

A regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the aldermanic chamber and via Zoom teleconference which meeting link can be found on the agenda and on the City's website calendar.

President Lori Wilshire presided; City Clerk Susan Lovering recorded.

Prayer was offered by City Clerk Susan Lovering; Alderman Alex Comeau led in the Pledge to the Flag.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. If you are participating via Zoom, please state your presence, reason for not attending the meeting in person, and whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-To-Know Law.

The roll call was taken with 13 members of the Board of Aldermen present: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez (arrived at 7:58), Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Comeau, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Cathey, Alderman Thibeault, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire.

Alderman Klee was recorded absent.

#### President Wilshire

Thank you. Alderman Klee did notify me that she was not feeling well and was unable to join us this evening.

Mayor James W. Donchess, Corporation Counsel Steve Bolton, were also in attendance.

#### REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

##### Mayor Donchess

Yes, I do Madam President. Thank you very much. I wanted to update you on a few new companies that have opened in Nashua. Extremely good for our economy and economic development. The largest of these is KJ Can. Now this is a company from Malaysia who the biggest can making company in Southeast Asia. They have actually obtained a lease to renovate our former building on Bourke Street - the one we bought for the purposes of the Public Works garage at least and to get some land for the sewage treatment plant. So they are going to invest \$120 million there - 120 plus to make aluminum cans. It is a perfect fit for them because the building formerly Ingersoll Rand is 800 feet long, straight, and they're going to run two can lines there. Employing 200 people. They may add some other stuff as they go along. They will make 2.4 billion cans a year and the purpose of the move - and the gentleman from Malaysia was here, his name is Mark Yeo, as well as somebody from Pasadena who's overseeing the US operation - is that the cost of shipping this material these cans is so expensive now if they were made out of the country, out of the US, that it is cheaper and better to make the cans here. So they're opening this can factory. It doesn't include any contents. They just make the cans. They're sure they can sell them with no problem. The market in the US is huge and they believe they will have the first line running by July. So I want to thank the State. They helped attract this opportunity - Taylor Caswell and his staff, Tim Cummings who worked with them, our building people who are helping permit that the plant. This is a really good ending Madam President to the long odyssey of that building, which we had hoped might suit Public Works purposes but really in the end because of the piers was not ideal. Trucks couldn't really move around inside the building but for the can making operation, the can manufacturing operation, it is a perfect building because the piers just go right along - parallel to the line. So they're not an obstacle for this company KJ Can at all. That was good news.

Secondly, Rambling House Tale Spinner. I heard Alderman Clemons talking about it before the meeting. They opened with a brewery and a restaurant on Factory Street. The brewery comes in behind off Water. I went there with my wife. It is very good. It is our fifth downtown brewery and one of the plus two on Amherst Street. One of the other brewers from another brewery said, you know, that's really good news because if we can get a good enough concentration, people might come here to go from brewery to brewery. Maybe we should do that, too. I want to congratulate the Gleason family on that venture.

And then another one, which is a different business, this I visited in the last week or so. This is a business called "Stargate Ventures" formed by five Nashua High graduates. I don't know. They're around the age of Alderman Gouveia. They're around 24. Maybe you knew some of them. Rob Lavine is the head of it. There's Colleen. There's Ari. There is Oxy. There's Orson who's a little older. They're located on Quincy Street and their expertise is in cryptocurrency. If you talk with them, and the metaverse. They know like everything, everything about cryptocurrency, a lot about the international financial system. This is exactly what we want to see in Nashua. These are, you know, Nashua kids who

grew up, young people starting their own business. They are incredibly enthusiastic and I'm sure that, you know, they will go through evolution - the company will but it's just a very inspiring group of young people here in Nashua.

So those were three economic development things that I wanted to mention Madam President. Also the Primary Bank opened up branch - another community bank. That's a good thing. That was just this week there was a ribbon cutting.

I thought I would update you on COVID. Very good news there. I mean it's still present. The virus is still present but as of Monday, only five people hospitalized. You remember that was up to in the 60s not that long ago. Five people in the two Nashua hospitals. Positivity rate is 3%. You remember that earlier this year, it was 28. The number of new cases per 100,000 in the last 14 days was 94. That was up near 3,000 earlier this year. So good news there.

One more thing I wanted to mention. In case you wanted to contribute or any of our citizens, constituents want to contribute to the Ukraine Relief, all of the refugees, there is a fund that you can contribute to through Nashua Rotary West and potentially through Nashua Rotary as well. They are in contact with a Rotary Club in Poland and they will give 100%. There's no administrative costs when these Rotary contributions get made. If you contribute to the Rotary Clubs, you can make sure your money will go to Poland to a Rotary Club there which will make sure that the money gets spent on refugee relief. Again, I know I did mention the Ukraine flag raising the other day last time we met but I'm not sure that I mentioned this opportunity to contribute. If you'd like or anybody would like either contact the Rotary Clubs, or me, or anyone who works here. So that's all I have Madam President.

President Wilshire

Thank you Mayor.

RESPONSE TO REMARKS OF THE MAYOR - None

RECOGNITION PERIOD – None

READING MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the minutes of the Board of Aldermen meeting of February 22, 2022 be accepted, placed on file, and the reading suspended.**

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ONLY PROCEDURAL ACTIONS AND WRITTEN REPORTS FROM LIAISONS

From: Donna Graham, Legislative Affairs Manager  
Re: Communications Received from the Public

From: Garth J. McKinney, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools (interim)  
Re: Board of Education unanimously approved Franklin Street School improvement project

***There being no objection, President Wilshire accepted the communications and placed them on file.***

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT RELATIVE TO ITEMS EXPECTED TO BE ACTED UPON THIS EVENING  
Kurt Mathias

Yes, Kurt Mathias, Boston Billiard Club 55 Northeastern Boulevard. Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Congratulations on the cannery. That's awesome. It's great to see businesses come into the town. I'm here to ask you to vote in favor of the 2 am liquor license. As most of you know, we are working very, very hard to buy the Radisson Hotel as long as we can get zoning passed so that we can have a conditional use for charitable gaming. We think that that will help us in the long run, compete with the casinos in Massachusetts, and offer alcoholic beverages to our customers for at least another hour during the late night hours. So we ask that you please vote in favor of that. And if you have any questions, I'll be glad to answer them. So I don't bore you with a very long speech. Thank you Madam Chairman.

Andrea Pierce

Hi, good evening. I'm Andrea Pierce, 14 Curtis Drive in Nashua. I am also speaking in favor of the Boston Billiards or charitable organizations having their liquor license extended to 2 am. I am an Executive Officer in Massachusetts for 16 years in the entertainment and hospitality industry. So I've seen the fluctuation of different liquor license times and how it affects different businesses. Being a resident of Nashua my whole life, I've seen the liquor licenses in the entertainment

industries come and go. I do ask that the Board consider a recommendation upon approval if they do approve it that it pertains to the customers that are currently in the establishment. So at 1 am, they can continue serving till two but no longer allow any other patrons to come into the establishment. Having businesses that have different liquor licenses in Massachusetts myself, we find that at 1 am, they get an influx of people that are already intoxicated showing up on a licensed establishment. It not only causes a lot of problems with the patrons having to deal with a bunch of drunk people showing up at you know 1:15 in the morning when they're trying to end their night peacefully. It also puts a burden on the license holders to have intoxicated people now showing up at the door, having to turn them away, and it could cause more problems than if it's wanted. So my recommendation is upon approval having it restricted to patrons that are already on site and not allowing any more patrons in after 1 am. Thank you.

President Wilshire

Thank you. I have someone on Zoom but right to something. I'm not sure - Right to Know. That's not a name. So in the future if you could put your name that would be more helpful.

Laurie Ortolano

Okay. I don't know if I can because I don't even know why that appears. But anyway, it's Laurie Ortolano, 41 Berkeley Street. I would like to speak to a couple things. The first one was the Franklin Street School. The bond for \$5 million. I was there last night. I gave some comments on that. I would like to ask the Board to do more to get information to the public on the bonding schedules, the cost of bonds, bonds that are coming off payment plans so we have a better understanding on what's going on with the bond schedules and we're able to educate Board members more fully. We did that when I lived in Litchfield. I think it's really important because I don't have a good sense of it and I can't believe Board members really have a good sense of it.

I also think it's really important to competitively build these things. We seem to give our contract to the same person or the same company over and over again because we have great results. I just think that that's not a good plan long term. We should mix it up a little bit. A 15% contingency is very high. I know it's because of material fluctuations but I think normal contingencies are like 3% or 4%.

14 Court Street - you've heard my comments on that. I'm concerned about extending a lease to Liquid Therapy because I really think we should be getting rid of the building. If there is no fire issue in there to maintain the building, then we are just holding on to a facility that we will never make money in and it costs us, you know, millions of dollars to maintain. So maybe we should sell that building to somebody who has a better plan and can turn that into something more profitable.

I support the gaming change in schedule to some extent. But in general, I sort of feel like nothing good happens with alcohol after midnight. The woman who just spoke and said that you should limit it to the patrons that are already on the establishment, I think had a really valid point. I'd also like to know what the Police Department position is on this as far as what it may potentially do for police calls involving issues at these establishments and if they raise the concern that was just raised by this woman who spoke previously. I'd also like to know that there's a monitoring program that we can see if there's any impact with our Police Department and extending this to 2 am.

Raising the landfill fees I think is terrific. We need to do that. It is hard on the people dropping off stuff that are local people but it's a necessary change. We have to preserve the landfill.

Donna Graham, Legislative Affairs Manager

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Laurie Ortolano

Okay. That's everything. I'm good. Thank you.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING FINAL APPROVAL

From: Mayor Jim Donchess  
Re: Multi-Year Contract Award – Recruiting Website Subscription

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOUVEIA TO ACCEPT, PLACE ON FILE AND APPROVE A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH POLICEAPP RECRUITMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF SWORN PERSONNEL IN**

**AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$33,000. FUNDING THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 150 POLICE DEPARTMENT; FUND: 55699 OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES/GENERAL FUND  
MOTION CARRIED**

From: Mayor Jim Donchess  
Re: Multi-Year Contract Award – Riverfront Landscaping

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN MORAN TO ACCEPT, PLACE ON FILE AND APPROVE THE MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT WITH DOTY LANDSCAPING RELATED TO THE NASHUA DOWNTOWN RIVERFRONT IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000. FUNDING THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 183 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FUND: 54280 BUILDING/GROUNDS/MAINTENANCE/RIVERFRONT TIF FUND  
MOTION CARRIED**

From: Linda Laflamme, Chairman, Board of Library Trustees  
Re: Request for Joint Convention

***There being no objection, President Wilshire accepted the communication, placed it on file, and scheduled a Joint Convention with the Board of Library Trustees for Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber.***

From: Larry D. Goodhue, Chief Executive Officer, Pennichuck  
Re: Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. – Request for Approval of Term Loan with CoBank, ACB

***There being no objection, President Wilshire accepted the communication as read and referred it to the Pennichuck Water Special Committee.***

From: Larry D. Goodhue, Chief Executive Officer, Pennichuck  
Re: Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. – Request for Approval of Loan and Grant from the Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund

***There being no objection, President Wilshire accepted the communication as read and referred it to the Pennichuck Water Special Committee.***

#### PETITIONS

Petition by Etchstone Properties, Inc. for full Waiver of Impact Fees (for public school facilities) as Authorized Under Section 190-85 of the Land Use Code (Thompson's Preserve Condominium)

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN JETTE TO ACCEPT, PLACE ON FILE AND REFER TO THE PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND THE NASHUA CITY PLANNING BOARD  
MOTION CARRIED**

Petition by Etchstone Properties, Inc. for full Waiver of Impact Fees (for public school facilities) as Authorized Under Section 190-85 of the Land Use Code (The Alcove at Walden Woods Condominium)

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN SULLIVAN TO ACCEPT, PLACE ON FILE AND REFER TO THE PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND THE NASHUA CITY PLANNING BOARD  
MOTION CARRIED**

#### NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS

Joint Convention with Trustees of Woodlawn/Pinewood Cemeteries

***There being no objection, President Lori Wilshire declared that the Board of Aldermen meet in joint convention with the Trustees of Woodlawn/Pinewood Cemeteries for the purpose of re-electing two Trustees and called for nominations.***

Trustee Farwell re-nominated Michael McLaughlin and Dana Farwell both for five-year terms to expire on March 31, 2027

A viva voce roll call was taken on the re-appointments of Michael McLaughlin and Dana Farwell which resulted as follows:  
Yea: Trustee Farwell, Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Moran,

Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Comeau, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Cathey, Alderman Thibeault, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire, Mayor Donchess

15 - McLaughlin  
15 - Farwell

Nay:

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**MOTION CARRIED**

President Wilshire declared Michael McLaughlin and Dana Farwell duly re-appointed to the Trustees of Woodlawn/Pinewood Cemeteries both with terms to expire March 31, 2027.

Oath of Office administered by Corporation Counsel to Dana Farwell.

***There being no objection, President Wilshire declared that the Joint Convention now arise.***

Appointments by the Mayor

Cable Television Advisory Board

Steve Buxton (new appointment) Term to Expire: Indefinite  
70 East Hollis Street  
Nashua, NH 03060

Lauren Byers (new appointment) Term to Expire: Indefinite  
9 Riverside Street  
Nashua, NH 03062

Joseph Fay (new appointment) Term to Expire: Indefinite  
28 Officer James Roche Drive  
Nashua, NH 03062

Gregory Rodriguez (new appointment) Term to Expire: Indefinite  
141 Ledge Street  
Nashua, NH 03060

Downtown Improvement Committee

Timothy Sennott (new appointment) Term to Expire: April 1, 2025  
62 Underhill Street  
Nashua, NH 03060

Planning Board

Robert Bollinger (re-appointment) Term to Expire: March 31, 2025  
5 Decatur Drive  
Nashua, NH 03062

Scott LeClair (re-appointment) Term to Expire: March 31, 2025  
10 Daylily Drive  
Nashua, NH 03062

***There being no objection, President Wilshire accepted the Appointments by the Mayor as read and referred them to the Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee.***

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Human Affairs Committee..... 02/17/2022

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the February 17, 2022 Human Affairs Committee be

accepted and placed on file.

Committee on Infrastructure..... 02/23/2022

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the February 23, 2022 Committee on Infrastructure be accepted and placed on file.

Budget Review Committee..... 02/28/2022

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the February 28, 2022 Budget Review Committee be accepted and placed on file.

Finance Committee..... 03/02/2022

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the March 2, 2022 Finance Committee be accepted and placed on file.

**There being no objection, President Wilshire suspended the rules to allow for the oral report of the Budget Review Committee meeting held last night regarding proposed Resolution R-22-016.**

Alderman Dowd

Yes. Last night the Budget Committee met and unanimously approved the legislation R-22-016 for the \$5 million bond for Franklin Street. Just a couple of things. One - we did at that meeting last night agree to have a meeting with the Treasurer on the bonding plan. So that's already been set up and the contingency fee that was mentioned is much higher than we have on the program. So thank you.

CONFIRMATION OF MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

**R-22-011**

- Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman Patricia Klee
- Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
- Alderman Thomas Lopez
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman Derek Thibeault
- Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

**RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$69,564 FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INTO TRANSIT GRANT ACTIVITY "FEDERAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY ("FTA") OPERATING GRANT"**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN MORAN FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-22-011**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution R-22-011 declared duly adopted.

**R-22-012**

- Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman Patricia Klee
- Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
- Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman Tyler Gouveia
- Alderman Derek Thibeault

Alderman-at-Large Gloria Timmons  
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$75,850 FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, EXOTIC SPECIES PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF MATCHING FUNDS**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN TIMMONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-22-012**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution R-22-012 declared duly adopted.

**R-22-016**

Endorsers: Alderman Richard A. Dowd  
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.  
Alderman John Sullivan  
Alderman Patricia Klee  
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Gloria Timmons  
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY TREASURER TO ISSUE BONDS NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) FOR FRANKLIN STREET SCHOOL BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN DOWD FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-22-016, BY ROLL CALL WHICH IS REQUIRED UNDER CHARTER SECTION 49**

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Dowd

This money is for the Franklin Street School for the different programs, including the preschool and the alternative middle school. This money was a presentation given last night by Mr. Smith as to the requirements and this action had received unanimous approval from the Joint Special Building Committee, and the Board of Education, and the Budget Committee.

President Wilshire

Alderman Dowd just for clarification, that's high school not middle school, correct?

Alderman Dowd

Right.

President Wilshire

Okay. Thank you. You've heard the motion. Motion is for final passage of Resolution 22-016 by roll call. Discussion on that motion? Would the Clerk please call the roll?

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez,  
Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Kelly, Alderman Comeau,  
Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Cathey, Alderman Thibeault,  
Alderman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire

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Nay:

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**MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution R-22-016 declared duly adopted.

President Wilshire

For the record, Alderman Lopez joined us at 7:58 p.m.

Alderman Lopez

Thank you.

Alderman Clemons

Point of order. I have in front of me that R-22-017 was removed from the agenda but I think that was what you had thought I had asked for last night. That's the Liquid Therapy lease.

President Wilshire

Yes.

Alderman Clemons

I'm wondering if we can continue with a final vote on that this evening. Not if it's not on the agenda we can't. Oh it is on the agenda.

Alderman Clemons

It was originally on the agenda and for some reason - I'll make a motion if that's in order.

**R-22-017**

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons  
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.  
Alderman Patricia Klee  
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.  
Alderman Thomas Lopez  
Alderman Richard A. Dowd  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE 14 COURT STREET LEASE FOR UNIT B WITH LIQUID THERAPY, LLC**

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-22-017**

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Clemons

Thank you. So this was approved for final passage. It was recommended for final passage at the Finance Committee last Wednesday. Basically what it is, is there's a small space that the Fire Department used to use in the 90s and before then that had been literally abandoned by the city for some time. I was approached by one of the owners of Liquid Therapy to see if that space might be available for them to use as storage area. So I brought that to the city to Kim Kleiner and they worked on cleaning up the space as well as doing some fire suppression upgrades. What this lease does is it basically

allows them to move in there. The city will get rent from them as well as tax money. So it's basically a win, win for the city, for the taxpayers, and for Liquid Therapy.

President Wilshire

Okay, the clerk's tell me we need to have a second reading.

**R-22-017**

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons  
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.  
Alderman Patricia Klee  
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.  
Alderman Thomas Lopez  
Alderman Richard A. Dowd  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE 14 COURT STREET LEASE FOR UNIT B WITH LIQUID THERAPY, LLC**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-22-017  
MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution R-22-017 declared duly adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – ORDINANCES

**O-22-005**

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess  
Alderman Patricia Klee  
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Gloria Timmons  
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.  
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**UPDATING THE FINANCIAL STANDARDS FOR THE CITY'S WELFARE GUIDELINES**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN THIBEAULT FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF O-22-005**

ON THE QUESTION

President Wilshire

I just want to say I see Mr. Mack in the back of the room. He does a wonderful job for us over at the Welfare Department and as you all know, the rents and the housing in this city is just not existent. So I know the rents are really high and that they do have to come into us every now and then and upgrade the payment standards for that reason. Thank you Mr. Mack.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ordinance O-22-005 declared duly adopted.

**O-22-007**

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons  
Alderman Patricia Klee  
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.  
Alderman Thomas Lopez  
Alderman Alex Comeau

Alderman Richard A. Dowd  
Alderman John Cathey  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**EXTENDING THE HOURS OF ON-PREMISES SALES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO 2 A.M. FOR CHARITABLE GAMING FACILITIES**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF O-22-007**

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Gouveia

Thank you, Madam President. After consulting with Corporation Counsel, I will have to abstain my vote on this Ordinance due to my employment being with a company that owns and operates two of the charitable gaming facilities inside of the city. I'm also under the advisement not to partake in the consideration or discussion of this measure. So I please do request a roll call vote when the time comes.

President Wilshire

Thank you Alderman Gouveia.

Alderman Thibeault

Thank you, Madam President. I'm definitely for this but I was curious. The woman that had brought up the not letting anybody in after a certain time with this. I'd be curious what the man that spoke from Boston Billiards thought about that if that's something we can ask them? I was just curious what their stance is on letting other people in?

President Wilshire

Alderman Clemons has his hand raised. He may have an answer for you.

Alderman Thibeault

Okay. Yeah, that works too.

President Wilshire

Do you have an answer for him Alderman Clemons?

Alderman Clemons

I don't have a particular answer to that specifically. I have a comment about it, though.

President Wilshire

All right. Did you want to ask?

Alderman Thibeault

Yeah I'm just curious of their viewpoint of it.

President Wilshire

We have two people here tonight that on establishments in this city – Mr. Rafferty and Mr. Mathais.

Alderman Thibeault

Yeah, I would like to hear from both of them. That would be great. Thank you.

Kurt Mathias

Once again, Kurt Mathias – Boston Billiards Club. We have adequate security staff and we also employ - not employ - but have Nashua Police details on to cover us until closing time. So we believe we have the security and if we didn't, we obviously I sometimes agree with President Wilshire that nothing good happens after 1 am but, you know, we believe with our security staff we can handle it. If we didn't, we would voluntarily go back to one on the morning immediately. We don't want trouble any more than the city wants trouble. We don't want police officers hurt, our people hurt. We would we would go back. In talking with the new Police Commissioner, he's on board with it as long as there are no issues either. I don't know if that answers your question?

Alderman Thibeault

Yeah, absolutely.

Kurt Mathias

Okay. All right. Thank you.

President Wilshire

Thank you. Mr. Rafferty did you want to weigh in?

Jim Rafferty

Jim Rafferty - owner and operator of the River Casino downtown and the Lucky Moose up on Exit 6. We believe that this is just a natural outgrowth of the parties that we have. We throw it out at night downtown and we are totally as Mr. Mathias said, confident that we can control the facility. This would be win, win, win, win for the customers, win for the charities, win for the operators, win for downtown enjoyment.

Alderman Thibeault

Thank you. Just a follow up comment please. Thank you. Thank you. Both those comments are exactly what I wanted to hear and I wanted people to hear in this meeting. So that's perfect. Thank you so much.

Alderman Clemons

Thank you. To follow up on that. That is precisely the reason I brought this forward the way that I did. So in the past, this has come before this Board in different iterations twice before to basically extended it to the entire city anybody that had a liquor license. The concerns that were raised, you know, I took to heart and so I thought about what facilities in Nashua want this the most, would benefit from it the most, but could also handle it? All of the casinos have built in security. It's part of their apparatus. I think they answered it perfectly. They're going to be able to patrol this very well. They already have the apparatus to do so.

Furthermore, I think this from a business perspective, this will set Nashua apart for those gaming facilities. So folks that may decide between Manchester and Nashua or Nashua and maybe going to a casino in Boston might choose to stay here instead. So I think we're putting our casinos at a competitive advantage and I think that they have the staff to handle this change.

Alderman Cathey

Thank you Madam Chair. Being a person who does not like a lot of regulation, and I appreciate the two gentleman's answers, but could we or should we even codify that very, very specific rule into the law when there could be extenuating circumstances? I'm not familiar with the industry so I could be way off but I feel like it's worth having the discussion being that it is an additional regulation on top of them - asking them to only let people that are already in the building.

Alderman Clemons

Yeah, I wouldn't put that in the ordinance. I think in the motion that I have is to just leave it as is. The reason I wouldn't put that in the ordinances because I think that the businesses can handle that. I think they're responsible and as they said if it becomes a problem for them, they'll voluntarily go back to 1 am. So I have no issue with - I don't think we need to add stipulations.

Alderman Comeau

Thank you, Madam President. If I could just add on to what Alderman Clemons was just saying. As someone who spends a good deal of time losing money in these casinos seen firsthand, very well run security staffs that all three establishments have and I have no doubts that there'll be able to handle whatever increase may come which is debatable that there might even be an increase. It's already against the law to serve intoxicated people and the bartenders are pretty good at identifying them. I don't really feel like it's going to be that big of a concern. So I support the legislation as it's written.

Alderman Thibeault

Just a comment. And just to clarify, I'm for this. I just wanted to make sure that we had one person on Zoom and one person in the room that asked that question, so I just wanted to make sure that we I guess clarified it for the public that we do feel comfortable that these establishments can handle that. I believe they can. Mr. Rafferty had spoken last time about it as well. I believe the police are all on board with it too so I'm 100% for it. Thank you

President Wilshire

Further discussion?

Alderman Dowd

Yeah I too am very comfortable with their security and I know they can handle it. So no issues with the legislation as it's currently written.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Comeau, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Cathey, Alderman Thibeault, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire	13
Abstained:	Alderman Gouveia	1
Nay:		0

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ordinance O-22-007 declared duly adopted.

**O-22-009**

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess  
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.  
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.  
Alderman Alex Comeau  
Alderman John Cathey  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

**RAISING THE LANDFILL DISPOSAL FEE FOR CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS FROM \$90 PER TON TO \$300 PER TON**

Given its second reading;

**MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN KELLY FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF O-22-009**ON THE QUESTIONAlderwoman Kelly

Thank you. Just a quick update from the Committee. I know if you're looking at this and you have no background, you're

like, wow, we're changing this quite a bit. But this is really a deterrent. We have a lot of people bringing in debris that are not from Nashua and filling our landfill. So this is really to help us preserve our landfill. Thank you.

President Wilshire

Any further discussion?

Alderman Lopez

I'd just like to add that I agree with Alderman Kelly's assessment. It was presented to us and at first I was like, why are we raising the fee? How much money are we possibly going to make on this on the landfill? Except that it is not about making more money. We're losing money because a number of contractors that do business in multiple cities are using our landfill because it's essentially a loophole and they can dump construction waste and that the city then either has to remove or occupy space in our landfill and we have a limited amount of landfill. I think it's bad enough that we have to have a landfill like Nashua property has to be used for that purpose but the least we can do is maintain it responsibly, make sure that there's at least ecological harm, and that the space inside of it is reserved as an amenity for people in Nashua. I hope that this will be a good step towards ensuring that.

Alderman Sullivan

Yes I was gonna say we took a trip to the landfill before we were sworn in and we talked about this specific issue. Landfill staff was literally walking out into the landfill to rip open bags to check the billing address of the people that just dumped. Then they made another comment about if they dumped shingles, they would ask them the question about where they were ripping the shingles off. And again, landfill personnel would drive to the home to verify that. My numbers might be off here, there are four phases of the landfill and where two and a half in. This is one of the State's last municipal landfills. So I think this is a really good idea to try to - as opposed to make money, save space

Alderman Cathey

Thank you, Madam Chair. I just wanted to echo Alderwoman Kelly's comments and Alderman Sullivan's comments. We did go to the landfill and this is a win for the city. It makes our landfill employees much more efficient, effective, and they can concentrate on the work that they're doing while keeping our landfill around for a really long time. So I'm glad that this happened.

Alderman Gouveia

Thank you, Madam President. I am for this ordinance as well solely because it's preserving the landfill, which is really one of the very large asset for our city. Anyway we can make that stay around longer and benefit the residents of Nashua, I'm all for it.

Alderman Thibeault

Yeah, I just wanted to echo some of that. And also, you know, I mentioned that when we had the committee meeting that, you know, I saw somewhere that this was the Mayor's way of making a ton of money. We've all said it today that it's a deterrent. It's to stop people from dumping the stuff. Alderman Gouveia brought up a great point and in the committee saying, well why don't we just stop doing it? Me and him talked about it afterwards. It's not the Aldermen's purview, right? That would be DPW but we can start by raising the money to try to get the deterrent and if they decide that they want to go that route in the future, we can go that route. So it's not about making money. It's about - because I'd support - same thing with Alderman - I don't want to put words in your mouth, but we would support, you know, if the DPW decided to just get rid of it altogether. So I just want to make sure that it's clear that it's a deterrent. The Mayor is not lining his pockets on this one or anything else.

Alderman Sullivan

And to make it clear, so this is a question, this is not raising the residential dump pass, correct?

President Wilshire

Correct.

Alderman Sullivan

That's still going to remain at \$5?

President Wilshire

Correct.

Alderman Sullivan

Best bargain in town.

Alderwoman Kelly

I did clarify whether the residential demolition debris would be the same cost and it would but the conversation around – I think you were there but I just wanted to put it on record that, you know, someone who is a resident is only bringing so much in and it's not going to be a significant change for them but it would be the same.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Ordinance O-22-009 declared duly adopted.

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

**R-22-018**

- Endorsers: Alderman Patricia Klee
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman Thomas Lopez
- Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman Derek Thibeault
- Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
- Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**AUTHORIZING PENNICHUCK CORPORATION AND PENNICHUCK EAST UTILITY, INC. TO BORROW FUNDS AND ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DRINKING WATER AND GROUNDWATER TRUST FUND**

Given its first reading; Assigned to the PENNICHUCK SPECIAL WATER COMMITTEE by President Wilshire

**R-22-019**

- Endorsers: Alderman Patricia Klee
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman Derek Thibeault
- Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
- Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**AUTHORIZING PENNICHUCK CORPORATION AND PENNICHUCK EAST UTILITY, INC. TO ENTER INTO A TERM LOAN WITH COBANK, ACB**

Given its first reading; Assigned to the PENNICHUCK SPECIAL WATER COMMITTEE by President Wilshire

**R-22-020**

- Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
- Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman Ernest A. Jette
- Alderman John Sullivan
- Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
- Alderman Thomas Lopez

Alderman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY TREASURER TO ISSUE BONDS NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-SEVEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$37,500,000) TO FUND THE SECOND FIVE YEAR PHASE OF A TEN YEAR PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT**

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, and schedule a SPECIAL BOARD OF ALDERMAN PUBLIC HEARING on Monday, April 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber by President Wilshire

**R-22-021**

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess  
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.  
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.  
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons  
Alderman Alex Comeau  
Alderman Richard A. Dowd  
Alderman Derek Thibeault  
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

**CHANGING THE PURPOSE OF UP TO ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$152,030) OF UNEXPENDED BOND PROCEEDS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PUMPER TRUCK AND AERIAL LADDER TRUCK PURCHASES TO INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL FIRE ALARM SYSTEM**

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, and schedule a SPECIAL BOARD OF ALDERMAN PUBLIC HEARING on Monday, April 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber by President Wilshire

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES - None

PERIOD FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Laurie Ortolano

Laurie Ortolano, 41 Berkeley Street. And what's really interesting is the name is now Laurie Ortolano and I did not do that. So I guess your request was magically filled out. So I want to talk about our e-mail storage and retention policy. I want to talk about anything the Aldermen can do to assist me in this policy we have going on in the city regarding e-mails. There's been a number of lawsuits filed over e-mail records and for the most part, citizens have done well winning those lawsuits on records. One thing that has occurred over the last year is that each time records were being requested for e-mails, the city was providing us with a written policy - a 45 day e-mail storage and retention policy that was updated by the Mayor on the May 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2021. But it turns out that policy was not what was being used by the city. The city had changed their storage retention policy to 90 days in March of 2020 and then in the summer of 2020 changed it to 120 days - four months but never disclosed to the public that that change was made. And while I was submitting Right to Knows to understand what the retention policy was, because I felt it wasn't being handled right, the city just kept unloading a 45 day policy on me.

After going through a series of trials in court and through questioning Nick Miseirvitch, I learned that that was not the policy. That was not what was being used. He testified that Ms. Kleiner had authorized a change to 120 days and so when Laura Colquhoun asked for e-mails between Rick Vincent and Miss Kleiner in 2021 - January and February - the city initially would not provide any records and then came back and said, we can't guarantee we can give you two months of records because we had a 45 day retention policy. The fact it was 120 days and there was no issue on providing the records.

The same thing happened to me with these assess help e-mails that I am in court on back in court on Thursday. Turns out on those e-mails, it was a 60 day policy unwritten. So I can't file a Right-to-Know to get what the policy is because it's not in writing. The city refused to tell me what it was because it wasn't in writing and they would only give me a defunct nonworking 45 day policy that wasn't used and then stood behind it to deny me records. Now I know I'm going to win this lawsuit, but I am so frustrated by...

Donna Graham, Legislative Affairs Manager

30 seconds

Laurie Ortolano

...the lying done by this city and in particularly what Miss Kleiner is doing. It is beyond distressing what I have gone through. We should not be representing people in the city with our Legal counsel who are lying to the citizens and lying to the courts. It's coming out. I'm confident I can get it out. I'm gonna have to file a few more lawsuits but I am so tired of this and I am adamant that we should not keep people like this in City Hall.

Donna Graham, Legislative Affairs Manager

Your time is up.

Laurie Ortolano

Thank you.

President Wilshire

Anyone else on Zoom? Need to put your hand up if you want to be recognized?

Beth Scaer

Yeah, hi. Beth Scaer, 111 East Hobart Street. I'm following up Alderman Moran made some comments at an aldermanic committee meeting where he celebrated the defeat of House Bill 1077 which would have repealed the conversion therapy ban. I just wanted to let him know and let everyone in the city know the therapy ban funnels kids who are gender confused into affirmation only therapy that gives them no options for treatments except hormone blockers, cross sex hormones, and having healthy body parts removed to make their bodies into a facsimile of the opposite sex. I'm grateful that the Nashua Library has purchased the book "Irreversible Damage the Transgender Craze Seducing our Daughters", which you can see behind me. And I recommend this book to any parents or young people who are dealing with gender confusion or tempted to go down this path because it leads to permanent physical changes and serious harm to their health. My hope is that Alderman Moran and our other elected officials would read this book also and educate themselves about what's really going on and not just celebrate sending these kids down this one way path to physical damage, to irreversible damage. Our young people deserve better. Thank you.

Steven Scaer

Steven Scaer, 111 East Hobart Street. I also was concerned about Mel Moran celebration of the conversion, the therapy ban not being repealed. When you think about conversion therapy, you think about electric shocks, or people being snapped, or people being forced to do something. But this repeals talk therapy and not only for what they say a gay conversion, but also for people that are struggling with gender identity being able to explore that. The consensus at the hearing for this bill was that it only allows for affirmative therapy. If a therapist works with a young person to explore the questions to make sure that there wasn't another problem at the root of the gender confusion, that therapist risks breaking the law and losing a license. What's happening all over is that thousands of young people, especially gender confused girls, they're way too young to give informed consent. They're getting pushed down a path of hormone blockers, wrong sex hormones, and surgery. I'd encourage people to go to the dtransitioners subreddit page. I know people say well its "subreddit". I'm not going to get my information from that. That's the only place where it's safe for the dtransitioners to talk. They've been driven off of all sorts of forums and they can talk about what it's like trying to live with lifetimes of regret and irreversibly mutilated bodies. So the conversion ban repeal defeat isn't something to be particularly proud of. Thank you.

## REMARKS BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Alderman Moran

Yes, thank you Madam President. I would just like to reaffirm that I am very proud that House Bill 1077 was defeated as a continuous attack on LGBTQ plus children to try to change them to be straight. I think it's very inappropriate for the House to continue to push that Bill. Affirmation therapy is not - I guess I'm confused on that because I think if anyone came to my office for mental health treatment and they were confused, we'd talked through that confusion and not convince them one way or another. Affirmation therapy is saying yes, yes, yes, you're right. You're right. That is not what happens in general talk therapy, in psychotherapy but I am certainly opposed to anyone who would want to see a gay person or a bisexual person say no, that's wrong. You're 14 years old. You don't know what that is. It's almost the equivalent of having a straight person come in and saying no, that's completely inappropriate you should be gay. People can have free thought and I think we shouldn't support that.

Other than that, I would just like to remind everyone that the 27th Run and Walk for the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter will be held on for food and shelter we held on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. I will be participating but I will be walking with a team. I won't be running and I hope many others can join us. Thank you.

Alderman Lopez

I will also be participating in the walk/run. I will attempt to be running but I believe former Alderman Moriarty is going to beat all of us. So don't hold your hopes up.

I just wanted to comment - first, I'd like to apologize to the Board for being tardy. I had a resident who was playing 52 pickup with her groceries and I didn't notice that when I was trying to help I was kneeling in the tomato sauce. So I had to go do a little bit of rapid conversion, I guess. So I thought about logging in on the Zoom and then I remembered President Wilshire did not like that and everyone in this chamber would have had to do a roll call vote for everything. So it took me a little extra time, but I'm glad to be here with you guys.

And then finally, I was approached by a member of the press over the weekend and was looking to make some - and I believe he was looking because he essentially opened with questions leading me towards a certain opinion. He was looking to have my support to criticize one of our elected officials – our State Representative for Ward 4. I found that distasteful. I think members of the press should be asking questions to learn people's input, understand people's opinions, and they should do that for fact finding purposes. I don't think that a long and leading attempt to attack somebody's character isn't necessarily appropriate. So I was not interested in engaging in that and I would like to reinforce that I am appreciative of all of our workforce State Representatives. They're only paid \$100 a year to represent our ward. It's a very difficult time in the State House. There are a lot of very important issues being tackled and they have to tackle it in a lot of different ways. The individual in question has a number of health issues. So it is having just come through a pandemic, it was extremely dangerous for him to go to a room with 400 other people where alternative accommodations were not allowed by the Speaker and we're intentionally not allowed. So I understand that individuals difficulties as a person who's differently abled himself. I understand what it is to overcome barriers to try to do your job in different ways and I appreciate all of our Representatives. Thank you.

Alderman Jette

Thank you, Madam President. I wanted to also congratulate the Gleason family on the opening of the Rambling House and the Tale Spinner Brewery. The Gleasons are a fine Ward 5 family. My wife and I sampled their products this past week and the food was excellent as was the beverage and I congratulate them.

On another note, April 15<sup>th</sup> is coming. I don't know if it's the 15th or the 16th this year. It's not only the time to file your tax returns, but for anyone who thinks that they might be eligible for the exemptions that the city provides for property tax either the elderly exemption, the veterans exemption, or the disabled exemption. Those applications are due by April 15<sup>th</sup>. So if you think you might be eligible, check with the city website. There's an excellent explanation there and the Assessor's office is very helpful in guiding people through it as to what information they need to show whether or not they qualify. But don't let that April 15<sup>th</sup> date go by because if you don't file the application by then, you're out of luck at least until next year. Thank you.

President Wilshire

Thank you,

Alderwoman Kelly

Thank you. I have two pieces of information I wanted to share with everyone. The Energy Environment Committee is putting together a sustainable Town Hall in Earth Day would be when we normally hold it, but this year we're going to be doing it on April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Nashua Public Library at 5:30. It's right before the Aldermanic meeting. So if you can come and join in, it's going to be an update from our Energy Manager Doria Brown and also we're going to do a community brainstorm around some more ways that we can continue to push our sustainability here in the city.

Also happy to report that Nashua Pride Committee met – was it last week? The days all blur and we are going to be doing the Pride Parade in person again this year barring any additional changes that come at us and that will be the last Saturday in June as it always has historically been the last few years that we've had it. So that's June 29<sup>th</sup> and the title is TBD right now but I'll give you guys more updates as we do it.

Alderman Comeau

Thank you, Madam President. I wanted to share a brief piece of good news. Several months ago in my Ward we lost the institution of Kinsley House of Pizza. In speaking with a couple of the owners, they are hoping to reopen at some point this summer. So hopefully that is on track and I wish them the best of luck getting the building back up to code so they can open up at some point during the summer. It would be great to see them back.

Alderman Dowd

Yes continuing with some good news. We have started to commence the work on the new middle school down in south end. It actually came about quicker than we thought. We're having to do a little change in the approach. We're going to be accessing the property from the emergency access road at the corner of Cherrywood and Medallion instead of from Buckmeadow because this Friday we hope to get the Dredge and Fill Permit so we can start working on the main access road off of Buckmeadow. Until that's completed, we'll be entering the property through the emergency access road. Currently, we have an even more temporary road off that same intersection to allow the trucks to bring the heavy equipment onto the property so they can start clearing trees, working their way over, and digging the foundation. So it is a construction site and it will be closed until the school opens. So we prefer not to have anyone trying to see what's being done because the equipment up there is pretty intense. Work will be from seven in the morning till five at night.

Also, this summer the Pennichuck School site will again be closed because of the extensive work that's going to be done. Access to the fields, and in the back, and the track, and all of that will be accessed through over the Henry Bourque like it was last summer. So those are all for safety reasons and we're moving very quickly on the middle school project. We are trying to move ahead so that we can keep the schedule and not incur any additional costs with what's going on in the world. So thanks.

Alderman Cathey

Thank you, Madam Chair. Some of my thoughts might have been better suited for general discussion because they're more like questions. Alderman Klee mentioned the spending cap and I know that has something to do with accepting grants and sometimes we have resolutions that have grants in them. So I didn't know if we would soon be learning information more about the spending cap and how it affects Nashua, and how it affects these resolutions, and ordinances. I know there was discussion about that but I'd rather have that sooner rather than later because when I'm looking over ordinances and resolutions that involve grants, it's sort of confusing to say, yeah I want to support this but would it really matter if the spending cap is going to cause problems? Wouldn't that be the problem we would have to address first before we move forward?

Another question - is there any way that we could have a home screen? It is super distracting to look at members of the public on a giant screen when they're done talking. No offense to them but it's just - after they're done, I feel like they're still talking so.

I did want to mention something on the back of the Kinsley. The owner of Chicken and Chips apparently owns Uncle Joey's Pizza, Merrimack. I talked to them and they are looking to reopen and rebuild Chicken and Chips. I don't know when that would be but I was really pleased to hear that they aren't going anywhere because I really liked that establishment.

The final thing I'll say is one of the members of the public mentioned about the bonding schedule. I believe we talked about that last night where CFO Griffin is going to give us a presentation about the bonding schedules and how they work into the future. So that information will be coming to us momentarily. So I just wanted to make that clear. Thank you.

Alderman Thibeault

Thank you, Madam President. I'm sorry. I always have a lot to say. First thing, I just want to wish Alderman Klee the best and hopefully she feels better soon and can rejoin us as soon as possible.

I also want to champion Alderman Moran. You know, the term conversion, the word "convert" is in the word and I think it was you and everyone else up there that voted the same way. Thank you for that. I appreciate that.

I want to thank the Mayor for bringing up all the companies coming to Nashua. I'm always looking at empty spaces going what's going in there. I hate that. I want more revenue into the city and that's great that we have those three companies.

Speaking of the Library, you know, the fact that they have that book in their shows that the library is not bias and that they can have, you know, books on communism, or Hitler's books, and also have books that go against that. That's exactly - and I'm not comparing that - but I'm just saying they can have alternative positions whether we agree with those positions or not. This past week, I went to the library. They had their annual or their spring book sale. They made over \$18,000 for the library. So with COVID the last couple of years, I know it's been tough for them and I just want to thank and appreciate the work that Director McCormick is doing over at the library. It was a really good sale. They got \$6.50 out of me and my kids, so thank you for that. It was packed so it's good money going to the library.

And the last thing, the Senior Center. So I saw that the Mayor was there. I think it was today boxing up some meals on wheels or helping prepare some meals on wheels. I actually visited there last Friday and met with some of the Board. Mr. Fredette - former Treasurer Fredette, Margo Bell, June Caron - former Alderman. I think it's a great facility. I did find out that, you know, as a 50 year old I'm allowed to join. It starts at 50. So, you know, I might take them up on that. They got a nice little gym in there. A nice little library. It's not run by the city. We do support them in certain ways and I think they do a great job. Again with COVID, things kind of went down a little bit, but it's a beautiful facility as far as cleanliness. They got about 800 members. So I just wanted to promote that and build them up again because I think they do a lot of good things for the city and the seniors. Thank you.

Committee announcements:

#### Alderman O'Brien

Thank you, Madam President. As liaison to the BPW, just to remind you tomorrow at two o'clock in the afternoon will be a groundbreaking ceremony at the landfill. Everybody's welcome. If you want to come, you get to see the Mayor throw a couple of shovels. I think Alderman Dowd is bringing the cupcakes. I don't know. You're all welcome to that.

And with the Co-Chair just to remind on Wednesday will be the Task Force meeting, which is tomorrow night on the downtown barriers. So you're all welcome to attend that as well. Thank you. That's at 7 pm.

#### Alderman Kelly

I almost never do this because it's always so far away but we do have a Personnel. It sounds like we'll be busy thanks to the new appointments by the Mayor on April 4<sup>th</sup> Monday before our next Board meeting.

#### Alderman Dowd

Yes this Thursday at 7 o'clock there will be the Joint Special School Building Committee at Nashua High North. I also forgot to mention that I did a letter to all the neighbors around the new school and around Cherrywood and Medallion, and handle limited all of them so that Alderman Sullivan and I wouldn't be getting any unnecessary phone calls. So no phone calls so far. It looks like it gave them news. Thanks.

#### Alderman Timmons

Yes. Tomorrow the Cultural Connection meets not at 9 o'clock but at 12. They changed the time for just tomorrow until we decide exactly when we're going to have the time. So it was voted to have it tomorrow afternoon at 12 o'clock via Zoom.

#### President Wilshire

Okay. Thank you.

#### Alderman Jette

I hate to ever correct Alderman Dowd but I want to point out to him that the new middle school is no longer in Ward 9 – Alderman Sullivan's Ward but it's now in Ward 5, my Ward.

#### Alderman Sullivan

I will forward all those calls to you.

#### ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN THAT THE MARCH 22, 2022, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN BE  
ADJOURNED  
MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Attest: Susan K. Lovering, City Clerk