

CITY OF NORTH ADAMS  
City Clerk's Office  
July 19, 2012

I hereby notify you that at twelve o'clock noon today the following items of business have been filed with this office and will be acted upon at the meeting in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, Tuesday evening July 24, 2012 at seven-thirty o'clock according to Section 8, Rules and Orders of the City Council.

Marilyn Gomeau  
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
July 24, 2012

Roll Call  
Moment of silent prayer  
The Pledge

PUBLIC HEARING

Regarding property listed at 160R Eagle Street owned by Michael Hernandez.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Hearing of Visitors

Approval of the minutes of regular meeting held on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

- 10,579-1 An Order declaring the property listed at 160R Eagle Street owned by Michael Hernandez, a nuisance to the neighborhood under the provisions of Chapter 139, Section 1 of the Massachusetts General Laws.
- 11,252 Mayor's communication #31 regarding ceremonial swearing in of three Police Officers; two reserve Police Officers and four reserve Firefighters.
- 11,253 Mayor's communication #32 requesting a Borrowing Order for technology upgrades.
- 11,253 An Order borrowing the sum of \$160,000.00 for the purpose of technology upgrades under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7 (28) & (29).

**CORRESPONDENCE  
COUNCILLOR'S & MAYOR'S CONCERNS  
OPEN FORUM**



# City of North Adams

## In City Council

June 26, 2012

Ordered:

That the City Clerk cause a written notice to be served upon the following property owner:

OWNER

Michael Hernandez  
160 Eagle Street  
North Adams, MA 01247

PROPERTY OWNED

160 Eagle Street (rear)

Said Notice to be in the following form:

NOTICE OF HEARING

To: Michael Hernandez

You are hereby notified that the North Adams City Council will hold a hearing at the Council Chambers, City Hall, North Adams, Massachusetts on Tuesday July 24, 2012 at 7:30 PM, to determine whether a building owned by you and located at 160 Eagle Street (rear), North Adams, Massachusetts is to be adjudged a nuisance to the neighborhood, or dangerous, by reason of its dilapidated or dangerous condition; and, if adjudged a nuisance to the neighborhood, or dangerous, an order may be entered by the City Council concerning its disposition, alteration, or regulation, as provided in General Law (Ter.Ed.) Chapter 139, Section 1.

NORTH ADAMS CITY COUNCIL

By \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor  
Richard J. Alcombright

July 24, 2012  
#31

The Honorable City Council

Re: Swearing in of Permanent Police Officers, Reserve Police Officers and Reserve Fire Fighters

Dear Honorable Members:

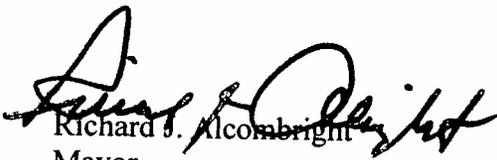
As has been my practice, I am very pleased to introduce to Council and our Community our three newest permanent police officers, two new reserve police officers and four new reserve fire fighters.

The three permanent police officers, Brad Vivori, Trevor Manning and Joshua Zustra have all served the department in a reserve capacity and have distinguished themselves through their training, service and commitment. These officers took their official oaths in my office on July 11<sup>th</sup> however I ask that Council allow for a ceremonial swearing in.

Additionally, it is great to be able to have two reserve police officers and four reserve fire fighters sworn in. The police officers are Jonathan Beaudreau and Nicholas Richards, the fire fighters to be sworn in are, Collin Boucher, Casey Cooke, Brad Sacco, and Tyler Bolte.

It gives me great pleasure and it is with confidence that I make these appointments.

Sincerely,

  
Richard J. Alcombright  
Mayor

RJA:ll



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor  
Richard J. Alcombright

July 24, 2012  
#32

The Honorable City Council  
Re: Technology Upgrades

Dear Honorable Members:

A couple of months ago, during one of the FINCOM budget meetings, we discussed capital projects that need to be done regarding specific technology upgrades. The upgrades have been fully vetted between my office, our Technology Department and various departments impacted by the upgrades. The projects are as follows:

**Disaster Recovery**

**\$39,911.04**

The purpose of this project is to provide a workable disaster recovery plan (DRP) that will meet the City of North Adams objectives and also integrate into a business continuity planning (BCP). Disasters can result from events such as network attacks, computer viruses, electric power failures underground cable cuts or failures, natural disasters, or mistakes in system administration. This project will serve two functions: first it will provide a hot-site for all information technology (IT) services and will be housed at Drury High School. In the event of a disaster at the primary site we will be able to quickly (under 1 hour) migrate all IT services and software to our secondary site. The second function is to provide off-site backups as the need for a secure off-site backup location is critical in maintaining business continuity as well as regulatory compliance.

**Desktop Refresh**

**\$20,805.46**

Funding for the desktop replacement project would allow the IT Department to replace thirty four outdated and out of warranty Dell workstations. These PCs will be replaced by Green compliant HP Pro4000 small form factor workstations. The existing Dell workstations are all a minimum of six years old and have become a source of complaint due to slow processing speeds and old software.

**Voice over IP**

**\$ 78,294.53**

The scope of this project entails replacing the current phone systems covering both the City Hall and Public Safety buildings with Voice over IP (VoIP). This project will enable the City to use Session Initiated Protocol (SIP) for voice services providing a substantial monthly savings of around \$1,200.00 with the new system. In addition to the savings, is a great number of enhancements including voicemail for every extension and/or staff member, caller ID, interactive voice response systems, single number reach-ability and follow-me features. Many of these features have been already been requested by the Public Safety department.

**Fax over IP**

**\$11,277.95**

This project will use the new VoIP system to leverage additional saving by removing our dependence on analog fax machines and costly maintenance contracts. Existing fax machines will be replaced by fax software (Right Fax) installed on every workstation allowing faxing from every computer. Enabling fax over IP provides additional features such as sending and receiving faxes remotely, faxing via email and automatic printing and/or emailing of faxes. In addition to reductions in maintenance contracts and toner we expect to see a reduction in printing and paper costs too.

With a 5% contingency, all projects will total approximately **\$160,000.00** and I have attached a borrowing order for same to cover those upgrades and improvements. The borrowing will be for 5 years and the payments will be appropriated from the Technology Account each year with no impact on the budget or the tax rate.

I respectfully request adoption of the attached order.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Alcombright  
Mayor

RJA:ll



# City of North Adams

In City Council

July 24, 2012

Ordered:

That the sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$160,000) be, and hereby is appropriated for the development, design, purchase and installation of computer hardware, other data processing equipment and computer assisted integrated financial management and accounting systems; and/or for the development, design and purchase of computer software incident to the purchase, installation or operation of computer hardware, other data processing equipment and computer assisted integrated financial management and accounting system.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$160,000) under the provisions of Clauses (28) and (29) of Section 7 of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws.