



THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE NEW YORK

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 2, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Common Council Chambers

Welcome to the regularly scheduled Meeting of the City of Poughkeepsie Common Council the date is Monday, October 2, 2023, and the time is 6:30 pm.

I. ROLL CALL: 8 Present, 1 Absent (Councilmember Johnson)

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Public Hearing – September 18, 2023

Common Council Meeting – September 18, 2023

Motion to accept the minutes: Vice Chair Shook, Seconded by Councilmember Thompson.

PH & CCM Minutes of September 18, 2023 - VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any items not listed on the printed agenda.

-NONE-

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Karen Turner – 17 Rose St.

- 2. Cooper Miller – 134 Franklin St.**
- 3. Nick Kalogris – 14 Maryland Ave.**
- 4. Juliette Richey – 134 Franklin St.**
- 5. Laurie Sandow – S. Grand Ave ***
- 6. Kevin Van Wagner – City of Poughkeepsie PBA**
- 7. Warren Jones – North Clover**
- 8. Daniel Atonna – 116 College Ave. / For the Many**
- 9. John Sullivan – 16 Barclay St.**

***Submitted written comments**

Laurie Sandow comments, c/PK Common Council meeting, October 2, 2023

There's an old line: "Power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely." Every time I think this Council has hit a new low, I discover they've found new ways to feed from the bottom and to govern by favoritism, nepotism, patronage and backroom deals.

Let's start with the so-called "public hearings" that took place earlier tonight. How were these hearings clearly announced to the public? They weren't. They were approved and "scheduled"—and I say that using air quotes—via the Council's September 18th "consent agenda." You know, that part of the Council's agenda that lists items which violate the norms of responsible, transparent organizations, where Poughkeepsie Council members pass an assortment of line items without having a written consent agenda policy, without reading items into the record, nor expressing their own opinions and knowledge—or lack of knowledge—out loud and on the record.

On the September 18 consent agenda, public hearings were approved regarding modifications to building and plumbing codes [R-23-65 & 66] that seek to heap new expenses on property owners, including text that threatens a possible water shut-off if an owner fails or can't afford to meet a 60-day demand. Until shown otherwise, these resolutions appear to be a City effort to transfer liability from their own aging and defective infrastructure onto property owners.

When the City Charter was revised in 2017, two of its four goals were to [quote]:

- 1) "Protect and enhance the interests of the City's residents in good government"; and
- 2) "Increase the accessibility and accountability of the City's leaders to the people."

Yet, what City residents experience on a daily basis, and what we're about to witness here tonight is the exact opposite. The 2017 Charter created a Council mechanism for representation of citywide interests by adding a ninth "At-Large" member.

When was the last time the Council Chair—the At-Large member—held an all-ward meeting to meet with, and be held accountable by all City voters?

The answer: never.

Which Councilmember holds regular meetings with their constituents where they convey knowledge and information about the City's and the Council's own work?

The answer: none.

And just to ice the cake during the oh-so-brief time allotted for public comments, once again this Council has added a Resolution to their agenda that is riddled with fiction and fabrication. So, let the record clearly show: This Council and this Administration placed personal friends on the Salary Review Commission who had never properly applied for those positions. That was made perfectly clear during conversations that took place at Commission meetings, as well as documents returned in response to a Freedom of Information (FOIL) request. The Salary Review Commission Chair and the Common Council Chair colluded in an effort to replace me, Laurie Sandow—duly, legally and unanimously elected by all Commission members, as required, at their first meeting—as the Commission's seventh member, instead secretly and illegally swearing an employee of a City vendor into that position until their manipulation was rescinded after being uncovered and exposed to the light of day (see attached).

Rather than act with humility and transparency and measure up to their own secrecy, shortfalls and repeated violations of the City Charter and other law, we have Council members and this City's own legal department repeatedly writing fiction into resolutions in order to cover up backroom collusion and transgression. This Council and this City's legal department have written and placed Resolution R-23-69 on tonight's agenda seeking to memorialize a fictional history of the Salary Review Commission, in order to camouflage the Commission's illegitimate creation and dysfunction, even going so far as to record the name of a Councilmember seconding the motion before that motion has even been introduced during tonight's meeting.

Sadly, I am out of the time allotted to each individual's public comments.

The Salary Review Commission initially appointed another member of the public. My office was notified that the Commission had voted and approved this appointment by the chair of the Commission. The appointee received a letter and had taken the oath, confirming them as a member of the Salary Review Commission.

As of today, that appointment has been rescinded at the request of the chair of the Commission, whom was to contact both you and the other member regarding the errors made by the Salary Review Commission.

The Chamberlain's office was made aware of your commission appointment today, June 8th. Your letter of appointment was sent to you in a separate email.

Jasmin Nicole Davis , MBA, CTA

City Chamberlain

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V. CHAIRWOMAN COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Chairwoman Brown: My first comment was actually about the zoning meeting that we had. And I received a lot of positive feedback. And I do think that maybe this Council may not be able to set up the zoning and the zoning recommendations in this term. I think it may take some more time and a lot of people reached out and thank me for doing the meeting in that manner. I directed the consultants along with the leadership team on what we were looking for and I myself also learned a lot in that meeting. So I do think it's going to take some more time and consideration and effort on everyone's part and more public feedback out into the community.

I'm just a little concerned that several projects are kind of being put on hold, so to speak. A couple of advocates have told me that these boards are not making decisions pending the zoning results. So I would like respectfully, Mayor Nelson, if you look into that, because we have a couple developments that are kind of in limbo waiting for these code amendments, if any, and they shouldn't have to wait.

Also, you know, I want to applaud the work of the ZBA because their work is not easy. They're sitting here and having to figure out if we're going to give someone a 15 foot variance or not is no easy task. And I just want to thank all of the people that serve on our committees and boards. The Council has some seats expiring December 31st, so once our budget is released at the next meeting, I'm going to be working with the new incoming Chair because although he's not a part of creating this budget, he would be the one explaining it and defending it to the public.

So as part of that, he'll be coming to caucuses with the Council as well as leadership meetings. And some of the things that we'll be discussing is there's a lot of Council appointments that are sunseting on the IDA, on the water advisory committee and maybe Arts commission. And I just want to make sure that the next council is set up very nicely for success.

You know, I take a lot of criticism up here, but if a lot of people knew and my colleagues do, that's why you don't hear them criticizing the kind of mess that we had a like way ourselves through to even get to this point, a lot of people wouldn't have so much criticism. But I'm just really looking forward to the great work you are going to do in the next term. And if I have to be the martyr to make sure that you all are in a great light, I'll do that. I'll continue doing the dirty work in these next couple of months.

We are expecting our budget to be released by charter by October 15th. There was an article put out today by the mayor, and I just want to be very clear and transparent and we do not make unilateral decisions on this Council. So that's why we did not opt to increase the tax levy prior to seeing the budget. It was not a backlash against the administration because, Dr. Martinez, you know, when it comes to finances, you've been spot on ever since you've been here. Same with you, Administrator Nelson when you were finance commissioner, it had nothing to do with that. It had to do with what I said, that the council and understanding our powers of the purse strings and being held accountable. So it was a consensus that we wanted to see the whole picture

because for too long we've been given pieces of puzzles and then we're forced to put them together and we wanted to be a little more considerate.

Also, we as far as the MOA and we can talk about it because the PBA president has brought it up. We were given a copy of an MOA that was agreed upon by the administration and the PBA right before we were set to go to recess. We had no idea that a MOA was being negotiated. So it was a surprise to all of us, even those in leadership. So, yes, we had been sitting on it because again, we don't want to make decisions based on small pieces of the puzzle. We want to see the big picture.

It is our intention tonight to go in the executive session and have a conversation with the commissioner of Finance, and we will not be voting on anything tonight. Again, that was a consensus for the entire Council. But I'm making this public because we all are taking a lot of unfair heat.

This is election time for some especially. Hopefully, our new mayor. And I want the public to know that public safety is at the top of all of our concerns. You know, but sometimes, you know, we can't we can't make decisions unilaterally. That's the beginning of my statement that we don't make unilateral decisions. There's a lot of impending expenses the City is going to occur and our money is dwindling.

Our ARPA funds sunset after this year, and we're going to have to put more money into our fund balance because we're finally in investment grade. But we're still not, you know, that we're almost at those places that, you know, you can rent a car with a low credit score. We're not exactly at that surplus yet. So there are some critical decisions that we're going to have to make and we have to make them for the betterment of the entire City. So I just want the public to know that is true. We do take public safety very seriously. That's why we're going to executive session, because normally, if we were not included in negotiations or notified prior, I don't think this Council would even be entertaining it. But because of how we feel, this is why we're going to have a conversation with Dr. Martinez and see if we can come to a consensus to make sure that we do retain the officers that we need to retain.

Tomorrow at Poughkeepsie Middle School, we have partnered with T-Mobile and Assurance Wireless to be able to provide free cell phones to every district family one per household, because we are 100% free or reduced lunch because we're exempt, because the poverty rate is so high, every family can have one. Our only request is to fill out a short pre-registration form is that our district website and is activated with talk, text and internet for one year. This is phase one of us helping to remove the digital divide that a lot of our families are receiving.

Our next phase will be helping to get our families have broadband access in home for a small fee, a fair \$30 fee. But before we introduce that, we're working on a way to try to offset that. \$30 fee for families because we're never going to get ahead and we're never going to break these cycles of poverty if we don't systemically remove barriers that are keeping us as an underclass. When I say us, I'm meaning our City here. So if you know anyone who has a child in the school district, please come tomorrow from 4 to 6 and get your get your cell phone it. It'll be

preloaded with all the apps we use in school, like Parents Square, Infinite Campus, and we'll have people there to show you how to use them if necessary.

Oh, I want to I do want to say something because I did not get here. I wasn't able to be elected for four terms because I lacked integrity. I do have a lot of integrity. I just want to clarify and apologize to Laurie Sandow because I do not think she is a racist. The statement she made was racist to me, and I want to apologize if it if she thinks that I feel she's a racist because I don't feel that way at all. However, I have to explain that "edumacation" word was a trigger. My dad, who lives in Alabama and that's where he's from, grew up during segregation and Jim Crow law. He escaped that by going to the Vietnam War. So he raised us to be very mindful of certain terminologies and phrases that apparent that are offensive and meant to be degrading. So when I hear things like that and also I believe everyone on this Council is highly educated, everyone has a college degree or above that's something that I just can't accept. And I know at the last meeting when I was not here and the thing about integrity is that it's not that you're perfect and you don't make mistakes is that you learn from your mistakes and you don't make them again.

And Ms. Sandow chose to use something that a term that I use in my first term here in office, being an African-American woman, I use a term that we that we used in the hood. And that time with "shiesty" that did not have a Jewish connotation. That was something that we used in the hood when somebody was doing something that was conniving. However, when I use that term, there were members of the Jewish community who thought that was anti-Semitic and called me and told me the origins of the word "Shiste" to them. So I publicly apologized and I never used that term again. But I was also able to explain that in, you know, in the hood in urban areas that term. And, you know, young man, Mr. Grant, you can you can back me up on that and Deb and everyone else. We use that term very differently.

So until I became a politician, I was not really versed in other cultures and other things that would be offensive to people. So I just want to put that on the record because I will never sit back and just allow someone to make me be a villain for one effort to devalue my feelings.

And I think Ms. Sandow and also knew that time was wrong because I noticed in the minutes that she submitted, she did not use "edumacation". She changed it to poorly educated. So for acknowledging that time was wrong, I thank you for that. So that leads us to mayor's comments.

VI. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Nelson: Thank you, Chairwoman Brown. Good evening, members of the council and members of the public. Just a few things to go over.

As was announced, I will be leaving my role of City as City Administrator in early January. My term as mayor will expire on December 31st and the City will have a new mayor, as was reported in the local media. My goal, and I think I'm supported by my Council colleagues, is to make sure that as I leave office at the end of this year, we're leaving the City in better

condition than Mayor Rollison. And I found it back in '16 when he was first elected the mayor.

I joined the City, as the Chair noted, as Finance Commissioner back in '16 and was promoted to City Administrator in '17. Since that time, we've, I think, checked the boxes on a number of challenges in this City. But I will report to you tonight and you'll hear more about it as we go through the budget process that, you know, I sometimes feel the same way. You do two steps forward and three steps back. We as a community need to work together on the biggest challenges that we face because we face them together, whether it's lead pipes, as Mr. Miller so eloquently talks about, or whether it's the zoning that Chairwoman Brown mentioned, or whether it's our duty to keep our communities safe by supporting public safety, and particularly the PBA and our men and women of the City of Poughkeepsie Police Department.

All of these things, I believe, are common interests and common goals and common objectives. I don't think there's really any delight between anybody up here on the importance of those priorities. What I will say is that we need to do a better job together of moving things along a little faster rather than pointing fingers at who got what when. That MOA with our PBA was executed by me on May 9th. It's been briefed to our finance committee on two separate occasions, and it's been briefed to Council leadership on two separate occasions. There have also been a number of e-mails back and forth, confidentially, confidentially, not on the subject matter, but urgency that the Council take the matter up. We now hear, even though it's not on the agenda, the agenda was posted last week. We're now told by the Chair that we are finally going to go into executive session to talk about one of the most important things that this City faces.

I want to also just take.

Chairwoman Brown: I just want to clarify, Mayor Nelson.

Mayor Nelson: Can I finish my Comments? I just want to clarify.

Chairwoman Brown: You will not be joining us in executive session that council only...

Mayor Nelson: That's fine, but I'd like to finish.

Chairwoman Brown: I just wanted to tell you that. So, you know.

Mayor Nelson: I think that was clear.

Chairwoman Brown: Okay.

Mayor Nelson: Thanks so much. I'd also like to make a point about the difference between collective bargaining and a memorandum of understanding.

So if you have an agreement with your collective bargaining group, say, three or four years, then the Council is very much included in those negotiations and they're updated regularly. But when you have a situation that is, as our PBA president said, he described it, his word was crisis.

That is addressed by what's called a memorandum of understanding, not a full four year collective bargaining agreement, where you hash out all of the things, you find out what your Council priorities are, and you negotiate with the union many times over months and even years.

If you look at our school district, I believe they put in negotiations for a number of years. There is a big difference between collective bargaining that includes everybody and an emergency memorandum of understanding that addresses a crisis situation that was developing and has been developing in the City since October of last year. It took a number of months to reach an agreement between the PBA and my office, and we presented that to the Council.

I'm told I'm not going to be included in the executive session tonight, and that's fine. But I do want the public to know that my priority is public safety. The number of officers that are on duty in the City of Poughkeepsie right now is the lowest I've ever seen it. It poses a systemic risk to this community, not only in terms of keeping the public safe, but in terms of responding to officer needs assistance calls. We have 81 officers now. And as the PBA president just testified in front of us, all, that is a pretty dire number. The agreement being discussed tonight in executive session would hopefully mitigate the possibility of future retirements, imminent retirements. And what the Council has in front of it is, I think, documentation about 22. It could even be as much as 24 officers are eligible to retire right now. And that is about one fifth or even one quarter of the entire staff. So when I say required immediate intervention by the mayor working with the PBA, it did.

I'd urge I council colleagues to please adopt it amended, voted up, vote it down, but please take action because no action is really bad for this community. Thank you, Madam Chair.

VII. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

VIII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilmember Long and seconded by Councilmember Flowers.

CONSENT AGENDA:

IX. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. R-23-69, Resolution Establishing a New Salary Review Commission

**R E S O L U T I O N
(R-23-69)**

INTRODUCED BY CHAIRWOMAN BROWN:

WHEREAS, earlier this year, pursuant to Section 4.02 of the Charter, the Common Council and the Mayor each, respectively, made appointments for the City of Poughkeepsie Salary Review Commission (the “Commission”); and

WHEREAS, the Commission made a presentation to the Common Council on September 18, 2023, regarding its recommendations on the salaries of elected officials; and

WHEREAS, on that same date, two members of the Commission in the minority voiced different recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council thanks the individuals that served on the Salary Review Commission, their time commitment and work is greatly appreciated; and

WHEREAS, the report of the Commission made clear that a number of factors made it difficult for the Commission to complete its work: 1) as the Commission was formed late, as discussed in R23-24, the Commissioners had a limited time to complete their work; 2) confusion as to the appointment of the seventh member led to a delay in the Commission beginning its work; 3) the recommendations of the Commission were not made by a clear majority due to the unexpected absences of two commission members; and 4) work during the summer months was hindered due to summer vacations.

WHEREAS, because of all of the above, the Common Council believes it is in the best interest of the community to appoint a new Salary Review Commission that will have more time to consider its mission.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie hereby asks the Chamberlain to publish a request for individuals interested in serving on the Salary Review Commission. The Salary Review Commission shall consider and report back as follows;

- 1. The Commission shall analyze the salaries of elected officials in no less than 10 peer communities (comparable size and within the general Hudson Valley region); and**
- 2. The Commission shall seek the guidance of the Commissioner of Finance, the Director of Human Resources and Corporation Counsel, as needed and as applicable, in fulfilling its duties; and**
- 3. The Commission shall submit a written report with its recommendations to the Common Council no later than October 2, 2024.**

4. As it is the goal of the Common Council that this new Commission will look at all the issues with a fresh start, individuals who have already served on the Salary Review Commission will not be considered for reappointment. However, nothing in this resolution shall be deemed to limit the recommendations of the new Commission, who may make such recommendations as they deem necessary considering the above directives.

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK

R-23-69 - VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

X. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

1. **O-23-05**, Ordinance Amending ‘No Parking Monday’ on Charles St.

**ORDINANCE AMENDING §13-269
OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED “MOTOR VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC”**

(O-23-05)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LONG:

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, as follows:

SECTION 1: §13-189.2 is hereby amended by the following removal:

Section 13-189.2 Parking Prohibited Between 9:00 A.M. Noon on Mondays.

Upon the removal of signs giving due notice thereof, the following areas shall no longer be designated as No Parking Monday between Monday 9:00 a.m. to Noon and are to be utilized only for the purpose set forth in this Article:

Charles St., North side,;

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____:

ADDITIONS denoted by **Underlining and Bold**

O-23-05 - VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

2. O-23-06, Ordinance Regarding Charles St. Handicap Amendment

**ORDINANCE AMENDING §13-269
OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED “MOTOR VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC”**

(O-23-06)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LONG:

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, as follows:

SECTION 1: §13-269 is hereby amended by the following addition:

Section 13-269 Handicapped parking areas designated.

Upon the erection of signs giving due notice thereof, the following areas shall be designated as handicapped parking areas and are to be utilized only for the purpose set forth in this Article:

CHARLES ST., North side, beginning 100 feet West of its intersection with North Bridge St., and continuing West for a distance of 15 feet, for one parking space.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____:

ADDITIONS denoted by **Underlining and Bold**

O-23-06 - VOICE VOTE						
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☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

3. O-23-07, Ordinance Amending the North Bridge St. Loading Zone

**ORDINANCE AMENDING §13-269
OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED “MOTOR VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC”**

(O-23-07)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LONG:

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, as follows:

SECTION 1: §13-211.1 is hereby amended by the following removal:

Section 13-211.1 -General Vehicle Loading Zone.

Upon the removal of signs giving due notice thereof, the following areas shall no longer be designated as General Vehicle Loading Zone and are to be utilized only for the purpose set forth in this Article:

NORTH BRIDGE ST., West side, beginning 40 feet north of Mill Street to a point 40 feet northerly therefrom;

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____:

ADDITIONS denoted by **Underlining and Bold**

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☒	Accepted	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐
☐	Defeated	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐
☐	Tabled	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☒
		Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐

4. O-23-08, Ordinance Amending the Spruce St. Permit Parking

**ORDINANCE AMENDING §13-269
OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED “MOTOR VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC”**

(O-23-08)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LONG:

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, as follows:

SECTION 1: §13-126 is hereby amended by the following addition:

Section 13-126 -Permits For Public Permit System

Upon the installation of signs giving due notice thereof, the following areas shall be designated as part of the Public Permit System – District 2 and are to be utilized only for the purpose set forth in this Article:

Spruce St., Both sides, beginning west of its intersection with Albany St.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____:

ADDITIONS denoted by **Underlining and Bold**

O-23-08 - VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
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	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

ACTION AGENDA:

XI. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

XII. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

A motion was made to defer the below communication/petition to Corporation Counsel by Vice Chair Shook and was seconded by Councilmember Long.

XIII. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. FROM WYNTER ROGERS**, a notice of personal injury sustained on or around July 31, 2023
- 2. FROM ROBERT & HEATHER STEVENSON**, a notice of property damage sustained on or around September 7, 2023.
- 3. FROM LIBERTAD RODRIGUEZ-PACHEO** a notice of property damage sustained on or around September 11, 2023.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Shook and was seconded by Councilmember Long to adjourn the meeting and enter Executive Session to discuss the Poughkeepsie Benevolent Association Memorandum of Agreement.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Shook and was seconded by Councilmember Long to adjourn the Executive Session and to resume the Common Council Meeting.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Vice Chair Shook and was seconded by Councilmember Long to adjourn the Common Council Meeting at 8:45pm.

Dated: October 10, 2023

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Monday, October 2, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jasmin Nicole Davis
City Chamberlain**