

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader
Linda A. Russo, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I.
Weinberg, Ram Aberasturia, Joseph R. Carlson, Patricia Harmon and
Michael G. Kurker

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The Chair announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §29-381, after which the Council joined him in the pledge of allegiance.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **amend** the agenda as follows:

Under Communications, add item 6. B. "Resignation of Carol Noel from the Zoning Board of Appeals".

Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Leclerc (1) addressed the Council on the FEMA training that she, the Directors and some town staff took part in last week; (2) the Mayor's Clean-up Day was a success; and (3) the Flu Clinic will be October 14th and 21st at the South End Senior Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 6, 2016 Executive Session

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
to **approve** the minutes of the September 6, 2016 Executive Session.
Motion carried 8/0. **Abstain**: Carlson

September 6, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Pat Harmon
to **approve** the minutes of the September 6, 2016 Regular Meeting.
Motion carried 8/0. **Abstain**: Carlson

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

On-call Contracts Report – Updated

Chair Kehoe explained that the report presented at the September 6th Council meeting did not specify the category of each vendor; this updated report does. Currently, the town has the following on-call vendors: Engineers (2), Architects (4), Electrical (1), and Appraisers (1).

Resignation of Carol Noel from the Zoning Board of Appeals

Due to her appointment on the Planning & Zoning Commission as a full member, Carol Noel has resigned her position as an alternate from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation from Ordinance Committee re: §10-47 entitled “\$5 Surcharge on Delinquent Motor Vehicle Payments

MOTION By Bill Horan
 seconded by Esther Clarke
 to **amend** the East Hartford Code of Ordinances by revising Section 10-47 to impose a \$5 surcharge on delinquent motor vehicle property tax payments, consistent with the August 31, 2016 draft as unanimously approved by the Ordinance Committee.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Noting a resident's objection to this revision voiced at the public hearing held earlier this evening, Chair Kehoe indicated that there could be some flexibility in the future for the possibility of the town waiving this surcharge, if state laws allow a town to do so.

Outdoor Amusement Permit Applications:

O'Connell Back to School Carnival

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit entitled “O'Connell Back to School Carnival” as submitted by Rebecca Johansen, President of the O'Connell School PTO to conduct a back to school carnival on Friday, September 23, 2016 from 6PM to 8PM at the O'Connell School, 301 May Road, with food trucks, games and music during the same hours as the carnival; subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies; and to **waive** the associated permit fee, under the provisions of Section 5-6(a) of the Code of Ordinances, as this is a PTO-sponsored event to provide a family fun night.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Gengras Fall Open House

MOTION By Bill Horan
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **waive** the associated filing time requirement under the provisions of
 Section 5-2(a) of the East Hartford Code of Ordinances and to
 approve the outdoor amusement permit application submitted by
 Stephen Bray, Events Coordinator, on behalf of Gengras Motor
 Cars, Inc. for a Fall Open House on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at 221
 Governor Street, from 9AM to 5PM, with music from 10AM to 3PM, which
 will feature a motorcycle stunt show, music, food, sales and vendors;
 subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of
 Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required
 by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies.
 Motion carried 9/0.

27th Annual Fall Fest

MOTION By Joe Carlson
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application submitted by Ted
 Fravel, Director of the East Hartford Parks & Recreation Department, to
 conduct the 27th Annual Fall Fest on the Town Green on Saturday October
 1, 2016 from 10AM to 3PM(rain date Sunday, October 2nd) with music
 during the same hours, featuring pony rides and a petting farm, children's
 activities, arts & crafts, pumpkin painting, civic group booths, commercial
 vendors and food vendors; subject to compliance with adopted codes and
 regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any
 other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Appointment to Veterans Affairs Commission

MOTION By Pat Harmon
 seconded by Mike Kurker
 to **approve** the appointment of James W. Shelmerdine, Jr., 745 Tolland
 Street, to the Veterans Affairs Commission, whose term shall expire
 December 2017.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Marc Weinberg
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$13,932.80
 pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Int Paid	Over Paid
2015-03-0050517	AGUILAR RODOLFO A	2001/4F2YU07131KM14126	0	-5.96
2014-03-0086819	ALLY BANK LOUISVILLE PPC	2013/1C3CDFBA7DD184902	0	-200.79
2014-03-0086829	ALLY BANK LOUISVILLE PPC	2012/1C3CCBCB8CN164900	0	-78.42
2014-03-0086834	ALLY BANK LOUISVILLE PPC	2013/1C4RJFBT9DC640985	0	-728.04
2014-03-0086854	ALLY BANK LOUISVILLE PPC	2012/1G4PS5SK0C4215004	0	-173.16
2015-03-0051891	ASANTE KOFI	2001/1FAFP53U41A202729	0	-17.28
2015-03-0052653	BARROWS JARRETT W	1998/1HGCG5644WA251317	0	-88.06
2015-03-0053571	BLAKE CHRISTINE S	1998/4T1BF28K9WU927990	0	-16.69
2014-03-0055062	CAB EAST LLC FORD CREDIT PERSONAL PROP. TAX	2013/3FA6P0D97DR210296	0	-597.80
2014-03-0055075	CAB EAST LLC FORD CREDIT PERSONAL PROP. TAX	2013/1FADP3K21DL224613	0	-81.64
2014-03-0055079	CAB EAST LLC FORD CREDIT PERSONAL PROP. TAX	2013/1FMCU0F77DUA56825	0	-92.50
2015-03-0055188	CAJAHUARINGA JANIA E	2011/JTKJF5C77B3008129	0	-52.32
2001-03-0055218	CALAFIORE SALVATORE B	1998/4JGAB54E2WA017270	7.19	-356.06
2015-03-0055519	CARBONE FRANK JR	1999/2HGEJ6675XH581920	0	-14.28
2006-03-0057032	CHITTEPUYAMIREDDY HARI P	1997/1HGCD5606VA122435	245.75	-397.45
2007-03-0057055	CHITTEPUYAMIREDDY HARI P	1997/1HGCD5606VA122435	182.88	-314.88
2015-03-0056696	CICHOWICZ MICHAEL R	2002/2FTRX17W62CA55535	0	-14.39
2015-03-0057185	COLLINS WILLIAM L	2003/5FNRL18613B144904	0	-9.51
2014-01-0012997	CORELOGIC ATTN: REFUNDS DFW 1-3	88 ELLINGTON RD	0	-1886.91
2015-03-0060620	DYDYN-BASILE KRISTEN V	2013/3N1AB7AP4DL690270	0	-80.73
2015-03-0065574	HENDERSON DONALD J 2ND	1997/1FMDU35P4VZA67552	0	-17.46
2015-03-0066461	HONDA FINANCIAL SERVICES HYUNDAI LEASE TITLING	2014/1HGCR2F36EA149483	0	-479.16
2015-03-0066961	TRUST	2013/KMHDH6AE7DU015421	0	-107.82
2014-03-0067331	INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVI&	2011/2D4RN4DG5BR602590	0	-453.56
2014-03-0067507	JACKSON KRISTOPHER R	2003/1FAFP34P73W325315	0	-10.32
2015-03-0067323	JACQUES RICHARD	2002/1G1NE52J92M702607	0	-13.84
2015-03-0067632	JOHNSON ANDRE A	2006/3N1CB51D06L475121	0	-21.50
2014-03-0068291	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	2014/JF1GPAC66E8282658	0	-669.56
2015-03-0068720	KIRKLAND SHELIA E	2001/2FMZA51471BA21913	0	-12.43
2015-03-0069379	LAM LUIS H LERETA ATTN: CENTRAL	2006/JYARJ12EX6A006390	0	-44.84
2014-01-0009552	REFUNDS	22 CHRISTINE DR	0	-2405.82

2015-03-0070869	LOPEZ-CONCEPCION PABLO E	2000/JHMCG5646YC012176	0	-24.60
2009-03-0072246	MAHADEVAN RAJ	1998/1G1ND52M2W6245808	0	-85.23
2015-03-0071320	MAHEUX JANE	2002/1FTWW33FX2EC87752	0	-62.42
2015-03-0072679	MCGOWAN KATHLEEN C	2008/2HGFA16598H501302	0	-18.00
2014-03-0074513	MORT DACKOTA KIOWA	2004/WVWWH63B34E077473	0	-75.87
2015-03-0074306	MOTOLA LAURA L	2011/3FADP4BJ7BM141633	0	-20.00
2015-03-0074713	VATSAVAYIVENKATA SATYANARAYANA	2003/1N4AL11D93C333096	0	-27.38
2015-03-0076885	PASTRANA VILMARY	2010/1N4AA5AP7AC804764	9.27	-227.62
2015-03-0077134	PELLETIER JASON C	1999/1HGCG5555XA041708	0	-8.44
2015-03-0077381	PEREZ GERALDO P	2005/JA3AJ26E45U032562	0	-16.87
2015-03-0078049	PINTO ERIKA	2005/1HGCM56435A062097	0	-15.10
2015-03-0078653	QUILES DENISE	2007/JTDBT923X71049657	0	-13.69
2015-03-0078884	RAMOS JASMIN D	2000/2B4GP25RXR856398	0	-5.07
2013-03-0079058	RAMOS MARIA S	2000/JN1CA31D8YT706773	56.48	-201.31
2015-03-0078918	RAMOS MARISOL	1996/4T1BF12B9TU103678	0	-14.10
2015-03-0081058	ROSARIO JACQUELINE	2013/1N4AL3AP9DC159098	0	-31.60
2015-01-0012653	ROTTLER JENNIFER	190 WESTERLY TER	0	-2013.72
2015-03-0082948	SHERIDAN BERNARD F	1994/1HGCD5653RA077780	0	-20.94
2015-03-0083275	SINSIGALLI SALVATORE	1993/1HGCB7652PA179439	0	-24.42
2015-03-0083724	SONTISTEBAN ISABEL M	2006/5N1AR18W96C635651	0	-84.14
2015-03-0084544	SWIETEK PAUL M	2010/2B3CA3CV6AH245838	0	-309.69
2015-03-0085768	TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP ATTN: LBX842701	2014/4T1BK1EB0EU089146	0	-386.13
2015-03-0085787	TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP ATTN: LBX842701	2013/5TDDK3EH8DS214152	0	-475.01
2015-03-0086119	TU KIM D	2008/JA3AU86U78U026454	0	-200.91
2015-03-0086430	USB LEASING LT	2014/2GNFLGEK2E6177210	0	-98.94
2015-03-0087447	VONBERG KALEB	1998/1HGEJ8142WL101794	0	-8.92
2015-03-0088033	WEISE NICOLA L	2009/1N4AL21EX9N432148	0	-19.50
TOTAL				\$ (13,932.80)

Referral to Tax Policy Committee re: 63 Bantle Road

MOTION By Bill Horan
 seconded by Marc Weinberg
 to **refer** to the Tax Policy Committee the possible sale of the tax lien
 encumbering 63 Bantle Road – which was part of the Rose Estates
 subdivision, with instructions to review the back taxes owed on this
 property, along with the current market value of this parcel and to report
 back to the Town Council with its recommendations, if any.
 Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

Pat Harmon inquired if the railroad crossing at Prestige Park Road is still active, and if it is, the railroad signs should be replaced as they are too worn and unclear. *The Mayor indicated that it is active, but doesn't get a lot of use, and will look into the condition of the signs.*

Esther Clarke asked about the traffic light timing at the intersection of Main and Brewer Streets as traffic backs up considerably on Brewer Street. *The Mayor will look into this and get back to Councillor Clarke.*

Ram Aberasturia indicated that he had discussions with businesses along Main Street regarding accessing funds for building facades. It was a very positive experience. *Mayor Leclerc indicated that the funds would be available to the property owner, not to the business owner.*

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Personal Injury Claim of Cody Schimetschek

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **accept** the recommendation of Corporation Counsel to settle the
 pending personal injury claim of Cody Schimetschek for a total sum of
 \$12,500.00.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Avron Rodriguez, ppa, et al. v Town of East Hartford Board of Education, et al

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **accept** the recommendation of Corporation Counsel to settle
 the pending state court action known as Avron Rodriguez, ppa, et al.
 v. Town of East Hartford Board of Education, et al., Docket No. HHD-CV-
 14-6055404-S, for a total sum of \$75,000.00.
 Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Matthew Oakes, 79 Park Avenue, thanked the Council for possibly working with the state to enact a hardship exception on delinquent motor vehicle penalties in the future.

Marc Weinberg wished all those of the Hebrew faith a Happy Rosh Hashanah and wished Bill Horan a Happy Birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
seconded by Bill Horan
to **adjourn** (8:12 p.m.).
Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced the next meeting of the Town Council would be **Wednesday**, October 5th.

Attest _____
Angela M. Attenello
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK