

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

JUNE 2, 2015

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, 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

ABSENT Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:35 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

Susan Kniep, Olde Roberts Street, (1) spoke to the poor economic climate in the state; and (2) suggested that the Council vote against the Neighborhood Assistance Act.

Donald Sugalski, 1736 Main Street, inquired on how the Neighborhood Assistance Act program operated.

Mayor Leclerc (1) stated that the Neighborhood Assistance Act program is beneficial to all participants; (2) announced that the town was awarded a \$200,000 Brownfield Remediation Assessment grant; (3) the Grossman's ribbon cutting will be tomorrow at 11AM at the School Street Square; (4) Homes for Heroes – an organization that provides home improvement for Veterans – was involved with a project on Cipolla Drive for Mrs. Terragna whose husband was a war veteran; (5) three new certified police officers were hired and will start June 15th; (6) June is dog license month; (7) the Library staff will visit schools in preparation for the summer reading program; (8) the town's Senior Services, in cooperation with Goodwin College, will host an adult continuing-education workshop; (9) the town's pools are scheduled to open June 20th; and (10) the Hockanum River Clean-up will be Sunday, June 7th.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **approve** the minutes of the May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting.
Motion carried 8/0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Responses to Questions Asked of Administration – May 19th Meeting

Ram Aberasturia asked if Godar Terrace will be on the list of roads to be repaved.

Godar Terrace has been included in the recent list of roads currently in design. As long as there are no significant surprises in design, the design team believes that there will be sufficient funding within the recent bond authorization to include Godar in the 2016 construction package.

Pat Harmon noted that there are old vehicles at the firehouse on Forbes Street and asked when they will be removed.

Only the ladder truck that has been designated for surplus is parked there and will be going to auction this summer. The Chief stated that there was no other vehicle there other than employee vehicle. I will circle through and check myself. On occasion, there may be a black SUV that appears to be in somewhat dilapidated shape. Regrettably, due to our overall light fleet condition, this vehicle is still in-service and used by the Training Division. It is parked at Station 6 in the evening and on weekends to permit a timely off-duty response to building fires. It is our hope that we will be able to replace this vehicle in the near future.

Also, when the tree belts in the Sandra/Barbara Drive neighborhood will be re-landscaped. (Resident of 58 Barbara Drive in attendance at meeting to address council regarding his property)

I am told by Tim Bockus that the contractor has revisited the Sandra and Barbara Drive areas twice already. Last week, Tim Bockus drove the area and noticed areas in need of attention but the majority of restoration appears to have taken well. Tilcon will be going back again to rake and seed within the week.

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Barbara Rossi
 to take items 3A (Resolution Honoring Joe Marfuggi) and 8F (Riverfront Recapture Management Agreement) out of order to accommodate those present.
 Motion carried 8/0.

RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

Resolution Honoring Joe Marfuggi

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Esther Clarke
 to **adopt** the following resolution:

Whereas, in 1986, Joseph “Joe” Marfuggi joined Riverfront Recapture five years after the organization’s founding as a catalyst for making the Connecticut River a focus of entertainment and environmental appreciation; and

Whereas, under Joe Marfuggi’s leadership, a once-dormant, forgotten waterway, cut off from the public by highways, pollution and neglect, is a vital part of the communities of Hartford and East Hartford and a regional attraction for watersports; and

Whereas, the town of East Hartford has benefitted from Joe Marfuggi’s leadership which always included our community in Riverfront Recapture’s decision-making and goals; and

Whereas, Joe Marfuggi’s hard work has provided meaningful entertainment opportunities for thousands of East Hartford residents, especially for our teenagers who participate in Riverfront Recapture programs; and

Whereas, East Hartford has found a true partner in Riverfront Recapture, working jointly to improve our parks and river programming.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The East Hartford Town Council, together with Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc, thanks Joe Marfuggi for his vision and leadership for truly recapturing the Connecticut River and extends our appreciation for his commitment to working with the communities on both banks of the river.

The East Hartford Town Council and Mayor Leclerc wish Joe and his family the best of retirements and hopes Joe will always remember and cherish how much his dedication to the Connecticut River has meant to the people of the town of East Hartford.

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

The Councillors and the Mayor praised Mr. Marfuggi for his dedication to the riverfront and for a life of service to the community.

Riverfront Recapture Management Agreement

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Anita Morrison
 that the Town Council **authorizes** Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc to execute a
 Management Services Agreement between Riverfront Recapture, Inc. and
 the Town of East Hartford, entitled "Riverfront Recapture, Inc.
 Management Services Agreement" which contract will terminate on
 December 31, 2018.
 Motion carried 8/0.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Neighborhood Assistance Act

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Barbara Rossi
 to **adopt** the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program provides State of Connecticut tax credits to businesses who contribute to community programs benefiting low income or handicapped individuals in such areas as: job training, job education, community services, and energy conservation, and;

WHEREAS, seventeen proposals have been received from area agencies, listed on the 2015 State of Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act Proposal Summaries sheet as attached, and have requested to be included in the 2015 State of Connecticut tax credit program through the Town of East Hartford, and;

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing to present these applications was held on May 12, 2015, as required by the State of Connecticut.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: That Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to forward these applications to the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services for their review and inclusion into the 2015 Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program.

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

Suspense List: Grand List Year 2011 – Personal Property and Motor Vehicle; Grand List Years 2003-2011– Mobile Homes

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
seconded by Linda Russo
to **transfer** the uncollected personal property, motor vehicle and Mobile home taxes as referenced in a memo dated May 20, 2015 from Iris Laurenza, Collector of Revenue, to Marcia Leclerc, Mayor to the suspense rate book in the total amount of \$519,447.43 as follows:

Personal Property	Grand List Year 2011	\$142,071.81
Motor Vehicle	Grand List Year 2011	\$374,951.40
Mobile Homes	Grand List Years 2003-2011	\$ 2,424.22

Motion carried 8/0.

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Marc Weinberg
seconded by Barbara Rossi
to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$55,730.48
pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
Motion carried 8/0.

<u>Bill</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.</u>	<u>Int Paid</u>	<u>Over Paid</u>
2013-03-0086778	ALLY BANK LOUISVILLE PPC	2012/1C4PJMAK5CW199518	0	-257.1
2013-03-0086785		2011/1GNSKBE0XBR155071	0	-273.52
2013-03-0086789		2012/1G1PJ5SC0C7228648	0	-173.12
2013-03-0086800		2012/1C4RJFAG2CC233609	0	-224.5
2013-03-0086808		2011/1J4PN2GK6BW558464	0	-46.58
2013-03-0086810		2011/1J4RR4GG3BC571923	0	-279.98
2013-03-0086812		2012/1C4RJFAG8CC189440	0	-149.96
2013-03-0086817		2012/1G6DS5E3XC0107222	0	-196.12
2013-03-0086825		2011/5GAKVBED0BJ172738	0	-727.63
2013-03-0086827		2012/1GNKVLED4CJ250306	0	-160.14
2013-03-0086830		2011/1GCNKPEA2BF131151	0	-50.9
2013-03-0086837		2011/1J4PN2GK9BW509467	0	-280.57
2013-03-0086842		2011/1GYS4AEF6BR370829	0	-366.24
2013-01-0000547	APARICIO MICHAEL	7 SCOTT ST	0	-49.39
2013-04-0080839	BISSON MICHEL J	1996/1B7HF16Y5TS689109	0	-80
2013-03-0054132	BRAZLOVICH AMY L	2005/4T1CE38P95U965856	0	-9.03
2012-01-0001727	BRIERTON ROBERT W	62 HERBERT DR	0	-1,076.78
2013-04-0081162	BUSH LEASING TRUST	2011/WDYPE8CC5B5511542	0	-1,045.29
2013-03-0055039	CAB EAST LLC FORD CREDIT PERS. PROP. TAX	2012/1FMCU9D75CKA01890	0	-159.66

2013-03-0055044		2011/3LNHL2GC7BR760723	0	-538.17
2013-03-0055029		2011/5LMJJ3J53BEJ04302	0	-337.4
2013-03-0056637	CISNEROS MARIA D	1999/1FMZU34E5XZA98317	0	-16.85
2013-03-0056769	CLAROS HILDA	2005/3N1CB51D45L489229	0	-16.44
2013-03-0056823	CLEAR RIVER FUEL OIL CO	2008/2NKMHN7X08M234338	0	-166.17
2013-01-0001031	CORELOGIC	12 KOHLER ST	0	-2,113.83
2013-01-0001863		4 WOODSTOCK PL	0	-2,204.63
2013-01-0002021		16 HEMLOCK LN	0	-3,439.05
2013-01-0002288		32-34 AMY DR	0	-3,735.97
2013-01-0004963		66 WASHINGTON AVE	0	-2,054.58
2013-01-0006380		241 OAK ST	0	-2,395.31
2013-01-0008412		131 HENDERSON DR	0	-2,197.36
2013-01-0009093		302 CHESTER ST	0	-2,557.16
2013-01-0009442		175 LONG HILL ST	0	-2,456.82
2013-01-0009761		44 EASTVIEW ST	0	-204.89
2013-01-0010779		69-71 ADAMS ST	0	-2,426.41
2013-01-0010904		73 DARTMOUTH DR	0	-2,295.22
2013-01-0011389		31 ORCHARD ST	0	-1,640.08
2013-01-0013742		16-18 AMBROSE TER	0	-2,783.70
2013-01-0015463		311 MAPLE ST	0	-2,409.61
2013-01-0015526		38 CARROLL RD	0	-2,540.59
2013-01-0008355		66 LEGION DR	0	-2,280.28
2011-03-0059281	DELGADO LUIS A C/O WILMA ROHENA	2003/1HGCM566X3A101279	-89.23	-177.5
2012-04-0082046		2009/JTHBJ46G892307594	-45.88	-501.03
2010-03-0059437		2006/2C3KA53GX6H189468	0	-173.82
2013-04-0082134	DELGADO STEPHANIE	2003/1G2NF52F63C218065	0	-48.39
2013-03-0059780	DICKISON ERIK M	2013/1C3CDZCB1DN682791	0	-9.21
2013-04-0082251	DICKISON ERIK M OR	2011/WBAPK5C58BA661119	0	-13.83
2013-03-0060721	EAN HOLDINGS LLC	2013/4S4BRBBC3D3251080	0	-32.5
2013-03-0060726	EAN HOLDINGS LLC	2013/5N1AL0MM3DC328232	0	-166.02
2013-01-0005941	FAY SERVICING	69 PENDELTON DR	0	-2,743.64
2013-03-0061674	FERGUSON GEORGE W	2008/1HGCP36808A019629	0	-6
2013-03-0064422	GOOGE ALEX B OR	2013/5NPEB4AC8DH632298	0	-293.44
2013-03-0064992	GUCWA-BUCASAS STANLEY	2010/WVWBM7AJ4AW376177	0	-610.21
2013-03-0067823	JOHNSON IDA	2013/1N4AA5AP7DC810326	0	-6.73
2013-03-0069626	LANE KENNETH G	2009/2HGFA16699H318363	0	-198.55
2013-03-0069749	LARIVIERE JONATHAN P	2002/1B4HS58Z72F110179	0	-44.49
2013-03-0069785	LARSON LESLIE A	2008/1HGCP26898A095473	0	-9.62
2013-03-0070293	LEGARY ROBERT JR	2007/WDBRF92H07F925428	0	-8.56

2013-01-0013857	MARINOSCI LAW GROUP	105 STANLEY ST	0	-134.27
2013-03-0073535	MICHAUD GERALD S MONTGOMERY WILLIAM SCHUY	2011/1FMCU5K35BKA18809	0	-120.76
2013-04-0085446		2002/1GCCS145128138735	0	-137.56
2013-04-0085531	MORIN EUGENE J JNT	1998/1J4GZ58S3WC368245	0	-45.72
2013-03-0075481	NISSAN INFINITI LT	2011/1N4AL2AP3BN441555	0	-121.76
2013-03-0075556	NOGAR JOSERICO C	2010/1HGCP3F87AA019794	0	-17.31
2013-02-0041250	OLDE BURNSIDE BREWING CO LLC	776 TOLLAND ST	0	-499.52
2013-03-0075994	OLIVER LAURA A OR	2000/4T1BG22K1YU684359	0	-40.5
2013-04-0086629	REID KAITLYN A	2007/1FTNE24W07DA04408	0	-59.97
2013-03-0081616	RYDER TRUCK RENTAL INC	2007/1NKDXBEX27J208821	0	-384.3
2013-03-0081617		2007/1NKDXBEX87J213473	0	-256.72
2013-03-0081622		2007/1FVACXDC27HY36739	0	-404.97
2013-04-0087225		2014/JALC4W164E7003715	0	-994.99
2013-03-0082227	SAOJI SHAILESH S SISSON GEORGE JR & THERESA	2006/4T1BE32K36U133276	0	-9.2
2013-01-0013544		16 TIFFANY RD	0	-45.4
2013-04-0087774	STEVE CZERWINSKI INC STONE ACADEMY	2012/1GCJTDFE6C8123703	0	-286.61
2013-03-0082412	OPERATING ACCOUN T	2002/5TDBT48A12S064679	0	-159.36
2013-02-0041591	T & M DISTRIBUTORS INC	VARIOUS	0	-79.24
2013-03-0086762	VAUGHAN MICHAEL A JNT	2012/1C4BJWDG3CL289975	0	-151.27
2013-03-0089326	VIOLETTE SILVESTER AND	2006/1HTWYSBT96J241986	0	-116.74
2013-04-0088515	VOS JOSHUA R	1999/4T3ZF19C4XU141619	0	-79.18
2013-02-0043209	VR SIM INC	222 PITKIN ST	0	-38.98
2013-04-0088652	WEAVER-BEY BRIAN GREGORY	1994/1G6KD52B1RU246511	0	-80.35
2013-03-0089115	ZDANIS JEAN L	2010/KMH DU4AD9AU829315	0	-5.23
	TOTAL		135.11	-55,730.48

Sounds of Summer Concert Series – Town Green

MOTION By Marc Weinberg
seconded by Linda Russo
to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application, entitled
“Sounds of Summer Concert Series – Town Green” submitted by
Kristine Vincent, Recreation Supervisor, for the East Hartford Parks
and Recreation Department to conduct a series of summer evening
concerts at the Town Green from 6PM to 8PM on the following Thursdays
in 2015:

July 2nd, 9th, and 16th

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. Motion carried 8/0.

2015 Keith Berger Memorial Criterion

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application entitled
“2015 Keith Berger Memorial Criterion”, submitted by Massimiliano
Accaputo, Race Director, for the TWZ Masters Racing Team, to conduct a
series of bicycle races on Sunday, June 21, 2015 starting at 8:30AM to
3:30PM –with music and food also provided – from Founders Plaza and
the following streets: East River Drive, Pitkin Street, Meadow Street, and
Hartland Street; 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 associated \$10.00 permitting fee under the provisions of §5-6(a)
in the East Hartford Code of Ordinances, as this is a fund-raising event.
Motion carried 8/0.

2015 InterCommunity Firecracker 5K and 10K Fit Run

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
seconded by Anita Morrison
to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application entitled
“2015 Intercommunity Firecracker 5K and 10K Fit Run”, submitted
by Rosemary Hokanson, Vice President, of Glastonbury River
Runners Inc. to hold a 5K and 10K Run at Great River Park on Sunday
June 21, 2015 from 8AM to 12PM with music and food at this 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.

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
seconded by Anita Morrison
to **amend** the motion by adding the following:
“provided that parking and access to the designated parking lot shall be
determined by the East Hartford Police Department.”
Motion carried 8/0.

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

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

[Pat Harmon](#) thanked the Mayor for her quick response to the tree belt issues in the Barbara Drive/Sandra Drive area – 85 Barbara Drive still has a tree belt issue and also the driveway is

damaged. Additionally, Councillor Harmon noted that there is a sign posted on the Friendly's building on Silver Lane indicating demolition in the next 30 days; asked if another business is going in there. *The Mayor will look into the driveway damage at 85 Barbara Drive; the Mayor is not aware of another business going in at the Friendly's location.*

Anita Morrison suggested more advertising for the summer concert series being held at both Great River Park and the Town Green in East Hartford.

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Cabela's Retail, Inc.

MOTION By Barbara Rossi
 seconded by Marc Weinberg
 to **accept** the Corporation Counsel's recommendation to settle the pending claim of Cabela's Retail Inc. regarding the town's tax assessment agreement with Cabela's Retail Inc. by setting the tax bill for the 2014 Grand List year at \$716,982.83.
 Motion carried 8/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Susan Kniep, Olde Roberts Street, (1) is disappointed that the Council voted in favor of the Neighborhood Assistance Act program; and (2) asked that the Assessor review those properties that are sold at a disproportionate sales price when compared to their assessed values.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Barbara Rossi
 to **adjourn** (9:10 p.m.).
 Motion carried 8/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be June 16th.

Attest_____

Angela M. Attenello
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK