Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
Alderman John F. Anglace called the meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. All those present stood and pledged 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- Present
Alderman Jim Capra- Present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti- Present

Administration
Attorney Fran Teodosio, Corporation Counsel

PUBLIC PORTION:
Alderman Anglace asked if anyone wished to address the Board.

Mark Holden, 275 Soundview Avenue, I'm just here to Thank Jimmy Capra, this is his last meeting as an Alderman. Over the years he has done his best to support education while maintaining reasonable taxes. I greatly appreciate the efforts that you have done. I also appreciate the fact that you were one of four Alderman who refused to vote to waste thousand of dollars of taxpayer money on a frivolous lawsuit, Thank you.
Alderman Capra, 11 Elizabeth Street, As you all know tonight is my last Alderman meeting. I want to take a few moments and thank the voters in the 4th Ward and all city residents for the past four years. It has been an honor and privilege serving the City of Shelton. Over the last four years my highest honor was attending the Shelton Veterans Day ceremonies as an Alderman and thanking our veterans for their service to our country. It was my favorite day being an Alderman. I also want to thank many of our great police officers. I have gotten to know many of them and I have much admiration for their service to our city. Our EMS, thank you as well for all you do. To our volunteer Fire Department, who over the last several years, we have become close. It has been an honor to know Bob Araujo and especially Don Zak from the Huntington Fire Dept. Don Zak is a true gem at the Huntington Fire Department and we are blessed to have him. I have also become close with many members of the Echo Hose Fire House downtown. While it may not have been popular by some, I have no regrets on bringing awareness to issues like the flooring and among others so our fire men and women are safe and provided for. Your job is to put out fires and save lives, I felt it was our duty as Alderman to make sure you were safe and provided for at all times. Thank you to Theresa Adcox who is not here tonight she is the Alderman clerk, who was very helpful especially when I was first elected as an Alderman. You have always made my job easy especially when I first started here as I had a lot to learn. You are awesome and I was lucky to have known you. The last person who I would like to speak about is John Anglace, the President of the Board of Alderman. While I know there may be some hard feelings, I want you to know I have the utmost respect for your dedication and commitment to our city. The residents of our city have no idea of the countless hours you give to assist in making sure this is a well-run city. As you know, it is a thankless job but I have seen your great works. I have appreciated your friendship and willingness to listen to my ideas and at
times, assist me in getting things done. I know you are committed to building a stronger and more productive bridge between the Board of Alderman and the Board of Education and I hope the newly elected Board of Education members will work well with you and all the Alderman. I have heard one time someone call you a great Statesmen and that is 100% who you are. I will miss you! Thank you to many others at City Hall who I may have missed for your kindness and friendship. I will truly miss being an Alderman. My whole intention was to leave a place better than I found it and to help my neighbor. My voting and decisions were focused on doing what was right regardless of what party I am in. It is more important about serving the community than serving a party or one person. While there was some great people I have met, I have also learned a lot about people and politics. Politics I have learned is a nasty and often times a mean business, unfortunately. I believe on local, state and national levels even though there is a constant battle between Republicans and Democrats, I do believe the bigger battle is the classic Politicians vs. Public Servants. These Politicians, the real majority, are in it for a title and power and the minority is the Public Servants who want to get involved because they care and want to help make a difference. I hope in the future, voters locally, statewide and nationally educate themselves on all candidates before voting. Be informed and get to know the candidates and most importantly, vote. If we want our local area, CT and our nation to flourish, we need the right people in office. In my time in politics, I have met too many politicians and not enough public servants. Even several people who encouraged me to get involved in Shelton politics and I thought were my true friends ended up choosing their title and some a fear of a future primary election rather than supporting and standing by me as I did for them in previous contentious elections when they too were abandoned and not supported. These people have spread lies, gossiped about the city administration and caused major divides even in the Republican Party. It is clear to me that they used me and others for personal gain in politics. They know who they are
and I will leave it at that. Lastly, I wish all the best for incoming Alderman Bernie Simons. I hope he is as active as I have been the last 4 years. I hope he picks up the phone when a resident calls and helps his neighbors, attends different functions and shows support to the great works going on in this city. I hope he does his homework, reads and asks questions about what he will be passing as an Alderman and not just voting things through. The Alderman are the fiscal authority and it’s our duty to make sure we are spending taxpayer money wisely. While some different things are going on with me personally and professionally, I will likely be relocating out of Shelton very soon and I am taking a very long break from politics and maybe many years from now if people want me wherever I live, I will get back involved. Until then, I will continue to build my career and personal life. Thank you again and I wish nothing but the best for the City of Shelton.

Alderman Anglace, Thank you Jim, would anyone else wish to address the Board?

Being none, he closed the public session.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

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

**FINANCIAL BUSINESS NEW**

9.7 Funding for the Plumb Memorial Library Elevator

9.8 267 Canal Street- Star Pin Factory- Department of Economic and Community Development Grant

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

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

1. REGULAR FULL BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 10, 2019

Minutes can be viewed on the city website: www.cityofshelton.org.
SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

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 SIDEWALK REIMBURSEMENT- 42 HIGHLAND AVENUE

Alderman McPherson MOVED, per the recommendation of the Street Committee, to approve the sidewalk reimbursement of $5,960 to Christopher & Andrea Masso, 42 Highland Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484 per Ordinance #877 (Section 14-9 of the Code of Ordinances) with funding to come from the Sidewalk Reimbursement Account #001-3600-713.80-43. SECONDED Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion: Alderman McPherson, noted on the back is the recommendation from the City Engineer.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR
None

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Alderman Anglace, wanted to say a few words to the outgoing Alderman Jim Capra who during his time on this Board was a valued member and a very positive force. It has been a pleasure to work with you Jim. I wish you nothing but the best in all your future endeavors and if you come back to Shelton you can shake my hand. Thank you.
6 – LEGAL REPORT
6.1 CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman McPherson MOVED to authorize a total payment of $2,664.75 to Corporation Counsel Teodosio Stanek, LLC, for services rendered per statements dated November 4, 2019, with funds to come from the Legal Fees Account:

- Professional Services - 001-1900-411.30-01 $ 0.00
- Legal Fees - 001-1900-411.30-03 $ 2,664.75
- Foreclosure Fees - 001-1900-411.50-01 $ 0.00
- Court Costs - 001-1900-411.80.84 $ 0.00

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

6.2 ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman McPherson MOVED to authorize a total payment of $495.00 to Assistant Corporation Counsel Thomas Galvin Cotter for services rendered per statement dated September 7, 2019, with funds to come from the following Legal Services Accounts:

- Professional Services 001-1900-411.30-01 $ 0.00
- Legal Fees 001-1900-411.30-03 $ 495
- Foreclosure Fees 001-1900-411.50-01 $ 0.00
- Miscellaneous Services 001-1900-411.80.03 $ 0.00
- Court Costs 001-1900-411.80-84 $ 0.00

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion: Alderman Capra asked do we have any information on what this is about? What are we passing?

Alderman Anglace answered it is detailed on page 2.

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 ITEM
9 – FINANCIAL BUSINESS – NEW
9.1 NOVEMBER STATUTORY REFUNDS

Alderman McPherson MOVED that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of $18,103.86 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.

(Supporting documentation from the Tax Collector is on file with the BOA Clerk or Town Clerk’s Office)

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9.2 MERIT SYSTEM WAGE REVIEWS

Alderman McPherson MOVED to increase the total compensation for non-union Merit System employees by an amount not to exceed $47,550, which is allocated pursuant to Section 5.6 of the Merit System and Personnel Rules retroactively to July 1, 2019.

Further, move to amend the Merit System salary schedule for non-union employees by an increase of 2.25% to the minimum and maximum rates for all classes effective July 1, 2019.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9.3 FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL RENOVATIONS TO 58 PERRY HILL ROAD BUILDING

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $57,500 for additional renovations to the 58 Perry Hill Road building with funding to come from aldermanic bonding pursuant to Section 7.16 of the City Charter.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
9.4 FUNDING FOR SYNTHETIC TURF SWEEPER FOR SHS ATHLETIC COMPLEX

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $6,500 for the purchase of a synthetic turf sweeper for the Shelton High School Athletic Complex with funding to come from Contingency General Account #001-9900-900.99.99.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9.5 FUNDING FOR LED LIGHTING AT THE SENIOR CENTER

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $16,000 to replace the lighting inside and outside of the Senior Center to energy efficient Led lighting with funding to come from Contingency General Account #001-9900-900.99.99.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9.6 OVEREXPENDITURE FOR REGISTRAR OF VOTER’S OFFICE

Alderman McPherson MOVED to approve the over-expenditure of the following Registrar of Voter’s Office accounts due to expenses incurred from the September 10, 2019 Primary through the end of fiscal year 2019-2020.

Printing & Advertising Account: 001-0500-413.30-07
Part Time Employees Account: 001-0500-413.10-02
Commissary Account: 001-0500-413.80-41
Poll Workers Account: 001-0500-413.10-04
Postage Account: 001-0500-413.40-05
State Inspection Account: 001-0500-413.50-05

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion Alderman Simonetti, the estimated amounts that is what they are asking for? We usually know what they are spending.

Alderman Anglace replied on the back those are the numbers for each of the accounts that were incurred as a result of the Primary and they total $31,325.00.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
9.7 FUNDING FOR PLUMB MEMORIAL LIBRARY ELEVATOR

Alderman McPherson MOVED to appropriate an amount of $2,541 for an additional change order for the Plumb Memorial Library Elevator with the funding to come from Contingency General Account #001-9900-900.99-00.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

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9.8 267 CANAL STREET- STAR PIN FACTORY- DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Alderman McPherson MOVED whereas, on June 13, 2019 the Board of Approved the execution of an Assistance Agreement by and between the City of Shelton and the Connecticut Department to undertake the Environmental Remediation efforts at the Former Star Pin Factory located at 267 Canal Street, and

Whereas, the City of Shelton authorizes funding to cover costs incurred for said project, and

Further be it resolved that the Board of Alderman appropriate an amount of $100,000 with funding to come from General Fund Surplus with monies to revert back to the General Fund upon reimbursement by the State of Connecticut.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

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11 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.A. REQUEST TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman McPherson MOVED to go into executive session and invite Corporation Counsel at 7:17p.m.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Alderman McPherson MOVED to reconvene at 7:21p.m. and no votes were taken.

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

11.1 HOFFMAN WORKER’S COMPENSATION

Alderman McPherson MOVED to resolve the claim of Hoffman with a full and final settlement in accordance with the terms and conditions suggested by Corporation Counsel.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

11.2 ARSENAULT WORKER’S COMPENSATION

NO ACTION

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman McPherson MOVED to adjourn the Full Board of Aldermen meeting.

SECONDED by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Melissa Camerato
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Board of Aldermen Clerk