

Councilors-at-Large

Sean A. Navin
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Ward Councilors

Ward 1 – Mark A. Vital
Ward 2 – David Doucette
Ward 3 – Robert Preciado
Ward 4 – Teona C. Brown
Ward 5 – John J. Irish
Ward 6 – A. Trey Fuccillo
Ward 7 – Donald R. Landers, Sr.

Council President

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CITY OF MARLBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 8:00 PM in City Council Chambers, City Hall. Councilors Present: Ossing, Vital, Doucette, Preciado, Brown, Irish, Fuccillo, Navin, Oram, & Robey. Councilors Absent: Landers. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Motion by Councilor Brown, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Minutes of the City Council meeting, JANUARY 8, 2024, **FILE**; adopted.

Motion by Councilor Robey, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Communication from Council President Ossing, re: 2024 City Council Committee Assignments, **FILE**; adopted.

Suspension of the Rules requested – Motion by Councilor Irish to allow a late communication from the Mayor – granted.

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: Under authority of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53A, the City Council hereby **APPROVES** the Gift Acceptance in the amount of \$14,240.00 from the Assurance Technology Corporation (New England Sports Center), awarded to the city to be used to pay for an electronic scoreboard in memory of Wes Tuttle at the new Dek Hockey Rink at Ghiloni Field; adopted.

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Transfer Request in the amount of \$40,000.00 (Forty thousand dollars) which moves funds from Free Cash to IT Equipment for Website Upgrade & Redesign Project, referred to **FINANCE COMMITTEE**; adopted.

CITY OF MARLBOROUGH									
BUDGET TRANSFERS --									
	DEPT:	IT					FISCAL YEAR:	2024	
		FROM ACCOUNT:					TO ACCOUNT:		
Available									Available
Balance	Amount	Org Code	Object	Account Description:	Amount	Org Code	Object	Account Description:	Balance
\$7,602,846.40	\$40,000.00	10000	35900	Undesignated Fund	\$40,000.00	19300006	58618	IT Equipment	\$0.00
	Reason:	Website redesign							
	\$40,000.00	Total			\$40,000.00	Total			

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Transfer Request in the amount of \$100,000.00 (One hundred thousand dollars) which moves funds from PEG Funds to Marlborough Cable Trust to fund WMCT FY 2025 operations, referred to **FINANCE COMMITTEE**; adopted.

Councilor Ossing read a Disclosure of Appearance of Conflict of Interest into the record.

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BUDGET TRANSFERS --									
	DEPT:	Mayor					FISCAL YEAR:	2024	
		FROM ACCOUNT:					TO ACCOUNT:		
Available									Available
Balance	Amount	Org Code	Object	Account Description:	Amount	Org Code	Object	Account Description:	Balance
\$791,930.97	\$100,000.00	27000099	47750	Receipts Reserved-PEG Funds	\$100,000.00	89000	25581	Marlboro Cable Trust	\$0.00
	Reason:	To partially fund WMCTS FY25 Budget							
	\$100,000.00	Total			\$100,000.00	Total			

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Transfer Request in the amount of \$158,300.00 (One hundred fifty-eight thousand, three hundred dollars) which moves funds from Reserve for Salaries to various accounts within the Police, Public Works & Recreation Departments to fund retirements of several employees, **APPROVED**, adopted.

	DEPT:	Mayor					FISCAL YEAR:	2024		
Available										Available
Balance	Amount	Org Code	Object	Account Description:	Amount	Org Code	Object	Account Description:		Balance
\$300,000.00	\$158,300.00	11990006	57820	Reserve for Salaries	\$85,205.00	12100003	51920	Police Sick Leave Buyback		\$80,275.76
	Reason:	To fund budgeted retirements								
					\$19,915.00	14001501	50680	Parks General Foreman		\$44,068.77
					\$35,840.00	14001503	51920	Parks Sick Leave Buyback		\$3,438.97
	Reason:									
					\$17,200.00	14920003	51920	Recreation Sick Leave		\$0.18
	Reason:									
					\$140.00	14920003	51430	Recreation Longevity		\$0.00
	\$158,300.00	Total			\$158,300.00	Total				

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Request to increase the spending limit for the Public Safety Revolving Fund from \$120,000.00 to \$143,520.00 for the remainder of FY 2024 referred to **FINANCE COMMITTEE**, adopted.

Motion by Councilor Navin, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Appointment of Elizabeth Austin to the Conservation Commission for a 2-year term to expire on May 5, 2026, referred to **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**; adopted.

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Proposed Amendments to the City Code, Chapter 125 “Personnel”, §6 “Salary Schedule” relative to positions at the Library and Public Facilities and the Proposed Job Descriptions (attached hereto) pursuant to Chapter 125 “Personnel” §5 “Preparation of Classification Descriptions”, for new positions within the Public Library and Public Facilities Departments, referred to the **FINANCE COMMITTEE & ADVERTISE**; adopted.

Motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Communication from Interim Comptroller/Treasurer David Williams, re: OPEB Trust Update, **FILE**; adopted.

Motion by Councilor Robey, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Council President send a communication to the MA State Lottery Commission, to record the City Council's opposition to the issuance of a Keno Monitor to existing Keno To Go agents, Pleasant St Smoke Shop, 170 Pleasant Street and Monti's Mini, 274 Maple Street, **APPROVED**; adopted.

Motion by Councilor Doucette, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the Minutes of following Boards, Commissions and Committees, **FILE**; adopted.

- a) Cultural Council, December 7, 2023.
- b) OPEB Trust, January 11, 2024.
- c) Traffic Commission, October 25, 2023.

Motion by Councilor Brown, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED: That the following CLAIMS, referred to the **LEGAL DEPARTMENT**; adopted.

- a) Nancy Casaceli, 232 Cook Lane, pothole or other road defect.
- b) Karine Lopes-Aredes, 4 Neil Street, other property damage and/or personal injury.
- c) William MacCormac, 168 Farm Road, residential mailbox claim (2b).

Motion by Councilor Navin, seconded by the Chair to adopt the following:

ORDERED There being no further business, the regular meeting of the City Council is herewith adjourned at 8:12 PM; adopted.