



City of Amesbury  
Office of the City Clerk  
62 Friend St.  
Amesbury, MA 01913

## MEETING NOTICE

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City Council Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, June 28, 2022  
City Hall Auditorium- 62 Friend St.  
7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilor Mandeville
3. Roll Call
4. Act on Minutes – April 26, 2022 & June 14, 2022
5. Mayoral Appointments- None
6. Monthly list of licenses-
  - Licenses
  - **2022-052** Pole Hearing- National Grid 30504434 (continued from 6/14)
  - **2022-053** Installation of Underground Facilities- National Grid 30504434 (continued from 6/14)
  - **2022-064** Pole Hearing- National Grid 30545248
  - **2022-065** Pole Hearing- National Grid 30572849
7. Correspondence
  - President/Vice President Communications
  - Communication from Elected Officials, Boards and Commissions
  - Council Communications, Announcements and Committee Reports
8. Public Comment
9. Council Response to Public Comment
10. Second Readings

### **Public Hearings:**

**2022-059** An Order to create five (5) new, permanent fifteen (15) minute parking spaces throughout downtown Amesbury. -Mayor Sponsor

**Summary:** In 2020, many businesses adapted to COVID restrictions by offering curbside delivery. The City created nine (9) temporary parking spaces throughout downtown to help businesses deliver their products to customers curbside or allow customers to pick up their items quickly. After reaching out to the businesses, we heard back from five of them that the 15-minute space was helpful to their business and

they would like it to be a permanent parking space. The five (5) new permanent parking spaces are proposed at: 15 Friend Street, 36 Friend Street, 35 Friend Street, 25 Main Street, 40 Market Street.

**2022-078** An Order to authorize the Mayor to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Association of Council on Aging, and Senior Center Directors, Inc. (MCOA) for FY22.- Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** The Massachusetts Association of Council on Aging, and Senior Center Directors, Inc. ("MCOA") has allocated an ARPA Funds Grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs to the Amesbury Council on Aging in the amount of \$18,007.36.

**2022-079** An Order to approve payment from the FY22 Fire Other Expenses budget to John Guilfoil Public Relations for a prior fiscal year invoice, totaling \$300.00.-Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** This invoice was for work performed on 5/27/2021 for training photos and story coverage. M.G.L. c. 44 s. 64 requires a two thirds vote of the City Council in order to pay invoices of a prior fiscal year.

**2022-080** An Order to request the City Council vote to authorize the Mayor to enter into a three-year or less lease or loan purchase Agreement for new cruisers for the Amesbury Police Department. -Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** The City seeks to enter into a three-year or less lease or loan purchase Agreement for new cruisers for the Amesbury Police Department. The lease or loan method will depend on best rate.

**2022-081** An Ordinance to amend Section 20-24 of the City ordinances, titled "Establishment of revolving funds." -Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** When the Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station Revolving Fund was established by Ordinance 2021-144, it was specified that this Fund would be used to take in receipts via advertising, but it was never specified that receipts may also be generated through energy sales revenue and expended to support the costs of operating the program.

**2022-082** An Ordinance to amend the Amesbury Health Care Trust Commission (AHCTC) program description and application. -Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** The original Trust, Amesbury Hospital Charitable Trust, was created on June 28, 1963. In accordance with the original trust documents, the June 1, 1993 sale and closure of the Amesbury Hospital resulted in the reorganization of the Commission resulting in the creation of the Healthcare Trust Commission on or about January 13, 1998. The attached documents include program description and application revisions.

**2022-083** An Order to authorize inter-departmental transfers of general fund appropriations in accordance with MGL c.44 Section 33B. -Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** The City Council may, by majority vote, on recommendation of the Mayor, transfer within the last 2 months of any fiscal year, or during the first 15 days of the new fiscal year, to apply to the previous fiscal year, any amount appropriated, other than for the use of a municipal light department or a school department, to any other appropriation. Please see transfer summary below for additional information.

#### 11. First Readings-

**2022-084** A Resolution to Support the Fair Share Amendment- Councilors Wheeler, Lennon, Rinaldi, & Deschenes Sponsor

**2022-085** An Order of the Amesbury City Council to approve the acceptance of the Conservation Commission of a Quitclaim Deed for Open Space at the Locke Hill Lane Subdivision, being a portion of property located off South Hampton Road, Amesbury and to authorize the Mayor to execute said approval on behalf of the City of Amesbury. -Mayor Sponsor  
**Summary:** The Planning Board issued a Special Permit, dated August 25, 2014, for a Definitive Cluster Residential Development at South Hampton Road, Amesbury, described on a plan entitled "Definitive Subdivision Plan for Locke Hill Lane Located in Amesbury, Mass.," dated April 1, 2014, recorded with the

Essex South Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 447, Plan 29. The Special Permit states that the Open Space shall be held, in perpetuity, in its natural state, with no alteration except for forestry management purposes, constructing or maintaining pedestrian access trails and bridges, stormwater management maintenance and permitted agricultural or passive recreational uses. The intent of this Order is to obtain the authorization of the City Council to approve the acceptance by the Conservation Commission and authorize the Mayor to approve and execute the deed for the open space property.

**2022-086** An Ordinance to amend the Amesbury Zoning Ordinance to allow restaurant use at marina facilities in the City of Amesbury. -Mayor Sponsor


**Summary:** Communities along the Merrimack River are increasing their appreciation of this natural resource and exploring ways to increase access to the River for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike. One of the uses that Amesbury is exploring is allowing restaurants. In this proposed amendment, the restaurant use would only be allowed if it is connected to an active marina. The proposed ordinance seeks to amend certain provisions of the Amesbury Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. Amend Section II by adding a definition of "Banquet Hall"
2. Amend Section V – Table of Use Regulations, by allowing restaurant use at active marina facilities by Special Permit from the Planning Board (S1) and Site Plan Review in the zoning districts where marinas are allowed and adding a new note after current note #14.

**2022-087** An Order to authorize the Mayor to surplus, procure a development proposal, and then sell the public properties located at 58 Cynthia Road (Parcel 22-72) and 63 Cynthia Lane (Parcel 23-163) which combined consist of approximately 3.11 acres of residentially zoned land (R-40). -Mayor Sponsor

**Summary:** The Mayor seeks to sell and encourage affordable residential development of two vacant properties to remove the obligation of maintenance costs and liability by the City and to place the site on the tax rolls to increase revenue. These parcels were both taken through tax foreclosure: 58 Cynthia Road, which is 1.51 acres, was taken in 1987; 63 Cynthia Lane, which is 1.6 acres, was taken in 2003. Both properties are located in the R-40 Zoning District. Disposition of these parcels shall follow the process outlined in *Bill No. 2021-039 An Order to Amend the By-Laws of the Amesbury Disposition Committee*.

12. Adjournment



June 22, 2022