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FEBRUARY 7, 2017

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader
Linda A. Russo, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg, Ram Aberasturia, Joseph
R. Carlson, Patricia Harmon and Michael G. Kurker

ABSENT Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:30 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.

RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

2016 Connecticut Hunter Jumper Junior Medal Champion: Nora Andrews

Councillor Linda Russo introduced Nora Andrews, the recipient of the 2016 Connecticut Hunter Jumper Junior Medal (CHJM) Champion. Ms. Andrews, an East Hartford resident and a freshman at the Academy of Aerospace & Engineering in Windsor, told the Council that she also was awarded the high point rider of the day, scoring a total of 85 points which bested the other 259 riders that competed at this event.

The Councillors congratulated her –and recognized the support she receives from her family – for her accomplishments at such a young age.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

Susan Kniep, 50 Olde Roberts Street, (1) suggested that one of the reasons that there is a large number of properties on the tax lien sale list is due to a high mill rate and assessment rate in East Hartford; and (2) read a resolution regarding the funding of state union contracts that she hopes will be on a future Council agenda for adoption by the Council and, once adopted, presented to the town's state legislative delegation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 17, 2017 Executive Session

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **approve** the minutes of the January 17, 2017 Executive Session.
Motion carried 7/0. **Abstain:** Horan

January 17, 2017 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Pat Harmon
 to **approve** the minutes of the January 17, 2017 Regular Meeting.
 Motion carried 7/0. **Abstain:** Horan

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Resignation of Margaret Byrnes from the Historic District Commission

Chair Kehoe announced that Peg Byrnes was resigning from the Historic District Commission. He thanked Peg for her dedication to the town of East Hartford and wished her well.

NEW BUSINESS

Remote Connection to In-house Data Base: Memorandum of Understanding with the Hartford Police Department

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **adopt** the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the East Hartford Police Department will enter into a signed Memorandum of Agreement with the Hartford Police Department to remotely access their In-House Computer data base.

WHEREAS, the Hartford Police Department will in turn enter into a signed Memorandum of Agreement with the East Hartford Police Department to remotely access the East Hartford Police Department In-House computer data base.

WHEREAS, this access to In- House computer data bases will be used to continue the long standing regional sharing of information with the Hartford Police Department which has proven to be invaluable for the successful prosecution of crimes and investigations in the Hartford region.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; That Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to sign and approve on behalf of the Town the Memorandum of Agreements proposed allowing remote access of the respective Police Departments noted in such agreements.

On call of the vote, motion carried 8/0.

Setting a Public Hearing Date of Tuesday February 21, 2017 @ 7:15 P.M. re: Article 8, §13-31 of the East Hartford Code of Ordinances, entitled "Outdoor Wood-burning Furnace".

MOTION By Bill Horan
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **set** a public hearing date of Tuesday, February 21, 2017 @ 7:15PM in Town Council Chambers to hear public comment on the proposed revision to the town of East Hartford Code of Ordinances to add Article 8, Section

13-31 entitled "Outdoor Wood-burning Furnace".
Motion carried 8/0

Referral to Tax Policy Committee re: Annual Tax Lien Sales

MOTION By Marc Weinberg
seconded by Bill Horan
to **refer** to the Tax Policy Committee (1) the list of properties recommended for the town's annual tax lien sale, totaling \$1,206,640.27 in delinquent taxes; and (2) the list of subsequent liens on properties already sold at a previous tax lien sale to existing lien holders totaling \$608,749.82; both lists attached to a memorandum dated January 27, 2017 from Finance Director Michael Walsh to Mayor Marcia Leclerc, with instructions to review the proposed lists of properties and the criteria used by the town to implement a tax lien sale and to report back to the Town Council with its recommendations, if any.
Motion carried 8/0.

Appointment to Patriotic Commission

MOTION By Mike Kurker
seconded by Pat Harmon
to **approve** the 1-year appointment of Douglas Margelony, 10 Dwyer Drive, a representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, to the Patriotic Commission; whose term shall expire December 2017.
Motion carried 8/0.

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Joe Carlson
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$21,387.54 pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
Motion carried 8/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Over Paid
2014-03-0086837	ALLY FINANCIAL LOUISVILLE PC	2013/1C3CDFCH9DD285354	-47.16
2015-03-0051665	AUTOMOTIVE RENTALS	2010/JTDKT4K35A5291971	-121.88
2014-03-0055072	CAB EAST LLC FORD CREDIT PP TAX	2012/2LMDJ8JK1CBL04065	-930.96
2015-03-0056352	CHAMPAGNE BERNARD J	2009/5TETX22N79Z631242	-21.79
2014-02-0043289	CIRCUIT CELLAR INC	323 PITKIN ST	-1648.68
2015-01-0007192	CT BAR FOUNDATION ATTY: DAVID CLEMENS	120 SKYLINE DR	-13.89
2015-01-0004055	DONOFRIO THOMAS J JR	42 STERLING RD	-68.80

2015-03-0060721	EAN HOLDINGS LLC	2015/KNDMB5C10F6067121	-402.53
2015-03-0061318	ENTERPRISE F M TRUST	2008/1FTNE14W28DB08538	-98.94
2015-04-0083283	FIGUEROA ELIZABETH L	1999/4T1BG22K2XU871480	-11.46
2014-03-0064133	GOETZ JOHN E JR	2005/1D7HU18D75S154727	-62.52
2014-04-0083868	HERNANDEZ JOHN A	2000/5TBBT4816YS082211	-266.45
2015-03-0066347	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2013/2HKRM4H50DH689355	-135.04
2015-03-0066353	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2013/1HGCR2F88DA071685	-360.31
2004-03-0068315	HOWLETT BARRY A	1987/JHMEC2319HS000610	-117.02
2014-03-0067196	HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING TR	2013/5XXGR4A68DG093434	-198.44
2014-03-0067220	HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING TR	2013/5XXGR4A68DG207481	-396.92
2015-03-0066897	HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING TRUST	2013/KMHCT5AE8DU072151	-257.85
2015-03-0066906	HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING TRUST	2013/5XXGN4A74DG183961	-146.85
2015-01-0008617	LINDSAY JAMES B & A DIANE	90 HARVEST LN	-250.18
2015-03-0070804	LOPEZ JEANETTE	2001/1G3NL52T71C158028	-66.49
2015-03-0068029	MAZDA CAPITAL SERVICES	2015/JM1GJ1V60F1171137	-92.40
2015-03-0058669	MERCEDES-BENZ FINANCIAL SERVICES	2013/WDDHF8JB2DA750330	-559.22
2013-02-0043210	MERCHANT FOUNDERS LODGING LLC	351 PITKIN ST	-4856.16
2014-02-0042515	MERCHANT FOUNDERS LODGING LLC	351 PITKIN ST	-7736.58
2014-03-0075461	NISSAN INFINITI LT- TAX OPERATIONS	2013/1N4AL3AP3DC163583	-414.12
2015-03-0075485	NORWOOD RODERICK A	2001/YV1NC56D71J023561	-110.59
2015-03-0075486	NORWOOD RODERICK A	1996/1N6SD16S5TC349652	-98.72
2015-03-0076547	PAGANO TINA	1999/2G1WL52M5X9159670	-40.74
2014-03-0078001	PHELAN KERRY G	2011/JTHCF5C27B5044801	-916.27
2015-03-0084219	STEWART JEANNETTE P	1973/3N67H3M332901	-12.58
2013-04-0087800	STONGE RONALD J	2004/JNKCV51E64M106391	-68.10
2015-03-0084318	STONGE RONALD J	2004/JNKCV51E64M106391	-55.50
2015-03-0068023	SUBARU MOTORS FINANCE	2013/JF1GJAC64DH008939	-304.96
2015-03-0068030	SUBARU MOTORS FINANCE	2013/JF1GJAA64DH035402	-129.98
2015-03-0086500	V W CREDIT LEASING LTD	2013/1VWBP7A37DC018809	-367.46
TOTAL			\$(21,387.54)

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

None

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Ellen Spivey v Town of East Hartford

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **accept** the recommendation of Corporation Counsel to fully and finally
 settle the pending Superior Court action known as Ellen Spivey v Town of
 East Hartford, Docket No. CV-13-6038915-S, for a total sum of \$8,250.00.
 Motion carried 8/0.

Joseph Giuliano v East Hartford Board of Education

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **accept** the recommendation of Corporation Counsel to fully and finally
 settle the pending workers' compensation claim known as Joseph Giuliano
 v East Hartford Board of Education for a total sum of \$24,999.00.
 Motion carried 8/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Susan Kniep, 50 Olde Roberts Street, questioned the process by which residents who are on the tax lien sale list are informed of the pending tax lien sale.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Pat Harmon
 seconded by Bill Horan
 to **adjourn** (8:25 p.m.).
 Motion carried 8/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be February 21st.

Attest Angela M. Attenello
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 TOWN COUNCIL CLERK