

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 Moccia called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the Assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for the members to remain standing following the Pledge.

Mayor Moccia talked about the shooting tragedy that took place in Arizona and asked for a moment of silence.

Mr. McQuaid announced that on December 28th Norwalk lost Mr. Frank Favano. Mr. Favano was very active in the City of Norwalk and served on many boards such as the Planning Commission. He started his career in banking and then served as the Administrative Manager for the Norwalk Police Department for many years. Mr. McQuaid asked for a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Favano.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Wink called the Roll. The following Councilmembers were present:

Council at Large:	Mr. Douglas Hempstead	Mr. Fred Bondi
	Mr. Richard McQuaid	Mr. John Tobin
	Ms. Joanne Romano	
District A:	Mr. Richard Bonenfant	Mr. David Jaeger
District B:	Mr. Carvin Hilliard	
District C:	Ms. Laurel Lindstrom	Mr. Nicholas Kydes
District D:	Mr. Clyde Mount	Ms. Kelly Straniti
District E:	Mr. Andrew Conroy	Ms. Nora King

There were fourteen (14) members present and one (1) absent (Mr. Travis Simms).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting: December 14, 2010

**** MR. BONDI MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES**

The following corrections were made:

Page 1: Delete Ms. Romano's name under attendance.

Page 6: Council President Remarks – please add Ms. Straniti as Majority Leader and Mr. Hilliard as Minority Leader

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public who wished to speak this evening.

MAYOR

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

RESIGNATIONS:

There were no resignations this evening.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

**** MR. MOUNT MOVED THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

Patricia A. Clark, Harbor Management Commission

Tony D'Andrea, Harbor Management Commission

Jan Schaefer, Harbor Management Commission

Mr. Mount said that he could not think of a better group to help with one of the best harbors in the northeast.

Mayor Moccia added that without their assistance they could not have moved forward with their various initiatives.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MS. STRANITI MOVED THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

John Kurtzman, Historical Commission
Kathryn Martino, Historical Commission

Mayor Moccia thanked Mr. Kurtzman and Ms. Martino for their service on the Commission. He thanked Mr. Park for his years of service as Chairman of the Historical Commission.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. CONROY MOVED THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENT TO THE SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY**

Hubert Smith, Southwestern Regional Planning Agency

Mr. Conroy said that he has heard nothing but good things about Mr. Smith.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. BONENFANT MOVED THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Karen Destefanis, Conservation Commission
Robert Mercurio, Conservation Commission
Ed Holowinko, Conservation Commission

Mr. Bonenfant said that they currently serve the Commission very well.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. KYDES MOVED THE FOLLOWING REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION**

Paul Arcario, Facilities Construction Commission
Steve Kerschner, Facilities Construction Commission
Richard Tavella, Facilities Construction Commission

Mayor Moccia said that they are very diligent and have saved the City thousands of dollars.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPOINTMENTS:

**** MR. HILLIARD MOVED THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT TO THE FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION**

Gregory D. Burnett, Sr., Facilities Construction Commission

Mr. Hilliard said that Mr. Burnett is a solid citizen and that they served on the NEON Board together.

**** MS. ROMANO SECONDED THE MOTION**

Ms. Romano said that Mr. Burnett has served on many committees and that he will be very good for this Commission. Mayor Moccia said that he brings a lot of experience to this Commission.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MS. STRANITI MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Joseph P. Beggan, Zoning Board of Appeals (Alternate)

Ms. Straniti said that she has worked with Mr. Beggan for several years.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Moccia wished everyone a happy new year. With the impending storm scheduled to arrive this evening, he urged everyone to be careful. He said that unless you are a doctor delivering a baby there is no reason to be on the road.

Tables for the Mayor's Ball on January 21st are going fast. Mayor Moccia said that Governor Malloy will be unable to attend, but sends his best wishes. He wished Governor Malloy and all of the elected officials well. Mayor Moccia said that he hopes out of the recent tragedy in Arizona, some good will come of it. He said that we serve our party best if we serve our city first.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

Mr. McQuaid wished everyone a happy new year. He said that the South Norwalk Community Charter School will be the beneficiary of the Mayor's Ball.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an agreement with Stantec Consulting to provide pavement engineering and consulting services in connection with the Pavement Management Program for a sum not to exceed \$200,000.00 per year. Account No. 0911 4021 5777 C0021

LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an amendment to Total Communications, Inc.'s contract for the supply and installation of a new Cisco phone system at West Rocks Middle School for a total not to exceed \$112,508.75. Funds are available in Account # 09115010-5777-C0112.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Agency, operating as the City's CDBG Administrator, deems the Norwalk Housing Authority's application to the federal Family Self-Sufficiency Public Housing Program to be consistent with the City's current Consolidated Plan and seeks Council approval for the Mayor to execute the required Certificate of Consistency that must accompany this document when submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) subject to the submission to the City of any award notifications and reports as required by HUD and presentation of an annual progress report to the City.

The Agency, operating as the City's CDBG Administrator, deems the Norwalk Housing Authority's application to the federal Public and Indian Housing Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Service Coordinators Program to be consistent with the City's current Consolidated Plan and seeks Council approval for the Mayor to execute the required Certificate of Consistency that must accompany this document when submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) subject to the submission to the City of any award notifications and reports as required by HUD and presentation of an annual progress report to the City.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

There were none.

MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

There were none.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

**** MS. ROMANO MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Ellen Wink, City Clerk