; assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE by President McCarthy

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES

O-16-015

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.

PROVIDING FOR CONFIDENTIAL REDACTIONS ON THE RECORD OF EXPENDITURES

Given its first reading; assigned to the PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE by
President McCarthy

Alderman Siegel

Why isn't this going to the Finance Committee? This is the Record of Expenditures.

President McCarthy

Normally it would be taken up by the Personnel Committee. That's where traditionally changes to process have gone. I can refer it to the Finance Committee as well if you like.

Alderman Cookson

I think we could change that tradition, don't you? Let's send it to Finance.

Alderman Siegel

I honestly think we will get a better vetting of the legislation before the Finance Committee. That's my opinion; obviously it's not my choice.

President McCarthy

It is if you want to make a motion to refer it to the Finance Committee.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN SIEGEL TO REFER O-16-015 TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Deane

Is that in lieu of the Personnel Committee?

Alderman Siegel

My preference is...I don't see why we have to send it to multiple committees. It would be instead of the Personnel/Administrative Affairs specifically because of what it involves.

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance O-16-015 assigned to the FINANCE COMMITTEE

PERIOD FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None

REMARKS BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Alderman Lopez

I want to give my condolences to the family members that had to witness their loved ones die on YouTube. Regardless of the circumstances of why they were there and all of the associated concerns, no one should have to see that. I also wanted to express my condolences to the police department in Dallas for the loss that they suffered and just state for the record that the police should never be targeted for doing their jobs. I want to take knowledge of the foresight that Mayor Donchess had with regard to ensuring our community, as a whole, is represented when he started the Ethnic Awareness Committee. It's my belief that we should not have our police on the front line of racial warfare or disagreement of cultural issues. I think the Cultural Connections Committee has played a good role in that over the years in creating the disproportionate minority contact, which evolved to be a statewide initiative and is now the Nashua Red program. It emphasizes how to behave and how to respond when a police officer pulls you over. It also supports sensitivity training to the extent that New Hampshire can pride themselves on having the second largest trained police force with regard to sensitivity and our merit program is regarded as highly effected and a model for the rest of the country. I appreciate that effort and the foresight. I also look forward to what the new initiative, My Brother's Keeper, can bring because I believe as a community if we're working together and we are well represented, we have a confident professional police force then everybody will be acting in their best interests and we won't have tragedies like that in Nashua.

Alderman O'Brien

I similarly would like to say to my brothers and sisters in the police community, I, too, share their loss with the tragedy that we witnessed in Dallas and also in St. Joseph, Michigan. I respect what the men and women of law enforcement do. I know there's good and bad in each and every single one of us, but I'm very proud of the force that we have here in Nashua. It shows the investment that we put into them; we get in return better quality service. Finally, I would like to say welcome to our new twin sister city. I think this is a big step forward, and I look forward to the communications that come forth. Thank you.

Alderman Moriarty

We mentioned something about black body radiation, and I'll make a comment on the LEDs. If you looked at a lightbulb and had a detector that could see heat, it would look a lot brighter in heat than it is visible. I mentioned this because the firemen were here earlier. You can build a camera that has electronic eyeballs that are particularly sensitive to heat, especially the type of heat that comes off your body so you can race into a burning building and look through this camera and it will only see the heat at that particular color that is radiated by people so you can see people in a burning bundling. What is that relevant to stop lights? I was never a fan, and I am still not a fan of those yellow reflectors that were put up on all the traffic signals all over Nashua. Especially in 8 or 9, you would come over a hill and you used to not be able to see anything. You would see trees, you would see houses. Now you see this big yellow square hanging in the middle. It's just ugly. I don't know of anybody who's never seen the light. You see the light. Does the big ugly yellow picture frame around the light actually really help that much? I'm of the opinion that if we're going to pick the \$3,000 or the \$4,000 LEDs I would pick the ones that are not as bright for the very reasons the study showed the people out in the country don't want these bright turn signals everywhere. Thanks.

Alderwoman Melizzi-Golja

I would also like to welcome the signing of this agreement with the City of Mysore. I think it will not only enhance our relationships with the city but also help make the members of our community here feel more of a part of our community. I electronically contacted the chief but will publicly comment about thinking of

the police and recognizing the professionalism of our police department and also their efforts in terms of working through the Cultural Connections Committee and other projects we have in the city to train our police and increase positive interactions within the city.

Alderman Schoneman

In Ward 3 at Greeley Park we have SummerFun and activities that are occurring quite often, many evenings a week. I want to thank Parks and Rec for organizing these events for us each year for us. I drive down Concord Street sometimes on the way home, and I see a lot of people out there enjoying the concert series. On July 28, in particular, the Yankee Brass Band is coming back to Nashua for the second time. This is cosponsored by Friends of Greeley Park. It's a great show. This is a group of volunteer musicians who play period music on period instruments, wearing period costumes. It's like seeing a piece of history, seeing what might have occurred in Greeley Park 100 years ago.

Alderman Siegel

While I may not have liked the legislation, I certainly don't have anything against the city so I would certainly welcome our new twin sister. Also, I would like to voice support for police everywhere, particularly in Nashua. I also have a plea for rational thinking, thinking outside the social network echo chamber of negativity, and have somebody who can actually look at real information and challenge the prevailing assumptions that some people seem to propagate which are so destructive to our society. Hopefully that can change.

Alderman Deane

To my colleague Alderman Moriarty's concerns and complaints about the traffic signals, a lot of that is standards that we're required to operate under when we accept grants of that nature. It isn't for the LED; I still think that we should go after Ever Source tooth and nail because they are putting the screws to us when it comes to charging us for street lighting. We should be able to look at what other communities are doing and see what we're using for power in each one of those street lights, and we should be billed accordingly. It shouldn't just be a lump sum. Now we're putting LEDs in, that electricity can be measure. There are devices that can be purchased that can measure that. I can't for the life of me understand why the PUC would go against the consumer. I thought that's who they represented. Is there a significant investment? Yes there is, but we'll get our money back. They also allow you to take those lights and reduce the amount of lights that they are throwing. You might have some neighborhoods where you can get the component to do the reduction in the lighting. It would make a lot of people happy. I think what's you're going to find in some of these neighborhoods is a lot of complaints. There's no way to deal with a complaint except to take the light down. I think down the road, I think we should not let EverSource just kick everybody around. If we have a reduction in the power that we are using, we should be seeing that relief from them as well.

Alderman Wilshire

I'd like to thank my colleagues for supporting the legislation for the twinning of the City of Mysore and thank you for those in the audience who came tonight to support that.

Ms. Elaine Olinson

I just wanted to again thank all of you for voting in favor of partnering.

President McCarthy

The public comment period is over.

Alderman Deane

Mr. President, I move to allow her to speak.

President McCarthy

If there are no objections we will allow it.

Ms. Olinson

My name is Elaine, and I have been a resident of Nashua for 30 years. I'm really excited about the partnering of our twin sister. I think it's a wonderful opportunity. I had the opportunity of hosting one of the sculptors as part of the Nashua International Sculpture Symposium, and had an opportunity to meet with him for several weeks. Again, I think it's an amazing opportunity for our wonderful City of Nashua. Thank you for letting me share my thoughts.

President McCarthy

Alderman Deane, with respect to the street lights, as I understand the tariffs are based on the number of hours of darkness when the lights are expected to be on times the wattage of each of the lights. When we replace the inventory of lights, the bill will go down proportional to the difference in power consumption of the new lights versus the old lights.

Alderman Deane

Where can I find that information?

President McCarthy

You'd have to look at the PUC tariffs. When we've talked about it before that's the way they are based. It's pretty well known when the lights will go on and go off on each day of the year.

Alderman Deane

Is EverSource being challenged over charges by the City of Manchester?

President McCarthy

I have no idea. If they are, it's likely on the fact that their inventory of the lights is not accurate or that the rate that they are charging is viewed as excessive, but the bill is based on usage. I want to express my sadness and frustration over the events that have taken place in the last couple of weeks that a number of you commented on. I will be asking the Chief to come in and talk to us about policing initiatives and why those things are not likely to happen here. I don't plan to do that until after the summer schedule is over so we don't drag everybody in for an additional meeting. This may not be the best time to have that conversation anyway, but I will ask the Chief to come in and talk about that at some point.

Committee announcements:

Alderman Cookson

We will be having our Committee on Infrastructure this Thursday evening, the 14th, at 7:00 p.m. in these Chambers. We had the David Deane Skate Park legislation on our agenda. I believe we are going to propose that conversation to a later date seeing that Director Fauteux and Alderman Deane aren't going

to be available at the time we have the meeting scheduled. We're going to postpone that conversation until a later date.

Alderwoman Melizzi-Golja

Next Tuesday, the 19th, at 6:00 p.m. the Strategic Planning Committee will be meeting. Then PEDC will be immediately following. I anticipate at 6:45 – 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Donchess

Public Works Night is Thursday, the 14th, before the game. That's where Director Fauteux is going to be. I think it's a great chance to see Public Works, the equipment, get to know the people. I would encourage everybody on the board and in the community to come on over.

ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN WILSHIRE THAT THE JULY 12, 2016, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN BE ADJOURNED
MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was declared adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Attest: Patricia D. Piecuch, City Clerk