

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PEABODY CITY COUNCIL
AND PEABODY MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

PRESENT COUNCILLORS: TURCO, DAIGLE, O'NEILL, PEACH, MANNING-MARTIN, GOULD, ROSSIGNOLL, GAMACHE, MELVILLE, MCGINN, AND WELTON

PRESENT COMMISSIONERS: AYLWARD, D'AMATO, MELVIN, AND PARAS

ABSENT: None.

COUNCILLOR WELTON – OPEN MEETING LAW STATEMENT: THIS MEETING IS BEING TELEVISED LIVE ON CABLE CHANNEL 9 AND BEING TAPED BY PEABODY ACCESS TV, AND ALSO BEING RECORDED BY OUR CITY COUNCIL STENOGRAPHER.

An in-person and remotely held Special Meeting of the Peabody City Council and Peabody Municipal Light Commission opened with a moment of silent prayer after being called to order by City Council President, Craig S. Welton.

Salute to the American Flag.

- ◆ The purpose of said Special Meeting was to hold a public hearing in joint convention with the Peabody Municipal Light Commission, in accordance with Chapter 286 of the Acts of 1951 "An Act Establishing a Municipal Lighting Commission for the City of Peabody," as amended, to fill the vacancy of Charles W. Bonfanti. Said vacancy is only to be filled until the next regular Municipal Election in the year 2023 at which time the position will be placed on the next regular municipal election ballot to fill the remainder of the unexpired two-year term. The term of Charles W. Bonfanti will officially expire on the 1st Monday in January of 2024.

(Commissioner D'Amato served as chairperson for the Municipal Light Commission)

City Clerk, Allyson M. Danforth, read the legal notice. City Solicitor, Donald L. Conn, serving as parliamentarian, read the rules and regulations governing the proceedings to elect a Light Commissioner.

P105-23 COUNCILLOR MANNING-MARTIN – MOVE TO adopt the Rules of Order.
(Carried 15-0)

P106-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE – MOVE, under suspension of the rules, to receive the communication from Martin L. Cohan, 1 Katina Lane, withdrawing his name from consideration for the vacant Light Commission position.
(Carried 15-0)

P107-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE - MOVE TO receive and place into nomination the following who have submitted resumes by the February 10th deadline:

WILLIAM G. BACON, 1 BARR ROAD
EDWARD J. COLBERT, 15 FORENZA ROAD
MARK A. NAZZARO, 16 APPLE HILL ROAD
THOMAS J. PAPPAS, 173 WINONA STREET
TRACY M. VALLETTI, 20 EMERSON STREET
NANCY E. VERROCCHI, 2 CARPENTER STREET
ROBERT O. WHEATLEY, 19 SOUTHWICK AVENUE
(Carried 15-0)

P108-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE - MOVE TO close nominations.
(Carried 15-0)

P109-23 COUNCILLOR GAMACHE – MOVE TO approve all nominations, as previously submitted.
(Carried 15-0)

- ◆ All candidates were allowed five minutes to make a statement to the joint body, and both the Municipal Light Commission and City Council were allowed to ask each candidate questions.

P110-23 **BALLOT #1**: Roll Call Vote: On the first ballot, Tracy M. Valletti, 20 Emerson Street, was elected to the Municipal Light Commission to fill the vacancy to the next municipal election of Charles W. Bonfanti, term to expire on the 1st Monday in January, 2024.

Tracy M. Valletti:	10 votes
Thomas J. Pappas:	5 votes
William George Bacon:	0 votes
Edward John Colbert, Jr.:	0 votes
Mark A. Nazzaro:	0 votes
Nancy E. Verrocchi:	0 votes
Robert O. Wheatley:	0 votes

MOTION: MOVED TO adjourn. Special Meeting of the City Council and Light Commission adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

SUBMITTED TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, FEBRUARY 22, 2023
RETURNED BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, FEBRUARY 22, 2023

ATTEST: Allyson M. Danforth
(Allyson M. Danforth, City Clerk)