EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MARCH 15, 2016

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader

Linda A. Russo, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg, Ram Aberasturia, Joseph R. Carlson, Patricia Harmon and

Michael G. Kurker

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.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Susan Kniep</u>, 44-46 and 50 Olde Roberts Street, (1) asked that the Chair allow residents from Bloomfield to speak on the MDC presentation; and (2) read excerpts of a letter written by a Bloomfield resident regarding the MDC presentation. *The Chair noted longstanding Town Council policy that only residents and non-residents who own property or businesses or work in the town may speak at this portion of the meeting.*

<u>Rafael Zeligzon</u>, 430 Burnside Avenue, again requested a more complete police report for the property at 442 Burnside Avenue, which should include activity in the vicinity of that property.

Mayor Leclerc reserved her comments until the end of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 24, 2016 Budget Workshop/Inspections & Permits, Board of Education

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Marc Weinberg

to **approve** the minutes of the February 24, 2016 Budget Workshop.

Motion carried 9/0.

February 27, 2016 Budget Workshop/Various Town Departments

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Ram Aberasturia

to **approve** the minutes of the February 27, 2016 Budget Workshop.

Motion carried 9/0.

<u>February 29, 2016 Budget Workshop/Town Clerk, Public Works, Parks & Rec, Health & Social Services</u>

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Pat Harmon

to approve the minutes of the February 29, 2016 Budget Workshop.

Motion carried 9/0.

March 1, 2016 Executive Session/Khalid

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Ram Aberasturia

to **approve** the minutes of the March 1, 2016 Executive Session/Khalid.

Motion carried 9/0.

March 1, 2016 Public Hearing/Personnel Appeals Board Ordinance

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Marc Weinberg

to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2016 Public Hearing/Personnel

Appeals Board Ordinance..

Motion carried 9/0.

March 1, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Pat Harmon

to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2016 Regular Meeting.

Motion carried 9/0.

March 2, 2016 Public Hearing/Budget

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Ram Aberasturia

to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2016 Public Hearing/Budget.

Motion carried 9/0.

March 8, 2016 Special Meeting/Budget

MOTION By Linda Russo

seconded by Marc Weinberg

to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2016 Special Meeting/Budget.

Motion carried 9/0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Resignations from Boards and Commissions

Chair Kehoe announced the resignation of Gloria Visgilio-Lupi from the Library Board, Marylee Hickey from the Public Building Commission and Emergency Medical Services Commission and Ana Gould from Emergency Medical Services Commission. He thanked them for their service to the town.

Presentation by MDC re: Water Quality and Supply

The Metropolitan District – a public non-profit municipal corporation – was created by the General Assembly in 1929 to provide quality potable water and sewer systems for people and businesses in the Hartford area.

Chair Kehoe noted the presence of the East Hartford Commissioners who sit on the District Board: Joseph Kronen, Pasquale Salemi and Bill Horan. (Don Currey, also a Commissioner, was out-of-town). Chair Kehoe introduced William "Bill" DiBella, MDC Board Chair, who called upon Stephen Pratt, Manager for Water Treatment, Susan Negrelli, Engineering Director, Water Supply, and John Zinzarella, Chief Financial Officer to speak on water supply and quality as it relates to each of their departments.

It was noted that if any resident had questions or concerns about the quality of their water, they may call the MDC laboratory at (860)278-7850 X3901.

NEW BUSINESS

CT DOT Highway Safety Grant 2016 Distracted Driving

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia

seconded by Linda Russo

to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) are offering grant funds to municipal police departments to participate in the 2016 Distracted Driving High Visibility Enforcement Campaign; and

WHEREAS, this campaign will focus on motorists who choose to ignore Connecticut's hand-held mobile phone ban; and

WHEREAS, over 1,300 people are injured every day on our nation's highways as a result of distracted driving crashes.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; That Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to make application to, and execute and approve on behalf of this corporation, any and all documents, contracts, and amendments as may be required by CT DOT and NHTSA as they pertain to the 2016 Distracted Driving High Visibility Enforcement Campaign.

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

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Marc Weinberg

seconded by Linda Russo

to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$14,533.67 pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Motion carried 9/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Over Paid
2014-03-0050751	ALI MALIK KHALID	1996/2T1BA02E6TC143091	-37.47
2014-03-0053156	BERKWITT RANDY LYNN	2013/1FADP3F27DL206451	-17.56
2014-03-0054428	BROWN BRIAN A	2013/JM1BL1TG7D1740885	-98.21
2014-03-0054431	BROWN BRIAN A	2011/1G1PD5SH9B7163929	-184.59
2014-03-0056265	CHALWELL DENCIA	2010/5J6RE4H36AL028314	-7.26
2014-03-0057137	COLLAZO FRANCISCO E	2006/WAUDG74F36N039940	-164.27
2014-01-0013637	CORELOGIC ATTN: REFUNDS	21 WHITNEY ST	-35.16
2014-01-0002130	CORELOGIC ATTN: REFUNDS	98 HEATHER DR	-2588.80
2014-01-0015637	CORELOGIC ATTN: REFUNDS	31 HOME TER	-1902.96
2014-03-0058557	CYRILLO GISELLE M	2007/4T1CA30P87U131751	-64.43
2014-01-0003503	DALRYMPLE SUSAN W	34 SHANNON RD	-476.95
2014-03-0058786	DALRYMPLE SUSAN W	2014/JTMDFREV7ED078624	-79.16
2014-04-0082132	DAVIS ABIGAIL PAULINE	2001/JN1CA31D61T804092	-23.06
2014-03-0059387	DELACRUZ HELEN M	2008/5FNRL38628B417058	-373.21
2014-03-0060149	DOLAN KATHRYN	2009/2HGFA16529H305011	-5.20
2014-03-0089586	DRUMMOND DANIEL L	2011/WAULFAFR2BA030571	-63.15
2014-03-0061774	FELDER ELIJAH J	2003/2G4WS52J231129093	-31.87
2014-01-0005112	FLANAGAN CLARE K	211 WOODMONT DR	-23.64
2014-01-0013013	IDAHO HOUSING & FINANCE MTG	58 COLLIMORE RD	-2308.82
2014-04-0085211	MANGANELLO MARTIN R JNT	2045/40441.240050400775	-71.68
2014-04-0085211	MARQUEZ CARMEN H	2015/1N4AL3AP0FC190775 29 JOHN ST	-71.00
2014-03-0072561	MATUSIK EDWARD OR MATUSIK BOZENA	2007/JHLRE48537C015328	-24.26
2014-01-0010200	MORROW JOSEPH TRUSTEE	12 CRESCENT DR	-10.55
2014-01-0010463	NEFCO HOLDING LLC	411 BURNHAM ST	-1246.99
2014-01-0010951	OUELLETTE LEO P & JACQUELINE L EST	30 HILLSIDE ST B-24	-8.09
2014-01-0011529	PHENGSOMPHONE PHONE & MOUNTHA	72 LELAND DR	-6.00
	ROBINSON BRUCE P OR ROBINSON		
2014-03-0080325	DONNA L	2013/1N4AL3AP7DC246496	-143.82
2014-01-0012819	RYAN JOHN J & JEANNINE TRUSTEES	229 ELLINGTON RD B	-972.23
2014-01-0012820	RYAN JOHN J & JEANNINE M	38 STANLEY ST	-36.00
2014-03-0083424	SKIBA DANIEL S & SKIBA CELIA P	2006/1FTRF14556NA72017	-107.31

2014-03-0087584	VOLKSWAGEN CREDIT LEASING LTD	2014/WA1LFAFP4EA010614	-321.80
2014-01-0015176	WALLACE MARY ELLEN	53 SUNNYREACH DR	-206.94
2014-01-0015141	WENNINGER STEVEN L & MARIE B	128-134 CANNON RD	-2882.23

TOTAL

-14.533.67

Outdoor Amusement Permit Applications from Riverfront Recapture:

Riverfest 2016

MOTION

By Joe Carlson seconded by Linda Russo

to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application, Riverfest 2016, submitted by Joshua Urrutia, Public Events Manager, for Riverfront Recapture, to conduct outdoor musical entertainment with, food, vendors, roaming entertainment, activities and a fireworks show at Great River Park and Founders Plaza on Saturday July 9, 2016 between the hours of 4PM and 10PM, with music occurring between the hours of 4PM and 9:30PM with a rain date of Sunday, July 10, 2016 with the same hours as that of the July 9th event; and pursuant to Town ordinance 14-7(b) and 14-10(13). the applicant is authorized to sell or dispense alcoholic beverages in connection with this event - providing the town receives a current and updated liquor permit prior to the July 9th event date; subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies; and to waive both the permit fee and any associated town expenses for this event pursuant to the resolution passed by the Town Council on June 3, 2014. Motion carried 9/0.

Riverfront Swing Night

MOTION

By Joe Carlson

seconded by Ram Aberasturia

to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application entitled "Riverfront Swing Night" submitted by Joshua Urrutia, Events Manager for Riverfront Recapture to conduct a series of concerts with music provided by Simply Swing Music, and that, pursuant to Town ordinance 14-7(b) and 14-10(13), the applicant is authorized to sell beer and wine in a designated area of Great River Park – provided that a current and updated liquor permit must be provided to the town prior to the July 16th event date – on the following dates and times in 2016:

Saturday, June 4th 6:30PM-8:30PM (rain date Sunday June 5th) Saturday, July 16th 6:30PM-8:30PM (rain date Sunday July 17th)

subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required

by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies; and to **waive** the permit fee and any associated town expenses for this event pursuant to the resolution passed by the Town Council on June 3, 2014.

Motion carried 9/0.

Head of the Riverfront Regatta

MOTION By Joe Carlson

seconded by Marc Weinberg

to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application, entitled Head of the Riverfront Regatta" submitted by Joshua Urrutia, Events Manger for Riverfront Recapture to conduct a rowing regatta on the Connecticut River beginning at the Charter Oak Landing in Hartford on Sunday, October 2, 2016 from 6AM to 5PM, with a flood and rain date of Sunday, November 6, 2016; subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies; and to **waive** the permit fee and any associated town expenses for this event pursuant to the resolution passed by the Town Council on June 3, 2014. Motion carried 9/0.

Riverfront Summer Pops

MOTION By Joe Carlson

seconded by Ram Aberasturia

to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application submitted by Joshua Urrutia, Events Manager, for Riverfront Recapture, Inc. to conduct three Pop concerts in Great River Park, with music on the following dates and times in 2016:

Saturday, May 28th 7PM to 9PM (rain date: Sunday, May 29th) Saturday, July 23rd 7PM to 9PM (rain date: Sunday, July 24th) Saturday, Sept 10th 7PM to 9PM (rain date: Sunday, Sept 11th)

and that pursuant to Town ordinance 14-7(b) and 14-10 (13) the applicant is authorized to sell or dispense beer and wine in connection with this event in a designated area in Great River Park provided a current and updated liquor permit is submitted to the Town prior to the July 23rd event; subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies; and to **waive** both the permit fee and any associated town expenses for this event pursuant to the resolution passed by the Town Council on June 3, 2014. Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

<u>Don Sugalski</u>, 1736 Main Street, is concerned about adequate water supply during long droughts. He also read excerpts from a statement written by a Bloomfield resident regarding the MDC presentation.

<u>Susan Kniep</u>, 50 Olde Roberts Street, believes that the proposal to build a water bottling plant in Bloomfield could impact East Hartford.

<u>Mayor Leclerc</u> commented on (1) Susan Hansen, Library Director, will be leaving town employment to work at Goodwin College; (2) the EHPD won "Best Town Police Department" for their participation in last Saturday's St. Patrick's Day parade; (3) the handicapped "lift" in Town Hall is not working – the part needed is being fabricated by Public Works; (4) Burnside Ice will be a speaker at Raymond Library on March 22nd; (5) the TED program at the library is successful; (6) a performance of the Jungle Book Story by the Land Theatricals will be held at the East Hartford Community Cultural Center; and (7) the Bunny Breakfast and Egg Hunt will be held on March 19th from 9:30AM to 11AM.

<u>Marc Weinberg</u> wished Rich Kehoe and Pat Harmon Happy Birthdays. He also acknowledged St. Patrick's Day on March 17th and St. Joseph's Day on March 19th.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke

seconded by Bill Horan to **adjourn** (9:35 p.m.). Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be on April 5th.

Attest______Angela M. Attenello
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK