

Robert J. Park

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

NOVEMBER 17, 2020

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Councillors Connor Martin, Angela Parkinson, Awet Tsegai, and John Morrison

PRESENT Vice Chair Donald Bell, Jr., Majority Leader Sebrina Wilson (7:40 p.m.),
via "Teams" Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke (7:40 p.m.) and Councillor Patricia Harmon (7:45 p.m.)

ALSO Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc, via "Teams"
PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The Chair announced that the Council was holding a "hybrid" meeting – mixing "in person" and "virtual" participants. He then asked all to join him in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 4, 2020 Executive Session

MOTION By Connor Martin
seconded by Angie Parkinson
to **approve** the minutes of the November 4, 2020 Executive Session.
Motion carried 6/0.

November 4, 2020 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Connor Martin
seconded by Angie Parkinson
to **approve** the minutes of the November 4, 2020 Regular Meeting.
Motion carried 6/0.

NEW BUSINESS

Contingency Transfer re: Directors Compensation Study

MOTION By Awet Tsegai
seconded by Sebrina Wilson

to **transfer** funds in the amount of \$59,555 from Account #G9600-63492 Reserve for Contingency to Account #G1100-63129 Consultant to cover the costs of the contract with CPS HR Consulting to perform the Directors Compensation Study as recommended by the Investigation & Audit and Personnel & Pensions Subcommittees and as approved by the Town Council at its November 4, 2020 meeting.
Motion carried 8/0.

Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant

MOTION By Angie Parkinson
seconded by Connor Martin
to **adopt** the following resolution:

WHEREAS the State Historic Preservation Office has made funding available under the Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant Program; and

WHEREAS these grants may be used to support activities sponsored by CLG municipalities for a wide range of historic preservation planning activities; and

WHEREAS the Town desires to perform a physical conditions assessment for the Makens-Bemont House (aka Huguenot House) located in Martin Park to determine the best way to preserve the house for future generations.

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 the State Historic Preservation Office as they pertain to this the Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant Program.

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

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Connor Martin
seconded by Awet Tsegai
to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$6,187.05
pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
Motion carried 9/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Over Paid
2019-03-0051147	ALVARADO DANIEL A & JULIE	2018/JA4AP4AW0JU003432	-26.55
2019-03-0054363	BREFO APPIAGYEI	2005/1GNEK13T85R197537	-10.80
2019-03-0054868	BUNNELL SALLY M	2007/1G8AL55F17Z151788	-8.46
2019-03-0055139	BYRNES MARGARET A	2002/4T1BE32K42U107487	-101.11
2018-03-0059510	DENNIS ANTHEA C	2008/3N1AB61E68L729228	-76.14
2017-03-0063281	FRANCIS IRMA R	2009/2HNYD28259H532615	-625.00

2019-03-0063897	GAUTHIER MALCOLM G	2011/W04GV5EV0B1091683	-156.82
2019-03-0064297	GLEASON TIMOTHY A	2002/1GNDU23E82D230641	-5.80
2019-03-0064298	GLEASON TIMOTHY A	2004/KMHWF25S54A017466	-6.48
2018-03-0050140	GM FINANCIAL	2015/3GCUKREC8FG406986	-826.11
2018-03-0064187	GOMEZ ROSA A	2001/4T3ZF13C71U411376	-25.51
2019-02-0043843	H & R BLOCK EASTERN ENT INC	9 MAIN ST	-151.26
2018-03-0066829	HOWARD WILLIAM F JR	1999/2G1WL52M2X9222899	-30.37
2019-03-0065189	JONES ROBERT F & SARAH E	2000/1FDWE35SXYHA79063	-29.56
2019-03-0070153	LANDRY JENNIFER	2003/19UUA56663A091363	-8.01
2019-03-0070642	LEBLANC LISA	2001/1HD1FRW181Y636108	-12.01
2019-03-0070833	LEONARD ANGELIQUE L	2012/1VWBP7A30CC035305	-5.76
2019-03-0070936	LEVEILLE RENE W 3RD	2003/1D7HL38X53S210542	-53.55
2018-03-0070632	LEWIS CHRISTINE M	2000/SAJDA01DXYGL64639	-18.63
2019-03-0072337	MARIUS KATHIE	2012/1G6DS5E33C0139624	-206.78
2018-03-0072139	MARTIN TONYKA N	1998/JNKBY31A4WM402615	-5.62
2018-04-0085247	MARTIN TONYKA N	2004/2G1WW12E049117539	-24.08
2018-03-0072413	MATA STEPHANY E	2007/5NMSG73DX7H102878	-67.92
2019-03-0072788	MARZANO CHERYL A	2006/3MEHM08116R657918	-41.67
2019-03-0072787	MARZANO CHERYL A	2013/1ZVBP8EM9D5205093	-81.31
2019-03-0058745	MERCEDES-BENZ DAIMLER TRUST	2017/55SWF6EB2HU194838	-664.78
2018-03-0073587	MIGHTY CURTIS H	2006/1FMYU93186KA47169	-141.75
2018-03-0073588	MIGHTY CURTIS H	2006/CTTRL19146	-9.00
2018-03-0073589	MIGHTY CURTIS H	2009/1GNFK135X9R119238	-424.36
2019-03-0074063	MIGHTY CURTIS H	2006/1FMYU93186KA47169	-528.75
2019-03-0076676	OMAHONY LORETTA L	2012/3FAHP0DC0CR386111	-21.96
2018-04-0086565	PEREZ CARLOS M	2008/1HGCS22818A009495	-74.47
2019-03-0078510	PHILIPPE CARMELLE A	2004/1HGCM56784A163130	-112.32
2019-03-0078511	PHILIPPE CARMELLE A	2013/2HKRM4H36DH655421	-11.06
2019-03-0078945	PORTIS DERICK	2004/1D7HU16D34J199526	-13.64
2018-03-0078743	QUIGLEY DENNIS H	2011/1YVHZ8CB4B5M03676	-23.80
2019-03-0079883	REID STANFORD S	2016/2T1BURHE5GC648726	-15.90
2017-03-0080000	REID VERONICA A	2000/1N4DL01D0YC117765	-54.63
2018-03-0079344	REID VERONICA A	2000/1N4DL01D0YC117765	-76.50
2019-03-0083782	SHRIEL LAURA A	2014/1FADP3K23EL408985	-39.46
2018-03-0084123	STARK JAMES D	2016/3N1CE2CP2GL408521	-16.84

2019-03-0084808	STARK JAMES D	2016/3N1CE2CP2GL408521	-17.95
2019-03-0086434	TOYOTA LEASE TRUST	2017/4T1BF1FK9HU722783	-293.85
2019-03-0086483	TOYOTA LEASE TRUST	2017/JTMRFFREV4HD201855	-489.02
2019-03-0088357	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD	2017/WAU44AFD8HN020692	-223.06
2019-03-0088447	WAITE EARL O	2011/JTHCE1KS5B0028493	-216.68
2018-04-0089234	WILCOX AMANDA M	2010/1J4PN2GKXAW168692	-53.01
2019-03-0089378	WILMOT DERLAN T	2008/2G1WT58K089191126	-58.95
TOTAL			(\$6,187.05)

Resolution Honoring Joe Marfuggi: Hartford to Windsor Riverwalk

MOTION By Sebrina Wilson
seconded by John Morrison
to **adopt** the following resolution:

***Whereas** Joe Marfuggi served as president and CEO of Riverfront Recapture for 29 years before passing on October 11, 2018; and*

***Whereas** under Joe's leadership, Riverfront Recapture created a vision for a regional park system designed to engender greater appreciation for the environmental, ecological and recreational benefits of the Connecticut River and spur economic development; and*

***Whereas** Joe's collaborative style was instrumental in bringing together the municipal governments of Hartford and East Hartford, private non-profit organizations, businesses, community leaders and municipal leaders in other towns to implement this vision; and*

***Whereas** the town of East Hartford has benefited from this collaboration through an enhanced Great River Park, a system of Riverwalk trails and easy access across the Connecticut River; and*

***Whereas** with Joe's energy, resilience and positive force of will, the Connecticut River is enjoyed by thousands of residents annually and has served to unite the towns in the region; and*

***Whereas** Riverfront Recapture is working to construct a 2 mile extension of the existing system of Riverwalk trails into the town of Windsor and the Windsor Meadow State Park; and*

***Whereas** the Hartford Court of Common Council has voted to approve the naming of the new Riverwalk extension as Joe Marfuggi Riverwalk.*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

As the town of East Hartford is an active, committed partner in the Riverwalk system, the East Hartford Town Council strongly endorses the Hartford Common Council's naming of Joe Marfuggi Riverwalk and looks forward to continuing our close relationship with Riverfront Recapture, the city of Hartford and other organizations to continuing the vision of Joe Marfuggi to improve public access and appreciation for the Connecticut River.

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

Referral to Personnel & Pensions Subcommittee:

1. New Non-bargaining Position: Assistant Police Chief
2. Updated Job Description: Deputy Police Chief

MOTION

By Don Bell

seconded by John Morrison

to refer to the Personnel & Pensions Subcommittee (1) a new job description for the non-bargaining position of Assistant Police Chief; and (2) the proposed revised job description for the Deputy Police Chief, with instructions to review the job descriptions for both of these positions and report back to the full Council with its recommendations, if any.

Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Mayor Leclerc updated the Council on the town's response to the Covid-19 pandemic. Besides aggressively testing individual residents in the Town Hall parking lot, the town is identifying "clusters", sending mailers and on-site testing in those areas that are problematic.

The Mayor recognized the town's Health Department and the Directors for their efforts in this medical emergency. She also recognized the amazing work performed every day by the staff and employees of the East Hartford school system.

Linda Trzetzia addressed the Council on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which is due to be filed with the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management by December 31st. The actuaries who work on the town's OPEB plan are having some technical issues preparing their report for the auditors. Because of that, the auditors have advised the town to apply for an extension.

The Mayor wished all a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded all to keep socially distant.

Awet Tsegai asked if the town would accept plastic bags for leaf collection. *The Mayor said the town will not pick up plastic bags. However, residents can bring plastic bags to the transfer station, open them up and empty them.*

Esther Clarke asked how the town will notify those residents who have placed downed tree limbs by the side of the road. Mayor Leclerc said that anyone can contact either Public Works or the Mayor's Office and they will notify – in writing or in person – the homeowner that the town is through picking up tree limbs.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Don Bell
 to **adjourn** (8:18 p.m.).
 Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be December 15th.

Attest Angela M. Attenello
Angela M. Attenello
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK