



NEWS, NOTES & REMINDERS – JUNE 10, 2016

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- **Annual Newton Fire Department Memorial Service** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* The annual memorial services will be held on **Sunday, June 12th**. Due to the construction/renovation project taking place at Station 3 & Headquarters, the service will be held at Station 4, 195 Crafts Street beginning with a collation at **10:00a.m.** For those interested the **9:00a.m.** Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 1321 Centre Street, Newton Centre will be for the “Departed Members of the Newton Fire Department.” There is plenty of parking available at the School Administration building on the Crafts Street side. Members attending the Service are asked to leave the station parking available for the families of the departed, retired members, and those with mobility issues
- **Land Use Site Visit / Washington Place** – *All Councilors are invited to attend.* A site visit has been scheduled for **Monday, June 13th at 8:00a.m.** to visit the proposed site for the Washington Place Project. *Please meet at the corner of Walnut Street and Washington Street. All interested parties are invited.*
- **Finance Committee** - The committee meeting will be meeting on **Monday, June 13th at 7:00p.m.** in Room 211. The committee will be discussing items: #165-16 Mayor’s appointment of Michael Engel as a trustee of the Chaffin Fund; #164-16 Mayor’s re-appointment of Edward Gourdeau as a Constable; #112-16 Appropriation of mitigation funds for pedestrian and traffic improvements; #211-16 Transfer request for \$600,000 to fund retroactive pay for the firefighters’ contract; #213-16 Funding for design and site plan approval for the Cabot School Project; #212-16 Appropriation request for \$250,000 to fund police overtime costs; #189-16 Transfer from Wage Reserve for retroactive payments to AFSCME Local 2913 Members; #210-16 Appropriation request for \$21,898 to pay telephone bills from prior fiscal years; #197-15(2) Pilotless Aircraft Operation and; #64-16 Increase the number of Chief of Operation positions in the Fire Department.
- **Zoning and Planning Committee** – The committee meeting will be meeting on **Monday, June 13th at 7:45p.m.** in Room 205. The committee will be discussing items: #197-16 Mayor’s appointment of Michael Rossi to the Zoning Board of Appeals; #198-16 Mayor’s appointment of Michael Brangwynne to the Zoning Board of Appeals; #199-16 Mayor’s appointment of Joshua Lewin to the Zoning Board of Appeals; #200-16 Mayor’s re-appointment of Michael Quinn to the Zoning Board of Appeals; #201-16 Mayor’s re-appointment of Treffle LaFleche to the Zoning Board of Appeals; #202-16 Mayor’s re-appointment of Harvey Creem to the Zoning Board of Appeals; #203-16 Mayor’s re-appointment of William McLaughlin to the Zoning Board of Appeals and; #222-13(2) Zoning amendment to regulate front-facing garages in residential zones.

- **Flag Day Celebration** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* Our Annual Flag Day Celebration is on **Tuesday, June 14th at 6:00p.m.** The City of Newton, in conjunction with the Newton Elks and the city's Veterans Services Department, will host this great event on the steps of the War Memorial at City Hall (rain venue is inside of the War Memorial). There will be a reception following the ceremony at the Elks Lodge at 429 Centre Street, Newton Corner. If you have an old flag you would like to properly retire, please bring it to the ceremony.
- **Land Use Committee** – The committee meeting will be meeting on **Tuesday, June 14th at 7:00p.m.** in the Chamber. The committee will be discussing items: *Consistency Ruling relative to 131-181 Needham Street requesting a change of use from office to retail and change in façade relating to Special Permit #19-15; #145-16 Special Permit Petition to increase the nonconforming use at 226-228 California Street; #126-16 Special Permit Petition for 17 Malvern Terrace; #176-16 Special Permit to extend a nonconforming three story structure at 47 Lewis Street; #177-16 Special Permit Petition to waive 13 parking stalls at 1375-1379 Washington Street and; #178-16 Special Permit Petition further increase nonconforming FAR at 39 Hawthorne Avenue.*
- **Parks & Recreation Awards** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* The Parks & Recreation Commission will be hosting their annual awards on **Monday, June 20th at 7:00p.m.** in the Chamber prior to our full Council meeting.

REMINDERS & WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- **Second Call Items and Special Permits** – Since I've been President, we have worked well together to understand how the night of each full Council meeting will proceed. If you could please give me and the appropriate Committee Chair a heads up (an email is fine) if you plan to put something on second call. If it all possible, we can talk at some point before the meeting so that there is an ability to understand concerns and how something may be best addressed. Additionally, if you do plan to vote 'no' on a special permit petition, per our Council rules, please rise to state your reasons for doing so. *Thanks in advance for your cooperation.*

