

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

December 30, 2008, 5:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

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PRESENT for all or part of the meeting: President Dennis M. Sullivan, Vice President Walter F. Pero, Aldermen John M. Connolly, Bruce M. Desmond, William A. White Jr., William M. Roche, Maryann M. Heuston, Thomas F. Taylor, Robert C. Trane

OPENING OF THE MEETING

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| 1. | Roll Call | Call of the Roll. | 186657
Placed on File |
| 2. | Minutes | Approval of the minutes of the Special Meeting of Nov. 24, 2008, and the Regular Meeting of Nov. 25, 2008. | 186658
Approved |

CITATIONS

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| 3. | Citation | By Ald. Roche, Sullivan and the Entire Board, Commending the Brenda McDonnell Memorial Fund, which honors the memory of a dedicated school teacher who served the City with distinction for 30 years. | 186659
Approved |
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

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| 4. | Grant of Location | NStar Electric for a grant of location to install about 15 feet of conduit from a pole on Morrison Ave. to 2 Highland Rd. | 186660
Approved
Ald. Roche Recused |
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**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS
AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

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| 5. | Comm. | By Ald. Gewirtz, Commenting on the city's trash disposal contract. | 186661
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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| 6. | Citation | By Ald. Sullivan and the Entire Board, Commending Michael Buckley, who is resigning after 5 years of distinguished service on the Mayor's staff and at the DPW. | 186592
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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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| 7. | Committee Report | Report of the Committee on Public Utilities & Public Works, Dec. 15. | 186662
Approved |
| 7A. | Resolution | By Ald. Connolly, That this Board urges the Administration to maintain its cable franchising position at the local level. | 186663
Approved |

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

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| 8. | Mayor's Request | Requesting approval of an agreement with Liberty Mutual for \$12,000,000 as settlement for the fire damage to the East Somerville Community School. | 186664
Met in Exec. Session,
No Votes Taken;
Approved |
| 9. | Mayor's Request | Requesting approval to exercise Option Year 5 of the Langton & Douglas Inc. and FW Russell Inc. contract for solid waste, recycling and yard waste pickup services. | 186665
Approved |
| 10. | Mayor's Request | Requesting approval of an extension of the Homeland Security Grant Memorandum of Agreement with Boston, extending the eligibility for grants to Dec. 31, 2010. | 186666
Approved |
| 11. | Mayor's Request | Requesting that this Board meet in Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. | 186667
Met in Exec. Session,
No Votes Taken;
Placed on File |

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

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| 12. | Officer's Comm. | City Clerk responding to #186569 re: Vinfen contract and regulations at 81 Bartlett St. and 155 Central St. | 186668
Placed on File, Copy to
Public Health & Safety |
| 13. | Officer's Comm. | Chief of Police responding to various board orders. | 186669
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Public Health & Safety |

NEW BUSINESS

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| 14. | Amusemnt | New Automatic Amusement Device License, 381 Summer St. Restaurant Inc. dba RoseBud, 381 Summer St., 3 devices. | 186670
Licenses & Permits |
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| 15. | Amusemnt | Renewal of Automatic Amusement Device License, Northeast Motel Associates dba Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., 1 device. | 186671
Licenses & Permits |
| 16. | Used Car | Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Leins Auto Repair Inc., 65½ Bow St., 17 autos. | 186672
Licenses & Permits |
| 17. | Used Car | Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Motorcycles and More LLC, 107 Bailey Rd., No autos. | 186673
Licenses & Permits |
| 18. | Used Car | Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Auto Gallery Group Inc. dba American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave., 20 autos outside & 2 inside. | 186674
Licenses & Permits |
| 19. | Used Car | Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Louis Frank Motorcars, 27 Porter St., No autos. | 186675
Licenses & Permits |
| 20. | Used Car | Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Neeka Inc. dba Manny's Auto Center, 463 McGrath Hwy., 30 autos outside. | 186676
Licenses & Permits |
| 21. | Used Car | Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class III, Ed's Used Autos Parts, 516-518 Columbia St. | 186677
Licenses & Permits |
| 22. | Comm. | Leah Staub-DeLong re: The new Condominium Conversion Ordinance. | 186678
Placed on File, Copy to
Legislative Matters |

LATE ITEMS

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| 23. | Order | By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of SPCD perform a weekly inspection of the Brickbottom neighborhood. | 186679
Approved |
| 24. | Resolution | By Ald. Trane, That this Board requests that the Administration negotiate future waste contracts on a fiscal year basis. | 186680
Approved |
| 25. | Citation | By the Entire Board, Commending Walter F. Pero for his distinguished service as Vice President of the Board in 2008. | 186681
Approved |
| 26. | Citation | By the Entire Board, Commending Dennis M. Sullivan for his distinguished service as President of the Board in 2008. | 186682
Approved |

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk