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Minutes from the City Council-School Committee Joint Meeting on Thursday May 21, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the City Council Chambers/Zoom Meeting are as follows:

Brooks, Shane D.	Ward 2 Councilor	Present
Laflamme, Frank N.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Roy, Gerard (Jerry) A.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Tillotson, James K.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Zygarowski, Robert J.	At-Large Councilor	Present
McAuliffe, Joel D.	Ward 1 Councilor	Present
Galecki, Lucjan J.	Ward 3 Councilor	Arrived at 6:52
Balakier, George A.	Ward 4 Councilor	Present
Krampits, Fred T.	Ward 5 Councilor	Present
Dobosz, Derek	Ward 6 Councilor	Present
Courchesne, William C.	Ward 7 Councilor	Present
Labrie, Gary R.	Ward 8 Councilor	Present
Walczak, Stan	Ward 9 Councilor	Present
Mayor Vieau	Chairman, School Committee	Present
Szetela, Chester	At-Large School Committee	Present
Tanhauser, James	Ward 1 School Committee	Present
Barsalou, David	Ward 2 School Committee	Present
Wojcik, Marjorie, A.	Ward 3 School Committee	Present
Peret, Sandra	Ward 4 School Committee	Present
Styckiewicz, Deborah	Ward 5 School Committee	Present
Szetela-Lopes, Susan	Ward 6 School Committee	Present
Lamothe, Donald	Ward 7 School Committee	Present
Schryver, David	Ward 8 School Committee	Present
Pniak-Costello, Mary Beth	Ward 9 School Committee	Present

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Clerk Rattell called the roll to begin the meeting. Each of the five candidates, John Mruk, Pamela Nadeau, Steve Nembirkow, Jean Kirchner, and Doug Girouard were each given time to explain their backgrounds, education, and reasons they believed they would be the best person to fill the vacant School Committee seat. Mayor Vieau took a minute to recognize Mike Pise for serving 30 years on the School Committee. Thankful to have him now as his Chief of Staff. Big shoes to fill whoever ends up in that seat. Member Lamothe stated not one candidate that won't do a wonderful job here. Councilor Labrie stated known Doug most of his life, seen him excel, will make an asset. Member Tanhauser stated Ms. Nadeau has a new perspective. Councilor Dobosz stated fantastic potential candidates, all of them. Makes sense, literally only municipal School Committee that has an at-large. No longer makes sense to have as many people on the School Committee. Will have an even number if the seat is filled. Lots of seats are uncontested. More successful in other cities to have less members in this forum. We cannot abolish this seat tonight. Winning candidate needs 13 votes. Councilor Brooks stated vote candidates up or down first, if we can't reach a consensus then vote to leave the seat unfilled. Don Lamothe stated the school committee spent much time on whether to keep the seat or not, if Councilors wanted something different done, they should have done something prior to tonight. Councilor Brooks asked the clerk to call the roll as this is a huge dis-service to people who showed up if this isn't voted upon.

-- Motion made by Councilor Brooks to choose a preferred candidate. The roll call vote was as follows: Councilors/Members Brooks, Laflamme, Zygarowski, Galecki, Courchesne, Labrie, Styckiewicz, & Schryver voting for Mr. Girouard. Councilors/Members Tillotson, Balakier, Krampits, Walczak, Vieau, Wojcik, Lamothe, & Pniak-Costello voting for Mr. Mruk. Member Tanhauser voting for Ms. Nadeau. Councilors/Members McAuliffe, Dobosz, & Peret abstained. Councilors/Members Roy, Szetela, Barsalou, & Szetela-Lopes out of chair.

--Motion made by Councilor Brooks for a second roll call with the two candidates. The roll call vote was as follows: Councilors/Members Brooks, Laflamme, Zygarowski, Galecki, Courchesne, Labrie, Styckiewicz, & Schryver voting for Mr. Girouard. Councilors/Members Tillotson, Balakier, Krampits, Walczak, Vieau, Wojcik, Lamothe, & Pniak-Costello voting for Mr. Mruk. Councilors/Members McAuliffe, Dobosz, & Members Tanhauser & Peret abstained. Councilors/Members Roy, Szetela, Barsalou, & Szetela-Lopes out of chair.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to poll on removing the seat. Councilors/Members Brooks, Tillotson, Galecki, Balakier, Krampits, Labrie, Walczak, Vieau, Wojcik, Lamothe, & Schryver voting no. Councilors/Members Laflamme, Zygarowski, McAuliffe, Dobosz, Courchesne, Tanhauser, Peret, Stuckiewicz, & Pniak-Costello voting yes. Councilors/Members Roy, Szetela, Barsalou, & Szetela-Lopes out of chair.

--Motion made by Councilor Brooks for a third roll call vote with the two candidates. Councilors/Members Brooks, Laflamme, Zygarowski, Galecki, Courchesne, Labrie, Tanhauser, Peret, Styckiewicz, & Schryver voting for Mr. Girouard. Councilors/Members Tillotson, McAuliffe, Balakier, Krampits, Dobosz, Walczak, Vieau, Wojcik, Lamothe, & Pniak-Costello voting for Mr. Mruk. Councilors/Members Roy, Szetela, Barsalou, & Szetela-Lopes out of chair.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to adjourn to the call of the Chair Vieau via tele-conference. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 19 yes, 1 no, 4 out of chair. Member Tanhauser voting no, Councilors/Members Roy, Szetela, Barsalou, & Szetela-Lopes out of chair.

ATTEST:



KEITH W RATTELL
CITY CLERK