

ALL COMMON COUNCIL ACTIONS TAKEN AT THIS MEETING TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES AND CONTRACTS OR TO ACCEPT BIDS AND OTHER PROPOSALS REQUIRING THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Mayor Rilling called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. and led the Assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Dixon, Assistant City Clerk read the notice stating that the meeting was being videotaped and audio recorded for the public broadcast and that assisted listening devices were available.

I. ROLL CALL

Ms. Dixon called the Roll. The following Common Council members were present:

Council at Large:	Mr. Gregory Burnett	Mr. Michael Corsello
	Mr. Nicholas Sacchinelli	Ms. Barbara Smyth
	Mr. Douglas Stern	
District A:	Ms. Eloisa Melendez	Mr. Chris Yerinidis
District B:	Ms. Faye Bowman	Mr. Travis Simms
District C:	Mr. John Kydes	Ms. Beth Siegelbaum
District D:	Mr. Douglas Hempstead (7:40 p.m.)	Mr. George Tsiranides
District E:		Mr. Thomas Livingston

At Roll Call, there were thirteen (13) Common Council members present and two (2) absent (Mr. Hempstead and Mr. Igneri).

Also present were Corporation Counsel, Jeffrey Spahr and Assistant City Clerk, Irene Dixon.

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting: December 12, 2017

Correct the spelling of Mr. Yerinidis' name throughout.

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Page 1 – Roll Call. Should read 14 Common Council` members present.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Peter Johnson, East Norwalk spoke in opposition to the Rowing club going into the channel due to safety concerns.

Mr. Hempstead joined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

IV. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

RESIGNATIONS: There were none this evening.

APPOINTMENTS: There were none this evening.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING
REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE HARBOR MANAGEMENT
COMMISSION:**

JOHN CRESPO, HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

ANTHONY N. MOBILIA, HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

JOHN THOMAS PINTO, HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Mr. Kydes said that they do a lot that falls under the radar, but they took the initiative to get a \$900,000 grant to replace the public docks. He thanked the Commissioners for all they do.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rilling wished everyone a happy and healthy new year. He announced upcoming events celebrating the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Mayor Rilling announced that the Mayor's Ball is sold out but donations and sponsorships are being still accepted. This year's beneficiaries will be the Norwalk Community Health Center and The Marvin.

V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mr. Kydes thanked all those who made donations to help the victims of the recent fire.

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS:

B. CONSENT CALENDAR:

**** MR. BURNETT MOVED THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**VI.B.1, VI.B.2, VII.A.2, VII.A.3a, VII.A.3b, VII.A.4, VII.A.5, VII.A.6,
VII.A.7, VII.B.1, VII.B.2, VII.B.3, VII.B.4, VII.B.5, VII.C.1, VII.D.1a,
VII.D.1b, VII.D.2**

B. BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION

1. RESOLVED, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$8,030 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM INCREASED REVENUES FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION TO COVER PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT (PSAP) TRAINING. (ACCOUNT NO. 01-30-10-4181 REVENUE) AND #01-3010-5120 (EXPENDITURE).

2. RESOLVED, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$435,489 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM CONTINGENCY TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO OFFSET REDUCTIONS IN STATE AID. (ACCOUNT #01-9600-5900).

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW ENGLAND AUTO MUSEUM TO USE MATHEWS PARK FOR A FATHER'S DAY CAR SHOW TO BE HELD SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2018 FROM 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2018 AT 8:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 12:00 NOON ON MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 250-500.

3A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GORDON FINE ARTS FOR THE USE OF 50 WASHINGTON PLAZA, WASHINGTON STREET, NORTH/SOUTH MAIN AND SURROUNDING STREETS, ALONG WITH VETERANS PARK (PARKING) FOR AN ARTS FESTIVAL TO BE HELD SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2018, 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018, 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE AT 6:00 AM FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2018 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 8:00 PM SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 1,500.

3B. AUTHORIZE GORDON FINE ARTS THE USE OF THE SHOW MOBILE FOR THE ARTS FESTIVAL TO TAKE PLACE SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2018

AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018 ON WASHINGTON STREET. SET UP WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2018.

4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GORDON FINE ARTS FOR THE USE OF MATHEWS PARK FOR THE NORWALK ART FESTIVAL TO BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2018 AND SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018 FROM 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM EACH DAY. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2018 AT NOON WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 7:30 PM ON SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 400.

5. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CORPORATE FUN RUN INC. FOR THE USE OF CRANBURY PARK PAVILION I AND PARK FOR A CORPORATE FUN RUN FAIRFIELD COUNTY 5K TO BE HELD THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018 FROM 5:00 PM – 9:30 PM. SET UP AT 10:00 AM ON THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 10:00 PM ON THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 800. RAIN DATE: AUGUST 16, 2018.

6. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE NORWALK CONCESSIONS LLC'S LEASE AGREEMENT FOR CALF PASTURE BEACH TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICES AT THE CALF PASTURE BEACH CAFÉ CONCESSION (AKA CALFÉ MU). TERMS FOR THE LEASE AMENDMENT SHALL BE AS OUTLINED IN KEN HUGHES MEMO DATED NOVEMBER 15, 2017.

7. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO CROWLEY FORD, LLC LINCOLN AND MERCURY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2018 FORD F-250 TRUCK 4X2 REGULAR CAB XL FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$28,480.54. ACCOUNT # 0918 6030-5777-C0486.

B. FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE DATED:

NOVEMBER 9, 2017

DECEMBER 14, 2017

2. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: NARRATIVE ON TAX COLLECTIONS DATED DECEMBER 14, 2017.

3. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: MONTHLY TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT DATED:

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4. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUES PURCHASE ORDERS TO CONNECTION, THE LOWEST AUTHORIZED BIDDER, FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN UPGRADE TO THE CITY DATA BACK-UP, ARCHIVE, AND RESTORE SYSTEM, INCLUDING 36 MONTHS OF PLATINUM SUPPORT, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,243.41, ACCOUNTS 0916/0918-0600-5777-C0375 (BUDGETED IT CAPITAL PROJECT; NO SPECIAL APPROPRIATION REQUIRED).

5. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EXECUTE TAX AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAXES BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORWALK, THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NORWALK AND TRINITY WASHINGTON VILLAGE PHASE TWO LIMITED PARTNERSHIP.

C. ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

1. APPROVE REVISIONS TO ARTS COMMISSION ORDINANCE § 17A-1.

D. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH TRANSFER ENTERPRISES FOR THE CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$47,000.00 ACCT. #09167100 5777 C0439

1B. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$4,700.

2. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON HERBERT RECOVERY SYSTEMS, LLC'S CONTRACT FOR CONTAMINATED SOIL REMOVAL AT OAK HILLS PARK FOR AN ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE NOT TO EXCEED \$4,443. ACCT. #09151340 5799 C0558

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:58 P.M.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The public was excused and left the Common Council Chambers.

A. CORPORATION COUNSEL

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY TO EXECUTE A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN THE CASE OF FENORE V. LYONS, DOCKET NO. FBT-CV-16-6057520-S, PENDING IN THE CONNECTICUT SUPERIOR COURT.

The Common Council members came out of Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. During Executive Session, no motions were made and no votes were taken.

**** MR. CORSELLO MOVED TO TABLE THE ITEM FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION**

Mr. Corsello said he learned that this item has been settled and paid therefore no action should be taken.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**** MR. CORSELLO MOVED TO**

1. RESCIND ITEM NO. VII.A.4 ON THE COMMON COUNCIL AGENDA OF JANUARY 10, 2017 WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS:

AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WATER SPORTS CENTER, INC. D/B/A MARITIME ROWING CLUB TO USE A PORTION OF THE PARKING AREA ADJACENT TO THE SOUTH MARINA DOCKS AS WELL AS A PORTION OF THE LOT FOR BOAT STORAGE (TEMPORARY FENCE) AND TO USE THE EXISTING DOCK AREA FOR LAUNCHING. THIS WILL BE TEMPORARY FROM MARCH 31 – JULY 31, 2017 DUE TO DISPLACEMENT BY THE WALK BRIDGE. THE MARITIME ROWING CLUB WILL MOVE UP THE NORWALK RIVER UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR PERMITS AND DOCKS AUGUST 1, 2017.

Mr. Corsello explained that on the advice of Corporation Counsel, the motion should be amended as follows:

NEW ACTION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST:

AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WATER SPORTS CENTER, INC. D/B/A MARITIME ROWING CLUB TO USE A PORTION OF THE PARKING AREA ADJACENT TO THE SOUTH MARINA DOCKS AS WELL AS A PORTION OF THE LOT FOR BOAT STORAGE (TEMPORARY FENCE)

AND TO USE THE EXISTING DOCK AREA FOR LAUNCHING CONTINGENT UPON THE ROWING CLUB OBTAINING ALL NECESSARY APPROVALS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO APPROVALS FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS LAND AND WATER RESOURCES DIVISION. THIS WILL BE TEMPORARY FROM FEBRUARY 1 – JULY 31, 2018 DUE TO DISPLACEMENT BY THE WALK BRIDGE. THE MARITIME ROWING CLUB WILL MOVE UP THE NORWALK RIVER UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR PERMITS AND DOCKS AUGUST 1, 2018.

Mr. Mobilia, Chair of the Harbor Management Commission explained that the issue is that the Rowing Club has to get permits for the use of the dock because it is in the Federal Anchorage channel.

Mr. Livingston asked about blocking navigation in the Harbor. Mr. Mobilia said there is a concern that the boats being used by the rowers would occupy most of the channel. That is a safety concern. Mr. Corsello said that rowing company will have to enter into a contract to get all of the necessary approvals. He added that this item was necessitated by the WALK Bridge project.

Mr. Hempstead noted this item was approved last year and asked if the Rowing Club got all of the necessary permits. Mr. Mobilia said they did not and they did not go before the Harbor Commission.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED**

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

There were none this evening.

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

There were none this evening.

X. SUSPENSION OF RULES

There were none this evening.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. LIVINGSTON MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST: _____

Irene Dixon, Assistant City Clerk