

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2010
7:00 P.M. IN ROOM 104
SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT**

◆ CALL OF THE MEETING/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Papa at 7:00 P.M. in Room 104 Shelton City Hall. All in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

IN ATTENDANCE: **CHAIRMAN PAPA
ALDERMAN FINN
ALDERMAN MCGORTY (7:05 p.m.)**

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: **CHIEF HURLIMAN
ATTY. THOMAS WELCH
ALDERMAN MCPHERSON
FIRE MARSHAL TORTORA**

◆ PUBLIC PORTION

No one spoke from the public at this time.

◆ AGENDA ITEMS

Alderman Finn moved to add to the agenda item 2.2 Amendment to Article VI Pawnbrokers and 2.3 Streetlight Request – Pole 4278 or 4277. Seconded by Alderman Papa. All in favor. Motion carried 2-0

◆ CORRESPONDENCE

No additional correspondence

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 1, 2010

Alderman Finn Moved to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Public Health & Safety Meeting of September 1, 2010. Seconded by Alderman Papa. All in favor. Motion carried 2-0.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 91 HILLSIDE AVENUE – REQUEST FOR MIRROR FOR DANGEROUS CURVE/HILL

Alderman Finn moved to forward to Chief of Police for his review and recommendation the request for a mirror for dangerous curve/hill at 91 Hillside Ave. to be installed by Hillside Estate Condo Association. Seconded by Alderman McGorty. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

Alderman Papa and Chief Hurliman discuss that the Association will be responsible for the cost of the mirror if approved.

2.2 Amendment to Article VI Pawnbrokers

Chief Hurliman requests that Corporation Counsel review his revisions (which are in italic) to this ordinance. It tightens regulations up on pawnbrokers and precious metals sales. It recommends a holding period. It is about license and limited liability.

Alderman Finn asks if 21-40 was ever requested of the Shelton Pawn Shop. Chief states this ordinance will give them a requirement to ask this of them.

Alderman Finn asks the cost of refusal of application. It depends on reasons – felony etc. Fine will be changed to \$250.00

This will be sent to Corporation Counsel for review.

2.3 Streetlight Request – Angel Avenue

Alderman Finn moved to forward the streetlight request on Pole #'s 4278 or #4277 to the Chief of Police for review and recommendation. Seconded by Alderman McGorty. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

William Berthold – 18 Angel Ave.

Mr. Berthold states to the committee that incidents have happened lately in the neighborhood because of the darkness of the road. Cars turn down Angell Ave. or come up from Sunset Drive to cut through between Toas & Sunset. There has been a robbery at 16 Angell Ave and also ornaments stolen, mailbox blown up and cars drive through yards. Pole#4278 is on the curve in front of Ed Kochis's house. Senior Citizens are on edge. There are teens sitting out there, sometimes at 3:00 a.m. There is now a lot of vandalism. Ed Kochis says there are kids out there and you can't see who is out there. They have reported to Police about stolen items.

Alderman Papa states that the Chief will go out and investigate. He asked which pole do they think is better. Pole #4278 on the curve is the more beneficial pole.

Mr. Berthold would like to be notified when a decision is reached.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 REVIEW OF IDENTIFICATION OF LANDLORD ORDINANCE

This ordinance has been here for a couple of months. Alderman Finn states there was a meeting with the Mayor that the Assessor's office doesn't have the capabilities to handle this. The Fire Marshal has all this information as far as landlords are concerned. Alderman Papa states the Deputy Assessor states they do not have the manpower to handle this. The chronic abusers

are on record with Fire Marshal, Building Official and they will be funneled to Administrative Assistant.

Alderman McPherson states what about new landlords. How will they know? It is stated they will find out from Building Official and Town Clerk's Office. Who will enforce it?

FM Tortora states that is why this ordinance came into effect. It is because no one had the information.

Alderman Papa states they talked to Mrs. DeFilippo also because of anti-blight.

Alderman Finn questions information with Administrative Assistant having all the information. FM Tortora has the info on three family homes or more.

FM Tortora states he has a software program that can handle this. He works very closely with Building Inspector – if he needs info – he can get it from them.

Alderman Papa asked about this ordinance – is any one person responsible to gather facts – Atty. Welch answer – Assessor. But that is no longer feasible.

FM Tortora can build the file and if any one wants the info they will come to his office for the file. His software can handle this.

Atty. Welch will rewrite the ordinance – take out Assessor and also upon passing this ordinance what about (a) how do you notify people; how they can do this – upon request? – Shall upon request file with Fire Marshal – then if in violation be fined. FM Tortora states when you go through Building Dept. or if you rent your house – you go through Building Dept. Also section (c) take out Assessor.

3.2 REVIEW OF AMENDMENTS TO FIRE LANE ORDINANCE

FM Tortora states ordinance is 40 years old. Difference is the signs at entrances, warning no parking in fire lanes. The property owner is responsible for putting up signs and markings. FM Tortora and Atty. John Welch will discuss (d) about size of signs. FM and Police will enforce violations. The fine will be \$90.00 to match state fines for parking. The fine will stay at \$250.00 for violation of signage. Atty. Welch states they will be working on signage size for the wording.

4. REPORTS OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES

A. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Alderman Finn questions Bundle Billing. Alderman McGorty will be working with Bob Pettinella on obtaining more details – backup for each month on billing to be presented to the City. There is no final ruling on Bundle Billings legality. It is also stated that Derby does not contribute to VEMS in their budget. But they still get service

B. POLICE SERVICES

August & September Infraction Report is submitted with Agenda.

C. FIRE SERVICES

FM Tortora states recently new law was passed to issue a citation for fire violation on the spot. No warning. One issued already and City gets 90% of money from citations.

D. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

E. FIRE MARSHAL

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Finn moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Seconded by Alderman McGorty. All in favor. Motion carried

3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

**Margaret Weber, Clerk
Public Health & Safety Comm.
Board of Aldermen**