

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of business of the Board of Aldermen
in hands of the Clerk by 2PM the day of the meeting**

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

June 26, 2003, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Call of the Roll.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes of the meeting of 5/22/03.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Petition Boston Edison and Verizon for a grant of location to relocate pole 525/1 in Smith Ave.
4. Petition Verizon for a grant of location to install 48 feet of conduit from pole 269/4 to 21-23 Park St.
5. Petition Verizon for a grant of location to install 7 feet of conduit from pole 372/4 to 24 Lake St.
6. Petition Verizon for a grant of location to install 7 feet of conduit from pole 362/1 to 441 Norfolk St.

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS
AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

7. Citation By Ald. Roche, McCallum and the Entire Board, Congratulating Charles "Skeets" Scioli on the happy occasion of his 90th birthday.
8. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking post Resident Only parking signs on Maine Ave. ASAP, and notify residents of this street via a flyer.
9. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking post Resident Only parking signs on Pinckney St. ASAP, and notify residents of this street via a flyer.

10. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works plant grass seed along the median strip on East Broadway at the several bare spots, specifically where a new manhole has just been installed.
11. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Chief of Police have a plan in place to prioritize hiring of details at Khoury's State Spa and that a directed patrol be in place at 1:00AM each Friday and Saturday until details are secured.
12. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works monitor and clean all playgrounds in East Somerville every morning throughout the summer, specifically paying special attention to the East Somerville Community School playground.
13. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 18 Dell St. and 23 Dell St. for the proper building permits for ongoing construction projects.
14. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 49 Tufts St. as neighbors suspect it is being used as a rooming house, and also inspect the interior of building to determine if renovations have been completed without permits.
15. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the grass and maintain the landscaping at the East Branch Library on a regular basis throughout the summer.
16. Order By Ald. Roche, That T&P strategically place signage for vehicles leaving the Hess Gas Station indicating that Kensington Ave is a One-Way Street.
17. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police explain to the Ward Five Alderman why the Police Dept. fails to respond to calls about illegally parked automobiles in the fire lane on Lowell Terrace.
18. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief Fire Engineer enforce the towing of illegally parked automobiles on Lowell Terrace.
19. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the Ward Five Alderman regarding Board Order #173893 and enforcement of the overlay of Gilson Terrace by the developer of 4-6 Gilson Terrace.
20. Order By Ald. McCallum and White, That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign at the corner of Bond and Heath Sts., due to the many traffic accidents there.

21. Resolution By Ald. McCallum and White, That this Board of Aldermen hereby requests that the Administration take steps to take over the repair of the benches at the Blessing of the Bay boathouse, as the MDC will not repair or replace them.
22. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the tree stump from in front of 21 Victoria St. and make any repairs to the sidewalk that are necessary.
23. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk in front of 18 Waterhouse St.
24. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services remove the news racks from in front of 1244 Broadway that do not have the proper city news rack sticker.
25. Order By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the large pothole in front of 11 Harden Rd.
26. Order By Ald. Trane and Curtatone, That the City Solicitor review Ordinance 1998-2 Placement and Maintenance of News Racks, with an objective of requiring a yearly permit for each news rack and a fee for each individual news rack.
27. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works paint the wall at Lincoln Park.
28. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide this Board with a list of licensed free newspapers.
29. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the City Solicitor and the Commissioner of Public Works report back to this Board on the feasibility of charging a fee for curb cuts requested from the city and a suggestion for such fee.
30. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol of Powderhouse Park on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, prior to a Monday holiday, to enforce the 10:00 PM curfew, and instruct officers to take note of late night/early morning drinking parties near the powderhouse area proximate to Liberty Ave. and Powderhouse Park.
31. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the electric utility company to repair or replace the street light at the corner of Winslow and College Aves., outside the entrance of Ciampa Manor.

32. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Director of Traffic and Parking advise this Board on the status of the signal replacement at the intersection of Highland and Cutter Aves., and respond in writing prior to the next regular meeting of this Board.
33. Resolution By Ald. Taylor, That the Dedication Committee name the corner of Highland Ave. and Trull Lane in honor of Father Edward Gaudet.
34. Order By Ald. Provost and O'Donovan, That the Department of Public Works repair the lifted sidewalk panel in front of 104 Central St., trim the street tree in front of the house at that address, and trim the street tree on the side of the same house, especially where it is growing around the electric wires, or require NStar to do such trimming.
35. Order By Ald. Provost and O'Donovan, That the Department of Traffic and Parking enforce the prohibition on the overnight parking of commercial vehicles on Albion St. between Central and Lowell Sts.
36. Order By Ald. Provost and Taylor, That the City Engineer and the Highway Superintendent respond to the attached citizen letter regarding the condition of the road surface and sewers in Jerome Court and Jerome St., and send copies of their replies to this Board.
37. Resolution By Ald. Provost, White and Roche, That the Administration provide this Board with copies of the most recent Mass. Municipal Association "Benchmark Salary Survey," released in March, 2003, which provides information about the work hours and maximum and minimum annual pay for municipal jobs throughout the state.
38. Order By Ald. Provost, That the Director of Public Works update this Board on the status of the "Pay as You Throw" program developed by the Bureau of Solid Waste in the state's Dept. of Environmental Protection, and advise this Board of the feasibility of adopting this program in Somerville.
39. Order By Ald. Provost, That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider, and advise this Board of the feasibility of, a program whereby the city's streets, except for commercial districts, are posted for resident overnight parking only; residents are charged a small fee for resident overnight parking permits, and vehicles not principally garaged in Somerville are charged market rate for parking overnight on the streets of Somerville.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

40. Requesting the re-authorization of the Cable TV/
Telecommunications Revolving Fund.
41. Requesting two votes in accordance with Ch. 252 of the
Acts and Resolves of 1996.
42. Requesting that members of the Zoning Board of Appeals
be designated Special Municipal Employees per MGL
c.268A.
43. Requesting approval of the amendment of Ordinance 2-246
and 2-247 re: the merger of the Youth and Recreation
Depts.
44. Requesting approval of ordinances amending the Police
and Fire false alarm provisions.
45. Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition re: Special
Police Officers.
46. Requesting approval of the rental of a portion of the
Edgerly Early Education Center.
47. Conveying OHCD's updated Nexus study re: development,
affordable housing, and linkage issues.
48. Requesting confirmation to appoint Deborah-Jean
McGonigal of 39 Puritan Rd. as Constable.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

49. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance, June
16.
50. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance, June
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51. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance, June
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52. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance, June
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53. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance, June
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54. Report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance, June 25.
55. Report of the Joint Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, Public Health and Public Safety, and Licenses and Permits, June 25.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

56. Acting Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various board orders.
57. City Treasurer conveying information re: refinancing general obligation bonds not exceeding \$12,000,000.
58. Planning Board submitting its report and recommendations re: proposed Assembly Sq. zoning amendment.
59. OHCD Director responding to #174461 re: Tree replacement.
60. Fire/ISD Life Safety Task Force responding to #174284 re: Inspections stemming from the 2/20/03 Rhode Island Fire.

NEW BUSINESS

61. Public Occ. **Public Property Occupancy Permit**
Nikulydin live music – street performance, Davis Sq. Plaza on June 28 and July 10 at 7-10PM.
62. Public Occ. Somerville Youth Hockey canning, citywide on Sept. 6 and Nov. 29 from 9-12PM.
63. Public Occ. Hawthorne St. Block Party, July 26 from 4-11PM.
64. Flamm. Lic. **Renewal of Flammables License**
A. Barbuto Oil Co., 24-28 South St., 19,000 gallons.
65. Flamm. Lic Internap Network Services, 70 Inner Belt Rd., 7,500 gallons.
66. Garage Lic. **Renewal of Garage License**
Fred M. Susan & Sons Auto Repair, 267-269 Somerville Ave., 50 Autos.
67. Lodging Hse **Renewal of Lodging Houses**
Theta Chi, 100 Packard Ave.
68. Lodging Hse Sigma Phi Epsilon, 114 Curtis St.

69. Lodging Hse Alpha Phi, 14 Sawyer Ave.
70. Lodging Hse Alpha Omicron Pi, 25 Whitfield Rd.
71. Sign **New Sign or Awning Over a Public Way**
East Cambridge Savings Bank, Magoun Sq.
72. Sign CVS, Magoun Sq.
73. Vendor Lic **New Open Air Vendor License**
Frank Fodera, 740 Broadway, Weekdays-Sat. from
11:30AM-7:30PM.
74. Taxi Med. **Renewal of Taxi Medallion**
Victory Cab Corporation, 255 Medford St., #56.
75. Taxi Med. DRQ Taxi Inc, 29 Franklin Ave., #27.
76. Taxi Med. Pena Cabs Inc., 45 Webster Ave., #03.
77. Taxi Med. Pena Cabs Inc., 45 Webster Ave., #04.
78. Taxi Med. Benayad Inc., 12 Waitt Ave, Lynn, #16.
79. Claim Notice **Notice of Claim**
Nicole Pelletier.
80. Comm. **Communication**
Senator Shannon and Representative Ciampa responding to
#174068 re: Foss Park and Foss and Dilboy pools.
81. Comm. Daniel Turcotte and Associates/Automobile Recyclers
Association of Mass. re: used car dealers licensure.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM