



City of Concord
City Council
Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, October 21, 2019

6:30 PM

City Council Chambers
37 Green Street
Concord, NH 03301

Non-meeting with legal counsel in accordance with RSA 91-A:2, I (b) to be held at 5:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Bouley called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

Present: 12 - Mayor Jim Bouley, Councilor Byron Champlin, Councilor Mark Coen, Councilor Amanda Grady Sexton, Councilor Meredith Hatfield, Councilor Allan Herschlag, Councilor Fred Keach, Councilor Linda Kenison, Councilor Jennifer Kretovic, Councilor Keith Nyhan, Councilor Zandra Rice Hawkins, and Councilor Brent Todd

Excused: 3 - Councilor Candace Bouchard, Councilor Gail Matson, and Councilor Robert Werner

3. New Business.

A. Mayor Bouley recognized Councilor Nyhan, Chair of the Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee (FPAC). Councilor Nyhan stated that, earlier this evening, the Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee had made a recommendation to the full Council to include a notice in the Council agenda that the City Council will be voting on cost items containing collective bargaining agreements when a tentative agreement has been reached.

Councilor Nyhan moved to accept the recommendation of the Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee to begin including notice on future agendas that the City Council will be voting on cost items contained in collective bargaining agreements when a tentative agreement has been reached. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

B. Mayor Bouley addressed attendees stating that many members of the

community have approached members of City Council asking them to comment on recent news/investigations related to Concord School District. Mayor Bouley indicated that Councilor Grady Sexton, Chair of the Public Safety Advisory Board was going to read a statement on behalf of City Council concerning the turmoil inside the school district.

Councilor Grady Sexton read the following statement:

In light of the recent and ongoing public discussion regarding student safety in Concord's public schools, it is important that the community know that the Concord Police Department has conducted a thorough and complete investigation into former Concord school teacher Primo "Howie" Leung, and criminal charges are currently pending in Massachusetts.

The Concord Police Department is actively engaging with Concord Schools to ensure the safety of all Concord students. To further assist in this effort, any member of the public who has concerns or information regarding child safety in our schools or otherwise should immediately contact the Concord Police Department at (603) 225-8600.

Although the City Council does not have jurisdiction over the Concord School District, the safety of our students and public trust is a primary concern of ours, and we will continue to prioritize the public's safety.

4. Adjournment.

There being no additional Council business, Councilor Champlin moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

A true copy; I attest:

*Janice Bonenfant
City Clerk*