

CITY OF LYNN

**City Council Meeting, December 17, 2019
Council President Darren P. Cyr**

**Eleven Members Present
Moment of Silence
Pledge of Allegiance**

**Motion made by Councilor Colucci and seconded by Councilor Barton to accept the Meeting Minutes of December 3, 2019.
Motion carried.**

COMMUNICATIONS:

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby appointing Ms. Paula Mackin, 27 Woodlawn Street, as my designee to serve on the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation Board. Ms. Mackin's term is effective immediately and will expire on June 30, 2022.

Sincerely, Mayor Thomas M. McGee

Motion made by Councilor Colucci and seconded by Councilor Lozzi to appoint Paula Mackin to serve on the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation Board, effective immediately and will expire on June 30, 2022.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor Field and Councilor Starbard absent at vote).

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby re-appointing Mr. Joseph Scanlon III, 236 Parkland Avenue to serve as Treasurer of the Lynn Community Television Board. Mr. Scanlon's term is effective immediately. Sincerely, Mayor Thomas M. McGee

Motion made by Councilor Barton and seconded by Councilor Chakoutis to appoint Joseph Scanlon to serve as Treasurer of the Lynn Community Television Board, effective immediately.

Motion carried by the following yea and any vote:

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Field absent).

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby re-appointing Mr. Robert Tucker, 295 Lynn Shore Drive, to serve as Chair of the Lynn Community Television Board. Mr. Tucker's term is effective immediately.

Sincerely,

Mayor Thomas M. McGee

Motion made by Councilor Colucci and seconded by Councilor Net to appoint Robert Tucker to serve as Chair of the Lynn Community Television Board, effective immediately.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Field absent).

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby appointing Ms. Catherine Bransfield, 65 Den Quarry Road as my designee to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees. Ms. Bransfield's term is effective immediately and will expire on December 5, 2022.

Sincerely, Mayor Thomas M. McGee

Motion made by Councilor Colucci and seconded by Councilor Barton to appoint Catherine Bransfield to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees, effective immediately and will expire on December 5, 2022.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Field absent at vote).

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby appointing Ms. Rosemary Martin, 70 York Road as my designee to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees. Ms. Martin's term is effective immediately and will expire on January 5, 2023.

Sincerely, Mayor Thomas M. McGee

Motion made by Councilor Colucci and seconded by Councilor Net to appoint Rosemary Martin to serve on the Lynn Public Board of Trustees, effective immediately and will expire on January 5, 2023.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Field absent at vote).

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby appointing Ms. Megan White, 47 Myrtle Street, as my designee to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees. Ms. White's term is effective immediately and will expire on December 5, 2021. Sincerely, Mayor Thomas M.

McGee

Motion made by Councilor Colucci and seconded by Councilor Barton to appoint Megan White, 76 Myrtle Street to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees, effective immediately and will expire on December 5, 2021.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Field absent).

Dear Councilors,

I am hereby re-appointing Mr. William Conway, 64 Springview Drive as my designee to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees. Mr. Conway's term is effective immediately and will expire on January 5, 2023. Sincerely, Mayor Thomas M. McGee
Motion made by Councilor Lozzi and seconded by Councilor Walsh to appoint William Conway to serve on the Lynn Public Library Board of Trustees, effective immediately and will expire on January 5, 2023.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

9 NO 1 YES (Councilor Lozzi voting YES, Councilor Field absent at vote).

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing to Make a Determination on the Percentages of the FY'20 Tax Levy to be Borne by Each Class of Real and Personal Property.

No one appeared in Favor.

No one appeared in Opposition.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion made by Councilor Lozzi and seconded by Councilor Colucci to set the Tax Rate with the lowest Residential Factor.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

11 YES 0 NO

Petition of Peter Gearhart to convert an existing second floor office space into ten residential apartments (5 studio and 5 one bedroom units) at 140 Union Street.

The following appeared in Favor:

Peter Gearhart, 85 Exchange Street

No one appeared in Opposition.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion made by Councilor and seconded by Councilor Net to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

11 YES 0 NO

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE SET DOWN:

-Petition of Vincent Phelan on behalf of Lyndhurst Trust, for 16 residential one bedroom units, at 189-191 North Common St. Eight units will be on the 2nd floor, with three units on the 3rd floor, and an Adult Day Care Center on the 1st floor.

Motion made by Councilor Barton and seconded by Councilor Colucci to set down for a Public Hearing.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report of the December 17, 2019 Committee on Licensing recommending the following to be accepted:

OLD GOLD & SILVER-RENEWAL

431 Lynnway, Empire Loan of Lynn- **Granted**

810 Lynnway, We Buy Gold 24- **Granted**

62 Market Sq., All Checks Cashed, Inc. - **Granted**

193 Union St., B & V Jewelry- **Granted**

433 Washington St., A & S Pawn and Used Jewelry- **Granted**

PAWN BROKERS'-RENEWAL

431 Lynnway, Empire Loan of Lynn- **Granted**

193 Union St., B & V Jewelry- **Granted**

433 Washington St., A & S Pawn and Used Jewelry- **Granted**

SECOND-HAND ARTICLE-RENEWAL

431 Lynnway, Empire Loan of Lynn- **Granted**

800 Lynnway, Lynnway Mart- **Granted**

810 Lynnway, We Buy Gold 24- **Granted**

193 Union St., B & V Jewelry- **Granted**

433 Washington St., A & S Pawn and Used Jewelry- **Granted**

CLASS II AUTO DEALER/AUTO REPAIR/FLAMMABLE – RENEWAL

811 Lynnway, Far East Exports, Inc. - **Granted**

921 Western Ave., Point Auto Sales, Inc. - **Granted**

1147 Western Ave., Osaka Auto Sales - **Granted**

OTHER BUSINESS:

REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the December 17, 2019 Committee on Public Property and Parks recommending the following to be accepted:

1. **Bid Openings:**
21R Michigan Avenue

Sale of Vacant Lot, containing 6,089 square feet on Myrtle Street

Motion made by Councilor Walsh and seconded by Councilor Field to reject all bids on both properties.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Walsh and seconded by Councilor Field to advertise new RFP with a committee review on February 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**2. OTHER BUSINESS:
REPORT ACCEPTED.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Council President Cyr passed the gavel to Council Vice-President Barton. Motion made by Councilor Cyr and seconded by Councilor Colucci. Motion made by Councilor Colucci to remove from the Table the Petition of Chris Mitchem of Portland Oregon to open a Marijuana Retail Business at 229 Lewis Street a/k/a 1 Chestnut Street, 7 days per week 9am to 8pm. (Tabled 9/10/19) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Cyr and seconded by Councilor Colucci to DENY. Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Councilor Chakoutis and seconded by Councilor Barton to remove from the Table the Petition of Michael Njika owner of the Banquet Event Center Inc to open a restaurant and Banquet Hall with the sale of all alcoholic beverages on the premises at 138 Boston St. (Tabled 10/8/19). Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Chakoutis and seconded by Councilor Barton to DENY.

*Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO*

Motion made by Councilor Walsh and seconded by Councilor Colucci to remove from the Table the Petition of the Extenet Systems for permission to construct a small cell wireless telecommunications facility to be attached to an existing utility pole located on a public way at the following locations in Ward Seven and grant the following locations:

- Ames Street
- Avon Street
- Raddin Grove Avenue
- Heffernan Avenue
- Wyman Street
- Myrtle Street

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: RESOLUTION / Councilor Field

Resolution Supporting Efforts to Save the North Atlantic Right Whale

WHEREAS, the North Atlantic right whales have been hunted since the 11th century; and

WHEREAS, once numbering in the tens of thousands, the right whale population has dwindled to 410, with fewer than 100 reproductive-aged females left alive and no new births observed in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the carcasses of more than 20 whales have been found over the last two years; and

WHEREAS, the remaining population of right whales is immediately threatened by human activity; and

WHEREAS, without action, the North Atlantic right whale as a species will be extinct in our lifetime; and

WHEREAS, Federal legislation known as the Scientific Assistance for the Very Endangered (SAVE) Right Whales Act, sponsored by Congressman Seth Moulton and co-sponsored by 35 Members of Congress from Florida to New Hampshire, has been endorsed by the International Fund for Animal Welfare; and

WHEREAS, this act would provide the development and adoption of innovative solutions and technology to reduce the leading causes of right whale deaths: commercial fishing entanglements and collisions with shipping vessels; and

WHEREAS, the act would provide critical funding for whale-safe gear that would ensure an ocean that sustains both the right whale and a viable lobster industry for the hardworking men and women from Massachusetts who make a living on the water; and

WHEREAS, the right whale migratory range passes by the Massachusetts coast; and

WHEREAS, the permanent loss of an entire species is a blow to the ocean's ecosystem that our coastal communities will witness firsthand; and

WHEREAS, as a coastal state, we have a responsibility as marine stewards to prevent this ecological tragedy; now

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Lynn supports the efforts at the Federal level of the SAVE Right Whales Act.

Motion made by Council Field and seconded by Councilor Colucci to grant. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Barton and seconded by Councilor Walsh to adjourn.

Notice of this meeting was posted in the City Clerk's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance.

A True Copy Attest:

CITY CLERK