

**Ordinances & Administration Committee**

Remote Meeting

Monday, October 4, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

-Minutes-

**Present: Chair, Councilor Sean Nolan; Vice Chair, Councilor Steven LeBlanc; Councilor Jamie O’Hara**

**Other Councilors Present: Councilor John McCarthy**

**Also Present: City Clerk, Joanne Senos; Chair, Board of Health, Joe Rosa**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.**

*This meeting was conducted remotely through ZOOM  
All votes conducted by ROLL CALL*

**Chairman, Councilor Nolan** announced: Consistent with Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting will be conducted by remote participation. The public may not physically attend this meeting but every effort will be made to allow the public to view and listen to the meeting in real-time and participate when necessary. If you are calling in on a phone, you can press Star 9 (\*9) to request to speak. If you are watching on a computer or device there is a “raise hand” button that you can tap or press to request to speak. Please use either of these options to be recognized to speak.

***1. New Appointments:***

***Board of Health Don Ganim II, MD (fulfilling an unexpired term) (TTE 2/14/24)***

**Summary of Discussion:** **Dr. Don Ganim** stated he moved to Gloucester about two years ago and stated he has worked at Beverly Hospital, which was part of the Lahey Beth Israel Health Care System, since 1995 when Beverly Hospital and Addison Gilbert Hospital merged. He stated he was asked by the Mayor to fill a vacancy on the Board of Health and stated he would be happy to serve the citizens of the City.

**Chair of the Board of Health, Joe Rosa**, by way of background, added that the Board of Health currently had two vacancies to fill. He stated that the Mayor had identified **Dr. Ganim** as a candidate due to her past interactions with him at Addison Gilbert Hospital and added that the current Board of Health members were thrilled to have **Dr. Ganim** join and further stated that he would be a terrific addition.

**Councilor LeBlanc** stated **Dr. Ganim** had his full and enthusiastic support. **Councilor O’Hara** welcomed **Dr. Ganim** and thanked him for his willingness to serve the City. **Councilor Nolan** stated the Board of Health has been an important part of the City, particularly now with COVID, and thanked **Dr. Ganim** for his willingness to serve.

**Dr. Ganim** asked if the Board of Health meetings were open to the public. **Mr. Rosa** explained that the meetings were subject to the Open Meeting Law so were open to the public. **Dr. Ganim** asked if the public could ask questions once the agenda for a meeting was established. **Mr. Rosa** stated the public had an opportunity to speak briefly regarding items not on that meeting’s agenda, as the only items discussed at a particular meeting were those that were on the agenda. **Dr. Ganim** asked if the Board of Health was involved in restaurants, for instance, including cleanliness of kitchens. **Mr. Rosa** answered that those matters were an important part of the inspectional services piece of the Health Department.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: On a motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor O'Hara, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted by ROLL CALL 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to recommend that the City Council appoint Don Ganim II, MD (fulfilling an unexpired term) to the Board of Health, TTE 2/14/24.**

2. *CC#2020-003 (LeBlanc): Request review of City Charter pursuant to Sec. 10-1(b) (Cont. from 9/20/21)*

**Summary of Discussion:** The O&A Committee members each stated that they were almost done with the review of the City Charter and would submit revisions to the City Clerk's office this week.

This matter was continued until October 18, 2021.

3. *CC#2021-011 (LeBlanc): Ordered that the O&A Committee review and discuss the temporary relief granted to businesses and outdoor seating during the State of Emergency regarding the extension of seasonal liquor licenses, and possible action (Cont. from 9/20/21)*

**Summary of Discussion:** Councilor LeBlanc stated after communicating with General Counsel it was determined that there was nothing further that could be done at this time so he was withdrawing this matter without prejudice.

**MOTION TO WITHDRAW: On a motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor O'Hara, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted by ROLL CALL 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to WITHDRAW CC#2021-011 without prejudice.**

**MOTION: On a motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor O'Hara, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted by ROLL CALL 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m.**

Submitted by Sherry Karvelas, Clerk of Committees

**Documents submitted at the meeting:** None.

**Meeting Recording:** <http://gloucester-ma.gov/1097/Past-Remote-Public-Meetings>