CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman President John Anglance called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 P.M. in the auditorium at Shelton City Hall. All in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Alderman John F. Anglace, Jr. - present
Alderman John "Jack" Finn – excused due to hospitalization
Alderman Stanley Kudej - present
Alderman Joseph Lanzi - present
Alderman Lynne Farrell – present (arrived late - as the meeting was ending)
Alderman Kenneth Olin - present
Alderman John P. Papa – present
Alderman Nancy Minotti – present

There was a quorum of 6 present, 1 excused, 1 late

Administration:

Corporation Counsel Thomas Welch

Note: The tape malfunctioned at the meeting. The following is from the clerk’s notes:

AGENDA ITEMS

NEW BUSINESS

1. BOOTH HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – CONTRACT APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS

Alderman Papa MOVED to approve the contract with Viking Construction Company, Inc. for additions and alterations to Booth Hill School in the amount of $3,740,770.00 and authorize the payment of said contract from the Booth Hill School Bond Issue and line item 001-6900-991.60-38. SECONDED by Alderman Kudej.
Discussion:

Corporation Counsel Tom Welch stated that Viking was the low bidder and the Aldermen have copies of the other bidders in their packets. The contract is to commence 2/1/05 and work is to begin during the February school break.

There was discussion regarding the amount of the bond approved plus what was already budgeted. The furniture, fixtures and equipment were not part of the contract and would have to come back to the Board of Aldermen for approval.

Tom Welch also stated that the City would be eligible for reimbursement from the State for an estimated $900,000. The reimbursement would come once the paperwork is completed and submitted. There is no longer the wait until the project is complete before getting the reimbursement.

A voice vote was taken and all were in favor, MOTION CARRIED.

2. APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL AUDITOR

Alderman Papa MOVED to approve the contract between the City of Shelton and Scully & Wolf for auditing services as presented and to authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute same. SECONDED by Alderman Lanzi.

Discussion:
The contract is a 5-year contract for services with the following schedule of payment:

1st year - $45,300
2nd year - $46,200
3rd year - $47,100
4th year - $48,000
5th year - $49,000

Corporation Counsel Tom Welch stated that the provisions are that the City has a right to terminate the contract in any given year if done by March 1. Alderman Anglace stated that we are controlling the cost by a multi-year bid. We just completed a 3-year contract with Scully & Wolf and they were interested in a long-term relationship. They were not, however, low bidder but due to the fact that the Finance Dept. just began a new accounting system called the Gatsby 34 we felt we wanted continuity with a firm already familiar with our system.

A voice vote was taken and all voted in favor, MOTION CARRIED.
3. GEOTECH CONTRACT

Alderman Papa MOVED to approve the contract as presented by and between the City of Shelton and Advanced Engineering Technologies, the Geo-Tech contractor for the Shelton High School renovations, and authorize payment of said contract in the amount of $7,500.00 for the Shelton High School Bond Issue and further authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute said contract. SECONDED by Alderman Kudej.

Corporation Counsel Tom Welch stated that this money is coming from the Shelton High School bond issue and that Advanced Engineering Technologies was the low bidder.

A voice vote was taken and all were in favor, MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Olin MOVED to adjourn the meeting. SECONDED by Alderman Lanzi. All were in favor, MEETING ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Chaya
Temporary Clerk, Board of Aldermen

By: Mark A. Lauretti
Mayor, City of Shelton

Date Approved:______________

Date Submitted:______________