

CITY COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE  
**Ordinances & Administration**  
Monday, March 4, 2013 – 6:00 p.m.  
**1<sup>st</sup> Fl. Council Conference Rm. – City Hall**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** Chair, Councilor Sefatia Theken; Vice Chair, Robert Whynott; Councilor Steven LeBlanc, Jr.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** N/A

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilor LeBlanc entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Agenda items were taken out of order with reappointments and then an appointment taken up. The agenda items then taken up in their remaining numeric order.

1. **Reappointments:** Board of Registrars TTE 02/14/16 Judith Peterson

With thanks from the O&A Committee for Ms. Peterson's continuing commitment to the Board of Registrars, the Committee voted as follows:

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor Theken, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 2 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to appoint Judith Peterson to the Board of Registrars, TTE 02/14/16.**

2. **Continued Business:**

A) Communication from Council President to City Clerk and memorandum from City Clerk re: City Clerk's Office Reorganization Request (Cont'd from 02/04/13)

**This matter is continued to May 6, 2013.**

B) CC2012-068 (LeBlanc) Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 "Disabled veteran, handicapped parking" & Sec. 22-274 "Two-hour Parking" re: Washington Street #133 (Cont'd from 02/04/13)

**Councilor LeBlanc** noted that the Traffic Commission at its February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting voted unanimously to approve the Council Order as written.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 (Disabled veteran, handicapped parking) by DELETING "133 Washington Street, one space on the easterly side, beginning at a point 65 feet in a southerly direction from Pole #27-1, for a distance of 20 feet (one space)" and by ADDING "one space on Washington Street, easterly side from a point 173 feet from Railroad Avenue fore a distance of 22 feet in a northerly direction;" AND FURTHER TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to Amend GCO Sec. 22-274 (Two Hour Parking) by DELETING Azorean lot, after the current entrance, and beginning ten feet from Pole #27-1 in a southerly direction on the easterly side, for a distance of 65 feet (approximately three spaces)" and by ADDING "Washington Street from its intersection with Railroad Avenue, easterly side, in a northerly direction for a distance of 173 feet and from a point 195 feet, easterly side, in a northerly direction, a distance of 105 feet to the MBTA train tracks;" AND FURTHER TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING.**

C) CC2013-003 (Verga) Amend GCO Chapter 22, Sec. 22-270 and Sec. 22-291 re: Magnolia Avenue (Cont'd from 02/04/13)

The Clerk of Committees, at the request of **Councilor Theken**, advised the Committee that Councilor Verga informed her he wished to withdraw his Council Order as the amendments he wished to make to the Code of Ordinances are already in existence. The issue, according to the Traffic Commission (see 2/7/13 Traffic Commission minutes) is lack of signage. At Councilor Verga's request, the Committee instructed the Clerk of Committees to contact the DPW Director via email advising him of this information and to forward a copy of the Traffic Commission minutes along with Councilor Verga's original order.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council that CC2013-003 (Verga) Amend GCO Chapter 22, Sec. 22-270 "Parking prohibited at all times" and Sec. 22-291 "Tow Away Zone re: Magnolia Avenue be withdrawn without prejudice.**

- D) CC2013-004 (LeBlanc) Amend GCO Chapter 22, Sec. 22-270 "Parking prohibited at all times" and Sec. 22-291 "Tow Away Zone re: Centennial Avenue (Cont'd from 02/04/13)

**Councilor LeBlanc** asked the Committee allow for the withdrawal of CC2013-004 from consideration as there was a great deal of neighborhood opposition to the proposed traffic changes on Centennial Avenue; and also noted this matter came before the Traffic Commission for discussion at their February 7, 2013 meeting. The Commission did not recommend the changes as presented in the Council Order. Mr. Hale, he said, had brought this traffic situation to his attention and that the DPW Director and Chief Smith sent memos today (on file) in support of the traffic changes. After a further discussion about the traffic safety on Centennial Avenue, some of which took place earlier with the members of the Traffic Commission who were up for reappointment, and a discussion of the apparently skewed solid center line and a need to reassess it with new measurements of the roadway, **Councilor LeBlanc** said he would contact the DPW Director and continue to work on this matter moving forward to finding ways to remedy the situation.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council that CC2013-004 (LeBlanc) Amend GCO Chapter 22, Sec. 22-270 "Parking prohibited at all times" and Sec. 22-291 "Tow Away Zone re: Centennial Avenue be withdrawn without prejudice.**

- E) CC2013-005 (LeBlanc) Amend GCO Chapter 22, Sec. 22-287 "Disabled veteran, handicapped parking" re: Middle Street #13 (02/04/13)

**Councilor LeBlanc** told the Committee that at the February 7, 2013 Traffic Commission meeting the Commission recommended the creation of a handicap parking space at Middle Street #13 as the requestor's physical disability prohibits that person from accessing any off-street parking as it is too much distance for that person to walk to enter their home. By giving the requestor the ability to walk into the building from the sidewalk at its front door, there would only be one step up into the home's entrance for this disabled requestor.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 (Disabled veteran, handicapped parking) by ADDING "one (1) handicap parking space in front of Middle Street #13;" AND FURTHER TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING.**

- E) CC2012-040 (Hardy/Tobey/Theken/Cox/LeBlanc) Amend GCO Chapter 17, Art. II Police, Art. II Police Department, Sections 17-16, 17-17 & 17-18 (Cont'd from 01/14/13)  
F) CC2012-039 (Hardy/Tobey/Theken/Cox/LeBlanc) Amend GCO Chapter 8, Art. II Fire, Art. II Fire Department, Sections 8-16, 8-17 & 8-18 (Cont'd from 01/14/13)

The Committee asked the Clerk of Committees to email the Chief Administrative Officer advising him the Committee now expects to have the Administration's recommendations on amendments to the Police and Fire Chiefs' ordinances no later than the Committee's May 6<sup>th</sup> regularly scheduled meeting. If no recommendations from the Administration are received by that date, the Committee would move forward with the Council's suggested amendments to those specific ordinances sections.

**This matter is continued to May 6, 2013.**

**3. New Appointment:**

Capital Improvement Advisory Board      TTE 02/14/16      June Landergren Steel

**Councilor Theken** said the Committee is in receipt of a memo from Councilor McGeary (on file) endorsing Ms. Steel's appointment to the Capital Improvement Advisory Board (CIAB). **Ms. Steel** noted that she grew up in the City and college in the State and left for 40 years. When she returned to the City, she said she wished to get involved by serving the City. She noted the City is on "the cusp" of great things. She told the Committee she has attended many City Council meetings as well as B&F meetings. **Councilor Theken** said she was impressed with Ms. Steel's resume and noted that the CIAB is starting to improve and move forward. However, she said that the Mayor needs to utilize the Board more. **Ms. Steel** stated she told the Mayor she would be open to any appointment to a City board, committee or commission. She said it was the Mayor's determination that she would best serve the community by becoming a member of this Board. **Ms. Steel** noted in a former job she sat on a university's property committee. In that capacity, she said, she was not a decision-maker although she sat on that committee for five years and learned a great deal which would add value to the work of the CIAB.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to appoint June Landergren Steel to the Capital Improvement Advisory Board, TTE 02/14/16.**

**4. Reappointments:**

**Note:** All reappointees were asked by the Committee to be sure to submit, if they had not already done so, a certificate of completion for the State's Ethics Commission On-Line Training and that each of their respective Committees, Boards and Commissions were submitting their minutes to the City Clerk's office on a regular basis.

Affordable Housing Trust

TTE 02/14/15      Ruth Pino, Michael Luster

The Committee commended Ms. Pino and Mr. Luster on their desire to continue to serve the City as members of the Affordable Housing Trust. Responding to an inquiry by **Councilor Theken**, **Ms. Pino** stated the funding the Trust started with was from the Village at West Gloucester development (\$350,000) in lieu of affordable housing. **Councilor Theken** asked if the money from the Montagnino development had come through regarding affordable housing. She asked that the Clerk of Committees contact a member of the City staff to follow up and assist the Trust in this matter. **Ms. Pino** and **Mr. Luster** reported seed money was given by the Trust to Central Grammar Apartments; funding to the three-unit project on Taylor Street (\$30,000) and to the Action, Inc. project on Marsh Street (\$40,000). **Councilor Theken** said she looked forward to the Trust's annual report to be submitted to the Council. **Councilor Whynott** added his thanks to Ms. Pino and Mr. Luster as well.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Ruth Pino to the Affordable Housing Trust, TTE 02/14/15.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Michael Luster to the Affordable Housing Trust, TTE 02/14/15.**

Board of Health

TTE 02/14/16      Joseph Rosa

The Committee expressed their thanks to Mr. Rosa for his many years of committed service to the Board of Health and the City. **Mr. Rosa** asked for the Committee's support for the Health Department's initiatives and grant applications when they come forward to the Council. **Councilor Theken** expressed her appreciation to the new Public Health Director and the entire Health Department's staff's responsiveness and hard work. **Councilor Whynott** asked about the ban on tobacco sales pharmacies which **Mr. Rosa** said was a local order of the Health Department.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Joseph Rosa to the Board of Health, TTE 02/14/16.**

Capital Improvement Advisory Board      TTE 02/14/16      Janet Rice, Josh Arnold,  
Kersten Lanes, Donald Fryklund

The Committee thanked the reappointees to the Capital Improvement Advisory Board (CIAB) and heard a brief update on recent activities by the Board and their work with the various City departments and the CFO and City Auditor. Of note, **Ms. Lanes**, Chair of the CIAB said that the Board has had an active calendar and has submitted a report to the Mayor in January and are waiting to hear back from her. **Ms. Lanes** said noted in that report there were two capital items were not included in their report to the Mayor where the Board could not render an opinion because more information was needed on the proposed West Parish School project and the proposed combined Public Safety Center building, which she commented “dwarfed” everything else in the plan, and so the Board could not render an opinion on either of those matters yet. **Councilor Theken** asked for a copy of the CIAB report submitted in January for the City Council. **Ms. Lanes** said she will follow up, but the Mayor has not yet accepted and released the report at this time. **Councilor Theken** stated regardless, the Council would like to have a copy of the report. **Mr. Arnold** added he felt the Board is starting to make forward progress. The Committee agreed to move Donald Fryklund’s reappointment to the CIAB forward.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Janet Rice to the Capital Improvements Advisory Board, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Josh Arnold to the Capital Improvements Advisory Board, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Kersten Lanes to the Capital Improvements Advisory Board, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Donald Fryklund to the Capital Improvements Advisory Board, TTE 02/14/16.**

City Hall Restoration Commission      TTE 02/14/16      Margaret Rosa, Stephen Dexter, David C.  
(J.J.) Bell, William Sanborn, Stephen  
Pardee, Janis Bell, Mary Rhineland-  
McCarl, James Hafey

The Committee thanked the City Hall Restoration Commission reappointees for their continuing commitment to the City and the preservation of City Hall.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Margaret Rosa to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Stephen Dexter to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint David (J.J.) Bell to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint William Sanborn to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Stephen Pardee to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Janis Bell to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Mary Rhineland-McCarl to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint James Hafey to the City Hall Restoration Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

Clean Energy Commission

TTE 02/14/15

Linda Brayton, John Moskal, Thomas Balf  
Samuel Cleaves

The Committee thanked the reappointees of the Clean Energy Commission for their continuing dedication to pursue clean energy options for the City and their willingness to volunteer. **Mr. Moskal** said the Commission is starting to coordinate with the DPW regarding grants for projects in the cue of \$180,000 that the Commission brought in to use for DPW projects. He noted this was an "old" grant that there were some issues with concerning reallocation. The Committee, acknowledging of the continuing commitment of Ms. Brayton, Mr. Balf and Mr. Cleaves determined they would move both their reappointments forward to the Council.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor , the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Linda Brayton to the Clean Energy Commission, TTE 02/14/15.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint John Moskal to the Clean Energy Commission, TTE 02/14/15.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Samuel Cleaves to the Clean Energy Commission, TTE 02/14/15.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Thomas Balf to the Clean Energy Commission, TTE 02/14/15.**

Committee for the Arts

TTE 02/14/17

Judith Hoglander, Roger Armstrong

The Committee congratulated Ms. Hoglander and Mr. Armstrong on the Committee for the Arts recent successes with pursuing the Downtown Cultural District designation for the City with the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Committee for the Arts support of children's art; and also thanked them both for their continued commitment to the City.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Judith Hoglander to the Committee for the Arts, TTE 02/14/17.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Roger Armstrong to the Committee for the Arts, TTE 02/14/17.**

Council on Aging

TTE 02/14/16 Irving (Hank) Camille

The Committee commended Mr. Camille for his on-going commitment to the Council on Aging and helping to better the lives of the City's senior citizens and the many hours he devotes to furthering the Senior Center programs. **Councilor Theken** added that what Mr. Camille has done for the senior center is amazing saying she was "in awe" of the work he does with and on the behalf of the City's seniors.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Irving (Hank) Camille to the Council on Aging, TTE 02/14/16.**

Cultural Council

TTE 02/14/16 Martin Ray, Thomas Hauck, Hans Pundt

The Committee thanked Mr. Ray for his commitment to improving the City's cultural life and for his volunteerism. **Mr. Ray** confirmed that Mr. Hauck and Mr. Pundt also wished to continue to remain members of the Gloucester Cultural Council although they were unable to attend the meeting this evening. He said the program from the Downtown Cultural District was the liveliest thing on the horizon. A meeting with many sectors of the City showed a great potential for the arts and the City's economy. The Committee also knowing of Mr. Hauck's and Mr. Pundt's wish to continue to serve on the Gloucester Cultural Council would move their reappointments forward to the Council.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Martin Ray to the Cultural Council, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Thomas Hauck to the Cultural Council, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Hans Pundt to the Cultural Council, TTE 02/14/16.**

Downtown Development Commission

TTE 02/14/16 Robert K. Whitmarsh

Mr. Whitmarsh was commended by the Committee for his commitment on several fronts for the City as a volunteer. Mr. Whitmarsh noted there is no conflict with his also serving on the Historical Commission as it compliments his work on the Downtown Development Commission.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Robert K. Whitmarsh to the Downtown Development Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

Historical Commission

TTE 02/14/16 Stephen Pardee

Mr. Pardee was thanked for his commitment not only for the Historical Commission but also as a member of the City Hall Restoration Commission as well. **Mr. Pardee** said there were no conflicts that he is aware of between this Commission and the City Hall Restoration Commission; rather the two Commissions compliment each other.

However, when there is a need to approve CPA funds, and the City Hall Restoration Commission has always submitted funding requests, reviews it as an historic asset and whether it was worthy of CPA funding only.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Stephen Pardee to the Historical Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

Historic District Commission

TTE 02/14/16 Paul Shea

Although Mr. Shea was unable to be present due to travels out of state, he had communicated in a letter (on file) to the Committee that he wished to continue to serve on the Historic District Commission, and had submitted his State Ethics Training Certificate to the City Clerk's office as was required. The Committee consented to move his reappointment forward to the Council and asked that the Clerk of Committees send Mr. Shea advising him of that fact.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Paul Shea to the Historic District Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

Open Space & Recreation Committee

TTE 02/14/16 John McElhenny

The Committee extended its thanks for Mr. McElhenny's continued commitment in pursuit to preserving the City's open spaces and their improvement. **Mr. McElhenny** said that open spaces in the City have come a long way, citing Burnham's Field as a good example with its pending renovation bringing more residents involved and the use of the space will be heightened from that project. The Open Space & Recreation Committee has a plan that open spaces should be used which are being used more and talked about more.

**Councilor Theken** asked Mr. McElhenny about Stage Fort Park and the Cyclo-Cross event that takes place there. She solicited his opinion was to whether he thought the event should be eliminated or managed differently as it is a great program but the recent damage to the park was concerning. **Mr. McElhenny** said that there will be business before the Open Space & Recreation Committee on the subject. He said in his personal opinion it was good that attention has been placed on this event so that there will be a better job done for reparations to Stage Fort Park after such an event. He said he is all for open spaces being used in a way that is "smart," and further in his opinion he said parks should not be "museums" that no one can use but rather should be used a lot and cleaned up.

**Councilor Whynott** commented that there is a difference to parks being used and abused and said it would take a great deal of convincing for him to vote to allow for such an event to be permitted again. **Councilor Theken** said she would like to see the Cyclo-cross event continued but suggested that perhaps the Cyclo-Cross event should be relocated; but to vote for it, she said, there would need to be many more guarantees in place to assure the park is being less abused by that organization's two-day cycling event so that it is available for full use by residents. **Councilor Theken** added that she was pleased to see the Burnham's Field rehabilitation/improvements project moving forward and expressed her appreciation for the area's neighbors working together to make this happen.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint John McElhenny to the Open Space & Recreation Committee, TTE 02/14/16.**

Shellfish Advisory Commission

TTE 02/14/16 Dan Molloy, Russell Jacobs (resigned)

**Councilor Theken** noted that the Mayor had forwarded a memo advising the Committee that Russell Jacobs had submitted his resignation from the Shellfish Advisory Commission. **Mr. Molloy** said that the Commission is working fine. He said while things are going well in Gloucester, he understood there is an issue with an Essex Shellfish Warden is charging Gloucester shellfishers \$300 for using the Conomo Point landing which they have used since the 1800's. He informed the Committee he called David Sargent, Gloucester's Shellfish Warden and left a message. The only way the shellfishers can get out to "the Spit," is by Conomo Point. They are unable to cross the bay. He said the shellfishers have never been charged before. **Councilor Theken** suggested the City should look into this situation. **Mr. Molloy** noted that the Essex Board of Selectmen was meeting the following evening, and it was his intention to go to that meeting to learn more about the situation. **Councilor Theken** asked that Mr. Molloy work with Councilor LeBlanc who volunteered to assist Mr. Molloy in learning more about this matter and accompany him to that meeting.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Dan Molloy to the Shellfish Advisory Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

Traffic Commission

TTE 02/14/16

Robert Ryan, Anthony Bertolino  
Michael Mulcahey

**Councilor Theken** told the members of the Traffic Commission present that she respected their work on the Commission but also expressed some of her concerns about recent matters that came forward to the Traffic Commission. She did not, she said, want the Traffic Commission to be intimidated by anyone, and to look at the traffic situation from a public safety perspective to the best of their knowledge and ability; and that the Commission should not be pleasing a neighborhood per se, but it is the Commission's role is to advise and make recommendations to the O&A Committee on matters of public safety, which almost on all matters do so. However, she said she is in favor of the reappointments of Mr. Ryan and Mr. Bertolino and thanked both gentlemen for their continuing dedication as volunteers with the City. **Councilor Whynott** added his endorsement of the reappointees to the Traffic Commission.

**Mr. Bertolino** reiterated that Commission understands of the Commission's role in making recommendations to the O&A Committee and to help the Committee to ensure public traffic safety. **Mr. Bertolino** and **Councilor Whynott** discussed the conditions under which handicap parking spaces are recommended to the Committee. **Mr. Ryan** noted the Commission recommended the creation of six handicapped parking spaces last year and the deletion one space, adding that the Commission is mindful of where the handicapped spaces are placed. **Councilor LeBlanc** said that the Commission meetings he's attended have been very insightful, and that the Commission tries to find a "happy medium." **Mr. Ryan** extended his thanks to Mr. Bertolino for his 35 years of service to the City as a member of the Traffic Commission and noted Mr. Bertolino had been appointed by Mayor Leo Alper in the late 1970's.

**Councilor Theken** reviewed for **Mr. Mulcahey**, who joined the meeting late, what had been discussed with Messrs. Ryan and Bertolino. **Mr. Mulcahey** commented that there has been a great level of cooperation between the Commission and the O&A Committee which has continued to work well.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Robert Ryan to the Traffic Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Anthony Bertolino to the Traffic Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Michael Mulcahey to the Traffic Commission, TTE 02/14/16.**

Waterways Board

TTE 02/14/16

Vito Calamo

The Clerk of Committees reported a letter was sent to Mr. Calamo advising him he was up for reappointment and needed to attend this meeting and take the State's Ethics On-Line Training. **Councilor Theken** telephoned Mr. Calamo directly during the meeting to confirm what she said she knew was his wish to continue on the Waterways Board. **Mr. Calamo** conveyed to **Councilor Theken** (who reported directly to the Committee) that Mr. Calamo had informed the Chair of the Waterways Board, Tony Gross to let the O&A Committee know he did want to continue as a Board member who apparently did not do so. **Mr. Calamo** said to **Councilor Theken** that he would go on line and take his Ethics Training and submit his certificate of completion to the City Clerk's office.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor LeBlanc, seconded by Councilor Whynott, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to reappoint Vito Calamo to the Waterways Board, TTE 02/14/16.**



**5. CC2013-009 (Cox) Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 “Disabled veteran, handicapped parking” by adding one space in front of Warner Street #56**

The Committee noted at the February 28, 2013 Traffic Commission meeting that Councilor Cox represented the requestor and that the Commission, pointing out that the requestor had no off street parking available, the placement of this handicap parking space on Warner Street #56 would not harm the parking situation in that immediate area.

**MOTION: On motion by Councilor Whynott, seconded by Councilor LeBlanc, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend to the City Council to AMEND the GCO, Sec. 22-287 (Disabled veteran, handicapped parking) by ADDING “one (1) handicap parking space in front of Warner Street #56,” AND FURTHER TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING.**

**6. CC2013-010 (Theken/LeBlanc) Amend GCO Sec. 22.270.1 “Resident Sticker Parking” re: Beach Court, Fort Square and Commercial Street**

After a discussion with the Traffic Commission members, during the matter of their reappointments, about the results of the Commission taking up this matter at the February 28<sup>th</sup> Traffic Commission Meeting, the Committee decided to continue CC2013-010 to April 1, 2013 pending the results of further discussions with the neighborhood by Councilors and the matter being taken back up by the Traffic Commission at their next meeting in March.

**This matter is continued to April 1, 2013.**

**7. CC2013-011 (Cox) Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 “Disabled veteran, handicapped parking” by adding one space near Perkins Street #39**

Although this matter was to have been continued to March 18, 2013, the Committee chose to move this matter out a bit further and continued it to April 1, 2013 pending a recommendation from the Traffic Commission.

**This matter is continued to April 1, 2013.**

**A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Dana C. Jorgenson  
Clerk of Committees**

**DOCUMENTS/ITEMS SUBMITTED AT MEETING: None.**