

**REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 5, 2023**

Regular Meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chambers, Room 219, City Hall, on Monday evening, June 5, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Elizabeth Kazinskas called the meeting to order at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

CALL OF THE ROLL

City Clerk Titi Siriphan called the Roll of Members. Ten (10) Councillors were present including Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Elizabeth Kazinskas, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros, and James Walsh. Councillor Dana Heath was absent.

OPENING PRAYER

President Kazinskas led the Council in reciting the Opening Prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Kazinskas led the Council in reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance".

OPEN MEETING RECORDING & PUBLIC RECORDS ANNOUNCEMENT

President Elizabeth Kazinskas announced to the assembly that the Open Meeting Recording and Public Records Announcement. Any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting or may transmit the meeting through any medium subject to reasonable requirements of the chair as to the number placement and operation of equipment used so as not to interfere with the conduct of the meeting. Any person intending to make such recordings shall notify the Chair forthwith. All documents and exhibits used or referenced at the meeting must be submitted in duplicate to the chair as they become part of the meeting minutes pursuant to General Law Chapter 38 Section 20.

READING & ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Councillor Ronald Cormier and seconded by Councillor James Walsh, it was voted viva voce, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to waive the reading and accept the MINUTES of March 20, 2023, Joint Public Hearing with Planning Board Meeting, April 3, 2023 Joint Public Hearing with Planning Board Meeting, and April 3, 2023 Regular Meeting.



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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR
ORDERS

#11009

On a motion made by Councillor Ronald Cormier and seconded by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh the following ORDER ought to pass:

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PRIOR YEAR SALARY EXPENDITURE

ORDERED: To authorize payment of prior year POLICE salary expenditure account for prior year, as follows:

FY2022	POLICE/PATROLMEN SAL ACCT	\$300.09
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#11011

On a motion made by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FROM BUILDING INSPECTOR DEPT, DEPT HEAD SALARIES TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXPENDITURES.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby transferred the appropriations sum of TEN Thousand FIVE Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$10,500.00) from Building Inspector Department, Department Head Salaries to Professional Services Expenditures.

#11012

On a motion made by Councillor Ronald Cormier and seconded by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh the following ORDER ought to pass:



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AN ORDER TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FROM HUMAN RESOURCE DEPT, DEPT HEAD SALARIES TO POOL DEPT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXPENDITURES.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby transferred the appropriations sum of FIVE Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) from Human Resource Department, Department Head Salaries to Pool Department Professional Services Expenditures.

#11014

On a motion made by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING FROM SEWER SURPLUS TO SLUDGE LANDFILL EXPENSE.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Three Hundred Seven Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$307,000.00) from Sewer Surplus to Sludge Landfill Expense.

#11015

On a motion made by Councillor Ronald Cormier and seconded by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER REQUESTING A TRANSFER FROM SEWER SURPLUS/RETAINED EARNINGS TO DPW DEPT NEW EQUIPMENT.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby transfer the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars and 00/100 (\$39,348.00) from Sewer Surplus/Retained Earnings to DPW New Equipment as follows:

DPW NEW EQUIPMENT	\$39,348.00
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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR
COMMUNICATIONS**#11016**

On a motion made by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to GRANT *A Measure Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Subordination for case number#11-293 for the Purpose of the Community Development Housing Rehabilitation Program.*

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the City Council of the City of Gardner that the intent and purpose of the Community Development Housing Rehabilitation Program is to maintain safe, affordable housing units for low to moderate income families by financially assisting owners of such properties, it is therefore resolved that:

The Mayor is duly authorized to execute the Subordination for case #111-293 in the amount of \$26,000.00 subject to review and approval as to form by the City Solicitor. The term of the loan is 15 years expiring on June 7, 2028.

PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.**#11010**

On a motion made by Councillor Judy Mack and seconded by Councillor James Boone, it was voted viva voce, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to APPROVE *A Resolution to Seek Membership in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.*

RESOLUTION of the Gardner City Council**TO SEEK MEMBERSHIP IN THE AARP NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES**

WHEREAS, the health and safety of residents of all ages is the highest concern to the citizens of Gardner; **and**

WHEREAS, as the U.S population ages and people stay healthy and active longer, communities must adapt; **and**



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WHEREAS, research shows that older Americans overwhelmingly want to remain in their homes and communities as they age; **and**

WHEREAS, our physical, social, and cultural environments greatly impact how we live and age impacting our ability to live longer and better; **and**

WHEREAS, planning processes including community revitalization and economic development plans should include the needs of all people regardless of age, income, physical ability, race, and other factors of older adults; **and**

WHEREAS, community decisions on land-use, housing, and transportation should be consistent with comprehensive plans that have been developed with public input; **and**

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has noted that “making cities and communities age-friendly is one of the most effective policy approaches for responding to demographic ageing”; **and**

WHEREAS, members of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities become part of a global network of communities that are committed to giving their older residents the opportunity to live rewarding, productive and safe lives; **and**

WHEREAS, membership in the Network of Age-Friendly Communities includes access to financial assistance and technical expertise; **and**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that to ensure Gardner is a well-designed, livable community that promotes health and sustained economic growth for residents of all ages, the City of Gardner supports the Age-Friendly Community planning process and requests participation in the Network of Age-Friendly Communities

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

#10990

On a motion made by Councillor Ronald Cormier and seconded by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING FROM FREE CASH TO THE IT DEPT – NEW EQUIPMENT EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and No Cents (\$14,925.00) from Free Cash to the New Equipment Expense Account.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE**#10993**

Councillor James Walsh Requested more time on *A Petition by National Grid and Verizon New England Inc., Elm Street – to install 1, Remove 1 and Relocate 1 Jointly Owned Pole on Elm Street beginning at a point approximately 360 feet southeast of the centerline of the intersection of Elm Street and Cross Street and continuing approximately 500 feet in a south direction. P6-80 Replace and Relocate +/- 30' West. Install anchor guy on West of Pole. P7-99 is being removed. P10-99 is installing Push Brace on West side of P10* to the Public Service Committee for further study and report. The Committee will be meeting next Thursday to discuss this item.

There were no objections. More time was granted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
SAFETY COMMITTEE**#10971**

Councillor Craig Cormier informed the Council that this item relied on the prior zoning amendment for marijuana establishments that was previously removed from the calendar.

On a motion made by Councillor Ronald Cormier and seconded by Councillor Aleksander Dernalowicz, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to remove from the calendar, *An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Chapter 306, thereof, entitled "Alcoholic Beverages," to add a new section 5 thereof, entitled, "Marijuana Retail Establishments" to Increase the Quota Allowed and Change the Method for Amending the Quota Allowed by the Code of the City of Gardner.*

#10991

President Elizabeth Kazinskas recused herself and exited the chambers from this item due to a conflict of interest. Councillor Ronald Cormier took her place.

On a motion made by Councillor Craig Cormier and seconded by Councillor Karen Hardern, it was voted viva voce, nine (9) yeas, Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros



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and James Walsh; one (1) abstained, President Elizabeth Kazinskas; to APPROVE *An Application by Gardner Ten Pins, Inc, for a Bowling Alley License located at 560 West Broadway.*

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

#10996

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Judy Mack, it was voted viva voce, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to PLACE ON FILE, *A Memorandum from Mayor Nicholson Regarding the FY2024 City Budget.*

#10997

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AUTHORIZING FY2023 REVOLVING FUNDS
 M.G.L. CH.44, S.53E½

ORDER: To authorize and direct the City Treasurer to establish the following revolving funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E½:

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Expend	Revenue Source	Purpose of Fund	Spending Limit
Airport Fuel	Airport Commission	Sale of airplane fuel	Purchase of fuel, airport programs, and improvements	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less
Community Development Projects	Community Development/ Planning	Historic Housing Rehab Income	Salaries and expenses relating to Community	Available balance or



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			Development Activities	\$20,000, whichever is less
Wetland Protection	Conservation Commission	Local wetland filing fees	Costs associated with wetland protection activities	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less
Health Prevention Activities	Health Director	Health Prevention Training Fees	Salaries and expenses related to Health Dept	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less
Council on Aging Recreational Activities	Council on Aging Director	Recreation Fees	Salaries and expenses relating to recreational activities at Senior Center	Available balance or \$40,000, whichever is less
Gardner's Summer Celebration	Mayor	Collections and donations	Costs associated with Gardner's Summer Celebration	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less
Planning Board Publications	Planning Board	Sale of Planning Board publications	Preparation and production of Planning Board publications	Available balance or \$3,000, whichever is less
Road Resurfacing	Public Works Director	Fees charged for cutting into newly paved roads	Costs associated with road resurfacing and road maintenance	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less
Municipal Recreation Dept	Municipal Recreation Director	Fees charges and donations	Salaries and expenses related to Municipal Recreation Dept	Available balance or \$50,000, whichever is less
High School Summer Football Camp	School Department	Camp fees and donations	Salaries and expenses for the High School Summer Football Camp	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less



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Summer Basketball Camp	School Department	Camp fees and donations	Salaries and expenses for the Summer Basketball Camp	Available balance or \$12,000, whichever is less
Transportation	School Department	Bus passes and fees for transportation	Salaries and expenses relating to school transportation	Available balance or \$20,000, whichever is less

As per M.G.L., interest earned on these funds shall be treated as general fund revenue.

The person or persons authorized to expend from each fund shall report annually to the Mayor and City Council the total amount of receipts and expenditures for the prior fiscal year and for the current fiscal year through December 31st, along with any other information that City Council may by vote require.

In the event any fund is not reauthorized for the following fiscal year or the city changes the purpose of the revolving fund, the balance in the fund shall revert to surplus revenue, unless City Council and the Mayor vote to transfer the funds to another revolving fund established in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E½.

#10998

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE A SUM OF MONEY FOR THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS FOR THE EXPENSE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024.

ORDERED: To raise and appropriate for the expense of the City of Gardner for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 sums as designated for the expenditures of the various departments, other than what was presented to City Council in the Salary and Labor budget, according to the detailed schedule hereto annexed and made a part of this money order in the amount of TWENTY-SEVEN MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED SEVEN DOLLAR 10/100 CENTS (\$27,880,707.10)

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#10999

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE A SUM OF MONEY FOR THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS FOR THE SALARY AND LABOR BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024.

ORDERED: To raise and appropriate for the expense of the City of Gardner for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 sums as designated for the expenditures of the various departments, Salary and Labor budgets, according to the detailed schedule hereto annexed and made a part of this money order in the amount of THIRTEEN MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-NINE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED, TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS 36/100 CENTS (\$13,499,627.36)

#11000

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE A SUM OF MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024.

ORDERED: To raise and appropriate for the expense of the City of Gardner for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 sums as designated for the expenditures of the School Department according to the detailed schedule hereto annexed and made a part of this money order in the amount of THIRTY-ONE MILLION, THREE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND, FOURTY-SIX DOLLARS 00/100 CENTS (\$31,319,046.00)

#11001

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors



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James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING A SUM OF MONEY FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS-CABLE COMMISSION FEES RESERVED TO CABLE COMMISSION BUDGET FOR THE FICAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby appropriated for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS 22/00 (\$197,220.22) from Available Funds-Cable Commission Fees Reserved to the Cable Commission budget. **Any unused funds will revert back to the Cable Commission Fees Reserved Fund at year end.**

#11002

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING A SUM OF MONEY FROM AVAILABLE ENTERPRISE FUNDS-VARIOUS RECEIPTS RESERVED TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby appropriated for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 the sum of TEN MILLION, THREE HUNDRED NINETY-ONE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR DOLLARS 00/100 CENTS (\$10,391,444.00) from Available Enterprise Funds-Receipts Reserved to the following accounts:

Sewer Dept	Enterprise Fund	\$3,763,115
Water Dept	Enterprise Fund	3,630,284
Golf Course	Enterprise Fund	976,004
Landfill Closure	Enterprise Fund	96,275
Solid Waste	Enterprise Fund	1,925,766

Any unused funds will revert back to the original Enterprise Fund at year end.

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#11003

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING A SUM OF MONEY FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS-BONDS PROCEEDS RESERVED TO INTEREST-OUTSIDE DEBT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby appropriated for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 the sum of FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS 00/100 CENTS (\$400,000) from Available Funds-Bonds Proceeds Reserved to Interest-Outside Debt.

#11004

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER REQUESTING A TRANSFER FROM SEWER SURPLUS/RETAINED EARNINGS TO FUND FY24 REVENUE BUDGET.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby transfer the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Forty-nine Dollars and 74/100 (\$212,349.74) from Sewer Surplus/Retained Earnings to Fund FY22 Revenue Budget.

#11005

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER REQUESTING A TRANSFER FROM SOLID WASTE SURPLUS/RETAINED EARNINGS TO FUND FY24 REVENUE BUDGET.

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ORDERED: That there be and is hereby transfer the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twelve Dollars and 11/100 (\$68,712.11) from Solid Waste Surplus/Retained Earnings to Fund FY24 Revenue Budget.

#11006

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh that the following ORDER ought to pass:

AN ORDER REQUESTING A TRANSFER FROM SOLID LANDFILL SURPLUS/RETAINED EARNINGS TO FUND FY24 REVENUE BUDGET.

ORDERED: That there be and is hereby transfer the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Two Hundred, Seventy-Five Dollars and 00/100 (\$96,275.00) from Landfill Surplus/Retained Earnings to Fund FY24 Revenue Budget.

#11007

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted on call of the roll, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to send to FIRST PRINTING, *An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Chapter 171, thereof entitled "Personnel" to Change the Compensation Schedule, Exhibit E- Non-Union Personnel.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR RECONSIDERATION**#10861**

On a motion made by Councillor Craig Cormier and seconded by Councillor Paul Tassone, it was voted viva voce, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to send to APPROVE and send to FINAL PRINTING *An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Chapter 600, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic," Section 42, Entitled "One Way Street."*

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#11017

On a motion made by Councillor James Walsh and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted viva voce, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone, Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to PLACE ON FILE, *A Notification from City Solicitor John Flick Regarding City of Gardner Open Meeting Law (OML) Self Report.*

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REMARKS

Councillor Ronald Cormier commends the Mayor and City Auditor on the process of the budget and how well it was balanced. Each four subcommittees spend many hours collectively reviewing the various components of the budget.

Councillor George Tyros mentioned that this past Saturday was the GHS and GALT graduation ceremony and wishes them good luck.

Councillor James Boone echoes Councillor Ronald Cormier's comments.

Councillor Judy Mack mentioned that the subcommittee meetings can be very time consuming. It gives the committees to watch all the subcommittees meetings and reach out to not only the Mayor, but other department heads. It is a comprehensive process much more than what you see here this evening.

Councillor Karen Hardern mention that the public have noticed all the American flags hung around all the poles in the city would like to thank the DPW for putting them up and the Mayor. The community is thrilled to see them.

Councillor Paul Tassone would like to congratulate the class of 2023 and giving out over \$600,000.00 of scholarships and the opportunities here in Gardner.

CLOSING PRAYER

President Elizabeth Kazinskas led the Council in the Closing Prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councillor Craig Cormier and seconded by Councillor Paul Tassone, it was voted viva voce, ten (10) yeas, President Elizabeth Kazinskas and Councillors James Boone,



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Craig Cormier, Ronald Cormier, Aleksander Dernalowicz, Karen Hardern, Judy Mack, Paul Tassone, George Tyros and James Walsh to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.

Accepted by the City Council: July 3, 2023