Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Anglace called the meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. All those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call

Alderman John F. Anglace, Jr., President – present
Alderman Eric McPherson, Vice President – present
Alderman David Gidwani – present
Alderman Stanley Kudej – present
Alderman Noreen McGorty – present
Alderman Cris Balamaci - present
Alderman Jim Capra – not present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti – present

Administration:

Attorney Francis Teodosio, Corporation Counsel

PUBLIC PORTION

Lauren Moore, 5 White Birch Court

As we approach budget season, please be open minded and approve any request from the Board of Education when it comes to mental health professionals, like school counselors in the elementary schools, social workers or even something like drug prevention specialists. As a community we do need to support our children and families. I personally believe that every school, not just Perry Hill, SIS and SHS, should have a full-time counselor. It’s just like a school nurse. School nurses are available in the event of a medical emergency and a school counselor should be available at every school during the school hours. Some of our elementary schools only have a counselor available one day a week. Additionally, I continue to request an open dialogue that is kept between Mayor Lauretti, Chief Sequeira and Dr. Clouet on a plan to fund additional school resource officers. As you are aware surrounding districts have increased the number of school resource officers. We should not be the last to implement a larger program. I have done everything that everyone has told me to do. I have met with the police chief. I have spoken with Dr. Clouet. I have spoken with Mayor Lauretti and to my knowledge Dr. Clouet has not received any response to the letter that he was asked to submit to request additional SRO’s for schools. Again, I am just asking that the conversation is
kept open and hopefully we are not last to be implementing additional school resource officers. Thank you.

Alderman Anglace asked if anyone else wished to address the Board.

Being none, he closed the public session.

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

**FINANCIAL NEW**
9.2 AMENDMENT TO TRANSFER STATION LEASE AGREEMENT

**LEGISLATIVE NEW**
10.3 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2017 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

10.4 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

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

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

Alderman McPherson MOVED to waive the reading and approve the meeting minutes of the December 13, 2018 Regular Full Board Meeting; SECONDED by Alderman Balamaci.

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

Minutes can be viewed on the city website: [www.cityofshelton.org](http://www.cityofshelton.org)

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**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

NO REPORT.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Well, I don’t know how much of a report this is but this communication from Chris Kolmar of HomeSnacks.net, a publication on the web, lists the Ten Best Places to Live in Connecticut for 2019 and Shelton is listed as #1. If you’d like to see the full list you can go on HomeSnacks.net. That’s positive news and thought you should know about it.

6.0 LEGAL REPORT

6.1 CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman McPherson MOVED to authorize a total payment of $1,811.50 to Corporation Counsel Teodosio Stanek, LLC, for services rendered per statement dated January 4, 2019, with funds to come from the Legal Fees account 001-1900-411.30-03; SECONDED by Alderman Kudej.

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

6.2 ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

6.2 NO INVOICE.

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 **JANUARY STATUTORY REFUNDS**

Alderman McPherson MOVED that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of $24,649.88 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.

9.2 **AMENDMENT TO TRANSFER STATION LEASE AGREEMENT**

Alderman McPherson MOVED to approve the amended and restated Shelton Transfer Station Lease Agreement by and between the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority (MIRA), formerly known as the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority.

Further authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the same. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

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

Alderman Anglace: This is a good move. We are expanding the size of the Transfer Station and I will tell you it is really used on a daily basis. In the back you have a map showing what’s going to be done and they will move the fence around and expand. This is a good move.

10 – LEGISLATIVE - NEW

10.1 **ITEMS TO PUBLIC HEARING**

10.1 NO ITEMS.

10.2 **REAPPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS**

Alderman McPherson MOVED to reappoint Linda Schauwecker to the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term of three years with an expiration date of January 10, 2022.
10.3 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2017 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

Alderman McPherson MOVED to approve the following resolution:

Be it hereby resolved, that the Board of Aldermen may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

Further be it resolved that Mark A. Lauretti, as Mayor of City of Shelton, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the City of Shelton and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents. SECONDED by Alderman McGorty.

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

10.4 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

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Further be it resolved that Mark A. Lauretti, as Mayor of City of Shelton, is authorized
and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the City of
Shelton and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or
appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to,
executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such
documents. SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

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

Alderman Anglace: I would like a comment before we leave. Your city audits were passed
out tonight. Please look them over and we will be scheduling a Special Meeting on
Thursday, January 31st at 7 p.m. to go over it. The auditor will be here, so please come
with any questions you may have.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.A REQUEST TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.1 NO ITEMS.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Adcox
Theresa Adcox, Clerk
Board of Aldermen
These Are The 10 Best Places To Live In Connecticut For 2019

These are the cream of the crop when it comes to the Constitution State

Editor's Note: We updated this article for 2019. This is our fifth time ranking the best places to live in Connecticut.

Swipe left for slideshow. Article continues below.

How do you pick the best places to live in what many agree is the best darn state in the nation? If you do a survey, you’ll get opinions based on most likely, emotions.

That’s why we use science. After all, the data never lies.

After analyzing everything from weather and amenities to crime and education, we’ve come up with the following list as the best places to live in Connecticut. Read on below to see how we calculated the results and where your home town ranked. Hint: If you live in New Haven County, consider yourself lucky.

The Top 10 Best Places to Live in Connecticut are:

1. Shelton (Photos | Homes For Sale)
2. Milford (Photos | Homes For Sale)
3. Middletown (Photos | Homes For Sale)
4. Bristol (Photos | Homes For Sale)
5. Stamford (Photos | Homes For Sale)
6. Norwalk (Photos | Homes For Sale)
7. Groton (Photos | Homes For Sale)
8. Danbury (Photos | Homes For Sale)
9. Naugatuck (Photos | Homes For Sale)
10. West Haven (Photos | Homes For Sale)

Well, it looks like you should check out Shelton if you’re thinking of moving to Connecticut — it’s the best the Constitution State has to offer according to the data.

Follow along as we provide more insight into how we reached our overall best places to live in Connecticut. Please visit www.homesnacks.net for further information.