

Railers pick up overtime win

PORTLAND, ME – The Worcester Railers HC (16-15-2-1) fell to the Portland Pirates (15-10-5-2) in overtime on Saturday, January 17th, in front of a crowd of 6,076 with a final score of 3-2 at the Cross Insurance Arena. The Railers will take on the Pirates next on home ice on Sunday, January 18th at 3:05 p.m.

Portland nabbed the first goal of the night just 2:08 into the first off a goal from defenseman Andrew Nielsen (1-0-1). Nielsen’s goal was the only one in the first period. Worcester answered the 1-0 lead from Portland with a goal from Jesse Pulkkinen (1-0-1) at 0:33 into the second to tie the game. Portland took back the one-goal lead halfway through the second, this time from Mitch Deelstra (1-0-1), Worcester once again evened the score with a goal from Drew Callin (1-0-1). A final goal from Max Andreev (1-0-1), at 3:27 in overtime secured the Pirates’ 3-2 victory.

Worcester kicked off the night shorthanded just 16 seconds after puck drop. An early penalty against Lincoln Hatten for high-sticking put

Portland on its first power play of the game, which forced Worcester to fight the first two minutes of play for the night down a man. With just eight seconds remaining on Hatten’s call, Portland defenseman Andrew Nielsen (5th) grabbed the only goal of the period for either team, which gave the Pirates a 1-0 lead to close the first twenty. Shots for the period with 11-4 in favor of Portland.

Worcester didn’t wait long to tie the game in the second. Jesse Pulkkinen (3rd) picked up his 5th point of the season with a goal at 0:33. Portland went back on the power play soon after the score on a hooking call on Anthony Callin. Worcester had their first chance at the man-advantage about five minutes into the period, as Anthony Callin was tripped up by Max Andreev. Portland re-gained their one-goal lead once more around the halfway mark of the period, scored by Mitch Deelstra (2nd) at 9:35. Neither the Railers nor the Pirates could break past the blue line for the remainder of the second, which left the Railers down by one for a second time in the evening. Portland outshot Worcester

nine to seven. Penalties for the period were one for Worcester and two for Portland.

The Railers came out fighting in the third and tallied their highest shot total for any period of the night. A roughing call on Loke Johansson put Worcester on their third power play just over seven and a half minutes into play for the third. Unable to capitalize on their previous two power play chances, Drew Callin (10th) drove the puck home at 8:28 to even the score once more for the Railers. A late-game goal from Anthony Callin had Worcester celebrating an early win; however, the goal was waved off for goaltender interference as Callin fell into the net of Brad Arvanitis. The game once again was 2-2 and went into overtime for the second consecutive night. In the end, the Pirates would take the win in overtime with a final score of 3-2, the last lamp lit by Max Andreev (7th) on a shot from atop the circles to beat Gahagen in net for Worcester. Final shots were 27-25 in favor of Portland. Final penalties were five for Portland and four for Worcester.

Thunderbirds offense dries up in loss

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — The Springfield Thunderbirds (13-18-4-2) continued to have a tough time location offense, falling 4-1 to the the Bridgeport Islanders (16-17-2-1) on Saturday night inside Total Mortgage Arena.

A bad break for T-Birds netminder Vadim Zherenko resulted in Bridgeport’s game-opening tally at 6:37 of the opening period, as Zherenko lost his balance and fell in his blue paint, allowing Daylan Kuefler to carry the puck around the net and wrap it past the fallen goaltender to make it 1-0 Bridgeport.

Aside from that unfortunate break, the T-Birds and Islanders played a mostly

defensive-minded first period, as Zherenko’s nine saves and Henrik Tikkanen’s eight stops in the Bridgeport crease accounted for much of the action on the scoresheet.

Matthew Peca quickly got his troops back on track, as the T-Birds captain slipped a wrister through Tikkanen just 49 seconds into period two, tying the score, 1-1, and extending his point streak to five consecutive games. Matt Luff also extended his season-long point streak to seven games with the primary assist on Springfield’s first marker of the evening.

However, that potential momentum-changer was quickly washed out when

Cam Berg connected on a wrister from the left circle just 2:08 later, restoring a one-goal Bridgeport lead, 2-1.

Shots and chances continued to come at a premium for both teams, as the clubs combined for only 43 shots all evening, including just 25 in the final 40 minutes of play.

The T-Birds never did receive a power play in this one, and the club’s last-minute efforts with Zherenko on the bench proved fruitless, as Adam Beckman and Eetu Liukas each connected on empty-netters to give Bridgeport the final goals of the night.

Registration open Feb. 1 for Quabbin Valley

SOUTH HADLEY – On Sunday, Jan. 11, the Quabbin Valley Baseball League, an over-28 recreational league, held its first meeting of 2026 to prepare for the upcoming season.

At the meeting it was determined registration for players will open up on Sunday, Feb. 1.

For the 2026 season, the cost will be \$215 and will

include a 16th game added to the regular season schedule.

During the 2025 season, the league experimented with playing on Mother’s Day Saturday as well as a weeknight game to allow players an opportunity to play under the lights. While the night games were very successful, the Mother’s Day Saturday games were rained out.

Those elements will return along with a 16th game with an opponent to be determine as the league’s board explores possibilities for interleague matchups with another league in the region.

For returning players to the league, the deadline is Mar. 22 at 12 noon to be reg-

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Public Notices

Holyoke Planning Board PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Holyoke Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom.com**; ID: 870 5374 1582; CALL IN 1 646 558 8656 and hybrid in-person, to hear pursuant to the Holyoke Zoning Ordinance, a Special Permit for an Increase Fence Height (Sec 4.6.3.2) to allow a 7ft by 10 ft panel, 4 rail style black steel fence to be erected around the parking lot, submitted by Bryan Taub (2026-1), located at 61-69 Suffolk Street (012-06-004).

For a complete copy of the application and site plan, contact the Planning Department at (413) 322-5575.

APPLICANT: Bryan Taub
PLANNING BOARD:
Lauren Niles, Chairperson
01/23, 01/30/2026

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No.
HD24P1019EA
Estate of:
Elroy Albert Barber
Date of Death: 03/28/2024
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: **Steven M Barber** of Holyoke, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order that **Steven M Barber** of Holyoke, MA be appointed as Successor Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court.

Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: January 09, 2026
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
01/23/2026

**City of Holyok
Notice of Public Hearing**
The Holyoke License Board will be holding a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 5:15 pm**. You can join via Zoom.com; ID **83974921923**; CALL IN: ***67 646 558 8656** or in person at **City Hall, 536 Dwight St. in the Old Tax Collector Office**, regarding the application for a **New Seasonal All Alcohol On-premises License for Camellias, 116 High Street**. pursuant to M.G.L. Ch.138.

Applicant: Camellias
License Board:
Jose Correa, Chairman
01/23, 01/30/2026

**LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF HOLYOKE
GAS & ELECTRIC
DEPARTMENT
GAS LEAK SURVEYS
ANNUAL CONTRACT**

Sealed bids for the above contract will be received by Holyoke Gas & Electric Dept. until **2:30 p.m. February 26, 2026**, at the Office of the Manager, 99 Suffolk St., Holyoke, Massachusetts, at which time proposals will be publicly opened and read.

Additional information may be obtained from:
Chi Wong
Holyoke Gas & Electric Dept.
99 Suffolk St.
Holyoke, MA 01040
(413) 536-9308
cwong@hged.com

The right is hereby reserved to reject any or all proposals or to accept any proposal that in the opinion of the Manager may be in the best interest of the City of Holyoke.

Please mark sealed envelopes, **“Bid for Gas Leak Surveys Annual Contract”** and address them to:

James M. Lavelle, Manager
Holyoke Gas & Electric Dept.
99 Suffolk St.
Holyoke, MA 01040
01/23/2026

**LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF HOLYOKE
GAS & ELECTRIC
DEPARTMENT
NATURAL GAS WELDING SERVICES**

ANNUAL CONTRACT
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Bid Deposit:
A Bid Deposit in the amount of \$125,000 must accompany all bids and may be in the form of a certified, treasurer’s, or cashier’s check payable to HG&E from a responsible bank or trust company; cash; or a bid bond from a licensed surety payable to HG&E.

Prevailing Wage Rates:
Rates, which are to apply to the work, are set by the Mass. Dept of Labor & Industries.

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cwong@hged.com

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Applicant:
Japanese BBQ & Sushi LLC
License Board:
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Collector Office, regarding the application for a **New Annual All Alcohol On-premises License for Obie Knox 1568, 18 ½ Spring Street**. pursuant to M.G.L. Ch.138.

Applicant: Obie Knox 1568
License Board:
Jose Correa, Chairman
01/23, 01/30/2026

City of Holyoke PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Ordinance Committee of the **Holyoke City Council** as well as the **Holyoke Planning Board** will hold **separate public hearings** to hear a zoning ordinance text change proposal to review potential changes to operating times of cannabis dispensaries. **Planning Board public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 10, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. via www.zoom.us** Meeting ID: 870 5374 1582 or by call in at 1-646-558-8656 with same meeting ID. **Ordinance Committee public hearing will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2025 at 6:30pm at Holyoke City Hall 536 Dwight St and can be accessed remotely via zoom.** us Meeting ID 873 9001 6319 Meeting Passcode 613009 or by call in at 1-646-558-8656 with same Meeting ID and Passcode.

To provide comments to the Planning Board, please contact Brianna Tejada at tejadab@holyoke.org. To provide comments to the Ordinance Committee, please contact City Council Admin Asst Jeffery Anderson-Burgos at Anderson-BurgosJ@holyoke.org or by phone 413-322-5525.

Planning Board Chair,
Lauren Niles
Ordinance Chair,
Meg Magrath-Smith
01/23, 01/30/2026

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Applicant: Pedro’s Sport Bar
License Board:
Jose Correa, Chairman
01/23, 01/30/2026

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103**

**Docket No.
HD26P0088GD
In the matter of:
Jason D. Little
Of: Holyoke, MA
RESPONDENT**

Alleged Incapacitated Person CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Care One Holyoke** of Holyoke, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Jason D. Little** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Regina Little** of New Haven, CT (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **02/12/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. **Claudine T. Stoudemire**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 15, 2026
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
01/23/2026

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court**

**Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103**

**Docket No.
HD21P1931GD
In the interests of
Jason D Little
Of: Holyoke, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/ Protected Person
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR RESIGNATION OF A GUARDIAN OF AN INCAPACITATED PERSON**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Careone Holyoke of Holyoke, MA** in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Accept the Resignation of the Guardian of the Respondent.

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

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WITNESS, Hon. **Claudine T. Stoudemire**, First Justice of this Court
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