

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.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moccia called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Halsey called the roll. The following Council Members were present:

Council at Large:	Mr. Douglas Hempstead	Mr. Fred Bondi	Ms. Sarah Mann
	Mr. Warren Peña	Ms. Anna Duleep	
District A:	Mr. Matthew Miklave	Mr. David Watts	
District B:		Mr. Michael Geake	
District C:	Ms. Michelle Maggio	Mr. Nicholas Kydes	
District D:	Mr. Jerry Petrini	Mr. Bruce Kimmel	
District E:	Mr. David McCarthy	Mr. John Igneri	

Mayor Richard A. Moccia; Attorney Robert Maslan, Corporation Counsel;

Ms. Erin Halsey, City Clerk. Fourteen members were present. Absent: Hilliard

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular meeting – March 26, 2013

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2013 AS SUBMITTED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Moccia stated that Richard McGregor is celebrating his birthday and noted that he has been taping the Council meetings for 37 years. Mayor Moccia noted that Mr. Hempstead is back and his wife is doing much better with her recovery. Mayor Moccia added that he will be in Hartford tomorrow at the Conference of Municipalities and intends to be lobbying with our legislators for our fair share of ECS funding.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mayor Moccia stated the rules for public comment and asked those that had signed up to speak to state their name, affiliation and to keep comments civil in nature with no personal attacks and to be related to the agenda to a limit of three minutes.

Public Comments represent summarizations of comments made, unless otherwise noted.

**COMMON COUNCIL
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT**

**APRIL 9, 2013
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

1. Walter McLaughlin, 6 Thistle Road, with Norwalk Hospital, thanked the Council for allowing them to have the Cancer Walk at Calf Pasture Beach again this year. He noted that the beauty of this event is that it goes directly to patients at the Whittingham Cancer Center, and last year nearly \$500,000 was raised. He thanked the council members and the City for participating and he invited all to be there.

2. Mike Mushak, 50 Elmwood Avenue stated that he was here as a private citizen to speak about the capital Budget. He noted that all have worked hard with difficult decisions, but he heard that funding for the pier might be cut or not funded. He stated that this is the first thing people want to do when they come to Norwalk and have their photo taken there, and it is a very popular attraction and a landmark for the city. He spoke about the traffic signal upgrades that are all great and part of the traffic management plan. He illustrated a truck van on Fairfield Avenue and asked that this area under construction has resulted in businesses closing because access is blocked off. He stated that trucks pile up along the area and interfere with emergency department response times. He spoke about the air being so bad that it affected a man with asthma who passed away recently. He added that now that it is warmer, windows will be open and the bad air is really affecting people with health conditions. He stated that Cedar Street RFP needs to be priority and the bridge to fix this is part of a plan approved ten years ago, and the struggling businesses are losing out due to the closing of this street. He urged the Council to have these projects completed—the 95 bridge remains closed and the streets need to be done.

Mayor Moccia asked if there were others who wished to speak, and hearing none, closed the public participation portion of the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

APPOINTMENTS: Olga Arteaga, Parking Authority

REAPPOINTMENTS: Julius Hayward, Parking Authority
Jonathan C. Maggio, Shellfish Commission
Frederika Bikakis Hajian, Water Pollution Control Authority
Darren Oustafine, Water Pollution Control Authority
Carol Frank, Human Relations Commission
Daisy Franklin, Human Relations Commission
Reverend Thomas Mahoney, Human Relations Commission

Olga Arteaga, Parking Authority

Ms. Mann recommended Ms. Arteaga for appointment to the Parking Authority and stated that she is thorough, always does what she says, and she will be an asset to the authority.

**** MS. MANN MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF OLGA ARTEAGA TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 31, 2017.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Julius Hayward, Parking Authority

Ms. Mann recommended Mr. Hayward for reappointment to the Parking Authority and stated that he is analytical, a positive member of the authority and he will continue to be an asset.

- ** MS. MANN MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JULIUS HAYWARD TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MARCH 31, 2018.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Jonathan C. Maggio, Shellfish Commission

Mayor Moccia noted that the reappointment of Jonathan Maggio to the Shellfish is a Mayoral appointed position, and Jonathan is a captain with a great knowledge of the harbor and he will continue to be an asset to the commission.

Frederika Bikakis Hajian, Water Pollution Control Authority

Mr. Kydes stated he was pleased to recommend Frederika Bikakis Hajian, and she is very professional and passionate about serving to the City. Mr. Peña stated that he echoes this comment and is in support of the reappointment.

- ** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF FREDERIKA BIKAKIS HAJIAN TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE APRIL 1, 2016.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Darren Oustafine, Water Pollution Control Authority

Mr. McCarthy stated that he was proud to move the appointment of Darren Oustafine to the WPCA that he is outstanding, knowledgeable, experienced in his position in Darien as Assistant Director of Public Works. He added that he is particularly honored to recommend such a dedicated member as reappointment to the WPCA.

- ** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DARREN OUSTAFINE TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE APRIL 1, 2016.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Carol Frank, Human Relations Commission

Mr. Hempstead stated that he is pleased to recommend Carol Frank as a reappointment to the Human Relations Commission, as she brings her heart and soul to the position and has been a dedicated member for many years. Mr. Kydes stated that he echoed this comment and is proud to support her reappointment.

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- ** MR. HEMPSTEAD MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF CAROL FRANK TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 1, 2015.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Daisy Franklin, Human Relations Commission

Mr. Watts stated that he is pleased to recommend Daisy Franklin as a reappointment to the Human Relations Commission, as she brings her passion to the position and has been a dedicated member for many years. Mr. Geake stated that he echoed this comment, Daisy is always there, very dedicated and he is proud to support her reappointment.

Ms. Duleep stated that she shares all the comments, Daisy is passionate and truly cares about people.

- ** MR. WATTS MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DAISY FRANKLIN TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 1, 2015.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Reverend Thomas Mahoney, Human Relations Commission

Ms. Maggio stated that she is pleased to recommend Rev. Mahoney and as a man of faith with years of experience, he has served the commission and will continue to go a great job in his reappointment. Mr. Peña echoed this comment.

- ** MS. MAGGIO MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF REVEREND THOMAS MAHONEY TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 1, 2015.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Remarks:

Mayor Moccia stated that he echoed the comments made on the appointments and reappointments and he thanked all those for their willingness to serve the City.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Mr. Hempstead expressed his sincere thanks to all Council members, colleagues and associates and friends for their prayer and support over the past few months during his wife's illness. He appreciated all the special acts of kindness and he really cannot say enough thank-yous to all. He is especially grateful to the doctors and staff at Norwalk Hospital. He added that the City is fortunate to have such a tremendous asset and organization in this hospital, the experience and dedication of the staff is absolutely amazing.

Mr. Hempstead added that the American Legion Auxiliary is collecting items for Connecticut reservists headed to Afghanistan, and they're asking things to be dropped off here at City Hall, anybody can drop anything off on the list and it will be greatly appreciated.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**** MR. HEMPSTEAD MOVED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON CONSENT:**

VII.A.1, (VII. 2a, 2b TABLED) VII.A.3, VII.B.1a, VII.B.1b, VII.B.2a, VII.B.2b, VII.B.3, VII.B.4, VII.C.1, (VII.D.1 TABLED) VII.D.2, VII.D.3, VII.D.4, VII.D.5, VII.D.6, VII.D.7.a, VII.D.7.b, VII.D.8, VII.D.9, E.1.

**** MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS UNANIMOUS.**

The following items in bold are approved on the Consent Calendar:

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

A. HEALTH, WELFARE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute a purchase order to Asset Lighting and Electric In, on the behalf of the Norwalk Fire Department, for the purchase of fifteen hundred (1500) First Alert Smoke Alarms (Model SA340B) for a total amount not to exceed \$16,755.00. Grant Fund Fire Prevention Alarms. Account #3531705763

ON CONSENT TO BE TABLED BACK TO COMMITTEE FOR MORE DOCUMENTATION:

2a. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all documents necessary to apply for and accept grant funds from the Connecticut State Department of Education and State Department of Social Services under the School Readiness and Child Day Care Grant Program for fund year 2013-2014.

2b. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all agreements, documents, instruments and amendments thereto as may be necessary to implement a School Readiness and Child Care Grant Program, pursuant to such grant funding.

3. Review and acceptance of Emergency Plans for Elections for the City of Norwalk, which is required by the State Legislature.

B. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1a. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue Purchase Order(s) to Real Integrated systems for the supply and installation of FF&E for the new Fire Headquarters, to include furniture Groups 2.1.0 and 2.3.0 for a total not to exceed \$65,711.00. Acct. #09123110 5777 C0466.

1b. Authorize to set aside a contingency for a total amount of \$3,000.

Consent Calendar – continued.

- 2a. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue Purchase Order(s) to W.B. Mason Company for the supply and installation of FF&E for the new Fire Headquarters, to include furniture Groups 2.2.0, 2.4.0, 2.5.0, 2.6.0, and 2.8.0, for a total not to exceed \$83,446.44. Acct #09123110 5777 C0466**
- 2b. Authorize to set aside a contingency for a total amount of \$4,000.**
- 3. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue Purchase Order(s) to Insalco Corporation for the supply and installation of FF&E for the new Fire Headquarters, to include furniture Group 2.7.0 for a total not to exceed \$11,960.28. Acct #09123110 5777 C0466.**
- 4. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Amendment to the existing Building Engineering and Janitorial Services Agreement with Guardian Service Industries, Inc. to provide a new Building Engineer position to support the additional workload associated with the two libraries and the new Fire Headquarters:
 - a. For months of May and June 2013, total not to exceed \$21,615.**
 - b. For July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, total not to exceed \$133,806.40.**All remaining terms of the Contract to remain unchanged.
Operating Budget account numbers to be provided by the Finance Department.**

C. PLANNING COMMITTEE

- 1. Authorize the Redevelopment Agency to proceed with Transit-Oriented Development District Consolidation of Urban Renewal Plan areas and recommend uniform zoning.**

D. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ON CONSENT TO BE SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE:

- 1. Approve renaming the portion of Colonial Place from Morgan Avenue south approximately two hundred eighty feet (280') [to the ninety degree bend] to Morgan Place.**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute the “Agreement between The State of Connecticut and City of Norwalk for Construction, Inspection and Maintenance for the Rehabilitation of the Westmere Avenue Bridge (Bridge No. 04440) over Farm Creek Utilizing Federal Funds from the Highway Bridge program”. Funding 80% Federal, 20% City.**
- 3. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an agreement with the State of Connecticut for the development of contract plans, specifications and estimates for State Project 102-347 Norwalk Traffic Signal Upgrade – Phase 3.**

Consent Calendar continued.

4. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an agreement with Urban Engineers, Inc. for State Project 102-347 Traffic Signal Upgrade – Phase 3 for a sum not to exceed \$315,000.00. Account No. Grant – FHWA/State of Connecticut Department of Transportation – CMAQ
5. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an agreement with Kucera International, Inc for an Airborne Thermal Imagery for a sum not to exceed \$30,000.00. Account No. 0908 040 40270 0 5777 C0425.
6. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Amendment to the Agreement with H.I. Stone & Son, Inc. for Project No. MISC 2012-1, Waypointe Mixed Use Development in the West Avenue Corridor, Electrical Infrastructure Upgrade for a sum not to exceed \$100,000.00. Account No. Norwalk Redevelopment Agency.
- 7.a. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Agreement with **A.M. Rizzo Electrical Contractor** for the construction of Project MISC 2013-1 Waypointe Mixed use Development Project in the West Avenue Corridor, Utility Infrastructure Upgrade for a sum not to exceed \$1,531,907.28.
- 7.b. Authorize the Director of Public Works to issue Orders on Contract with **A. M. Rizzo Electrical Contractor** for the construction of Project MISC 2013-1 Waypointe Mixed use Development Project in the West Avenue Corridor, Utility Infrastructure Upgrade for a sum not to exceed \$153,190.73. Account No. Norwalk Redevelopment Agency
8. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an amendment to the Agreement with CDM Smith, Inc. for Professional Engineering for the South Norwalk TOD Pilot Program for a sum not to exceed \$175,570.00. Account No. NY-CT Sustainable Communities Consortium Grant (\$121,570) Norwalk Redevelopment Agency Funding (\$54,000)
9. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute a WAIVER OF COMPENSATION And APPRAISAL with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation for a construction easement on City of Norwalk Property at the northwest corner of the Burnell Boulevard Bridge. Construction Easement shall be extinguished when construction is completed.

Consent Calendar continued.

E. RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. TECHNICAL CORRECTION (Name Change)

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia to enter into an agreement with Frank M. Diurno to use Ponus Ridge Middle School for a Co-Ed Softball Tournament to be held Sunday, April 28, 2013 with a rain date of Saturday, May, 4, 2013 from 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM. Estimated attendance 150 – 200.

C. PLANNING COMMITTEE

Approve FY14 City of Norwalk Capital Budget

Mr. Petrini stated that he recommends that the council move \$15,000 from the Planning & Zoning under Sidewalks to the Library. He explained that a reduction from \$100,000 to \$85,000 would make sense, as DPW also has an allocation for sidewalks and this could be reallocated to accommodate a request from the Norwalk Public Library to create a teen tech center. He stated that anything we can do for the teens in this town is a meaningful step to support the youth of the City.

Mr. Kimmel stated that he supports this amendment as this reallocation would go a long way to help with the technology improvements for the teen center.

Mr. Miklave stated that he had questions of the Finance Department and clarified that the capital budget cannot exceed the cap and that the Council can restore amounts requested from departments but cannot exceed the total of \$19+ million.

Mr. Barron replied that his was correct. Mr. Miklave then asked to clarify that for every million spent the City is paying it back as debt service over a period of time. Mr. Miklave asked how the bond is set over 20 or 15 years, and at what interest. Mr. Barron replied that the majority of items are bonded over the time period of 15 years.

Mayor Moccia clarified that most recently the interest rate for the bonded amounts is approximately 3.2%. Mr. Miklave then clarified that 1/15th plus an interest % comes out of the operating budget.

Mr. Kydes asked to comment back on the amendment made by Mr. Petrini and explained that times are different when it comes to the needs of teens to keep them off the street. He urged the Council to support the amendment of \$15,000 reallocated to the Library Teen Center. He added that anything that can be done to engage teens in a positive manner helps to get teens on the right track, and he urged the Council to support the youth of the City.

Mr. Kimmel stated that he has already spoken in support of the amendment and asked to comment on Mr. Miklave's comments. He explained that the Capital Budget has an impact on the entire city and is a reflection of how well we are doing. He further explained that the bottom line effect on the AAA rating and debt ratios and referred to tables on pages 4-5 and analysis provided by the Finance Department. He stated that the ratios are well under the maximum as the City is not going deeply into debt, money is spending wisely as the percentages are well within rates established by the rating agencies. He added that this is a balanced approach with relatively small increases in the tax levy. He commended the Finance Department on the extensive research and analysis that was provided, and added that this is all part of a well developed five-year plan.

- ** MR. PETRINI MOVED TO AMEND THE CAPITAL BUDGET TO REALLOCATE \$15,000 FROM PLANNING AND ZONING TO THE NORWALK PUBLIC LIBRARY TEEN CENTER.**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Watts asked to comment about sidewalks and asked Mr. Alvord to address the DPW plan for sidewalk improvements. Mr. Alvord replied that there is no specific city wide plan but as addressed in Committee there are ongoing improvements to sidewalks included in paving projects and road improvements. Mayor Moccia added that if there are specific requests, these should be brought to the attention of the Committee.

Mr. McCarthy asked to make another small adjustment to the Capital Budget to look at item J4 and M4 to fund public art that would be a reallocation of \$25,000 from the Department of Planning and Zoning to the Redevelopment Agency for the purpose of creating public art.

Mr. Kimmel stated that he would like to see more public art as other cities and towns have and the City does not put enough efforts into this and there should be art in various parts of the city not just at City Hall.

- ** MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO AMEND THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR A REALLOCATION OF \$25,000 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING PUBLIC ART.**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Miklave asked to speak on Item A2, the Police Department's request for \$32,000 for a pickup truck. Mr. McCarthy stated that this item was discussed in Committee as part of the needs for the Police Department to facilitate items such as transport of arrests to Hartford and various needs for the van. He further explained that parking lot issues for snow removal would require a pick up a truck to assist with emergency measures to get officers on the street. He explained that there was a need to have equipment necessary and a small plow snow was included in the items covered at the public hearing.

Mr. Miklave stated that he is shocked at this testimony as this was never mentioned during the public hearing and it raises questions on how information is addressed and items are approved. He added that this unilateral comment from a Council member does not reflect what is discussed and approved in Committee meetings.

He asked Mr. Alvord to address the parking lot issues and if there are problems with the design of the lot. Mr. Alvord came forward and explained that there are issues with the gate and size of the plow blades of the large snow plows and the programming outside of the lot is not as effective as intended as there is no place to store or remove the snow, and with the size of the trucks, to maneuver around other vehicles.

Mr. Miklave asked if there is a subcontract of \$25,000 for plowing and it seems that centralized methods would be more efficient rather than a duplication of services. Mr. Alvord replied that services are coordinated through Building Management. Mayor Moccia stated that he takes exception to these comments as we do coordinate with city services.

Mr. Alvord elaborated on how a building is designed and how the outside of the building is set up to accommodate need and specific requirements. He explained that there are issues with the gate and size of the plow blades of the large snow plows and the programming outside of the lot is not as effective as intended as there is no place to store the snow, and with the size of the trucks, to maneuver around other vehicles.

Mr. Miklave suggested that Public Works instead receive the truck and use it to plow the police parking lot and other locations. He stated that having centralized snow-plowing operations just seems to be more efficient.

Mr. Kydes clarified that these items were evaluated in Committee and there is always thorough analysis of services with debate and discussion.

Mr. Bondi asked about two vehicles, one prisoner van and one is a pick up truck, and asked what was done in the past to transport prisoners and to plow snow for the past six years. Mr. Bondi asked about the need for a police van, and Mayor Moccia clarified that this for prisoner transport as necessary. Mr. Bondi said such snow plowing would take a police officer away from police duties. Mayor Moccia clarified that officers would not be taken away as there is custodial and other operational staff that would be assigned to the plowing.

Mayor Moccia stated that he disagreed with comments made about the process and said that we do coordinate quite extensively with City departments, he trusts our Police Department, and he trusts our chief that they're being honest about what they need.

Mr. Kydes, stated that as Planning Committee Chairman, he expressly defends the funding level as these items were discussed in Committee. The items on the Police Department are necessary to address snow removal in emergency basis and they need to have access to their vehicles so they can get out of the parking lot.

He added that we have to consider necessary items for first responders that the departments can function effectively, and we do have sub contractors for snow removal and hauling and that has to be done, and again these items were evaluated in Committee

Mr. Hempstead wanted to thank the departments for the work involved with creating this comprehensive plan that addresses many needs for improvements to structural improvements, money for common core improvements to education; also repairs to the pier and streets, sidewalks, and represents a balanced approach to address these needs.

Mr. Geake stated that he finds it inefficient to not fully fund the Department of Public Works request for roof repairs at City Hall. Mr. Alvord gave an overview of the roof repairs requested and explained that one of the main priorities was the generator that is critically needed to keep City Hall operational in an emergency.

Mr. Geake stated that he considered that he understands priorities but feels that the roof repairs are necessary, as it has in the past leaked. He stated that it is fair to say that there's a possibility that before we get the roof done, we're going to start having things like mold and other problems in the building. Mr. Alvord gave a detailed response about the leaks and how items have been repaired to the education floor and other areas where in the long term replacements are needed for the roof that will be addressed when funds are available. Mr. Geake stated that it seems like an utterly stupid process that does not address critical needs.

Mayor Moccia replied that city priorities are balanced with limited resources without continuing to increase city debt to keep the city running efficiently. He referred to how major improvements to city schools took place over the past ten years was based upon the needs of the City.

Mr. Kimmel stated that it is important to not take the capital budget items in isolation but more importantly to focus on the five year plan that works and makes sense. He added that we have to consider all the factors, with a financial analysis, along with charter restrictions that require that funds can only be taken from other places, and to remember the larger picture of fiscal foundation. He added that if debit service to continue to grow result in bankruptcy as other cities have faced.

Mr. Kydes stated that it is a budget process that takes place every year, and while he was the only person in favor of a reduced operating budget, he does feel that the process is very comprehensive. He added that this budget addresses priorities of the needs of the city and it is a balancing act, over the course of years to fund major initiatives. He added that if we were to fund the roof 100 percent, everyone's taxes would go up while the new capital budget allocates a balanced spending plan for many necessary items including bridgework, storm-drainage improvements and tree planting, road paving and sidewalks.

Mr. Kydes explained that money is set aside every year to pave roads as part of a long range plan rather than take it all as a hit in one year, as it jeopardizes the AAA bond rating. He added that we have a sound financial organization here and we do the best with what we have. It is a good process, and not a political issue, let's stick to city business and what is best for tax payers.

Mr. Miklave stated that he agrees with the majority of what the Mayor and his colleague Mr. Kimmel have said and he realizes the balancing act that needs to be set. He knows that we had to make a major improvement to schools, and there is a long term plan. He added that the issue here is that every year a financial burden of \$200,000 is placed upon the operating budget to fund capital projects and we have to be careful that it is a lot of money and we need to do the right thing. He added that we all understand that this means an impact to the tax payers.

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FY 2013-14 CITY OF NORWALK
CAPITAL BUDGET AS AMENDED.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL - none.

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE - none

X.

XI. SUSPENSION OF RULES - none

XII. ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO ADJOURN.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Knox,
Telesco Secretarial Services