

**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 7:36 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. Douglas Hempstead	Ms. Barbara Smyth
	Mr. Douglas Stern	
District A:	Ms. Eloisa Melendez	Mr. Chris Yerinides
District B:	Ms. Faye Bowman	Mr. Travis Simms
District C:	Mr. John Kydes	Ms. Beth Siegelbaum
District D:	Mr. Douglas Hempstead	Mr. George Tsiranides
District E:	Mr. John Igneri	Mr. Thomas Livingston

At Roll Call there were fourteen (14) Common Council members present and one (1) absent (Mr. Sacchinelli)

Also present were Mayor Harry Rilling; Corporation Counsel, Mario Coppola and Assistant City Clerk, Irene Dixon.

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Regular Meeting: January 9, 2018

Correct spelling of Mr. Yerinides' name throughout.

**\*\* MR. IGNERI MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*Public participation comments are not verbatim and represent a summarization of statements unless otherwise noted.*

Ms. Gloria Daniel, Ely Avenue spoke in support of Grass Roots Tennis and said they are a great asset to her and her family. They have helped her son reach goals, making him an asset to his family and the community.

Mr. Richard Garavere, Lexington Avenue spoke in support of Grass Root Tennis and said he and his siblings attended their program and that he does not know where he would be without this program.

Mr. Naya Brown, Laura Street spoke in support of Grass Roots Tennis and said the program has been everything to him and his family. He said he does not know where he would be without them.

Ms. Maria Sanchez spoke in support of Grass Roots Tennis and thanked the volunteers and coaches. She said they help her children with their homework and described how the program helps people.

Mayor Rilling thanked Grass Roots Tennis for all they do for young people.

**IV. MAYOR**

**A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

There were none this evening.

**MAYOR'S REMARKS:**

Mayor Rilling urged everyone to get their flu shots. A flu clinic will be held on January 25<sup>th</sup> and it is open to the public. In addition, the Health Department will go to employers and conduct flu clinics.

The Mayor's Ball is on January 26<sup>th</sup> and will help local charities. The Mayor's Ball started under Mayor Esposito in the early 1990s and since then has donated \$200,000 - \$300,000 to local charities.

Mayor Rilling announced that he closed the deal for additional parking at the Library.

**V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS**

Mr. Kydes explained that the public can log into the City's website to get information they need to stay informed.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**\*\* MR. CORSELLO MOVED THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**6A1**

**RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**7A1**

**7A2**

**7A3**

**7A4**

**7A5**

**7A7**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**7B1**

**7B2**

**7B3**

**HEALTH, WELFARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**7C1A**

**7C2B**

**7C3**

**VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**A. CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**1. AUTHORIZATION FOR DISCUSSION: THONY ESTAVIEN V. CITY OF NORWALK EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**A. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JS ENDURANCE, LLC FOR THE USE OF VETERANS PARK AS THE START AND FINISH OF THE SONO HALF MARATHON/5K &**

**KIDS FUN RUN TO BE HELD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018 FROM 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2018 AND TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 1,800.**

**2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION CONNECTICUT CHAPTER FOR THEIR USE OF CALF PASTURE BEACH FOR THE WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 FROM 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE AT 6:00 AM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 4:00 PM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 1,500+.**

**3. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LUPUS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA FOR THEIR USE OF CALF PASTURE BEACH FOR THEIR WALK TO END LUPUS NOW CT-NORWALK TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 FROM 2:00 PM – 7:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 9:00 PM ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 500-700.**

**4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORWALK SEAPORT ASSOCIATION FOR THE USE OF VETERANS PARK FOR THE 2018 OYSTER FESTIVAL TO BE HELD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018 FROM 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018 AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018 FROM 11:00 AM – 11:00 PM. SET-UP TO TAKE PLACE FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 2018 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN NOON ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 35,000.**

**5. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOCKWOOD-MATHEWS MANSION MUSEUM FOR THEIR USE OF MATHEWS PARK FOR THEIR OLD FASHIONED FLEA MARKET TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 FROM 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE AT 7:00 AM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 8:00 PM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 3,000.**

**7. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO TESCA FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2018 FORD TRANSIT VAN FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$34,570.00. ACCOUNT # 0918-6030+5777-C0486**

**B. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**1. ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE DATED: JANUARY 11, 2018**

**2. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: NARRATIVE ON TAX COLLECTIONS DATED JANUARY 11, 2018**

**3. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: MONTHLY TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT DATED: DECEMBER 31, 2017**

**C. HEALTH, WELFARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**1A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO APPLY FOR AN ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM YALE NEW HAVEN HEALTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,217.00 FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017 FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

**1B. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, INSTRUMENTS OR AMENDMENTS AS MY BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018**

Mr. Simms said he needed to bring new people up to speed. He said Springwood Park is a residential park with a restrictive covenant. He said they need to consider the residents in South Norwalk and asked to remove items 6a and 6b.

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**\*\* MR. CORSELLO MOVED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

**6A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CLASSIC TURF COMPANY LLC FOR THE SPRINGWOOD ELY PARK TENNIS COURTS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$950,000. ACCT. # 0917/186030 5777 C0321, 09175010 5777 C0585 AND \$300,000 FROM NORWALK GRASSROOTS TENNIS AND EDUCATION (ACCT. # TO BE DETERMINED)**

**6B. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$95,000. ACCT. # 09186030 5777 C0321, 09176030 5777 C0364, 09175010 5777 C0585 AND \$50,000 FROM NORWALK GRASSROOTS TENNIS AND EDUCATION (ACCT. # TO BE DETERMINED)**

Mr. Corsello explained that these items are for the construction of two new tennis courts.

Mr. Simms said he was in full support of Grass Roots Tennis; his issue is not with the program, it is with the City on how they are conducting business and pushing agendas. He said they have to be mindful that this is a park and open space for the residents of South Norwalk and Roodner Court. He asked that be taken into consideration when discussing the building a school in that area. Mr. Simms said he wanted the new Common Council members to do their research and read the materials in the Parks and Recreation office and in Mr. Lo's office.

Ms. Bowman said

**VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL**

There were none.

**IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE**

There were none.

**X. SUSPENSION OF RULES**

There were none.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Irene Dixon, Assistant City Clerk