



Watertown Town Council

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ELECTED OFFICIALS:

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District C Councilor

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Councilor At Large

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District A Councilor

Lisa J. Feltner,
District B Councilor

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 149 MAIN STREET

MINUTES

The public is invited to attend the meeting in the Richard E Mastrangelo Council Chamber or participate remotely using any of the public access methods listed below:

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. The meeting was televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television):
<https://cloud.castus.tv/vod/#/watertown/video/5f490e6f9e1d640008a803ae?page=HOME&type=live>
- B. The Public was able to join the virtual meeting online: <https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/92991331344>
- C. Public was able to join the virtual meeting audio only by phone: (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (Toll Free) and enter Webinar ID: 929 9133 1344 #
- D. Public was able to comment through email: vpiccirilli@watertown-ma.gov

1. ROLL CALL

Council President Sideris called to order a regular meeting of the Town Council at 7:00 p.m. in the Richard E. Mastrangelo Chamber, Administration Building. Those present in Chamber were Councilors Anthony J. Donato, John G. Gannon, Lisa J. Feltner, Anthony Palomba, Vice President Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr., and Council President Mark S. Sideris. Those attending virtually were Councilors Caroline Bays and Angeline B. Kounelis. Also present were Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, Thomas Tracy, Town Auditor/Assistant Manager for Finance, Mark Reich, Town Attorney.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC FORUM

Russ Arico – Fayette Street – Stated the Charter must be rejected as it represents a document completed by special interest groups attempting to take control of Watertown.

John Ovoian – Carroll St. (Email read by Councilor Piccirilli) – He questioned the Committee on Personnel and Town Organization report of September 23, 2021. He feared the specific hiring of women and minorities would be perceived as the favored hiring of people who may be less qualified. He raised further questions regarding the hiring process: Was the town seeking the best candidate or was it trying to achieve its diversity goals?

Rita Collafella – Stated she participated in the Town Charter meetings which were open to all citizens. She felt initially there were many bumps that were smoothed out by May when the group hit their stride. At this point, the group began consensus building; not all got what they wanted but the result was a document that remediated gaps within the charter and is something for the community to be proud of. She requested all to vote yes on question #2.

There being no other speakers the public forum was closed

4. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
Town Council Meeting Minutes of October 12, 2021

Councilor Piccirilli moved to adopt the minutes as written; Councilor Feltner seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Appointment of Cambria Ung to the Stormwater Advisory Committee to Fill an Unexpired Term Until July 15, 2022

Council President Sideris stated the Town Council had an appointment to make to the Stormwater Water Advisory Committee and was appointing Cambria Ung who has professional experience in water resource management for BHB and a master's in civil engineering with a concentration in environmental systems.

6. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS AND MATTERS

[Proclamation Honoring Dr. John Straus](#) on His Retirement from the Watertown Board of Health

Council President Sideris read the proclamation honoring Dr. Straus on his retirement from the Board of Health after serving for 17 years. He then presented the proclamation to Dr. Straus, who thanked the community for their kind wishes. He expressed special pride in MCPAP a child Psychiatry project expanded to for Moms to address perinatal depression with its programs operational in 46 states.

Mr. Driscoll also offered his congratulations and thanked Dr. Straus for his diligence and efforts on behalf of the community and his recruitment of several Directors of Public Health.

Councilor Piccirilli moved to confirm the proclamation honoring Dr. Straus on his retirement from the Board of Health; Councilor Feltner seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Committee on Personnel and Town Organization Report Regarding [Equity in Watertown's Workforce](#) – Caroline Bays, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

That the Town Council request the Town Manager to Direct the Personnel Department to Use the MAPC List in Filling Job Vacancies and to Otherwise Broaden the Search to Find More Opportunities to Expand the Diversity of the Town's Workforce.

Council President Sideris stated the report was read and accepted at the previous meeting, but the backup information was not included. Councilor Bays moved to have the Town Council request the Town Manager to direct the Personnel Department to use the MAPC list in filling job vacancies and to otherwise broaden the search to find more opportunities to expand the diversity of the town's workforce; Councilor Piccirilli seconded the motion.

Councilor Donato offered a friendly amendment to insert the words "as a resource" after MAPC list to read "to use the MAPC list as a resource in filling job vacancies". He felt that the current statement requires the use of the MAPC list while he felt the intent was to use it as one of many resources. Councilor Feltner seconded the motion. The motion to amend the motion was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote.

The motion as amended was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Loan Order Authorizing the Town Treasurer, with the Approval of the Town Manager, to Borrow and/or Expend Monies in the Amount of \$4,733,900 Under and Pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §8(6), or Pursuant to Any Other Enabling Authority, to Pay the Costs of [Purchasing and Installing New Water Meters](#), Including All Costs Incidental and Related Thereto; and to Issue Bonds or Notes of the Town Therefor; and That Any Premium Received Upon the Sale of Any Bonds or Notes Approved by This Order, Less Any Such Premium Applied to the Payment of the Costs of Issuance of Such Bonds or Notes, May Be Applied to the Payment of Costs Approved by This Order in Accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, Thereby Reducing the Amount Authorized to Be Borrowed to Pay Such Costs by a Like Amount.

Mr. Driscoll provided background on the request. Mr. St. Louis, Superintendent of Public Works, stated the Department has been researching forward thinking technology; the bid that came in this summer was below the \$6,000,000 budgeted for the project. The equipment for the project is being used in smaller urban areas such as Arlington, Revere, Wakefield, Winthrop, and Chelsea. The purpose of the project is to work with the installers to provide accurate tracking of water use and to assist with the reduction of water use.

Mr. Driscoll stated the loan would be for 10 years beginning Fiscal Year 2023 and terminating in Fiscal Year 2032.

Council President Sideris opened the Public Hearing; there being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Councilor Piccirilli moved to approve the a proposed loan order authorizing the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Town Manager, to borrow and/or expend monies in the amount of \$4,733,900 under and pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §8(6), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, to pay the costs of [purchasing and installing new water meters](#), including all costs incidental and related thereto; and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor; and that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount; Councilor Feltner seconded the motion.

The following matters were brought up during the discussion:

- The projected life of the new units is 15 years as opposed to the current meter guarantee of 10 years
- The installation time depends on the number of meters in the home in a basement, about an hour per meter, as well as other underlying conditions that may exist
- Meters will be installed by DPW and contractors as about 9,800 meters need to be replaced for better tracking of water use
- Changes will be completed by appointment only with proper notice given; access to the basement only will be needed
- The point of contact will be the Department of Public Works
- The technology will allow for a flag of excessive use based on the data
- It is estimated that it will take nine months to complete the change over

The motion was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote.

B. Public Hearing and Vote on a [Proposed Amendment](#) to the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget.

Mr. Driscoll provided background. There are substantial new growth increases going from an estimated \$6,000,000 to \$7,942,035 due to

- The Tufts Building coming onto the tax rolls
- Additional growth at Arsenal Yards
- Three new labs being built at 66 Galen Street; 85 Walnut Street, and 99 Coolidge
- New growth at the Arsenal Yard/Charles River Campus
- Additional personal property valued at \$700,000

The Cherry Sheets were adjusted to reflect an increase of State Aid of \$941. The Charter School Assessment increased by \$1 from what was budgeted, and the School Choice Assessment increased by \$49,436. An appropriation of \$50,000 is being requested for a nexus study of affordable housing and linkage fees. There is a onetime increase of \$5,000,000 for inspection fee revenue. The anticipated revenue of \$2,200,000 million grew by \$5,000,000 for a total of \$7,200,00 million related to inspections for new projects at 311 Arsenal Street, 57 Coolidge Avenue, 705 Mount Auburn Street, 85 Walnut Street, 580 Pleasant Street, and 64 Pleasant Street, the former Sasaki Building. This added revenue is being moved to the unfunded pension liability stabilization to offset any potential volatility in the market.

Council President Sideris opened the public hearing; there being no speakers, he closed it. Councilor Piccirilli moved to approve the proposed budget amendment of \$6,893,133; Councilor Feltner seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote.

9. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS

Consideration and Action on the [2020 Re-Precincting Plan](#)

Council President Sideris stated this item would be tabled as issues arose with the way precincts were drawn. When these items are clarified, the Council would consider the matter.

10. NEW BUSINESS

There were no new business items raised.

11. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

A. Request for Confirmation of Appointments and Reappointments to the Environment & Energy Efficiency Committee

Mr. Driscoll requested the confirmation of three appointments, Pat Rathbone, Ari Stern, and Ellen Menounos and five reappointments,

Meredith Fields, Brian Hebeisen, Lauri Murphy, Ed Lewis, and Jean Trubek to the Energy and Environmental Efficiency Committee. This request was referred to the Committee on Public Works under Council Rules.

B. Request for Confirmation of Reappointments to the Stormwater Advisory Committee.

Mr. Driscoll requested the confirmation of two reappointments to the Stormwater Advisory Committee – David Jay and Janet Buck. This request was referred to the Committee on Public Works under Council Rules.

12. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION/REVIEW OF LIST OF PENDING MATTERS

Councilor Feltner requested a clarification/explanation of what mill and overlay upgrade work means so that residents of Beechwood Avenue know what to expect regarding the repair work being done on their street. She also asked what guidelines are used when determining the extent of repair by DPW.

Councilor Kounelis asked for a follow up on the status of cataloguing of memorials and dedications made on June 8, 2021.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Piccirilli stated the initial meeting regarding the budget and policy guidelines was expected to be on November 1, but was delayed until November 8; therefore, the deadline for providing each councilor's list was changed to November 3, 2021.

Councilor Kounelis stated she has received questions on the charter. She announced that at a Special Town Council meeting on September 2, 2021, she dissented on the passage of the Charter and would like her views to be on the record.

Council President Sideris announced that MassDOT would hold a community meeting on November 4 at 6:30 pm on Zoom regarding the 25% design for Mount Auburn Street. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive feedback from the community. This project would allow the Town to receive \$28,000,000 in federal funding for the two-mile corridor. Details regarding the meeting are posted on the website calendar.

He also mentioned there would an election on November 2; the polls would be open from 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

14. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no speakers at the Public Forum.

15. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Piccirilli moved to adjourn the meeting; Councilor Feltner seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously on a roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting of the Town Council for which a quorum was present, the above minutes were adopted by a vote of 9 for, 0 against, 0 present on December 14, 2021.

Mark S. Sideris, Council President
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**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2021, AT 7:00 P.M.
RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER
WITH REMOTE ACCESS OPPORTUNITIES**

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

1. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting – October 12, 2021 – Item 4
2. Proclamation Honoring Dr. John Straus on His Retirement from the Watertown Board of Health – October 26, 2021 – Item 6
3. Committee on Personnel and Town Organization Report Regarding Equity in the Town's Workforce and to Discuss Further Action – Caroline Bays, Chair – September 23, 2021 – Item 8
4. Agenda Item – Proposed Loan Order Regarding the Water Meter Replacement Program – Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, to Town Council – October 7, 2021 – Item 8
5. Additional Information – Proposed Loan Order Regarding the Water Meter Replacement Program - Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, to Town Council – October 21, 2021 – Item 8A
6. Proposed Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget – Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, to Town Council – October 7, 2021 – Item 8B
7. Agenda Item – Consideration and Action on the 2020 Re-Precincting Plan – Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, to Town Council – October 21, 2021 – Item 8C
8. Request for Confirmation – Appointments and Reappointments to the Environment and Energy Efficiency Committee – Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, to Town Council – October 21, 2021 – Item 11A
9. Request for Confirmation – Reappointments to the Stormwater Advisory Committee – Michael Driscoll, Town Manager, to Town Council – October 21, 2021 – Item 11B
10. Request for Information Regarding the Beechwood Avenue Road Work – Councilor lisa Feltner – October 26, 2021 – Item 13
11. Request for Information Regarding the Listing of Memorials and Dedications – Councilor Angeline Kounelis – Item 13

*Addendum to the
City Council
Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2021*



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14. PUBLIC FORUM

15. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

**TOWN COUNCIL ATTENDANCE
MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2021**

	YES	NO	PRESENT
CAROLINE BAYS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY J. DONATO	___X___	_____	_____
LISA J. FELTNER	___X___	_____	_____
JOHN G. GANNON	___X___	_____	_____
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY PALOMBA	___X___	_____	_____
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI	___X___	_____	_____
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	___X___	_____	_____

**TOWN COUNCIL ROLL CALL VOTE
MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2021**

	YES	NO	PRESENT
ANTHONY J. DONATO	___X___	_____	_____
LISA J. FELTNER	___X___	_____	_____
JOHN G. GANNON	___X___	_____	_____
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY PALOMBA	___X___	_____	_____
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI, JR.	___X___	_____	_____
CAROLINE BAYS	___X___	_____	_____
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	___X___	_____	_____

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 12, 2021 AS WRITTEN

**TOWN COUNCIL ROLL CALL VOTE
MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2021**

	YES	NO	PRESENT
LISA J. FELTNER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
JOHN G. GANNON	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANTHONY PALOMBA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI, JR.	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
CAROLINE BAYS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANTHONY J. DONATO	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

MOTION TO CONFIRM THE PROCLAMATION HONORING DR. STRAUS ON HIS RETIREMENT
FROM THE BOARD OF HEALTH



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PROCLAMATION HONORING DR. JOHN STRAUS ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE WATERTOWN BOARD OF HEALTH

WHEREAS: Dr. John Straus was appointed to the Watertown Board of Health in 2004 and became its Chair in 2008 and has faithfully served the Town of Watertown for 17 years establishing policies and providing services to better the health of the residents of this community; and

WHEREAS: In his capacity as Chair, he has overseen Public Health improvements by assisting with the regulations and programs involving the sale of tobacco to minors, nuisance control, food safety, and most recently rDNA/Technology; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Straus has shepherded the evolution of the Watertown Public Health's policy and focus to address any new health challenges the community faces; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Straus has served on Watertown Cares, he has been a strong advocate for measures to address the opioid crisis and its effects on Watertown residents; and

WHEREAS: His professional credentials of completing his pediatric training at the University of Syracuse and as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar at Johns Hopkins Medical School with a primary care practice for more than twenty years, Dr. Straus was an exemplary member of the Board of Health; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Straus brought his expertise to the Board of Health, he made several contributions to the health of the community especially in the area of pediatric mental health. He has served as the Founding Director of the Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Project (MCPAP), a child Psychiatry project, that was expanded to MCPAP for Moms to address perinatal depression and other mental illnesses, a program that continues to serve as a model for similar programs in 38 states;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED: That the Town Council of the city known as the Town of Watertown hereby wishes to express its sincerest gratitude to Dr. Straus for his continuing efforts to provide quality health care to the citizens of Watertown and beyond and to wish him success and happiness in his retirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City Known as the Town of Watertown to be affixed on this 26th day of October 2021


Mark S. Sideris, Council President
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**TOWN COUNCIL ROLL CALL VOTE
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	YES	NO	PRESENT
JOHN G. GANNON	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANTHONY PALOMBA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI, JR.	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
CAROLINE BAYS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANTHONY J. DONATO	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
LISA J. FELTNER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION TO USE THE MAPC LISTING TO BROADEN THE EMPLOYEE SEARCH TO PROVIDE GREATER EQUITY IN HIRING BY INSERTING THE WORDS "AS A RESOURCE" AFTER MAPC LIST TO READ "TO USE THE MAPC LIST AS A RESOURCE IN FILLING JOB VACANCIES"

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	YES	NO	PRESENT
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY PALOMBA	___X___	_____	_____
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI	___X___	_____	_____
CAROLINE BAYS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY J. DONATO	___X___	_____	_____
LISA J. FELTNER	___X___	_____	_____
JOHN G. GANNON	___X___	_____	_____
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	___X___	_____	_____

MOTION TO USE THE MAPC LIST AS A RESOURCE IN FILLING JOB VACANCIES AND TO OTHERWISE BROADEN THE SEARCH TO FIND MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND THE DIVERSITY OF THE TOWN'S WORKFORCE

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	YES	NO	PRESENT
ANTHONY PALOMBA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI, JR.	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
CAROLINE BAYS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ANTHONY J. DONATO	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
LISA J. FELTNER	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TREASURER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE TOWN MANAGER, TO BORROW AND/OR EXPEND MONIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,733,900 UNDER AND PURSUANT TO M.G.L. C.44, §8(6), OR PURSUANT TO ANY OTHER ENABLING AUTHORITY, TO PAY THE COSTS OF PURCHASING AND INSTALLING NEW WATER METERS, INCLUDING ALL COSTS INCIDENTAL AND RELATED THERETO; AND TO ISSUE BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN THEREFOR; AND THAT ANY PREMIUM RECEIVED UPON THE SALE OF ANY BONDS OR NOTES APPROVED BY THIS ORDER, LESS ANY SUCH PREMIUM APPLIED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS OF ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS OR NOTES, MAY BE APPLIED TO THE PAYMENT OF COSTS APPROVED BY THIS ORDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.G.L. C.44, §20, THEREBY REDUCING THE AMOUNT AUTHORIZED TO BE BORROWED TO PAY SUCH COSTS BY A LIKE AMOUNT



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ORDER # 77

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ORDER TO APPROVE THE BORROWING OF FUNDS TO PAY COSTS OF PURCHASING AND INSTALLING NEW WATER METERS

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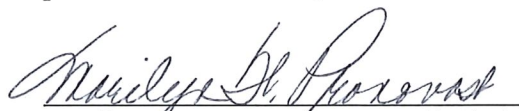
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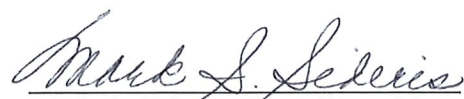
ORDERED: That the sum of \$4,733,900 is appropriated to pay the costs of purchasing and installing new water meters, including all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Town Manager, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §8(6), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That a copy of said Order be forwarded to the Town Auditor and Town Treasurer/Collector.


Council Member

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting of the Town Council for which a quorum was present, the above Order was adopted by a vote of 8 for, 0 against, and 0 present on October 26, 2021.


Marilyn W. Pronovost, Council Clerk


Mark S. Sideris, Council President

TOWN COUNCIL ROLL CALL VOTE
MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2021

	YES	NO	PRESENT
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI	___X___	_____	_____
CAROLINE BAYS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY J. DONATO	___X___	_____	_____
LISA J. FELTNER	___X___	_____	_____
JOHN G. GANNON	___X___	_____	_____
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY PALOMBA	___X___	_____	_____
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	___X___	_____	_____

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$6,893,133



Watertown Town Council

Administration Building
149 Main Street
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ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mark S. Sideris,
Council President

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr.,
Vice President &
District C Councilor

Caroline Bays
Councilor At Large

Anthony Donato,
Councilor At Large

John G. Gannon
Councilor At Large

Anthony Palomba,
Councilor At Large

Angeline B. Kounelis,
District A Councilor

Lisa J. Feltner,
District B Councilor

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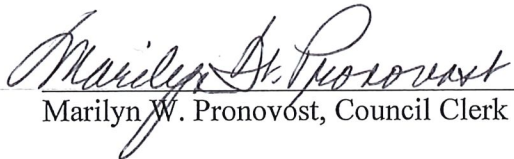
ORDER ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET

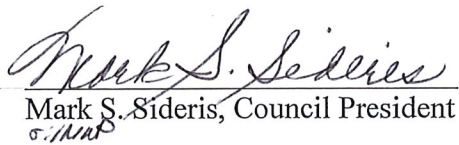
BE IT ORDERED: That the Town Council of the City known as the Town of Watertown hereby adopts an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget, as attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of said transfer is forwarded to the Town Auditor and Town Treasurer/Collector


Council Member

I hereby certify that at a Meeting of the Town Council for which a quorum was present, the above Order was adopted by a vote of 8 for, 0 against, and 0 present on October 26, 2021.


Marilyn W. Pronovost, Council Clerk


Mark S. Sideris, Council President

FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET AMENDMENT OCTOBER 26, 2021

REVENUE	INCREASE (DECREASE)	TO READ
REAL ESTATE AND PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 1,942,035	\$ 133,418,141
STATE AID	\$ 941	\$ 13,482,722
INSPECTION FEES	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 7,200,000
TOTAL REVENUE ADJUSTMENT	<u>\$ 6,942,976</u>	

EXPENDITURES	INCREASE (DECREASE)	TO READ
SCHOOL CHOICE ASSESSMENT 0182056-560629	\$ 49,436	\$ 243,318
CHARTER SCHOOL ASSESSMENT 0182056-560630	\$ 1	\$ 261,782
NEXUS STUDY - AFFORDABLE HOUSING LINKAGE FEES 0194000-530327	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
TRANSFER TO UNFUNDED PENSION LIABILITY STABILIZATION 0194000-596804	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
TOWN COUNCIL RESERVE 0111152-570780	\$ 1,843,539	\$ 2,951,147
TOTAL EXPENDITURE ADJUSTMENT	<u>\$ 6,942,976</u>	

From: [Feltner, Lisa](#)
To: [Pronovost, Marilyn](#)
Cc: [Driscoll, Michael](#); [Sideris, Mark](#); [St. Louis, Gregory](#)
Subject: Beechwood Ave Request for Info
Date: Wednesday, October 27, 2021 10:57:28 AM
Attachments: [Beechwood Ave 2021 road utilities.pdf](#)

Hi Marilyn,

I write to confirm my verbal request of Oct 26 for info re: Beechwood Ave (Charles River Road-N Beacon Sts/ photos attached).

When we were told that mill & overlay would follow utility upgrade work on Beechwood Ave, there was an expectation that the full road would be addressed vs. only the most recent openings, due to existing conditions with patchwork of bumpy repairs from previous work. Could we please receive some guidelines used for determining the extent of repairs made to roads after utility work, or whether it's a case by case judgment call by DPW, or —?

Residents have also been asking about sidewalk repairs, and curbs and planting strip restoration, in this area of Beechwood.

Sincere thanks, Lisa

Lisa J. Feltner, Watertown Councillor District B
Direct (617) 926-5344

From: [Kounelis, Angeline](#)
To: [Pronovost, Marilyn](#)
Cc: [Driscoll, Michael](#); [Magoon, Steve](#); [Tracy, Tom](#); [George, Patrick](#); [Town Councilors](#)
Subject: Re: Memorials and Dedications
Date: Wednesday, October 27, 2021 8:15:20 AM
Attachments: [Pages from Pages from 20210712152659782 \(2\).pdf](#)

Hello Marilyn,

Request for follow-up, as noted at the 10/26/2021 Town Council Meeting. Initial request was set forth on 06/08/2021, with updated status on 07/12/2021. Thank you.

Best,

Angie

Angeline Maria B. Kounelis
District A, East End, Town Councilor
The City Known as the Town of Watertown
617-926-2352

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From: Kounelis, Angeline <akounelis@watertown-ma.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2021 7:10 AM
To: Kounelis, Angeline <akounelis@watertown-ma.gov>
Subject: Re: Memorials and Dedications

07/12/2021 follow up.

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From: Kounelis, Angeline
Sent: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 8:45 PM
To: Pronovost, Marilyn
Cc: Driscoll, Michael; Magoon, Steve; Tracy, Tom; George, Patrick; Town Councilors
Subject: Re: Memorials and Dedications

Hello Marilyn,

Request for Information as noted at the 06/08/2021 Town Council Meeting. Thank you.

Best,

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From: Kounelis, Angeline
Sent: Monday, May 31, 2021 1:11 PM
To: Driscoll, Michael
Cc: Magoon, Steve; Tracy, Tom; George, Patrick; Town Councilors
Subject: Memorials and Dedications

Dear Mr. Driscoll:

Through the years, Memorials and Dedications have been set forth in our community to honor and remember Veterans and Non-Veterans for their service to our Country and the Watertown Community. Specifically, the naming of Town properties; Town Chambers; Town Squares; open spaces; monuments; and the like.

<https://www.watertown-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/28238/2019-10-22-Public-Works---Naming-Squares-Non-Vets>
<https://www.watertown-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/19577/2016-06-21-Watertown-Memorial-and-Dedication-Policy?bidId=>
<http://recreation.watertown-ma.gov/31/Recreational-Facilities>

As time passes, generations lose sight of the individuals and their importance to our society. Each and every dedication is of equal significance to our community and its residents. I think it is important to have an easily accessible, central depository of materials, pertinent to the act of bestowing the honor.

The information should be inclusive of; but not limited to:

- Selectmen/Town Meeting/Town Council formal actions
- History of the honoree
- All supporting research materials

When you have the opportunity, please advise how and when the aforesaid can be codified and made available for public access. Thank you.

Best,

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**TOWN COUNCIL ROLL CALL VOTE
MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2021**

	YES	NO	PRESENT
CAROLINE BAYS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY J. DONATO	___X___	_____	_____
LISA J. FELTNER	___X___	_____	_____
JOHN G. GANNON	___X___	_____	_____
ANGELINE B. KOUNELIS	___X___	_____	_____
ANTHONY PALOMBA	___X___	_____	_____
VINCENT J. PICCIRILLI	___X___	_____	_____
MARK S. SIDERIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT	___X___	_____	_____
MOTION TO ADJOURN			