

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

JANUARY 20, 2015

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader Barbara-Ann Rossi, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg, Linda A. Russo, Ram Aberasturia, Patricia Harmon and Anita D. Morrison

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:56 p.m. The Chair announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §29-381, after which the Council joined him in the pledge of allegiance.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
seconded by Anita Morrison
to **amend** the agenda by adding, under Recognitions and Awards, item 3. A., Resolution Honoring Jeff Currey.
Motion carried 9/0.

MOTION By Bill Horan
seconded by Esther Clarke
to take the following agenda items out of order:
1. "Opportunity For Residents to Address the Council on Agenda Items" and
2. "Recommendation from Personnel and Pensions Subcommittee re: Revised Job Description for Chief Medical Officer"
Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

Susan Kniep, (1) suggested that more could be done to solicit residents to serve on the town's various Boards and Commissions; (2) asked if there is a policy whereby the MDC would notify the public when any meeting would be held regarding rate increases; (3) through FOI complaint, received information on salary and benefits paid MDC employees and Commissioners today; (4) inquired of the East Hartford Housing Authority what Goodwin College paid for King Court and was told the matter was in the Attorney General's office; (5) asked how responsibilities are shared between the East Hartford Housing Authority and the East Hartford Affordable Homes; and (6) stated that there are some residents that are concerned about the new LED streetlights recently installed.

Recommendation from Personnel & Pensions Subcommittee re: Chief Medical Officer – Revised Job Description

At this point, the Council returned to the order of the agenda.

Resolution Honoring Jeff Currey

On call of the vote, motion carried 9/0.

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **amend** the agenda as follows:

- Under New Business, **renumber** “Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions” as D.1; and
 - **add** item D.2 , “Appointment of Dolores Kehoe to the Beautification Commission, Appointment of Joanne Covey to the Library Board and Appointment of Rebecca LaCasse to Fine Arts Commission”.
- Motion carried 9/0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 6, 2015 Executive Session

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **approve** the minutes of the January 6, 2015 Executive Session.
 Motion carried 9/0.

January 6, 2015 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Pat Harmon
 to **approve** the minutes of the January 6, 2015 Regular Meeting.
 Motion carried 9/0.

January 15, 2015 Executive Session/Board of Education

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Marc Weinberg
 to **approve** the minutes of the January 15, 2015 Executive Session/Board of Education.
 Motion carried 9/0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Responses to Questions Asked of Administration – January 6th Meeting

From Tim Bockus, Public Works Director:

Brine Machine: The brine truck has proven itself to be a valuable asset in our winter storm fighting operations. This tool allows us to pretreat roadway surfaces well in advance of oncoming storms mostly during normal workday hours when pavement temperatures are warmer, resulting in overtime avoidance. It also allows us to reduce our salt usage since the brine stays where we place it unlike solid salt which tends to scatter when placed and when subjected to higher traffic volumes. For the most part, the brine is placed bi-directionally requiring a pass in each direction on a road. There are some instances where the brine is placed at night or when traffic is minimal that certain roads can be treated with a single pass. The discharge nozzles are adjustable and allow for variations in the spray pattern. The brine truck does have its limitation however. Consideration must be given to roadway surface temperatures and storm configuration before the brine will be used. So far this season, we have not used the truck since neither of the two recent storms have warranted the use of the brine. The first storm occurred during leaf collection when the truck was fitted for leaf collection and the latest involved significant rainfall which would have diluted and washed the brine from the surface.

LED Streetlights: The LED streetlights in the Mayberry Village area were installed during the first week of December. I have been through the area since their installation and noted a significant improvement to the lighting. I took especial note of the consistent coverage along the roadways with very little "dark spots" present which were prevalent with the previous high pressure sodium fixtures. Also, I was impressed with the color rendering of the new LED which allowed me to distinguish colors. For example, I could easily recognize a blue car from a green car or a silver car from a white car. I would like to emphasize that LEDs are highly directional and concentrate more of the light where it is intended. If there was a concern with diminished peripheral lighting, it could be that the light is now better kept to the roadway reducing lost light, typical of the old high pressure sodium fixtures, onto front yards. More specific location information would be necessary to pursue the complaint.

Resignation of Jeff Currey from the Board of Education

Chair Kehoe announced that Jeff Currey will resign from the Board of Education effective February 2, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

Reappointment of Joseph Kronen to the Metropolitan District Commission

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Pat Harmon
 to **approve** the reappointment of Joseph Kronen to the Metropolitan
 District Commission, whose term shall expire December 2019.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Referral to Ordinance Committee: Review of §6-5 Proximity of Swine or Poultry to Adjacent Property

MOTION By Bill Horan
 seconded by Barbara Rossi
 to **refer** to the Ordinance Committee a review of the existing ordinance
 which regulates the distance from adjacent property lines that resident
 must keep in order to have poultry or swine on their property, and to
 report back to the Town Council with its recommendations, if any.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Marc Weinberg
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$134,459.12
 pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Int Paid	L/F Paid	Over Paid
2013-02-0040074	ALL ABOUT STONE LLC	1288 MAIN ST			-173.43
2013-03-0050876	ALLEY PATRICIA A OR	1998/1GCCS1442W8105384			-44.05
2012-03-0051716	ARUSIEWICZ EDWARD J JR	1948/F486004199			-14.62

2013-01-0000821	BALDWIN DAVID B & CARLA E	441 MAIN ST 606			-27.85
2013-03-0053089	BENTON ROBERT F OR	1997/1G8ZK5278VZ296200			-12.89
2013-03-0053667	BOLAND RYAN STEPHEN	1998/1G2WP52K9WF236481			-105.78
2013-03-0054256	BRIGGS CRYSTAL L	2002/1HGCG65572A101342			-108.06
2013-03-0054471	BROWN KWADWO E	1998/1N4DL01D3WC233619			-84.9
2013-03-0054914	BUSER AARON D	1996/JN1CA21D1TT718492			-8.63
2012-04-0081103	CAB EAST LLC	2012/1FMHK8D84CGA77652			-710.65
2013-02-0043063	CAI THU T OD	477 CONNECTICUT BLVD			-1,890.46
2013-03-0055222	CALUDA CHERIE E	2001/1G1JF524617158361			-9.17
2013-03-0055401	CAPASSO OLGA B	2003/1C3EL45T83N598454			-116.68
2013-03-0056389	CHASE AUTO FINANCE CORP	2011/JF1GH6D62BH810569			-292.83
2013-03-0056500	CHIOTIS EVELYN	2000/1G8JU52F9YY701800			-17.66
2012-01-0007102	CORELOGIC - NORTHEAST	57 SCHAFFER DR			-2,504.94
2012-01-0006266	REGION SERVICE CENTER	69 ALEXANDER DR			-2,403.75
2013-01-0003253	CRM REALTY ASSOCIATES LLC	52 JOHN ST			-5,696.41
2013-03-0058481	CYR RICHARD P	1995/1FMDU34X0SZB60193			-58.43
2013-03-0058616	DAIMLER TRUST MERCEDES-BENZ FINANCIAL SERV LEASE TAX SUPPORT	2012/WDDGF8BB8CR199900			-424.8
2013-03-0058840	DARKO CLEMENT K	2003/JTJBT20X730017436			-274.65
2012-03-0059626	DIAZ ROBIN V	1996/1YVGE22C1T5563031			-12.47
2012-03-0060543	EAGAN JAMES R	2007/JNKCV54E07M908130	30.82	-21	-584.76
2012-03-0060666	EAN HOLDINGS LLC	2011/KL1TD5DE9BB218215			-377.1
2012-04-0082415	EAN HOLDINGS LLC ATTN: BILL HOKANSON	2013/2G1WG5E32D1189839			-203.04
2013-02-0042496	EAST POINT SYSTEMS	290 ROBERTS ST			-743
2013-03-0061220	EPPS DAYLEE L	2004/1N4BA41E04C901516			-13.36
2013-03-0063537	GE MOBILE WATER INC	2007/1FTSX21P17EA28785			-30.66
2013-03-0063729	GERROW JANICE	2000/2MEFM74W1YX612676			-82.67
2013-03-0064805	GREEN PAUL S	1995/1FTHE24H6SHA30057			-8.71
2013-03-0065631	HASLAM JOHN	1993/1G6DW527XPR709518			-45.4
2013-03-0066023	HERNANDEZ HECTOR J OR	2010/2D4RN5D16AR409395			-84.22
2013-02-0040824	HERSHEY CREAMERY CO	VARIOUS			-179.47
2013-03-0066546	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/5J6RE4H37BL070315			-145.6
2013-03-0066554	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/JHLRE4H75BC029435			-650.72
2012-03-0066904	HUNT GIORGIANA	2001/1FMFU16L61LA99487			-5.74
2013-03-0067100	HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING	2013/5XXGM4A74DG178021			-612
2012-03-0067042	HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING	2011/KNDJT2A20B7209501			-466.57

2013-03-0067178	IHIEME BENJAMIN E	2008/2HNYD28408H524390	-338.92	
2013-03-0067588	JASPER ALYSON D	2007/JHMGD37407S045823	-23.56	
2013-03-0068845	KIPP CORRINE M	2004/JTEDP21A740012745	-64.88	
2013-03-0072110	MARTINEZ ALBERTO A JNT	1991/1B7FL23X1MS303286	-5.32	
2011-03-0074257	MITCHELL JAMILA P	2005/WDBSK75FX5F095372	-475.83	
2013-03-0074241	MORANT MARVA L	2011/5XYKU4A18BG054042	-141.37	
2013-03-0075264	NICKERSON SEAN P	2004/SHSRD784X4U223576	-67.74	
2013-03-0075429	NISSAN INFINITI LT TAX OPERATIONS	2013/1N4AL3APXDN439519	-533.64	
2012-04-0085753	NORIGE OIL CO INC	2008/1NPSL00XX8N755628	-380.33	
2013-03-0075779	OBRIEN JOHN L	2013/WAUCFAFR8DA041965	-6.38	
2013-02-0043081	PEH III LLC	100 EAST RIVER DR	-110,566.26	
2013-03-0077790	PETERSON D L TRUST	2004/1FTNE24WX4HA62787	-36.45	
2013-03-0077854	PETITPAS JOHN GUY	2010/4S4BRBKC4A3367027	-161	
2013-03-0078362	PORTER DAVID G	2012/1G1PF5SC0C7303303	-95.98	
2013-03-0080596	RODRIGUEZ ELISAURA	2005/4F4YR12D85PM05995	-87.9	
2013-03-0080954	ROLDAN VANESSA	1999/1G6KY5497XU924139	-98.39	
2013-03-0081268	ROSSI MICHELLE R JNT	1996/3VWPA81H3TM080858	-12.53	
2013-03-0081279	ROTBERGS JASON W	2000/2G4WS52JXY1239994	-28.37	
2013-03-0084184	STEFURAK SUSAN K	2002/JHLRD78862C051425	-38.59	
2013-03-0084905	TAYLOR DAVID S	2000/1FAFP6639YK149460	-13.94	
2012-03-0085729	TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP ATTN: PRODUCT OPERATIONS WF21	2011/5TDBK3EH0BS055454	-292.94	
2012-04-0088269	VAULT TRUST	2012/1C4RJFBT4CC209565	-1,195.40	
2011-03-0087725	VILLAFANE ANGEL LUIS JR	2001/2HNYD18221H504057	-11.52	
2012-03-0087310	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD	2011/3VWPL7AJ7BM606060	-185.12	
2012-03-0087325	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD	2011/WVGFF9BP6BD001247	-194	
2012-03-0087328	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD	2011/3VW2K7AJ0BM338787	-114.66	
2012-03-0088407	WILSON IVY M	1999/1GNDT13WXX2245554	-10.15	
Subtotal		30.82	-21	-134,407.30
Total		-134,459.12		

Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Anita Morrison
 to **approve** the following appointments and/or reappointments:

BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS (5 Year Term)

R	Valentine P. Povinelli	97 Langford Lane 06118	12/19
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (3 Year Term)

R	Jack Jacobs	505 Burnside Avenue, C-14 06108	12/17
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INLAND-WETLANDS/ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION (4 Year Term)

R	Peter Gero	132 Sandra Drive 06118	12/18
R	Stephen Roczynski	25 Cree Road 06118	12/18

INSURANCE COMMITTEE

R	Melodie D. Wilson	272 Goodwin Street	12/18
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LIBRARY COMMISSION (3 Year Term)

R	Mary Mourey	785 Burnham Street 06108	12/17
R	Seraphina Pelletier	61 Beacon Hill Road 06108	12/17

PATRIOTIC COMMISSION (3 Year Term)

R	Melodie D. Wilson	272 Goodwin Street 06108	12/17
R	Gene Pushefsky, Sr.	58 Barbara Drive 06118	12/17

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS (5 Year Term)

R	Robert F. Rosa	1882 Main Street 06108	12/19
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (5 Year Term)

Alternate

R	Michael G. Kurker	38 Prasser Drive 06118	12/19
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Motion carried 9/0.

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **approve** the following appointments and/or reappointments:

BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION (3 Year Term)

D	Dolores Kehoe	190 Andover Road 06108	12/17
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LIBRARY BOARD (3 Year Term)

D	Joanne Covey	1581 Main Street 06108	12/17
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FINE ARTS COMMISSION (5 Year Term)

D	Rebecca LaCasse	1430 Forbes Street 06118	12/19
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Motion carried 9/0.

Setting a Public Hearing Date of February 3, 2015 re: Mayor's Salary, Registrar of Voters Salary and Driveway Curb Cut Ordinances

MOTION By Bill Horan
 seconded by Barbara Rossi
 to **set** a public hearing date of Tuesday February 3rd at 7PM

in Council Chambers to hear public Comment on proposed revisions to the following ordinances:

- Section 2-3, Mayor's Salary
- Section 2-3b, Registrar of Voters Salary
- Repeal Section 18-19, Add Section 18-26 Driveway Curb Cut

Motion carried 9/0.

Recommendation from Real Estate Acquisition and Disposition Committee re: Traffic Signal Easement at the Intersection of Route 5 and 740 Main Street

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Barbara Rossi
that the Town Council: (1) **waive** the requirements of §10-19 of the Town Ordinances; and (2) **grant** to the State of Connecticut an easement for purposes of the location and maintenance of traffic structures under, over and across portions of property of the Town of East Hartford located at 740 Main Street, as more particularly set forth on the attached proposed Defined Traffic Easement.
Motion carried 9/0.

The Defined Traffic Easement, along with Schedule A, follows these minutes.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

None

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Omar Tibby v Town of East Hartford, et al

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
seconded by Esther Clarke
to **accept** Corporation Counsel's recommendation to fully and finally settle the pending federal Court action known as Omar Tibby v Town of East Hartford, Civil Action No.3:11-CV-01480 (SRU), for the total sum of \$25,000.00, knowing that the East Hartford Town Council is fully aware that the Police Officers involved in this incident acted within department protocol and we support all of our Officers' actions in this case.
Motion carried 7/2. **Nays:** Horan, Morrison

Workers' Compensation Claim: Curtis Stoldt

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
seconded by Anita Morrison
to **accept** Corporation Counsel's recommendation to fully and finally settle

the Workers' Compensation claims brought by former Town employee, Curtis Stoldt, for the total sum of \$55,000.00; \$500.00 to be paid by CIRMA, and \$54,500.00 to be paid by the Town of East Hartford. Motion carried 9/0.

Workers' Compensation claim of Town Police Officer Todd Lentocha

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Anita Morrison
 to **accept** Corporation Counsel's recommendation to fully and finally settle the Town's lien regarding the pending Workers' Compensation claim of Police Officer Todd Lentocha for the total sum of \$603,337.63.
 Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Bill Horan
 to **adjourn** (9:00 p.m.).
 Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be February 3rd.

Attest _____
 Angela M. Attenello
 TOWN COUNCIL CLERK