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 – not present
Alderman Stanley Kudej – present
Alderman Noreen McGorty – present
Alderman Cris Balamaci – not present
Alderman Jim Capra – present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti – present

Administration:

Attorney Thomas Cotter, Assistant Corporation Counsel

Public Portion

Alderman Anglace asked if anyone wished to address the Board.

Being none, he closed the public session.

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

9. FINANCIAL BUSINESS NEW
9.4 FUNDING FOR RICHARD O. BELDEN CENTER RENOVATIONS

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION
11.4 HOFFMAN WORKER’S COMPENSATION

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.
A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Alderman McPherson MOVED to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the following meetings:

1. REGULAR FULL BOARD MEETING – MARCH 14, 2019
2. SPECIAL MEETING – MARCH 28, 2019

Seconded by Alderman Kudej.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

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

NO REPORT

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT
Alderman Anglace: You recall that we approved funding for the parking lot at Shelton High School and we approved funding for the tennis courts at Shelton High School and the State has subsequently notified us that the tennis courts have been denied. We are appealing that. Charlene has asked them to reconsider and they are in the process of reconsidering. The problem is the previous administration in Hartford had relinquished and allowed improvements to be made using Locip funds to schools and school properties. This current administration has changed that executive order and now they are not allowing it. I am keeping my fingers crossed on the parking lot. We made the appeal based on the fact that while the tennis courts are located at the high school, they are used by the community as much as they are used by the high school, in fact maybe even more. And the same thing is true of the parking lot, that gets a lot of community use. So, I don’t know what’s going to happen, but I did want you to be aware of it because depending on what they do, it may come back to the board. If you recall, the tennis courts, we were going to dig around them and take up the black top, the millings and we were going to use the millings on the high school parking lot when we dug it up. So, we just have to play this by ear, but I just wanted you to know.

Alderman McGorty: Does that mean it’s on hold, does that mean the projects on hold?

Alderman Anglace: On hold? Yeah, until we get a definitive response to our appeal. We haven’t heard anything about the parking lot, they didn’t deny that.

6.0 LEGAL REPORT

6.1 CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman McPherson MOVED to authorize a total payment of $2,681.25 to Corporation Counsel Teodosio Stanek, LLC, for services rendered per statement dated April 4, 2019, with funds to come from the Legal Fees account 001-1900-411.30-03.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

6.2 ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman McPherson MOVED to authorize a total payment of $627.00 to Assistant Corporation Counsel Thomas Galvin Cotter for services rendered per statement
dated April 3, 2019, with funds to come from the Legal Fees account 001-1900-411.30-03.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

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 APRIL STATUTORY REFUNDS

Alderman McPherson MOVED that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of $12,455.69 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 Capra.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

9.2 FUNDING FOR MCALLUM ENTERPRISES - THE SHELTON CANAL COMPANY

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $400,000 for the purchase of the McCallum Enterprises property at 305 Canal Street with funding to come from aldermanic bonding pursuant to Section 7.16 of the City Charter.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.
Alderman Anglase: You might recall we did this before and rescinded it and the time has come to pay the piper, so we have to come up with the money, so you are all familiar with this project.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

9.3 FUNDING FOR LANE STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $200,000 for the replacement of Lane Street Bridge over Means Brook with funding to come from aldermanic bonding pursuant to Section 7.16 of the City Charter with funding in an amount of $800,000 to be received from grants from CT State Department of Transportation grants.

Seconded by Alderman Kudej.

Alderman Anglace: This is a pretty good deal. $800,000 and we have $200,000. Incidentally I reported to our State Representatives that not only the funding for this bridge, but funding for Canal Street as well, that the State has been very cooperative and did more of their share in many cases. It’s more like an 80/20 split. The applications that we filed for clean up on the property has just all been received and we are moving ahead, they didn’t hold us up. It’s just been a good experience.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

9.4 FUNDING FOR RICHARD O. BELDEN CENTER RENOVATIONS

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $15,000 for renovations of classrooms at the Richard O. Belden Center with funding to come from aldermanic bonding pursuant to Section 7.16 of the City Charter.

Seconded by Alderman Capra.

Alderman Anglace: The Mayor said if we need him we could call him and he would be glad to explain this, but I will take a shot at it. Valley Adult Education is going in down there, and we are renovating some classrooms to accommodate the move in. I think it’s a great move because The Valley Adult Education will save money and we will fill space down there that’s helping preserve our ability to save it for a long time to come. It’s good. It’s good for everybody.

Alderman Simonetti: I think Representative Belden would be very pleased to have that too.

Alderman Anglase: Oh yes, absolutely.
Alderman Simonetti: We make sure everybody knows about it.

Alderman Anglace: I have the contract here if anybody wants to see it. It’s the same contract we viewed for Center Stage, for United Way, TEAM, all the tenants down there.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

10– LEGISLATIVE – NEW
10.1 ITEMS TO PUBLIC HEARING
10.1 A. NO ITEMS

10.2 APPOINTMENT TO NAUGATUCK VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT

Alderman McPherson MOVED to approve the appointment of Justin Rompre to the Naugatuck Valley Health District Board of Directors effective immediately.

Justin Rompre - R
5 Meadowlark Drive
Shelton, CT 06484
Tel. 203-308-2790

Seconded by Alderman Capra.

Alderman Anglace: If anyone has had a chance to read the resume it’s fantastic.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:15 p.m., Alderman Anglace entertained a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss the following agenda items:

11.1 LEASE FOR VALLEY ADULT EDUCATION
11.2 SCHNEIDER WORKER’S COMPENSATION
11.3 BANGO WORKER’S COMPENSATION
11.4 HOFFMAN WORKER’S COMPENSATION

Motion was MOVED by Alderman McPherson

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.
Alderman Anglace invited Assistant Corporation Counsel Tom Cotter to remain in the auditorium to participate in Executive Session.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

Return to Regular Session

At approximately 7:35 p.m. Alderman McPherson MOVED to return to regular session; SECONDED by Alderman Capra.

Alderman Anglace noted that no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

11.1 LEASE FOR VALLEY ADULT EDUCATION

Attorney Cotter: Mr. President it’s recommended that the Board act on the recommendations of the City Attorney Fran Teodosio as delineated in Executive Session in respect to this issue 11.1.

Motion MOVED by Alderman McPherson.

SECONDED by Alderman Kudej.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

11.2 SCHNEIDER WORKER’S COMPENSATION

Attorney Cotter: Mr. President it’s recommended to entertain a motion to accept the recommendation of Assistant Corporation Council as delineated in Executive Session.

Motion MOVED by Alderman McPherson.

SECONDED by Alderman Capra.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.
11.3 BANGO WORKER’S COMPENSATION

Attorney Cotter: Mr. President it’s recommended to accept the recommendation of Assistant Corporation Council as delineated in Executive Session in respect to matter 11.3.

Motion MOVED by Alderman McPherson.

SECONDED by Alderman Capra.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

11.4 HOFFMAN WORKER’S COMPENSATION

Attorney Cotter: Mr. President it’s recommended to entertain a motion to accept the recommendations of Assistant Corporation Council as delineated in Executive Session with respect to item 11.4

Motion MOVED by Alderman McPherson.

SECONDED by Alderman Capra.

A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman McPherson MOVED to adjourn; Seconded by Alderman Simonetti. A voice vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Rogers

Amy Rogers, Clerk
Board of Aldermen

DATE APPROVED: __________________ BY: ____________________________

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti