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**cc12aug14 council agenda**

- Fri, Aug 10, 2012

**PITTSFIELD CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.**

- Open microphone

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

- A communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting an Order establishing a Charter Review Study Committee.
- A communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting an Order authorizing the transfer of borrowed but unexpended funds in the amount of \$19,000.00 to pay the costs of various equipment and software, and to purchase a sound system for Wahconah Park.
- A communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a grant in the amount of \$149,190.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, State 911 Department.
- A communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a grant in the amount of \$92,787.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources, Green Communities Division.
- A communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept an FY12 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$24,793.00.
- A communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

**APPOINTMENTS**

- Appointment of Shaun P. McHugh as an Assessor.
- Appointment of Michael P. Filpi, David W. Murphy, Jr., Peter Marchetti, Edward J. LaPointe, Bill Barry, Diane M. Ferrero, Deborah A. Sadowy, Brad Gordon, Michael McCarthy, Vicki Kane, Arthur S. Jones to the Charter Review Study Committee.
- Appointment of Christina L. Barrett and Larry E. Tallman to the Pittsfield Economic Development Authority.
- Appointment of Thomas N. Bowler, Larry E. Tallman, Phyllis Smith, Rick Moon, Ken Wilson, Radcliffe Harewood, and Scott Clements to the Police Advisory Committee.
- Appointment of Roseanne M. Frieri to Commission on Disabilities.
- Appointment of George L. Moran and David Pill to the Pittsfield Housing Authority.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A public hearing on an application from Ricco H. Dus of Inter-Access, Inc. for a Secondhand

- **Online Content**
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Dealer License for the sale and/or trade of electronic devices and accessories at 108 West Housatonic Street.

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS**

- A petition from Councilor Yon and Councilor Clairmont requesting that Mayor Bianchi, along with representatives from the appropriate departments, provide a status update on the 2012 road repaving projects at the August 14 City Council meeting.
- A communication from Deanna L. Ruffer, Director of Community Development, on a petition from Councilor Krol and Michael Ward requesting a sensible ordinance regulating the keeping of chickens and honey bees on residential properties.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- A report from the Committee on Finance on a communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting two (2) Orders establishing water rates and sewer rates for FY13, recommending approval.
- A report from the Committee on Public Works & Utilities on a petition from Councilor Simonelli requesting that Commissioner Collingwood, Conservation Agent Caleb Mitchell, Harbor Master Jim McGrath, and Police Chief Michael Wynn present an explanation for the installation of guardrails at the lake access point on Waubeek/Overlook Roads, west of the ITAM lodge, recommending that the report be accepted and placed on file.
- A report from the Committee on Public Works & Utilities on a petition from Mayor Ruberto submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to discontinue the portion of West Street running 574.2 feet from the town bound with the Town of Hancock, recommending approval.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting that a loading zone be installed on the eastern side of Renne Avenue in front of the Lichtenstein Center, recommending approval.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting that a School Zone sign be installed on Cherry Street between Lincoln Street and Burbank Street, recommending approval.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting that 25 mph speed limit signs be installed on Cherry Street between Lincoln Street and Burbank Street, recommending that the petition be amended to 20 mph speed limit signs and school marking be painted on roadway.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting that under Article V, adding a new section 13.54.2 – ninety minute parking on Tyler Street, recommending that the petition be referred to the Committee on Ordinances and Rules for amendment to ordinance.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting that under Article V, addition a new section 13-55.2 – two hour parking on Tyler Street, recommending that the petition be referred to the Committee on Ordinances and Rules for amendment to ordinance.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting that under Article V, adding a new section 13.55.3 – three hour parking on Tyler Street, recommending that the petition be referred to Ordinances and Rules for amendment to ordinance.
- A report from the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Clairmont requesting that a No Right on Red sign be installed on the corner of Lebanon Avenue where it meets West Housatonic street, recommending that the petition be filed.
- A report from the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Paul Schack and Frank Farkas, et. al. requesting that Pittsfield City Council pass a resolution calling on the U.S. Congress to pass and send to the states for ratification a constitutional amendment overturning the Supreme Court decision on Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission, recommending approval.
- A report from the Committee on Ordinance and Rules on a petition from Councilor Mazzeo requesting that the City Council amend Chapter 9, Section 18(c), Hawkers, Peddlers, and Transient Vendors, recommending that the petition be referred back to the full council amended as follows: that any reference to 300 feet be stricken.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A petition from Alexander Blumin to remove the petition of Mr. Paul Schack and Mr. Frank Farkas "Citizens United v. Federal Elections Commission" from City of Pittsfield Council agenda

and from Ordinances and Rules.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A report from the Traffic Commission on a communication from Mayor Bianchi submitting a Traffic Order establishing two hour parking on Tyler Street, recommending approval.

**MATTERS REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27**

Referred to Traffic Commission

- A petition from Councilor Simonelli requesting that the posted speed limit from the intersection of North and Wahconah Streets to the Pittsfield Cemetery entrance be reduced from its current speed limit of 35 mph.
- A petition from Councilor Connell requesting that speed humps be installed at strategic points to be determined by the city engineer on Mountain Drive. Installation should coincide with the repaving slated for 2013.  
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