

**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**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Rilling called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and led the Assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Council at Large:	Richard Bonenfant	Mr. Douglas Hempstead
	Mr. Glenn Iannaccone	Mr. Bruce Kimmel Ms. Sharon Stewart
District A:	Ms. Eloisa Melendez	Mr. David Watts
District B:	Ms. Phaedrel Bowman	Mr. Travis Simms
District C:	Mr. John Kydes	Ms. Michelle Maggio
District D:	Ms. Shannon O'Toole-Giandurco	Mr. Jerry Petrini
District E:	Mr. David McCarthy	Mr. John Igneri

There were fifteen (15) Common Council members present.

Also present: Mayor Harry Rilling; Mario Coppola, Corporation Counsel; Donna King, City Clerk.

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting(s): June 10, 2014**

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED**  
**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Mr. Richard Fero**, Bridgehaven FordTruck Sales, talked about the recent bid he submitted for a refuse collection truck. He said that he was not the lowest bidder, but the difference between his bid and the other was close. In addition, he said that he met or exceeded the specifications. He said that his alternate bid was \$2,260 lower than the lowest bidder. Mr. Fero said that there is no disadvantage to

purchasing a current year truck; both bids included an extended warrantee. He said that his dealership is about 24 miles away from Norwalk, but the low bidder is 60 miles away.

**Mr. Doug Gregory**, Sanitary Equipment said that he was here with Mr. Fero. He added that the truck being traded in has rust and that it would be in the best interest of the City to have a coating on the new truck.

#### **IV. MAYOR**

##### **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

There were none.

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There were none.

##### **APPOINTMENTS:**

There were none.

##### **MAYOR'S REMARKS:**

Mayor Rilling announced that the next Mayor's Night Out will take place on June 30<sup>th</sup> at the Silvermine School. A park tour will take place on Saturday and will include the unveiling of the patio at Cranbury Park and the ribbon cutting at the new pier at Calf Pasture Beach. Mayor Rilling said that the new awning for the patio at Cranbury Park was donated by Stew Leonard's.

Mayor Rilling said that he just returned from the Mayors' Conference and learned a lot. He said that no matter the size of the community; the problems are all the same. Mayor Rilling said that they focused on education, development and crime. He said that these issues are related and a strong investment in the school system is crucial. They also focused on bicycle lanes and said that it was quite interesting He said that it was a valuable experience and that he hopes to implement some of the best practices.

Mayor Rilling congratulated Mr. Simms who won a 6-round boxing match against Jess Noriega in Columbia, SC. He said that Mr. Simms is one of the top athletes to come out of Norwalk. Mr. Simms said that it was great to come back after 4 ½ years and to see the support from Norwalk residents. He thanked the Norwalk residents who went down to South Carolina to support him.

Mr. Simms said that there are discussions about a championship battle and he plans to enter the ring again in August or September.

## V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

### **GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS :**

Mr. Hempstead congratulated Mr. Simms on his boxing match in South Carolina. He acknowledged the Flag Day ceremony at the American Legion and congratulated the Lockwood Mathews Mansion for their successful Victorian Ice Cream Social last weekend.

Mr. Hempstead talked about upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July events and said that Sheffield Island is open for the season.

### **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

There were none.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### **\*\* MR. HEMPSTEAD MOVED THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**6B3;  
7B2; 7B3 (A&B); 7B4; 7B5; 7B6; 7B7;  
7C1, 2 & 3; 7C4; 7C5; 7C6; 7C7; 7C8; 7C9; 7C10; 7C11  
7D1; 7C2**

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

### **BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION**

- 3. RESOLVED, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$54,645 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM CONTINGENCY TO THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT TO COVER THE PROJECTED DEFICITS IN VARIOUS UTILITY ACCOUNTS. (ACCOUNT #VARIOUS).**

## **VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

### **RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

- 2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL TO USE TAYLOR FARM PARK FOR A "KIDZFEST TOUCH A TRUCK & MORE" TO BE HELD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2014 FROM 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2014 AT NOON WITH TEAR DOWN NO**

**LATER THAN 6:00 PM ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2014. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 500.**

- 3A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORWALK HOSPITAL FOUNDATION FOR THE USE OF CALF PASTURE BEACH FOR THE ANNUAL WHITTINGHAM CANCER CENTER "WALK & SALLY'S RUN" TO BE HELD SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015 FROM 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM. SET-UP STARTING FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2015 AT 9:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 6:00 PM, SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2015. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 2,000.**
- 3B. APPROVE THE USE OF THE SHOW MOBILE BY THE NORWALK HOSPITAL FOUNDATION FOR THEIR ANNUAL WHITTINGHAM CANCER CENTER WALK & SALLY'S RUN TO BE HELD SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015.**
- 4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GAME PLAN MARKETING LLC FOR THE USE OF SHADY BEACH, CALF PASTURE BEACH AND TAYLOR FARM (OVERFLOW PARKING) FOR A CHOWDAFEST TO BE HELD SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2014 FROM 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE AT 8:00 AM ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014 WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 12:00 NOON ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2014. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 6,000 – 10,000.**
- 5. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO NUTMEG INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS, INC. FOR PROJECT #3433 REFUSE COLLECTION TRUCK FOR THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$87,996.00. ACCOUNT #09156030-5777-C0486.**
- 6. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO AMEND THE EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH LIVE GREEN CT TO ADD THE RAIN DATES OF SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2014 AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014.**
- 7. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CARVER FOUNDATION OF NORWALK FOR THE USE OF THE GROUNDS AT COLUMBUS SCHOOL FOR A SUMMER CAMP TO BE HELD MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2014 THROUGH FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 2014 FROM 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 200.**

**FINANCE/CLAIMS**

- 1. ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE DATED: JUNE 12, 2014**

- 2. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: MONTHLY TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT DATED: MAY 31, 2014**
- 3. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: NARRATIVE ON TAX COLLECTIONS DATED JUNE 4, 2014**
- 4. 2014-2015 DESKTOP REFRESH PROGRAM. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUE PURCHASE ORDERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY PROCUREMENT GUIDELINES FOR THE SUPPLY OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS WORKSTATIONS, LAPTOPS, RUGGEDIZED DATA TERMINALS, TABLETS, PRINTERS, AND OBSOLETE ASSET DISPOSAL ACCORDING TO CITY IT DEPARTMENT SPECIFICATIONS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$168,200.00, ACCOUNT 09150600-5777-C0375 (BUDGETED IT CAPITAL ITEM; NO SPECIAL APPROPRIATION REQUIRED).**
- 5. III SIERRA INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM MIGRATION. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH INNOVATIVE INTERFACES FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TRAINING AND SUPPORT OF THE SIERRA INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM UPGRADE PER QUOTATION DATED 29-MAY-2014 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$57,050.00, ACCOUNTS 09156210-5777-C0547 [\$50,000.00] & 016200-5392 [\$7,050.00], (APPROVED LIBRARY CAPITAL BUDGET ITEM; NO SPECIAL APPROPRIATION REQUIRED).**
- 6. AUTHORIZE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE GENERAL LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY, LAW ENFORCEMENT LIABILITY, PUBLIC OFFICIALS' LIABILITY, UMBRELLA LIABILITY AND AUTOMOBILE PHYSICAL DAMAGE INSURANCE PLACEMENTS FOR THE FY 2014-15 WITH CONNECTICUT INTERLOCAL RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CIRMA) FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$472,073. ACCOUNT #161343-541N, 165053-541N.**
- 7. AUTHORIZE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE PROPERTY INSURANCE PLACEMENT FOR THE FY 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR WITH FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY (CHUBB) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$519,552. ACCOUNT #161343-541N, 165053-541N.**

8. **AUTHORIZE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE FLOOD INSURANCE PLACEMENT FOR FY 2014-15 THROUGH THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,867.00. ACCOUNT #161343-541N, 165053-541N.**
9. **AUTHORIZE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE TENANT'S AND USER'S LIABILITY PROGRAM (TULIP) INSURANCE PLACEMENT FOR FY 2014-15 THROUGH THE BERKLEY INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,020.00. ACCOUNT #161343-541N, 165053-541N.**
10. **AUTHORIZE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO EXECUTE EXCESS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE PLACEMENT FOR FY 2014-15 THROUGH THE SAFETY NATIONAL CASUALTY CORP. FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$138,110. ACCOUNT #161344-541N, 165054-541N.**
11. **RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$15,000,000 CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ISSUE OF 2014.**

**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

1. **AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE CLAIM: KEVIN MAGNER V. CITY OF NORWALK – (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**
2. **AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE CLAIM: DOMENIC SAMMARCO V. CITY OF NORWALK – (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

**BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION**

**\*\* MR. KIMMEL MOVED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:**

***RESOLVED*, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$210,540 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM CONTINGENCY TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO COVER THE PROJECTED DEFICIT IN THE DEPARTMENT'S WAGE**

**ACCOUNTS. (ACCOUNT #VARIOUS).**

Mr. Kimmel provided an explanation of the item. He said that over the course of the year, seven new Police Officers were hired and he said that he believes that there were four unanticipated retirements. Both of these items create a need for funding for overtime. Mr. Kimmel said that Police overtime has been an interesting topic over the years and suggested that further discussion could take place at the next Finance Committee meeting.

Mr. Hamilton explained that this part of the appropriation is broken into a couple of different pieces. He said that a portion of the contingency is for anticipated, but unknown payments. He said that \$140,000 was set aside. He said that total wages for Police is \$16.4 million and on a budget of that magnitude, to be this close is remarkable.

Ms. Bowman asked if this transfer is going toward 2013/2014. Mr. Hamilton said that this is for 2013/2014. Ms. Bowman asked what would happen if nothing is spent. Mr. Hamilton said that amount would go back into the City's fund balance. Mr. Kimmel said that he assumed this has been discussed at the Board of Estimate and Taxation meeting. Mr. Hamilton said that it was.

Mr. Watts asked why this was needed. Deputy Chief Zecca said that historically the payroll accounts have been able to cover the overtime, but since they have the strength, but do not yet have access to the officers, the money is not in the account. Mr. Kimmel told Mr. Hamilton that his predecessor, Jack Miller had a hard time getting a handle on Police overtime; he asked what changed to make it better. Mr. Hamilton explained that it is reviewed on an annual basis. He said that a big issue is the dynamics of when they hire staff and when they have access to staff.

Mr. Kimmel said that he would not have been surprised if the amount requested had been double, due to the bad weather last winter. Mr. Hempstead said that the budget is based on past history. He said that he does not want anyone looking over their shoulder about overtime and he does not want to tie the hands of a public agency. He said that this is worthy of discussion.

Mr. Watts said that everyone supports the Police Department, but sometimes you have to do due diligence and ask questions.

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**\*\* MR. KIMMEL MOVED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:**

**RESOLVED, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$51,616 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM CONTINGENCY TO COMBINED DISPATCH TO COVER THE PROJECTED DEFICIT IN THE DEPARTMENT'S WAGE ACCOUNTS. (ACCOUNT #VARIOUS).**

Mr. Kimmel said that he understood that this request has to do with several vacancies that have since been filled. He noted that some dispatchers are on extended leave. Mr. Watts said that he looks forward to further discussion at the committee level with staff representation. Mr. Kimmel said that Mr. Hamilton and his staff always provide information at the committee meetings. He said that he agreed with Mr. Watts and would like to have a more extensive discussion at the Finance Committee meeting on wages and budgets.

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Due to a potential conflict of interest, Ms. Stewart left the Common Council Chambers.

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**\*\* MR. HEMPSTEAD MOVED TO AMEND THE EXISTING DEED RESTRICTION REGARDING UNIT PRICING FOR SONO GARDENS TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "UNITS FOR SALE IN THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS SONO GARDENS LOCATED AT 25 MONROE STREET SHALL HAVE A PURCHASE PRICE NOT EXCEED THAT WHICH WOULD BE WITHIN REACH OF THOSE RESIDENTS EARNING 60% OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDIAN INCOME. ELIGIBLE BUYERS OF THESE UNITS WILL BE RESTRICTED TO RESIDENTS EARNING UP TO 80% OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDIAN INCOME. THE FORMULA FOR PRICING WILL BE ESTABLISHED BY BEDROOM SIZE OF THE HOUSING UNIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE OF CONNECTICUT'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS PROCEDURE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 8-30G OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES."**

Mr. Hempstead explained that this is a great compromise. He said that the property is well taken care of by the owners. He said that this permits a bigger pool of purchasers.

Mr. Bonenfant said that this allows for people with higher income to come in and will not impact the housing stock of affordable housing in Norwalk. He noted that people can't bump up the selling price. It works out really well. Mayor Rilling said that this is an excellent decision.

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Ms. Stewart returned to the Common Council Chambers.



Due to a potential conflict of interest, Mr. Hempstead left the Common Council Chambers.

**RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

**\*\* MR. PETRINI MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH STEW LEONARD'S TO USE THE ANDREW'S FIELD PARKING LOT FOR EMPLOYEE PARKING DURING THE BUSIEST DAYS TO INCLUDE:**

**2014 JULY 2,3,4  
AUGUST 30, 31  
SEPTEMBER 1  
NOVEMBER 25, 26  
NOVEMBER 29, 30  
DECEMBER 6,7,13,14,20,21,22,23,24  
2015 APRIL 3,4  
MAY 9,10  
MAY 23,24,25**

Mr. Petrini said that Stew Leonard's is the first one to give to non-profits. He said that they donated a 40 ft. by 80 ft. tent for Cranbury Park. He said that he is happy to be able to accommodate Stew Leonard's during their busy period. They have been doing this for years.

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**\*\* MR. PETRINI MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Donna King, City Clerk