

Ordinances & Administration Committee

Monday, January 6, 2014 – 6:00 p.m.

1st Fl. Council Committee Rm. – City Hall**-Minutes-****Present: Vice-Chair, Councilor Sefatia Theken; Councilor Jackie Hardy; Councilor LeBlanc (Alternate)****Absent: Councilor Whynott****Also Present: Councilor Cox****The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. Items were taken out of order.****1. Continued Business:**

- A) CC2013-040 (Verga) Request to review GCO Chapter 4 “Animals,” Art. II “Dogs,” Sections 4-15 to 4-22 and to consider whether to add the offense of “Running at large prohibited” to GCO Sec. 1.15 to allow for fines by non-criminal enforcement & signage to be placed in areas of concern (Returned by City Council 11/12/13) & Group Free Petition under City Charter Sec. 9-1(b) re: Leash Free Gloucester Beaches Petition
- 1) **Establishment of Ad Hoc Committee** to study GCO Chapter 4 “Animals,” Art. II “Dogs,” Sections 4-15 to 4-22 and Sec. 1.15 Fines for non-criminal enforcement

Councilor Theken announced that the following Gloucester citizens have been named to the Ad Hoc Committee to study the City’s leash laws and to make recommendations back to the O&A Committee for their consideration. They are: Marie Demick, Cynthia Dunn, Glen Bresnahan, Michael Haran, John Knowlton, Jennifer Greek and Ronda Tucker. Alternates: Phil Dench, first alternate; Leonard Gyllenhaal, second alternate. At the January 14, 2014 City Council Meeting the Committee would make their formal recommendation and ask for the Council President’s approval.

She said that Councilor LeBlanc will remain appointed to the ad hoc committee as City Council liaison although now reassigned to the Planning & Development Committee. **Councilor Theken** noted that he would arrange for the first meeting of the ad hoc committee after determining a date in consultation with the Police Chief who is to be the Public Safety Representative, or his designee.

This matter is continued to March 3, 2014.

- B) CC2013-051 (LeBlanc) Amend GCO c. 22 Sec. 22-200-209 “Reserved” and Sec. 22-270 “Parking Prohibited at all times” re: Draw Bridge Tender Parking (Cont’d from 12/02/13)

Councilor LeBlanc informed the Committee that no forward progress has yet been made with the State Department of Transportation through the office of Sen. Bruce Tarr.

This matter is continued to March 3, 2014.**2. New Appointments: Shellfish Advisory Commission TTE 02/14/16 William Nugent**

Clerk of Committees, Dana Jorgensson advised the Committee that due to the recent extreme winter weather Mr. Nugent is unable to appear before the Committee because of a series of cancelled flights. Mr. Nugent, she reported, asked that his appointment be placed on the Committee’s February 3, 2014 meeting agenda.

The appointment of William Nugent to the Shellfish Advisory Committee is continued to February 3, 2014.**3. CC2013-058 (Cox) Amend GCO c. 22, Sec. 22-287 “Disabled veteran, handicapped parking” re: Proctor St. #12**

As this matter had yet to be taken up by the Traffic Commission, it was continued by the Committee to February 3, 2014.

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A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Dana C. Jorgenson,
Clerk of Committees**

DOCUMENTS/ITEMS SUBMITTED AT MEETING: None.