EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

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 7:35 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.

The Chair called for a moment of silence to honor the lives of two residents who recently passed away. <u>LeRoy "Roy" Spiller</u> was a life-long resident of East Hartford who was active in several local civic organizations, including Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and Boy Scouts of America. He was an accomplished auctioneer, raising over \$1Million for various charities. <u>Bernice Dame</u>, mother of Councillor Marc Weinberg, was known for her kindness to others and her well-mannered appearance. She loved animals, most recently her rescue dog, Marble. Her legacy remains in her sons Bill and Marc. Both Mr. Spiller and Mrs. Dame will be missed.

RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

Beautification Commission Awards: August

<u>Pat Sirois</u>, Chair of the Beautification Commission, presented the August awards to the LeVasseur Family, 213-215 Main Street and to i-Smile Family Dentistry, 765-775 Main Street.

The Chair thanked both the Beautification Commission members for their efforts in preparing the Awards and the recipients for making East Hartford a prettier place to live.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Mayor Leclerc</u> (1) recognized Deputy Chief Chris Tardif, an East Hartford Firefighter, for his work with the DOT on the GPS program; (2) the East Hartford Fire Department is practicing next to the old Charlie's gas station until the building is demolished; (3) this Friday, the town will close on the retrofitting of the town's street lights – having secured a 2.12% rate over seven years and, weather permitting, will have all the new lights installed by December 31, 2014; (4) recently received the 2014-2015 BCG budget for the golf course, which uses actual experience for the project losses; (5) announced that the next National Prescription Take-back Program Day will be held on Saturday, September 27th from 10AM to 2PM; (6) the Senior Flu Clinic will be held on October 10th and October 24th from 1PM to 4PM at the South End Senior

Center; and (7) this past summer, UTRC donated \$5,000 – enough to conduct 23 STEM programs held at the Library, which reached over 700 participants.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 2, 2014 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Barbara Rossi seconded by Ram Aberasturia to **approve** the minutes of the September 2, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion carried 8/0. **Abstain**: Weinberg

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

East Hartford Public Schools : State of the Schools Annual Report

<u>Nate Quesnel</u>, Superintendent of Schools, and <u>Jeff Currey</u>, Board of Education Chair, provided the Council with a PowerPoint presentation on the 2013-2014 State of the Schools Annual Report which summarizes the accomplishment s in the district this past school year. The district is moving away from the Connecticut Mastery Tests (CMT) and the Connecticut Academic Performance Tests (CAPT), while implementing the Star Literacy and Math assessments and Smarter Balance performance tests.

The I-84 Hartford Project

<u>Chair Kehoe</u> reminded all that the I-84 Harford corridor will undergo a complete transformation which will include the reconstruction of several bridges, resulting in the diverting of traffic which would impact the neighborhoods surrounding Hartford. The project is in the concept state. For further information, residents can go to <u>www.i84hartford.com</u>. This project is not projected to begin for many years and is expected to take at least five years to complete.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Robert Falkevitz as Selectman

MOTION By Bill Horan seconded by Ram Aberasturia to **approve** the appointment of Robert Falkevitz as selectman to fill the unexpired term of Peter Condio, such term to expire November 2015. Motion carried 8/0. **Abstain**: Rossi

Appointment of Prescille Yamamoto to the East Hartford Hoousing Authority

MOTION By Esther Clarke seconded by Pat Harmon to **reappoint** Prescille Yamamoto to the East Hartford Hosing Authority Board of Commissioners, whose term shall expire July 2019. Motion carried 9/0. Town Council – Acting as a Committee of the Whole for the Real Estate Acquisition & Disposition Committee re: Property at the Intersection of Larrabee Street & Burnside Ave

Disposition of the Property

MOTION By Linda Russo seconded by Barbara Rossi that the East Hartford Town Council, acting as a Committee of the Whole for the Real Estate Acquisition and Disposition Committee, and waiving the requirements of Section 10-19 of the Town Ordinances, agree to **convey** the property, together with a slope easement, shown on a map entitled "RIGHT OF WAY SURVEY TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD MAP SHOWING LAND ACQUIRED FROM TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD BY THE STATE OF CONNECTCITU, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 44 FROM ROUTE 5 TO MARY STREET, SCALE 1" = 201, FEBUARY 2014 THOMAS A. HARVEY P.E." to the State of Connecticut for the aggregate sum of \$2,800.00. Motion carried 9/0.

Settlement of Severance Damages

MOTION By Linda Russo seconded by Barbara Rossi that the Town of East Hartford **accepts** \$10,200 as a full and final settlement of all claims it may have against the State of Connecticut for severance damage to the property shown on Map "RIGHT OF WAY SURVEY TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD MAP SHOWING LAND ACQUIRED FROM TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD BY THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 44 FROM ROUTE 5 TO MARY STREET, SCALE 1" = 201, FEBUARY 2014 THOMAS A. HARVEY P.E." which damages arise as a result of the sale of property and the granting of a slope easement to the State, as shown on said map. Motion carried 9/0.

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Marc Weinberg seconded by Linda Russo to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$30,685.98 pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Motion carried 9/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Over Paid
2011-04-0083601	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2012/5FNYF4H25CB009782	-900.73
2012-01-0004002	GSRAN LLC REF. MCCORMACK MICHAEL S	14 RISLEY ST	-3,880.57

2012-01-0008782	CORELOGIC ATTN: REFUND DEPARTMENT REF. LOZADA MARIA D	63 DEBORAH DR	-370.52
2012-03-0051528	ARI FLEET LT	2012/2T2BK1BA4CC132974	-1,209.71
2012-03-0051533	ARI FLEET LT	2005/1FTRE14W85HA16498	-21.25
2012-03-0051534	ARI FLEET LT	2006/1FTRE14W76DA54944	-23.66
2013-03-0051616	ARI FLEET LT	2012/2T2BK1BA4CC132974	-1,247.60
2012-03-0065245	HANSEN BRETT A	2007/1D7HA16K67J622000	-25.42
2012-03-0088581	WOOD LOUIS A AND	1983/1GBKP37W7D3307710	-45.4
2012-04-0085701	NISSAN INFINITI LT	2013/JN1BY1AR9DM603616	-386.85
2013-01-0005620	CITIFINANCIAL LLC REF. ESTHER GASPER	65 BROOKLINE DR	-500
2013-01-0011596	PILKIN LORRAINE	42-44 HIGBIE DR	-2,303.21
2013-03-0051371	ANTWI EMMANUEL NANA	2004/KM8SC73D04U584983	-23.83
2013-03-0052123	BACOURT SEPTIMUS	2002/1C4GJ45312B664756	-20.48
2013-03-0052526	BARRIENTOS JOSE G OR	2000/1YVGF22D4Y5148315	-18.02
2013-03-0052889	BELEY CINDY M	1999/4T1BG22K2XU503896	-11.85
2013-03-0053699	BOLORIN MELVIN	1997/2T1BA02E8VC185684	-17.52
2013-03-0054652	BUCKNOR SONIA J	1998/JT2BG22K5W0125897	-11.08
2013-03-0054657	BUD BEHLING LEASING INC	2010/1GCZGFBA4A1140933	-442.84
2013-03-0054658	BUD BEHLING LEASING INC	2011/1FTNE2EW1BDA52782	-142.64
2013-03-0055081	CABRERA TAMARA	2006/1N4BA41E16C811231	-25.52
2013-03-0055458	CARBALLO JOSE A	1999/JT3HN87R3X9028389	-37.68
2013-03-0055632	CARRASQUILLO MYRIAM	2011/2HGFA1F81BH538118	-491.68
2013-03-0057111	COLLINS MARY E	2011/4T4BF3EK6BR112785	-27
2013-03-0058371	CUMMINGS ELIZABETH V	1993/1FALP52U7PA120197	-12.92
2013-03-0058805	DANQUAH ERIC Y	1999/1YVGF22C5X5882449	-29.64
2013-03-0059066	DAY LORRAINE	1999/3FAFP15P6XR180425	-14.62
2013-03-0059588	DEVANEY MICHAEL F 4TH	2005/1N4BL11D25C337238	-21.88
2013-03-0061250	ESCOLERO JOSE L	2004/2T1BR32E74C203004	-38.91
2013-03-0061441	FALCON ELSIE M	2005/1HD1FRW165Y666844	-29.22
2013-03-0063129	GAGNON ALEXANDRIA L	2000/1N4DL01DXYC154368	-9.95
2013-03-0063569	GELCO CORPORATION	2011/3FADP4AJ7BM197010	-118.09
2013-03-0063573	GELCO CORPORATION	2010/1FMCU9D75AKC13461	-43.54
2013-03-0066045	HERNANDEZ LINDA	2004/1FMZU73K14ZA13628	-35.05
2013-03-0066080	HERNANDEZ TAINA D	2006/1N4AL11D36N372453	-43.31
2013-03-0066545	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/1HGCP2F33BA144517	-166.74
2013-03-0066580	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/2HGFA1F55BH524664	-185.15

2013-03-0066582	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/1HGCP3F89BA012332	-252.74
2013-03-0066584	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2012/1HGCS2B83CA007675	-301.58
2013-03-0066612	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/2HNYD2H75BH532650	-393.66
2013-03-0066613	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/5J6RE4H79BL003430	-236.3
2013-03-0066667	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2012/JH4CU2F43CC006383	-182.72
2013-03-0066681	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2011/1HGCP2F84BA010739	-142.78
2013-03-0071531	MAJKOWSKI JOHN E	2007/JNKBV61F77M814597	-86.66
2013-03-0071602	MALENFANT RONALD C	2000/1G6KS54Y0YU279392	-10.3
2013-03-0071865	MARLOW MELANIE A	1987/1FABP623XHH183571	-22.7
2013-03-0076346	ORTIZ SAMUEL	1989/1HD1EBL19KY125863	-8.85
2013-03-0077447	PEREZ FERNANDO	2003/1FMZU72K43UA91737	-14.58
2013-03-0079888	RITTLINGER JOHN A	1999/1FTSS34L4XHB54280	-60.39
2013-03-0080081	RIVERA LUIS A	1997/1HGCE1898VA000614	-21.93
2013-03-0080084	RIVERA LUIS A	2007/2HGFA55587H704639	-32.7
2013-03-0080145	RIVERA RAFAEL	1997/1FTCR15X9VTA11034	-13.08
2013-03-0080490	RODGERS CAROLINE R	1996/1N4BU31D8TC155145	-13.94
2013-03-0080707	RODRIGUEZ JULIO	1997/1P3EJ46C1VN702446	-11.98
2013-03-0080843	RODRIGUEZ-TORRES MAGALI	1998/JT3YP10V1W0179131	-24.24
2013-03-0081046	ROMERO JOSE L OR	2007/5GZCZ63447S844639	-48.81
2013-03-0082452	SCHLOSSER RONALD J C OR	2000/1FTRX18L0YNB46159	-32.92
2013-03-0082987	SHELTON VERONICA AND	1993/1HGCB7557PA086952	-5.86
2013-03-0083620	SMITH JOSHUA A III	2001/1YVGF22C115235649	-27.01
2013-03-0084149	STEARNS BANK NATIONAL	2008/J8DB4W16X87400216	-639.87
2013-03-0085532	TORO-LUGO WILFREDO	1999/1GNEL19W2XB180307	-10.21
2013-03-0085822	TOYOTA LEASE TRUST	2013/4T1BF1FK5DU720863	-217.56
2013-03-0085855	TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP	2010/JTMDK4DV6A5096942	-379.06
2013-03-0086423	USB LEASING LT	2011/YV4902DZ5B2186585	-588.66
2013-03-0086715	VARGAS OSCAR J	1997/1HGEJ6672VL021949	-36.73
2013-03-0087489	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD	2012/3VWJP7AT9CM602332	-68.1
2013-03-0088157	WHITT JOSEPH	1982/1G1AY078XC5117027	-5.67
2013-03-0088926	YATTAW YVONNE J	2000/1FAFP34P1YW230014	-17.52
2013-03-0089032	ZAIKARITE PETER A	1996/1HGCD5638TA286017	-17.88
2013-03-0089032	ZEA WALTER	2005/3C4FY48B05T633608	-13.53
2013-01-0004875	FALCK JUDITH P ESATE OF C/O WENDY FALCK EXECUTRIX	574 OAK ST	-2859.98
2013-01-0010240	MOUTAFIS PETER	134 DEBORAH DR	-2358.53
2013-01-0004881	FALCONE FRED	318 LONG HILL ST	-3912.35

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2013-01-0012631	MCCUE MORTGAGE REF. LOAN # 70006081	45 BROOKFIELD DR	-2130.4
2013-01-0008730	OCWEN LOAN SERVICING LLC COMMERCIAL REAL ESATE	711 BURNSIDE AVE	-2550.12
		TOTAL	-30,685.98

Referral to Ordinance Committee re: Review of §18-19, Parking Lot Entrances & Exits

MOTION By Bill Horan seconded by Esther Clarke to **refer** to the Ordinance Committee a review of the 20' width limit on driveway aprons at the street line, as currently stated in §18-19 of the Code of Ordinances, with instructions to investigate the issue and report back to the Town Council with its recommendations, if any. Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

<u>Esther Clarke</u> asked if the town held any commemorative services for September 11^{th.} *Mayor Leclerc stated that no town-sponsored service were held.* Councillor Clarke suggested that the town have some sort of recognition for this date.

<u>Barbara Rossi</u> asked if the Public Works department would consider obtaining a large shredder for residents' use. *Mayor Leclerc indicated that there is a large shredder for resident use at the Easter Seals located at Prestige Park.*

Pat Harmon (1) inquired on when the tree belt repair work in the Sandra Drive area will begin. *Mayor Leclerc and Tim Bockus stated that the planting season has just started and it is on the contractor's to-do list.* (2) during recent construction, a sprinkler head had been broken off at 85 Barbara Drive. *Mayor and Tim Bockus will inform the contractor.* (3) the yard at 64 Lafayette Street needs mowing. *Mayor Leclerc will inform the property maintenance division of the Inspections and Permits department.*

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

<u>Mayor Leclerc</u> reported that the new technology recently installed in the Council Chambers will be completely wired and ready for operation on November 4th.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke seconded by Bill Horan to **adjourn** (9:38 p.m.). Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be on October 7th.

Attest

Angela M. Attenello TOWN COUNCIL CLERK