CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti called the Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. All those present rose and pledged allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti, City of Shelton

AGENDA ITEM

1. 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 the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the sprinkler project at Shelton High School.

Further be it resolved, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton hereby endorses and authorizes funding in the amount of $995,000 for the sprinkler project at Shelton High School with funding to come from General Fund Surplus. Any state reimbursement will revert back to the General Fund.

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 Finn.

Discussion:
Mayor Lauretti: The only question I have is do we have to rescind the previous motion?

Alderman Anglace: I think it would be prudent to do that so we do not come back and forth to do this. I amend the motion to rescind the previous motion.

Alderman Anglace MOVED to amend the motion to rescind the previous motion.

SECONDED by Alderman Papa.

Mayor Lauretti: The motion was made and seconded. Now, we are going to vote on the amendment first.

A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.
Mayor Lauretti: Now we will vote on the motion as amended.

A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

2. ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

Alderman Anglace MOVED to adopt the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton, in accordance with Section 7.16 of the Charter, that the budget documents submitted by the Mayor on March 16, 2015 be adopted subject to the following amendments/adjustments and that they be accepted as the official budget and mill rate for the City of Shelton for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

2015-2016 BOARD OF ALDERMEN CHANGES TO MAYOR’S BUDGET

EXPENDITURES

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TOTAL EXPENDITURE INCREASES: $121,368
TOTAL EXPENDITURE DECREASES: $32,868
**NET INCREASE TO MAYOR’S BUDGET: $88,500**

**2015-2016 BOARD OF ALDERMEN CHANGES TO MAYOR’S BUDGET**

### REVENUES

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**TOTAL REVENUE INCREASES: $948,683**  
**TOTAL REVENUE DECREASES: $877,784**  
**NET INCREASE TO MAYOR’S BUDGET: $70,899**

Resulting in a total budget of $120,763,270 for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. The mill rate shall be established at 22.31 mills, with a collection date for fiscal year 2015-2016 to be July 1, 2015 and January 1, 2016 for real estate, July 1, 2015 for personal property taxes less than $5,000 and July 1, 2015 and January 1, 2016 for personal property taxes equal to or greater than $5,000 and July 1, 2015 for the motor vehicle tax with the exception of those that carry their own collection date as determined by statute under motor vehicle supplement. Any tax under $5 will be waived. Also be it resolved that the Board of Aldermen officially accepts the Capital Improvements Program as submitted by the Mayor.

SECONDED by Alderman Papa.

**Discussion:**

Alderman Finn: On the accounts side, I can only recall three items that we actually discussed at the Board of Aldermen meeting and at the Board of A & T. The rest, I have no idea where they came from. On the revenue side, we did not discuss any of these items, and what is most disappointing is that the Board of Aldermen failed to fund the Board of Education to a level of importance. With that, I cannot support this budget.

Mayor Lauretti: Any other further discussion?

President Anglace delivers his Budget Message:
The Board of Aldermen wishes to thank all City departments, department heads, the Mayor, the Board of Apportionment and Taxation, the Finance Director, his staff, the public and many others for their input into the 2015-2016 budget process.

This budget demonstrates our ability to work in the best interest of Shelton’s citizens and taxpayers. This spending and taxation plan will manage our City well and give our citizens one of the most affordable tax rates in Connecticut without raising taxes. This budget also adds stability to our business community allowing them to grow and hopefully create much needed jobs. And, it helps Shelton families manage their living expenses.

With the continuation of a dismal economy especially in Connecticut, Shelton has done well to experience Grand List growth of approximately eight tenths of one percent (.8). We continue to be the envy of most Connecticut municipalities and the CT City of investment choice.

The Board of Aldermen applauds our Board of Education, their Administrators, Teachers and support staff for the excellent education product they continue to turn out year after year. However, we have many unanswered questions about some aspects of Board of Education spending and are committed to partnering with our education colleagues in the weeks ahead to examine a number of important spending issues. I will be contacting the Chairman of the Board of Education to set up a joint meeting.

We have provided an education product second to none. Everyone has a stake in providing a good education service at an affordable price. The Board of Aldermen has every confidence that working together with the Board of Education, the Mayor and the Superintendent we can build on the successes of the past.

The Board of Aldermen has indicated that it would be receptive to Board of Education Capital spending up to $350,000 similar to the process followed last year.

I thank everyone for their patience and understanding throughout the budget process.

Mayor Lauretti: Any further discussion?

Alderman Finn: Yes, I have one question to Alderman Anglace: Are you looking at putting the operating expenses under any bonding?

Alderman Anglace: No, not that I know of.

Alderman Finn: Good, because that is illegal. Okay, thank you.

A voice vote was taken and five were in favor and one did not vote (Finn).

ADJOURNMENT
Alderman Anglace MOVED to adjourn at approximately 7:15 pm. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the motion PASSED unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Gannon, Clerk
Board of Aldermen