Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Anglace 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. Anglace, Jr., President – present
Alderman Lynne Farrell – present
Alderman John "Jack" Finn – present
Alderman Stanley Kudej – present
Alderman Noreen McGorty – present
Alderman John P. Papa – not present
Alderman Eric McPherson – present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti – present

Administration:

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti, City of Shelton
Attorney Tom Welch, Corporation Counsel

PUBLIC PORTION

Jennifer Sanborn, 8 Steep Brook Lane, Shelton

I am from the Long Hill School community; I am part of the PTA. I also have a third grader and a kindergartener at Long Hill School. We are here tonight to talk about something very important to us. It is about the security of the school. I know there are several other members of the PTA and the school community who would like to be here tonight, and due to the sensitivity of the security issue at school we do not want to over-advertise that there is a concern in the school. We are requesting that Long Hill School receives the same safety measures as the other elementary schools in town that are getting, specifically the second set of doors and the card reader at the entry way. We were told in January that Long Hill School would only be receiving the card reader on the outside, and it would not be feasible to put in a second set of doors which would prevent someone from entering the school, either to the left, to the right or anywhere and being fully in the school. We feel that the second set of doors and the card reader in between, like the same as Mohegan School and Elizabeth Shelton School are already getting helps prevent even as much as one minute. That one-minute would allow the teachers and
principal to alert that there might be a situation. We feel that Long Hill School deserves the exact same safety measures that the other elementary schools are also getting in Shelton. Thank you.

**Susan Bergers, 74 Plaskon Drive, Shelton**

I have grandchildren that go to Long Hill School. On one occasion, I had to bring my granddaughter to school and I was so surprised how easily I was able to access the entrance to the school and have a third grader tell me, “Grammy, you cannot go any further than here”. The access was unbelievable; you can just walk right in and take a right and I was not stopped by anyone.

I am not trying to put the blame on anybody, but there should be safety for the faculty and staff. I firmly believe this. There are still unsolved crimes that the Shelton Police Department is still working on that have not been resolved. One was an assault that a man was left for dead, unsolved. Also, there was a murder that was unsolved. Our citizens and children are very important, and I need this to be addressed as soon as possible. Thank you.

Alderman Anglace: Have you; by any chance happen to mention this to the Board of Education?

Jennifer Sanborn: We were at the PIBC meeting earlier this week, stating our concerns for the double door and the card reader at Long Hill.

Alderman Anglace: We will make sure that they receive a copy of the minutes at our meeting so they know what you said here.

Jennifer Sanborn: I believe the Board of Education is aware that Long Hill School is not receiving the second set of doors, as Mohegan School and Elizabeth Shelton School. We were told to come to make them aware that the Long Hill School community has concerns, that they are not receiving a second set of doors, like Mohegan School and Elizabeth Shelton School. We were also told to come to the Board of Aldermen meeting, to make you aware that we have these concerns about the safety of Long Hill School. We were told that it was not economical or feasible, but there is a way to put a second set of doors outside, underneath the portico. The PIBC mentioned that plans were underway but that was not the original information that was given to the Long Hill School community about the safety.

Alderman Anglace: Are they addressing it?

Jennifer Sanborn: They are addressing it based on the fact that they heard that we have been meeting, and that we are concerned about this issue. There is no reason why Mohegan School and Elizabeth Shelton School should have a second set of doors, whereas Long Hill School does not have that second set of doors. Maybe we can talk about it and work out the issues so that Long Hill School is the same. God forbid, it is not worth discussing later why an accident happened at Long Hill School and we could
have had the other things that the other schools in town were getting and we did not voice our concerns.

Alderman Anglace: Just for the record so we can keep track of what is going on, you spoke to the Public Improvement Building Committee.

Jennifer Sanborn: Yes, I did on Tuesday night.

Alderman Anglace: They are the ones that are in charge of making these changes?

Jennifer Sanborn: That is correct.

Alderman Anglace: Good. Did you also bring this also to the Board of Education’s attention?

Jennifer Sanborn: I believe the Board of Education is fully aware of this.

Alderman Anglace: I am sure the Public Improvement Building Committee has it in their minutes, but we will make sure what goes on tonight, our minutes will get sent to the Board of Education so they know your concerns.

Jennifer Sanborn: We were told to go to the PIBC meeting, as well as tonight to make sure that everyone is in the loop to know that Long Hill School has that safety issue. Again, we do not want to over advertise, due to the sensitivity and security of the security issue by making it known to everyone that there can be potential lack of security.

Alderman Finn: Alderman Anglace, if I may, I believe there is a motion for two schools that we are going to add Long Hill School on to it. It should come back to us with a motion to include Long Hill School and a source of funding.

Alderman Anglace: It does not have to come back here at this point. The Public Improvement Building Committee has to engineer it before they come to us for money.

Alderman Finn: We have to get that message to include the school.

Alderman Anglace: Let us first find out if they are working on that. Is there anyone else who would like to address the Board?

**Vincent Maiolo, Fairfield, CT**

My two great granddaughters both attend Long Hill Elementary School. I pick up my youngest granddaughter once or twice a week at Long Hill Elementary. If you allow me two or three minutes to comment on something unexpected that had happened to me 27 months ago, in Sandy Hook, CT. I will also tie in the Long Hill situation with my story.

It was Christmas Eve, December 2012, and I woke up to tell my wife that I had to go to Sandy Hook, to see the memorial. I asked my wife to see if she wanted to come with me
but she said she would not be able to handle it. I went to the Sandy Hook memorial early in the morning, walked around and said a couple of prayers, and looked at the memorial for ten or fifteen minutes. I then went to a diner in Sandy Hook Center. So I walked back to my car and stopped at the diner for a cup of coffee. I went in and sat at the counter next to the cash register. About a minute went by and a man came by with a woman in her early 60s, who was his wife. He was paying his bill at the cash register, and that was where I was. He looked at me and said, “How are you doing?” I said, “I am doing fine, how are you doing?” He said, “I lost my granddaughter; she is gone”. Of course I did not expect anything like that, so I was silent for 30 seconds then spoke some words of comfort to him. I asked what his granddaughter’s name was, and he told me her name was Josephine Gay. When I went home, I googled her name, Josephine Gay, and Josephine Gay was a 7-year-old beautiful, autistic little girl who never spoke a word in her 7 years of life. Here we are tonight and I went to the other meetings and mentioned this. Here we are, talking about safety 27 months at a grammar school.

Let me tie in my experience with Long Hill School. In September was the first time that I was there. I walked in and there was a sign that said “press the button outside, the door is open”. I walked into the school and I was shocked; I was absolutely shocked. Thirty feet to my right was four doors securely open. To my left, there were two doors that were securely open. I could have just walked right in with no one stopping me. There was a single set of doors and we just walked right in. The four doors on the right led to the cafeteria and the classroom. The two doors that were open on the left led to classrooms and the library. I know that is a logistics problem with the way that school was constructed, but the safety is horrible. I cringe every time I go there. They did make some improvements where you have to sign for your child to pick them up, but there is absolutely no security. I mentioned at other meetings that those doors are used constantly, and that is one thing when you look at this to make sure you are using heavy duty hardware on the outside doors because those doors are used constantly and are the first ones to wear out. So if we are going to do any engineering that is one thing that needs to be looked at.

I am here to support my two great grandchildren, and all of the kids at Long Hill School. I am here to support all of the kids in Shelton. All I am saying is that Long Hill wants its fair share of financial funds that are available like all of the other schools. Look at Long Hill like you look at everyone else. It does not need an awful lot of safety improvements and upgrades. I thank you for listening, and I know Josie is looking down hopefully smiling at us and saying, “hey, you guys are doing something tonight”. I appreciate it, and I look forward for your support on supplying Long Hill with the financial funds to upgrade the safety conditions that are needed there. Thank you so much for listening.

Judson Crawford, 8 Jordan Avenue, Shelton

I have two questions tonight. The first thing that I have to say is the job before you is going to take you a heck of a long time for you to review every single budget within this City, to come up with a balanced budget. However, I have one question for the Finance Committee: The Board of Aldermen, you have passed a proposed budget, a budget last year for municipal sewer usage in the amount of $1. I am not asking for anyone to
answer my question right now, but just to keep you aware, why has $69,498 been expended from that one line item?

Number two: Having to do with your meeting this evening. It is for Item 10.5 Waiver of RFP Process Pension Plan Service Provider. About two weeks ago, I sat through a bid opening and there were quite a few companies making their proposals for an RFP. I just read this last sentence, “in order that the City may negotiate with various service providers”. If you look in the annual audit, you are looking at a figure of over $34 million that is in the Pension Plans. This procedure has been working well, but someone within your board, someone from the administration could say we want more negotiations with other, various service providers. That is the only question that I have for you. Thank you.

Alderman Anglace: Is there anyone else that would like to address the board?

Alderman Finn: I would like to address the board. Would you like me to stay up here, or go to the podium?

Alderman Anglace: Let’s allow anyone else from the public have a chance to address us.

**Sarah Bergers, 12 Laurelwood Drive, Shelton**

I am also from the Long Hill School PTA. I have two children in the school: a fourth grader and a second grader. I am here on behalf of our school to advocate for those safety upgrades. As Jennifer was mentioning, there was two other schools that are slotted to get the double door entry and the card reader. The other two elementary schools mentioned already have the double doors there, and are getting the card reader. Essentially we just want the same safety measures that are in place for Long Hill Schools, which the other elementary schools have. I know it was expressed to us back in January that it was not initially to go with the plan of the double doors and card reader to Long Hill School, simply because it was too expensive to make those accommodations there. I would like to ask you to approve the funding when it does come to you. The safety of our children is no less important than any other elementary school in town, and we certainly hope that the funding be approved in our school to make sure that we get the same safety upgrades that all of the other schools are getting. Thank you.

Mayor Lauretti: On that note, I can share some light. I met there on Monday morning with the Superintendent, and the architect and we are going to make that change. Under the canopy there is going to be another set of double doors that will be enclosed with all of the safety features.

Alderman Finn: I want to concur with the parents and members of the PTA of Long Hill School. I was a first responder shortly after the Sandy Hook shooting, and I did participate in some of the burials. I do not want to ever see that again.

Mayor Lauretti: Is there anyone else wishing to address the board?

Judson Crawford: Just to bring you up to date, the 8 companies submitted their request.
MARCH 12, 2015
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
FULL BOARD MEETING

Add-Ons

Alderman Anglace MOVED to add the following items to the agenda:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.2 DISCUSSION RELATIVE TO THE DOWNTOWN MATTO PROPERTY, KYLE’S CORNER, BACK TO THE POLISH CLUB

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Agenda Items

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Alderman Anglace MOVED to waive the reading and approve the following meeting minutes:

1. Public Hearing- February 5, 2015
2. Regular Full Board Meeting – February 11, 2015

SECONDED by Alderman Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Minutes can be viewed on the city website: www.cityofshelton.org.

5.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE

5.1.1 NO ITEMS

5.2 PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

5.2.1 NO ITEMS

5.3 STREET COMMITTEE

5.3.1 NO ITEMS
REPORT OF THE MAYOR -

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT –

I have a report on the status of Alderman John Papa. John is making great progress; he has some serious problems but he is recuperating. He had a series of doctor visits this week, so he might be cleared to go back to full and normal living. He looks good; he feels good and is making good progress.

6.0 LEGAL REPORT

6.1 CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman Anglace MOVED to authorize a total payment of $2,750.00 to Corporation Counsel Welch, Teodosio, Stanek and Blake, LLC, for services rendered per statement dated March 6, 2015, with funds to come from the following Legal Services Accounts:

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SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion:

Atty. Welch: Mayor, if I may just very briefly, I just wanted you to know that your agenda came out slightly late as a result of not in the administration, but we were delayed in getting certain information to the administration. I know it was late getting to you this week, but I just wanted to let you know that it will not happen again. It was not caused by anyone in the office; they were waiting for our office to get the information.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

6.2 ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman Anglace MOVED to authorize a total payment of $379.50 to Assistant Corporation Counsel Ramon Sous for services rendered per statement dated March 1, 2015 with funds to come from the following Legal Services Accounts:

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SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

7  LEGISLATIVE - OLD

7.1 ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING
7.1 A NO ITEMS

8  FINANCIAL BUSINESS OLD

8.1 NO ITEMS

9  FINANCIAL BUSINESS NEW

9.1  MARCH STATUTORY REFUNDS

Alderman Anglace MOVED that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of $11,157.07 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 to from Statutory Refunds Account 001-0000-311.13.00.

SECONDED by Aldermen Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION passed unanimously.

9.2  FUNDING FOR CITY HALL’S WOMEN’S RESTROOM

Alderman Anglace MOVED to add renovations to the women’s restroom on the first floor of City Hall to the Capital Improvement Plan with funding in the amount of $15,000 to come from LOCIP.

SECONDED by Alderman McPherson. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

9.3  FUNDING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR RIVERWALK PHASE 3

Alderman Anglace MOVED to be it resolved that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton approve the proposed agreement between the City of Shelton and Milone and MacBroom, of Cheshire, CT., in an amount not to exceed $156,388.00 for professional services including but not limited to survey and data collection, route analysis, preliminary design, and related costs, for the Housatonic Riverwalk Phase 3 program
and authorize Mayor Mark Lauretti to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Shelton; and Be it resolved the Board of Aldermen appropriates the amount of $182,388.00 which amount includes the engineering fee and administrative and legal expenses, from General Fund Surplus, with up to 80% reimbursable from the CT Department of Transportation, under two Federal earmarks awarded to the City of Shelton. It is further resolved that the Board of Aldermen designate the Shelton Economic Development Corporation to act on its behalf as implementation agency for the Housatonic Riverwalk Phase 3 project.

Mayor Lauretti: The recommendation is to take no action at this time because this is a project that is going to be done in phases but in terms of the engineering agreement, I think it should be a little more complete in terms of the costs for the other phases associated with the project. So, we will have this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

No action taken.

9.4 FUNDING FOR SHS FIRE CODE COMPLIANCE ISSUES

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the following resolution:

Be it hereby resolved, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton authorizes the City of Shelton’s Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Education and to accept or reject a grant for the sprinkler project at Shelton High School.

Further be it resolved, that the Shelton High School Code Compliance Building Committee is hereby established as the building committee with regard to the sprinkler project at Shelton High School.

Further be it resolved, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton hereby authorizes at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the sprinkler project at Shelton High School.

SECONDED by Alderman Finn.

Discussion:

Mayor Lauretti: I think there is another addition to this motion that would be in order. The State likes to understand that the municipality has made a financial commitment to the project. I think we need to amend this motion, and incorporate our authorization for financing without a specific dollar amount.

Alderman Anglace: We should do two things: We will acknowledge that we do support and will finance the project. Secondly, at the end of the project we need to indicate that the Board of Education will file for the necessary refunds from the State. This has been
a bone of contention with us in the past that many times, we have completed projects and they are jumping to get us our reimbursements and that is their responsibility. So let’s identify who is responsible for that upfront.

Alderman Finn: I moved. Is there a second to the motion to include the funding?

Mayor Lauretti: Let’s clarify what the amendment is going to say.

Atty. Welch: I would suggest adding another further be it resolved, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton hereby endorses and will authorize the appropriate funding as necessary going to the sprinkler project at Shelton High School.

Further be it resolved, that the Board of Aldermen directs that the Board of Education shall file all necessary paperwork to obtain any reimbursements from the State.

Alderman Finn MOVED to accept the amendment:

Further be it resolved, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton hereby endorses and will authorize the appropriate funding as necessary going to the sprinkler project at Shelton High School.

Further be it resolved, that the Board of Aldermen directs that the Board of Education shall file all necessary paperwork to obtain any reimbursements from the State.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion:

Mayor Lauretti: Now we have the amendment that we will vote on first. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

Mayor Lauretti: Now we will vote on the motion as amended.

Alderman Finn: Can I ask a question first?

Mayor Lauretti: Yes.

Alderman Finn: The email that I sent indicates it is $995,000 for the cost of the project. Is this the total cost of the project, or are we phasing the project in?

Mayor Lauretti: That is an estimate of the cost of the project.

Alderman Finn: The total cost?

Mayor Lauretti: It is an estimate of the cost.

Alderman Finn: Is the whole school going to be done at one time?
Mayor Lauretti: I do not know if it can be done all at one time. The logistics will dictate in conjunction with the principal. They still need to conduct educational activities and recreational activities. There is just a lot of interference that goes along with sprinkling a building of that size.

Alderman Finn: By sprinkling the building, is that going to address the concerns of the State? It is probably going to reduce the number of fire code violations down to a very small amount to be addressed.

Mayor Lauretti: That is the point of sprinkling the building.

Alderman Anglace: One other point for the history as you recall, we were thinking differently in the beginning of the committee. Whether we were led to believe, we thought the price was going to be much higher. When the Mayor saw the estimate come down, it was realistic. It is a project that could have been done. It was a huge number before, but now it is within reason and he jumped on it immediately, as well as the committee.

Mayor Lauretti: I think originally when we did the first rehabilitation project around 7 years ago on Shelton High School, that project was close to $6 to $8 million. Unbeknownst to anyone, the infrastructure that was necessary for the sprinkler system in the building was already in place. For the life of me I do not understand how that was missed, but it did to our benefit.

Alderman Finn: It took us 5 years to get this far, so we can conclude it in a very short period of time.

Alderman Finn MOVED to approve the motion as amended.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and motion PASSED unanimously.

9.5 FUNDING FOR RIVERWALK FENCING

Alderman Anglace notes that he is changing the wording of the original motion.

Alderman Anglace MOVED to add this project to the Capital Improvements list and approve the replacement of the posts and the rails of the fencing at Riverview Park, in the amount of $5,998.80 with funding to come from LOCIP.

SECONDED by Alderman McPherson. A voice vote was taken and motion PASSED unanimously.

10. - LEGISLATIVE - NEW
10.1 ITEMS TO PUBLIC HEARING

10.1 A. AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #848 CONTRACT CHIEF OF POLICE

Public Hearing scheduled for March 24, 2015.

10.2 APPOINTMENT TO ANTI-LITTER COMMITTEE

Alderman Anglace MOVED to appoint Sheryl Maybeck-Dutkanicz to the Anti-Litter Committee effectively immediately.

Sheryl Maybeck-Dutkanicz- R
305 Soundview Avenue
Shelton, CT  06484
203-924-2732

SECONDED by Alderman McPherson. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

10.3 RELEASE OF EASEMENT – MOHEGAN ROAD

Alderman Anglace MOVED to release the slope rights and easements set forth in a deed recorded in Volume 856 at Page 86 of the Shelton Land Records regarding 107 Mohegan Road as same are no longer necessary and further authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute any and all documents to effectuate said release.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and motion PASSED unanimously.

10.4 RESOLUTION- REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS

Alderman Anglace MOVED to amend the Resolution entitled “Request for Proposal Process” adopted by the Board of Aldermen on June 11, 1998 and last amended July 9, 2009 to conform to the revisions to the Charter and to include Investment/Financial Advisors and Administrators pursuant to Section 7.14 (c)(3).

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken, motion PASSED 6-1 (Finn opposed).

10.5 WAIVER FOR RFP PROCESS – PENSION PLAN SERVICE PROVIDER
Alderman Anglace MOVED to waive the RFP process relative to the service providers (recordkeeping, administration and investments) for the City’s 401(a) Money Purchase Pension Plan and 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan in order that the City may negotiate with various service providers.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion:

Alderman Anglace: Can you give us a little background on this?

Mayor Lauretti: We did an RFP; we took and evaluated the proposals. During the process we had learned that two of the criteria in the RFP, with one of them being the providers being able to have experience working with pension plans, in the amount of $50 million. That limit really took a lot of the players out of the process, so we re-evaluated and our pension is $32 million. Where we came up with the $50 million is anyone’s guess but it was in the specifications, and we feel in the interest of the pension plan that we should bring in as many players as possible. There are some right within our borders that are very capable and do not have an opportunity to be able to compete for it.

There was another caveat in the specifications that called for 54 days of education, where the company would come in and meet with our employees and provide education on pensions and their particular investments. It is kind of uncommon, as I am told from the industry to have that much education built into it. That was another factor that kept a lot of people away from the bid process, so we have some good competitive bids right now. We feel that there are going to be four, five, six or seven other players that will come in once we allow them to. So that is the reason for the waiver.

Alderman Finn: Mr. Mayor, the process was flawed from the beginning. The RFP went out for $50 million, yet the pension amount of the City employees, I was told $34 million and tonight you told me it was $32 million. That is a difference of $15 million, and that is quite a bit of a mistake to put out there in an RFP. I believe instead of waiving the process tonight, this probably should go out to bid one more time to do it correctly.

Mayor Lauretti: I want to correct you: the process was not flawed. The process is what it is. We are waiving in an effort to allow more people to compete for it because we set limits that did not allow for them to compete. That does not make it flawed. When something is flawed, something was done erroneous during the solicitation.

Alderman Finn: Why was the RFP for $50 million when there was not $50 million? There was only, you said $32 million but I was told $34 million. I will go with your number of $32 million, but it is a difference of $15 million. So that was the big mistake to go out for an RFP.
Mayor Lauretti: It was not a mistake; we could have said $100 million if we wanted to. It is the prerogative of the people who are soliciting. Again, this is an effort to bring more people into the equation.

Alderman Anglace: Is this the recommendation of the Pension Board?

Mayor Lauretti: It is.

Alderman Anglace: In effect, if we waive this, the Pension Board will be the ones involved? Will they be able to conduct a process similar to requests for proposals?

Mayor Lauretti: No, we have done that. We have spent a lot of time going over this to get other players into the equation who can be competitive with the investment of our funds.

Alderman Anglace: When you say that, explain that. Are you looking on the return on the investment? Are we looking for people to do administrative things for us?

Mayor Lauretti: It is always the return on investment, but you have to have the right vehicle in place. I do not profess to be the expert here. In fact, the reason why we have a Pension Board is because I felt it was way out of character and beyond the scope of the Mayor, whoever the Mayor is to be able to understand a very technical area like pensions.

Alderman Finn: Mr. Mayor, I attended one of the meetings and I listened to the employees speak and they all pointed out to the fact that these are all union contracts. Anything that board does or anything that the City does, the unions have to be in agreement on. Am I correct on that?

Mayor Lauretti: I am not going to get in to that right now; that is a separate issue. We are here tonight for the waiver of the RFP process for the pensions. Just because someone says something, it does not mean that it is true.

Alderman Anglace: Our action to waive this tonight, the Pension Board would be given the opportunity to interact with a number of new companies that have not bid, as well as those who have bid.

Mayor Lauretti: Correct. When we did the solicitation and we realized that some very good players did not participate. We called them on the phone and asked them why. All of them consistently pointed out these two points to us, so it makes more sense to make it more competitive for our recipients, our employees.

Alderman Finn: You could have gone out for a new RFP based on our findings.

Mayor Lauretti: It is easy to say that. It is another thing to be able to select a company; a provider of your choice to have a level of comfort and to have a vehicle in place that creates a financing mechanism that is the best that we can get for our employees. I do
not think you can get that from doing a bid. It is not like you are buying 2 x 4’s where you are testing the market for a new item. Bonds and pensions are very volatile in the market, and again I do not profess to understand the intricacies of them. We have three, high-powered individuals who are on the Pension Board that know this cold, and they know it in their sleep and we have to trust them. I do.

Alderman Anglace: I do not have a problem trusting them because you appointed them, and we authorized you to do that. What I am concerned about and what I want to dwell on is what is the City going to negotiate? The return on investment? What is it?

Mayor Lauretti: Yes, it is the return on investment and there are different ways in which you can get the return on investment.

Alderman McGorty: First of all, there are some really smart, experienced people on board so rest assured and they are behind us which speaks volumes. I think what you are asking when they say differently is yes, there is always the return on the investment, which the Mayor and all are looking for. Are you asking, is this going to allow more participants in the mix, but number two, what are the types of participants? Are they just going to be doing recordkeeping and administration? It states here recordkeeping, administration and investments, so it states all three. Is that the answer to your question? It is not just recordkeeping.

Alderman Anglace: Yes that clarifies that point.

Alderman McGorty: Another thing I would like to add is that I am glad that we have these high-experienced people because of the regulations, which are not mentioned here tonight. Regulations in pensions are very intricate, and the fines are huge if you do shall do something incorrect.

Alderman Anglace: It is about ROI, administration and compliance. Thank you.

A voice vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED 6-1 (Finn opposed).

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At approximately 7:40 p.m., Alderman Anglace MOVED to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following items:

11.1 CITY OF SHELTON VS. SPEASE

11.2 DISCUSSION RELATIVE TO THE DOWNTOWN MATTO PROPERTY, KYLE’S CORNER, BACK TO THE POLISH CLUB

and invited Corporation Counsel Welch to remain in the auditorium during the Executive Session; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.
**RETURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At approximately 8:00 p.m. Alderman Anglace MOVED to return to Regular Session; SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

It was noted that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

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**11.1 CITY OF SHELTON VS. SPEASE**

Alderman McPherson MOVED to approve the agreement between the City of Shelton and the Bank of New York, relative to 13 Huntington Avenue, Shelton, CT, as presented.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

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**11.2 DISCUSSION RELATIVE TO THE DOWNTOWN MATTO PROPERTY, KYLE’S CORNER, BACK TO THE POLISH CLUB**

No action taken.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Kudej MOVED to adjourn.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany Gannon, Clerk
Board of Aldermen

DATE APPROVED: _______________BY: ____________________________
Mark A. Lauretti
Mayor, City of Shelton