

CITY OF NORTH ADAMS
City Clerk's Office
August 8, 2013

I hereby notify you that at twelve 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 August 13, 2013 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
August 13, 2013

Roll Call

Moment of silent prayer

The Pledge

Hearing of Visitors

Approval of the minutes of regular meeting held on July 23rd.

- 11,327-1 Communication submitted by Council President requesting a representative from Time Warner to speak to Council on the upcoming changes.
- 11,328 Mayor's communication #28 recommending the appointment of Jennifer Flynn Bernard to the Human Services Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2016.
- 11,329 Mayor's communication #29 recommending the appointment of JoAnn Lipa-Bates to the Human Services Commission to fill the unexpired term of Maria Diamond to expire February 1, 2016.
- 11,330 Mayor's communication #30 recommending a transfer from the Parking Meter Reserve Account to General Government.
- 11,330 An Order appropriating the sum of \$19,236.24 from the Parking Meter Reserve Account to General Government.
- 11,331 Mayor's communication #31 recommending a borrowing order for vehicles and equipment.
- 11,331 An Order authorizing the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor to borrow the sum of \$150,000 for the purpose of vehicles and equipment for various municipal departments.
- 11,332 Mayor's communication #32 recommending the sale of surplus land.
- 11,332 An Order authorizing the Mayor to sell City owned land, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 30B, Section 16.

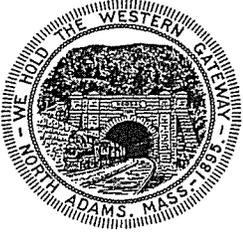
- 11,332-1 An Order authorizing the Mayor to sell City owned land, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 30B, Section 16.
- 11,332-2 An Order authorizing the Mayor to sell City owned land, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 30B, Section 16.
- 11,333 Communication submitted by Councilor Bond regarding a resolution for the Veteran's Outreach Center.
- 11,333 A Resolution supporting the establishment of a Veteran's Outreach Center.
- 11,334 Communication submitted by Councilor Barrett regarding the operations of the Transfer Station.

**CORRESPONDENCE
LICENSES**

An application submitted by Charity R. Rondeau, 39 Hall Street to drive taxi for Tunnel City Taxi.

An application submitted by Edmond Raymond, 661 Main Road, Savoy to drive taxi for Tunnel City Taxi.

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



Office of the City Council

City of North Adams

10 Main Street Room 109
North Adams, Massachusetts 01247
(413) 662-3015

August 13, 2013

Dear Fellow Councilors;

At the our last meeting, Councilor Barrett requested that a representative from Time Warner be present at this meeting to answer questions regarding the upcoming changes.

John Mucha, Director of Government Relations will be present at our meeting to answer questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Council President Michael C. Bloom

August 6, 2013

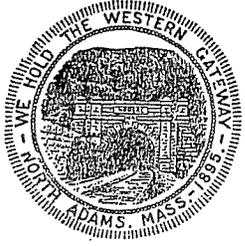
North Adams City Council
City Hall
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I am submitting a resolution regarding a veteran's outreach center in North Adams. Mike Chalifoux , Mike Bloom and myself have attempted to put a resolution together to represent the needs of our veterans. Our veterans need support and allowing the conversation to continue in regards to another outlet for their assistance is important.

I hope as a council we can support this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

David Bond



City of North Adams In City Council

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Whereas:

Berkshire County Veterans had been served by an outreach center for 19 years, 1986 until 2005, which saved many lives and brought in millions of dollars of well-deserved pensions and health care, and

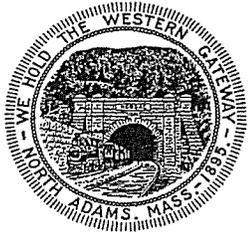
WHEREAS: Millions of dollars have been lost in unclaimed pensions and health care, and

WHEREAS: Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines, servicewomen and men have been and will continue returning home, and

WHEREAS: Berkshire County men and women veterans who served in the United States of America Armed forces have to travel to Springfield to receive outreach services

WHEREAS: Every hour and six minutes a man or woman who served in Iraq and Afghanistan commits suicide, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the North Adams City Council supports the establishment of a Veterans Outreach Center, run by Veterans, be re-established in Berkshire County.



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August 13, 2013

Dear Fellow Councilors;

I would like to request the operation of the Transfer Station be placed on the agenda for the purpose of discussion.

Sincerely,

Councilor John Barrett III



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

August 13, 2013
#28

To: North Adams City Council
Re: Appointment to the Human Services Commission

Dear Honorable Members:

It is with great confidence that I recommend the appointment Jennifer Flynn Bernard to the Human Services Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2016

Jennifer comes to the Commission with significant experience in Mental Health and Academic services and is currently a private practice Mental Health Counselor.

I respectfully request confirmation.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor

RJA:ll



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

August 13, 2013
#29

To: North Adams City Council
Re: Appointment to the Human Services Commission

Dear Honorable Members:

It is with great confidence that I recommend the appointment JoAnn Lipa-Bates to fill the unexpired term of Maria Diamond to expire February 1, 2016.

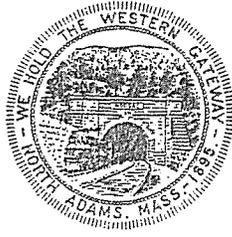
JoAnn comes to the Commission with a significant business background and has served on the MASS MoCA Commission.

I respectfully request confirmation.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor

RJA:ll



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

August 13, 2013
#30

To: North Adams City Council
Re: Transfer Order - Parking Meter Reserve

Dear Honorable Members:

To facilitate the new parking meter fees and diagonal parking structure, we will need to purchase 115 new meters.

The new meters will be all electronic, will accept only quarters and will replace meters on Main, Marshall, Ashland and Eagle Streets. The total cost of the meters, training, equipment and batteries is \$19,236.24.

I respectfully request the adoption of the accompanying Order to facilitate this purchase.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor

RJA:ll



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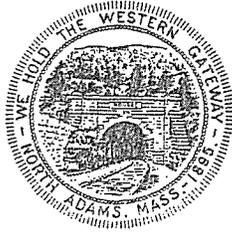
In City Council

August 13, 2013

Ordered:

That the sum of Nineteen Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Six Dollars and Twenty Four Cents (\$19,236.24) be and is hereby appropriated from the Parking Meter Reserve Account to:

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
TRAFFIC & PARKING CONTROL	
Expenses	
Miscellaneous Purchased	\$19,236.24



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

August 13, 2013

#31

To: North Adams City Council

Re: Vehicle and Equipment

Dear Honorable Members:

During one of the FINCOM budget meetings, we discussed capital projects that need to be done which included items from upgrades at the water plant to vehicles for the Wire and Alarm Department. The need to purchase a bucket truck has become a priority as the old vehicle is no longer able to pass either its bucket safety inspection or vehicle safety inspection. The cost to repair the vehicle would be in excess of \$13,000 and we would still have old vehicle with mechanical issues. The cost to repair and monies put into the truck over the past years makes it apparent that the vehicle is in need of replacement. In addition, with the need for the City to be able to take care of the lights on the Vietnam Veterans Bridge, which is currently higher than our vehicle can reach, the best option is to purchase a new bucket truck that would be able to meet all of our current needs.

In addition to the bucket truck the City is also in need of equipment to maintain the City's water supply. This includes a Power Supply IO Card for the water treatment plant and Aerator Compressors for use at the reservoir itself. As summer comes to a close we need to look ahead at our needs for the winter which include a sander for one of the pickup trucks and a full size plow.

The purchases are as follows:

Bucket Truck	\$95,000
SCADA – Power Supply IO Cards	\$25,000
Aerator Compressor (2)	\$15,000

Sander \$5,000

Plow \$10,000

The attached order will allow the City Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor to borrow a sum of 150,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 clause (9) of the General Laws, for the cost of equipment for up to 5 years.

I respectfully request adoption of the attached order.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. J. Alcombright", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor



City of North Adams

In City Council

August 13, 2013

Ordered:

That the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000) be and is hereby appropriated to account 001-9300-5381 Miscellaneous Purchased, to fund the purchase of vehicles and equipment for various municipal departments including the costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation the City Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is hereby authorized to borrow a sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000) under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 clause (9) of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth") to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City to be issued pursuant to this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require.



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

August 13, 2013
#32

To: North Adams City Council
Re: Sale of Surplus Land

Dear Honorable Members:

For several months the administration has been exploring the possible sale of land in the Town of Stamford, Town of Pownal and within the City of North Adams. I now believe we have accomplished enough of the preliminary work to ask the City Council to authorize me to proceed with the sale. Through the preliminary work we have determined that these pieces of land are no longer needed for any municipal purpose and can now be sold under the Procurement Laws of the State of Massachusetts.

As you are aware the first step under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16 is a City Council Order declaring the land surplus property available for disposition. During these difficult times the City of North Adams needs to explore all options to bring additional revenues, therefor I would respectfully recommend the adoption of the accompanying Orders.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor

RJA:ll



City of North Adams

In City Council

August 13, 2013

Ordered:

That the North Adams City Council declares a certain parcel of land owned by the City of North Adams hereafter described to the City Council, said land having been determined to be no longer needed for any municipal purpose, and for the express purpose of disposing the same, all in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16; . Said parcel is described in Map NBHD 9, Span 609-191-10160, 609-191-10799, 609-191-10798; more particularly described and recorded with the Town of Stamford Book 66, Page 248 and containing approximately 351 acres of land.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to take all necessary action pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16, to dispose of said land.



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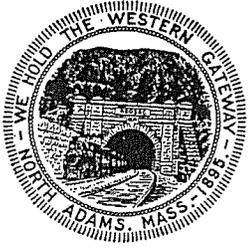
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AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to take all necessary action pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16, to dispose of said land.



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AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to take all necessary action pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16, to dispose of said land.