Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti called the meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7 p.m. All those present stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Alderman John F. Anglase, Jr., President – present
Alderman Lynne Farrell – present
Alderman John “Jack” Finn – present
Alderman Stanley Kudej – present
Alderman Noreen McGorty – excused
Alderman John P. Papa – present
Alderman Eric McPherson – present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti – present

Administration: Assistant Corporation Counsel Ramon Sous
Administrative Assistant Tom Taylor
Mayor Mark A. Lauretti

Agenda Items

PUBLIC SESSION

Mayor Lauretti asked if any member of the public wished to speak.

Chris Jones, 24 Mustang Drive

As the governing body of the City, the Board of Aldermen, you took an oath to represent the residents of Shelton to the best of your ability. You’ve known since 2007 when Jim Botti was arrested that there was a serious problem in the City. I have not heard one Alderman ask any questions about this ongoing corruption in our City. I know there are two sides to each story, I’ve only seen in the press responses to the defense, Mr. Scinto’s defense where they would like to, they were asking that Mr. Scinto provide attorneys and formulate his own ethics panel. I have here with me the Government Sentencing Memorandum – a copy for each Alderman, in case you didn’t read it. I’m sure the Mayor knows what’s in it. Our Ethics Code only needs one change and that should be no gifts, period. I don’t understand what the big drag out ordeal is. I just want to read a few quotes that were mentioned in this Government Sentencing Memorandum. From at least as early as in or about 1999 through 2008, the
defendant, Mr. Scinto, provided monetary benefits and items of value to Public Official #1, Building Official #1 and other City of Shelton employees who worked in the City of Shelton Hall. Furthermore, during its investigation the FBI and the IRS determined that each year from 1999 to 2007 Mr. Scinto went to Shelton City Hall to hand out envelopes containing $100 bills to each Shelton City Hall employee Scinto could locate. It goes on and on, there are 27 pages here. I don’t want to read everything that’s in it. Mr. Anglace stated that Mr. Scinto along with an oversight group should develop and promulgate a system to promote ethical and legal behavior. I think we are all adults. We know the difference between right and wrong. After I stress that there is only one change the Code of Ethics needs and that is a zero gift – zero tolerance. Mr. Anglace even went as far as to be the first to step forward and volunteer his assistance to the court for this idea. Why hasn’t Alderman Anglace been that progressive with our own City of Shelton Code of Ethics. I don’t think the City of Shelton wanted the Code of Ethics changed over the last 10 years. They didn’t want ethics reform. My request to the Board of Aldermen is, year after year you report a surplus, this year $9.3 million. Why not take the lead, hire your own legal counsel, formulate our own ethics. Let’s lead by example. Let’s take charge, we’ve been at this for 10 years. What progress has been made? Zero. I ask you that you not stand for this any longer, this unethical behavior. Please do something. It’s been a long time needed. Make a change. Thank you.

Mayor Lauretti asked three times if any member of the public wished to speak. Being none he declared the public session closed.

**ADD ON**

Alderman Anglace MOVED to add to the agenda as Item 9.8 Shelton High School Baseball/Practice Field Agreement; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

Alderman Anglace MOVED to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2011; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

**5.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**5.1.1 Transfer Station Fees**

Alderman Kudej MOVED, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to adopt the Shelton Transfer Station “Contractor’s Rules and Fees” for Disposal of Construction Debris/Bulky Waste as presented and discussed at the March 22, 2011 Finance Committee Meeting; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.
SHELTON TRANSFER STATION CONTRACTORS RULES AND FEES for
CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS/BULKY WASTE: (Sheet rock, siding, plumbing fixtures, furniture & wood, etc.)

- Contractors dumping Construction Debris for work performed for Shelton residents must show proof of a Shelton Building Permit.
- Contractors delivering Bulky Waste originating from a Shelton residence must provide name and address of the resident.
- Fees must be paid in advance at the Office of the City/Town Clerk or at the Highways Department. Proof of payment is required to use the facility.
- All vehicles must be unloaded manually.
- Waste from outside the City of Shelton and commercial establishments are not accepted.
- Roofing materials are not accepted from Contractors

- Van / Mini pick up $ 30.00
- Pick up truck $ 45.00
- Trailer (up to 8') $ 45.00
- Trailer (8' - 12') $ 60.00
- Mason Dump $ 60.00
- Box Truck (up to 10') $ 60.00
- Box Truck (up to 16') $ 80.00

Alderman Finn asked, were there any rules in place prior to this or is this an amended version giving an increase in fees?

Mayor Lauretti replied, yes, but never approved by the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Finn asked, the fee schedule is the same or is there an increase in fees?

Mayor Lauretti replied, the fee schedule is different and that also was never approved by the Board of Aldermen. I don’t believe a department head can just establish their own fees.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.
5.1.2 April Statutory Refunds

Alderman Kudej MOVED, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of $2,621.34 be approved and that the Finance Director be directed to make payments in accordance with the certified list received from the Tax Collector with funds to come from the Statutory Refunds Account 001-0000-311.13.00; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

5.1.3 Transfer of Funds – 2010 Audit

Alderman Kudej MOVED, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to transfer $1,100 from Contingency General Account #001-9900-900.99-00 to Professional Services #001-0300-412.30-01 to cover increased audit fee for the 2010 audit; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6 Yes, 1 No (Finn).

5.1.4 Recreation Path Fencing – LOCIP Eligible

Alderman Kudej MOVED, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to add the purchase of safety fencing along portions of the Shelton Lakes Recreation Path to the Capital Improvement Plan with funding in the amount of $4,448 to come from LOCIP; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

5.1.5 Water Supply Line – Long Hill Community Garden – LOCIP Eligible

Alderman Kudej MOVED, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to add the purchase of materials for a water line to be installed from the north end of Longview Road to the Long Hill Community Garden located at Klapik Farm to the Capital Improvement Plan with funding in the amount of $1,709.66 to come from LOCIP; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Alderman Finn asked, does this require an 8-24 referral? I think the answer is yes, and we don’t have one. Okay.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6 Yes, 1 No (Finn).

5.1.6 Recording System for Police Department – LOCIP Eligible

Alderman Kudej MOVED, per the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to add the purchase and installation of a recording system for the Police Department to the Capital Improvement Plan with funding in the amount of $12,924 to come from LOCIP; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.
5.2 PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

No items.

5.3 STREET COMMITTEE

No items.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR

No report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

No report.

6.0 LEGAL REPORT

6.1 Corporation Counsel Billing

Alderman Anglace MOVED to authorize a total payment of $3,153.51 to Corporation Counsel Welch, Teodosio, Stanek and Blake, LLC, for services rendered per statement dated April 1, 2011 with funds to come from the following Legal Services Accounts:

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SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

6.2 Assistant Corporation Counsel Billing

Alderman Anglace MOVED to authorize a total payment of $1,239 to Assistant Corporation Counsel Ramon Sous for services rendered per statement dated April 1, 2011 with funds to come from the Legal Fees Account 001-1900-411.30-03;

SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

7 LEGISLATIVE - OLD

7.1 ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING

8 FINANCIAL BUSINESS OLD

No items.
9  **FINANCIAL BUSINESS NEW**

9.1  **Increase Budget for Police Private Duty**

Alderman Anglase MOVED to increase the Revenue Line Item 001-0000-351.10-00 Police Private Duty by $180,000 and move to increase the Expenditure Line Item 001-6100-511.80-50 by $180,000; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

9.2  **Historic Documents Preservation Grant**

Alderman Anglase MOVED to adopt the following Resolution:

Be it resolved that Mark A. Lauretti, Mayor of the City of Shelton, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this municipality a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Documents Preservation Grant.

SECONDED by Alderman Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

9.3  **Agreement – Professional Services for Sanitary System Rehabilitation Phase 3**

Alderman Anglase MOVED to approve the agreement between the City of Shelton and Fuss & O’Neill Inc. for professional engineering services for Phase 3 Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation Infiltration and Inflow Investigations with funding in the amount of $124,900 to come from Wastewater Collection Systems Referendum Bond; and further,

MOVED to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to sign all documents and effectuate said agreement. SECONDED by Alderman Papa.

Alderman Anglase stated, just for the record, this was recommended by the WPCA.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

9.4  **Agreement – Fairmont Place Sanitary Sewer Extension**

Alderman Anglase MOVED to approve agreement between the City of Shelton and Mark IV Construction Company, Inc. for Fairmont Place Sanitary Sewer Extension with funding in the amount of $72,253.15 to come from the Wastewater Collection Systems Referendum Bond; and further,

MOVED to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to sign all documents and effectuate said agreement. SECONDED by Alderman Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.
9.5 Amendment to Agreement for Phases III and IV – Shelton Enterprise and Commerce Park Project

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the amendment to the contract by and between the City of Shelton and DeCarlo & Doll, Inc. dated April 3, 2009, with funds to be paid from the DECD Downtown Revitalization Phase III Program and further authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the same; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

9.6 Agreement – Reconstruction of Canal and Wooster Street

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the contract by and between the City of Shelton and Nagy Brothers Construction Company, Inc. regarding Bid No. 31-52 for the reconstruction of Canal Street and Wooster Street Site Preparation in the amount of $231,720.00 with funds to come from the State of Connecticut DECD Downtown Revitalization Phase III Grant and further to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the same; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

9.7 Sewer Reconnection at 100 Center Street – Waiver of Bid Process

Alderman Anglace MOVED, per the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent, to waive the bidding process for the sewer reconnection to the building at 100 Center Street and authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to negotiate a price with funding to come from Waste Water Collections Systems Referendum Bond; and further,

MOVED to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to sign all documents and effectuate said agreement. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Alderman Anglace noted that this was recommended by the WPCA as well.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

9.8 Shelton High School Baseball/Practice Field Agreement

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the agreement by and between the City of Shelton and Environmental Design, Inc. for renovation of the Shelton High School Baseball/Practice Field in the amount of $241,787.00 with funding in the amount of $166,287.00 to be provided by bonding, pursuant to Section 7.16 of the City Charter.

Further, move to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to sign all documents and effectuate said agreement. SECONDED by Alderman Papa.

Mayor Lauretti stated, this may come back before us because of a change in the funding source. I just wanted you to be aware of that.
A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

10. - LEGISLATIVE - NEW

10.1 ITEMS TO PUBLIC HEARING

10.1.A Amendment to Article VI Pawnbrokers

Public Hearing is set for April 26, 2011.

10.2 Farmer’s Market License Agreement

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve/disapprove the license agreement between the City of Shelton and the Shelton Farmers Market Association regarding city property with a business address of 100 Canal Street which area is specified as Exhibit A of said agreement; and further,

MOVED to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate said agreement. SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:23 p.m. Alderman Anglace MOVED to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following items:

11.1 Timothy Tagg – Worker’s Compensation
11.2 Purchase of Open Space
11.3 Richard Arsenault – Worker’s Compensation

and invited Corporation Counsel Welch and Administrative Assistant Tom Taylor to remain in the Auditorium; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

Return to Regular Session

At approximately 7:43 p.m., Alderman Simonetti MOVED to return to regular session; SECONDED by Alderman McPherson. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

Alderman Anglace noted that there were no votes taken in Executive Session.

MOTIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.1 Timothy Tagg – Worker’s Compensation

No action.
11.2 Purchase of Open Space
Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the purchase of property from the Bank of America, NA, Trustee in the sum of $625,000 as set forth in the purchase and sale agreement in an amount not to exceed $5,000 for closing costs and expenses which shall include title insurance; and further,

MOVED to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute any all documents necessary to effectuate said purchase; and further,

MOVED to appropriate the sum of $312,500 with said funds to be paid pursuant to the Charter of the City of Shelton Section 7.16 to the Open Space Trust Account with funds to be used for the purchase of said property; and further,

MOVED that the contract is being executed with the understanding that the balance of the purchase proceeds will be allocated by the Board of Aldermen at the July 4, 2011 meeting; and further,

The motion of the Board of Aldermen dated August 12, 2010 and identified as Item 9.3 is hereby rescinded; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

11.3 Richard Arsenault – Worker’s Compensation

No action.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Anglace MOVED to adjourn; SECONDED by Alderman Papa. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Bruder, Clerk
Board of Aldermen

Date Submitted: ____________________________

DATE APPROVED: ________________ BY: _______________________________________

Mark A. Lauretti
Mayor, City of Shelton