

**City Councillor  
Joseph A. DelGrosso  
City Council Chamber  
Council Meeting  
February 13, 2012**

**Regular meeting of the Revere City Council was called to order at 6:00 PM**

**President Penta presiding.**

**1. Salute to the Flag by the members of the Revere City Council and in attendance.**

**2. Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Correggio, Guinasso, Giannino, Haas, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Reardon, Zambuto and Penta present.**

**3. The Journals of the meeting held on January 9<sup>th</sup>, and January 23<sup>rd</sup>, were declared approved as presented.**

**Committee Reports**

**12-031**

**12-017**

**4. Appointment Sub-Committee Report**

**That upon the application of Ciampa Construction Co, and Paul Minsky as a Constable of the City of Revere, the same be and hereby is approved.**

**Motion to approve was declared Ordered on a roll call: Councillors Arrigo, Correggio, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Reardon, Zambuto and Penta voting “YES.”**

**12-27**

**5. Re: Communication from the Secretary of the Election Board.**

**Motion presented by the City Council : That the Revere City Council hereby grant Special Municipal Employee Status to municipal employees for the purpose of working for the Election Department during the 2012 election season, in accordance with M.G.L., Chapter 268A.**

**Motion to approve was declared Ordered on a roll call: Councillors Arrigo, Correggio, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Reardon, Zambuto and Penta voting “YES.”**

**6. Legislative Affairs Committee Report**

**The Legislation Affairs Committee recommends favorably the following Coimmittee Report:**

**12-006 Proposed Ordinance relative to civil fingerprinting for certain licenses.**

**Subject matter referred back to the Committee.**

**12-007 Motion of Councillor Zambuto relative to installing a portrait and plaque in the Council Chamber honoring Thomas G. Ambrosino.**

**Subject matter placed on file.**

**12-008 Motion of Councillor Guinasso relative to the City Council Rules of Order.**

**Subject matter referred back to Committee.**

**Councillor Penta moved: - suspension of rules for purpose of taking up a motion at this time.**

**12-044 6A. Motion presented by Councillor Penta; That the Revere City Council go on record as approving of the Mayor's appointment of Lt. Joseph Cafarelli to the position of Acting Chief of Police.**

**Addressing the Council was Mayor Daniel Rizzo, and Acting Police Chief Cafarelli.**

**Motion was taken up and declared Ordered.**

**Councillor Penta referred back to the regular order of business.**

### **Communications**

**12-51 7. Comm. from the Mayor:**

**In the past, it has been customary that the Mayor be assigned a City Owned Vehicle for his/her own use. This has been afforded to the Mayor as a benefit for over five decades. It has long been a belief of mine that the issuance of City owned vehicles be greatly reduced. With costs associated to benefits, like a take home city owned vehicle, including the cost of insurance, maintenance, and original purchase price, I just can't justify, particularly at this juncture in time, to place any unnecessary burdens on the hard working taxpayers of the City. In a nutshell, the use of all take home vehicles needs to be curtailed.**

**While I have decided to decline the use of city owned vehicle and utilize my own personal vehicle, there is one caveat; the duties of this office requires me to travel by automobile to various locations, therefore, I plan to have the City assume the cost of the fuel.**

**I trust this will be acceptable by the Council.**

**Ordered received and placed on file.**

**12-037            8.    Comm. from the Mayor:**

**I would like to appear in front of the Council with concerns of this communication and lack of help with the City of Revere lost or abandon animals as a taxpayer and a business owner of Revere. We have given our 100% devotion in trying to help give back to the City and to say we are not getting the same respect in return. Please consider what I have to say and considered if we can find a solution that will help benefit all.**

**Addressing the Council at this time was Ms. Cutting**

**Ordered referred to Public Safety Committee.**

**12-53            9.    Comm. from the Mayor:**

**Please review the attached resolution regarding workers contracted at Logan International Airport. Recently the Boston City Council took up this issue.**

**It is very important that the Revere City Council take up the resolution this evening on behalf of the workers at Logan Airport.**

### **RESOLUTION**

**Whereas, Workers contracted by airlines at Logan Airport, including security officers, airplane cleaners, baggage handlers, and wheelchair assistants, make as little as \$8 to \$9 per hour; and**

**Whereas, More than 100 of these contracted workers and their families live in the City of Revere; and**

**Whereas, According to the Massachusetts Economic Independence Index of 2010, a single adult with no dependents must earn \$13.60 per hour in order to live self-sufficiently; and**

**Whereas, Underpaying Airport workers costs Massachusetts taxpayers millions of dollars by burdening the state's public assistance programs such as subsidized housing and Commonwealth Care; and**

**Whereas, Underpaying Airport workers may also impact the quality of service and can jeopardize safety of workers and travelers.**

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Revere City Council requests that the Massachusetts Port Authority take all necessary actions to ensure that the contracted employees at Logan Airport receive a living wage, fair benefits, and have a right to dignity, respect and a voice at work.**

**Resolution was ADOPTED on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Correggio, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Reardon, Zambuto and Penta voting “YES.” Councillor Penta absent.**

**12-54**

**10. Communication from William Bell:**

**I am requesting that your Honorable Body vote in a new City of Revere Ordinances that would require that every public meeting held by any Revere Elected appointed body to first have a moment of silence for deceased veterans and those serving overseas in harm’s way.**

**This is simple gesture that would show respect for those who have given their lives for us and also for those who are alive currently serving overseas. We Americans live in a free society because of the blood shed by others on our behalf. At the very least we all can give 10 seconds of our lives to honor those brave men and woman who have given us so much to be thankful for.**

**Addressing the City Council at this time was William Bell, 420 Revere Beach Boulevard, Revere, MA.**

**Ordered received and placed on file.**

**12-56**

**11. Communication from the Mayor:**

**Re: Special Municipal Employee Status for Lorayne S. Martins  
Pereira**

**I am writing to request that, pursuant to MGL c. 268A, the Revere City Council grant Special Municipal Employee status for Lorayne S. Martins Pereira.**

**Ms. Pereira currently works for the Revere Public Library, as Jr. Librarian Assistant. She is seeking employment at Revere Public Schools as an interpreter and translator.**

**Please note that the city Council has previously granted Special Municipal Employee status to members of many other Boards and Commissions in the City, including the zoning Board of Appeals, the Conservation Commission, the Planning board and the Revere License Commission. The Rationale for those votes – to open those positions to qualified individuals who also provide other contractual services to the City applies equally here.**

**Based upon the above, I respectfully ask that the Revere City Council grant Special Municipal Employee Status to Lorayne S. Martins Pereira.**

**Motion presented by the Councillor Zambuto: That the Revere City Council hereby grants Special municipal Employee Status to Lorayne S. Martins Pereira in accordance with M.G.L., Chapter 268A.**

Motion was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Correggio, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Reardon, Zambuto and Penta voting “YES.”

12-55                    12.    **Communication from Morris Morris and the Senior Center:**

I am requesting that your Honorable Body vote to award Lois Diamond a certificate of appreciation for the many good deeds she performs for Revere Senior Citizens and Veterans who are retired and also Veterans serving in America and overseas.

Motion presented by Councillor Haas to award a Certificate of Appreciation to Lois Diamond was declared ordered.

### Motions

12-033                    13.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillors Zambuto, Novoselsky, and Haas: That a Certificate of Merit be presented to Auxiliary Police Chief Robert Campbell on the occasion of his retirement from his position of call taker, which he held for 17 years, at the Revere Police Department and in recognition of forty-two years of dedicated service as the Auxiliary Police Chief of the City of Revere.**

12-034                    14.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request the City Planner and the Superintendent of Public Works to appear before the DPW/Public Safety Committee to discuss and explain the procedure/protocol as to how streets and sidewalks are determined to be repaved and replaced.**

12-035                    15.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor work with the MBTA and garage operating vendor at the new Wonderland MBTA garage to obtain a Revere resident discount parking fee of approximately 50% for long term or short term parking during snow storms and declared emergencies.**

12-036                    16.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Powers: That the Mayor, in the interest of public safety, request NationalGrid to replace pole # 2287 located on Dunn Road.**

12-037                    17.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Zambuto: That the Mayor instruct Animal Control to use the attached form “Report of Animal Control for Revere Police Department” for the purpose of tracking dogs that have been picked up and disposed of by the Revere Police Department.**

12-038                    18.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor look into the possibility of subrogating insurance companies for the use of Fire Services for motor vehicle accidents in Revere and when used on accident calls in surrounding communities.**

12-039                    19.    **Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Correggio and Powers: That the Mayor look into reopening the**

**Point of Pines Fire Station due to the increase in the number of firefighters on the force and possible mitigation from casino gaming. This motion is made as a matter of public safety for the Point of Pines residents.**

**12-040            20.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Haas: That the Mayor request the Director of Planning and Community Development to address which, if any, capital improvement programs will be delayed or replaced to make way for the revitalization of Broadway project through the Community Development Block Grant.**

**12-041            21.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Correggio and Guinasso: That the Mayor investigate the feasibility of placing a crossing guard at the corner of Broadway and Mountain Avenue as a matter of public safety. Heavy vehicle and foot traffic at this location make for a dangerous intersection when the High School is dismissed.**

**12-042            22.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor instruct the City Solicitor to file damage claims against the Budweiser Corp. and Burke Distributors for damage to public sidewalks during deliveries on Shirley Avenue. In addition, any repairs to damaged sidewalks must include multiple bollards to prevent future damages. Information and photos available upon request.**

**12-043            23.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Patch: That the Mayor request the DPW to install a septic pump, similar to that on the left side Festa Rd., to resolve the flooding issues on the right side of Festa Rd., specifically near 47 and 55 Festa Rd., and in the areas surrounding Nell Rd.**

**12-045            24.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky and Penta: That the Mayor request DPCD to include Standish Rd. on the capital improvement plan for street and sidewalk repairs. This is a high traffic street due to the School Department buses utilizing the street as a right of way to the Garfield School. This is an emergency situation for the safety of the school children and the residents.**

**12-046            25.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillors Patch and Correggio: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to conduct a study relative to parking on both sides of Franklin Street. The current ordinance allows for parking on both sides of the street. However, concerned residents have stated that towards the top of Franklin St. a fire engine may not be able to pass safely when cars are parked along both sides of the street (from #60 to #76 Franklin Street). Further, that the Director of Inspectional Services be requested to have the wall removed at the vacant house at that location.**

**12-047            26.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Arrigo: That the Mayor report to the Council on the feasibility of installing a wireless water metering system in the City of Revere.**

**12-048            27.    Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Haas:**

**That the Mayor request the DPW to remove the tree grates along the sidewalks on Broadway. These grates are a serious concern for pedestrians as some are raised approximately 2-3 inches from the sidewalk level.**

**12-049 28. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillors Powers and Arrigo: That the Mayor request the City Solicitor and Building Inspector to review the ongoing operation of Now City Tours at 777 North Shore Road and make a determination if the operation of Now City Tours should continue without a special permit.**

**12-050 29. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Haas: That the Mayor look into the feasibility of retaining the services of a consultant group such as Gaming Market Advisors, Spectrum Gaming Group, or any recognized gaming consultant to work with and assist John Festa, Economic Development Director in casino gaming mitigation.**

**George Rotondo, Fenno Street, Revere.**

**Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Zambuto: That the City Council now stand adjourned to meet on Monday, February 27, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.**

**Ordered adjourned at 8:10 P.M.**

**Attest:**

**Ashley E. Melnik  
City Clerk**