

SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING BOARD OF ALDERMEN CITY OF SHELTON, CT THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021 Shelton City Hall, 54 Hill Street Live-Streamed at www.cityofshelton.org MINUTES

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti called the Special Virtual Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium at Shelton City Hall. 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 Cris Balamaci- Present

Alderman Joanna Carloni –Present

Alderman David Gidwani- Present via Zoom

Alderman Noreen McGorty- Present

Alderman Anthony Simonetti- Present

Alderman Bernie Simons- Present

Administration

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti - Present

Fran Teodosio, Corporation Counsel – Present

PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor Lauretti asked if anyone from the Public wished to address the Board.

There being none, he closed the public portion.

AGENDA ITEMS

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

- 1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL
 - 1.1 SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING MAY 13, 2021
 - 1.2 SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING MAY 27, 2021

Alderman Anglace moved to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2021 with no changes and moved to approve the May 27, 2021, subject to the following changes:

The Shelton Farmers Market Account Number is stated as 001-6500-414-79-09. The account number should be 001-6500-414-81-38. Also, the total for the Expenditure side is listed as \$768,000 and it should be listed as \$768,538. (That's a typo!) Those are the only changes to the minutes.

Mayor Lauretti: And so, without objection the record will reflect will reflect those changes.

A voice vote was taken and 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 NO ITEMS

REPORT OF THE MAYOR

No report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

No report.

<u>6 – LEGAL REPORT</u>

6.1 CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman Anglace: Move to authorize a total payment of \$1,326.25 to Corporation Counsel Teodosio Stanek, LLC for services rendered per statements dated 06/02/2021, with funds to come from the Legal Fees Account.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

6.2 ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL BILLING

Alderman Anglace: Move to authorize a total payment of \$742.50 to Corporation Counsel Thomas Galvin Cotter for services rendered per statements dated June 3,2021, with funds to come from the Legal Fees Account.

Seconded by Alderman McPherson.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

7- LEGISLATIVE - OLD

7.1 ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING 7.1 A. NO ITEMS

8 - FINANCIAL BUSINESS - OLD

8.1 NO ITEMS

9 <u>- FINANCIAL BUSINESS - NEW</u>

9.1 JUNE STATUTORY REFUNDS

Alderman Anglace: Move that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of \$24,503.55 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.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

9.2 RESOLUTION FOR APPLICATON FOR SMALL CITIES BLOCK GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE SHELTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

Alderman Anglace: Move to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under Connecticut Small Cities Development Community Block Grant Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93-3 83, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Shelton make application to the State for \$410,000 in order to undertake a Small Cities Community Development Program and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should one be offered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Aldermen:

- 1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes; and,
- 2. That the filing of an application by the City of Shelton in an amount not to exceed \$410,000 is hereby approved, and that Mark A. Lauretti, Mayor of the City of Shelton is hereby directed to file such Application with the Commissioner of the Department of Housing, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required by the Commissioner, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the City of Shelton.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

Mayor Lauretti: This is something that we do on a regular basis every year. It does vary with the applicant, this year it's for the Housing Authority.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

9.3 2021 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE TAX CREDIT

Alderman Anglace: Move to approve the proposals for the Neighborhood Assistance Tax Credit Program as submitted by the Community Development Director and authorize the proposals to be submitted to the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services:

1.	Shelton Economic Development Corporation	\$15,000
2.	Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley	\$50,000
3.	Junior Achievement of Western Connecticut, Inc.	\$26,000
4.	Housatonic Council, Boy Scouts of America	\$2,500
5.	Housatonic Council, Boy Scouts of America	\$2,500
6.	Center Stage Theatre, Inc.	\$150,000

Seconded by Alderman McPherson.

Mayor Lauretti: Is there any discussion?

Alderman Anglace: Yes Mr. Mayor. By way of information the Housatonic Council, Boy Scouts of America request for \$2,500, request for \$2,500, that's not a duplicate. That's two different programs. One is for membership recruitment, the other is for daycare support. So moved.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

9.4 FUNDING FOR UPGRADES TO FIRE DEPARTMENT'S MARINE 4

Alderman Anglace: Move to appropriate an amount of \$19,412.66 for the upgrade and repowering of the Fire Department's Marine 4 with funding to come from Contingency General Account. So moved.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

Mayor Lauretti: Is there any discussion?

Alderman Anglace: Yes Mr. Mayor. As of today, (nobody has this), I received a copy of the Board of Fire Commissioners minutes where they approved this and asked me to bring this to your attention.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

9.5 FUNDING FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) MAPPING SERVICES - WAIVER OF BIDDING PROCESS

Alderman Anglace: Move, per the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent, to waive the bidding process for Geographic Information System Mapping Services (GIS) to update the City's mapping systems in amount not to exceed \$25,000. Further authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute and all documents necessary to effectuate the same.

So moved.

Seconded by Alderman McPherson.

Mayor Lauretti: One of the reasons for the waiver is that is a professional service. Secondly, we want to upgrade the routing on the school buses for the Board of Education, and to do that upgrade

we needed to have a GIS system upgraded. It needed to be done anyways, but more importantly, we needed to get the rerouting in place before September rolls around and school begins again.

Alderman Anglace: What we are approving here is the waiver of bids. We're not providing funding because that will come from within the budget and the Mayor will explain.

Mayor Lauretti: Yes, there's funding available in the professional services account, both for my office and for Planning and Zoning. So there's adequate funding there. Either one of those accounts. Any other questions?

Alderman Simonetti: Yes, your honor, if I may? In the letter from Gene Sullivan it says we're paying \$3000 to New England GeoSystems to host our Geographic Systems, you see it jumps from \$3000 to \$25,000 and then \$7500 annually.

Mayor Lauretti: He says to host the system. It's like a service contract. There has to be inputting and upgrading to this mapping system. It's not just the roads that they are putting in, they have not been put in for a number of years.

Alderman Simonetti: 2017. Well thank you, your honor.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

9.6 FUNDING FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF EAST VILLAGE TENNIS, BASKETBALL AND HANDBALL COURTS – LOCIP ELIGIBLE

Alderman Anglace: Move to add the reconstruction of tennis, basketball and handball courts at East Village Park to the Capital Improvement Plan with funding in the amount of \$289,295 to come from LOCIP.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

Alderman Anglace: By way of information, LOCIP stands for Local Capital Improvement Project. That's money we get from the State.

Mayor Lauretti: Some of you may know, those are the original courts build some 40 years ago. Not for nothing, but we do get our monies worth here.

Aldeman Simonetti: And the new courts at the High School.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Mayor Lauretti: Move to item 10 on the agenda, we have one item for public hearing.

<u>10 – LEGISLATIVE – NEW</u>

10.1 ITEMS TO PUBLIC HEARING 10.1 A. BIRDSEYE ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION PROJECT RECOMMENDED ASSESSMENTS

Alderman Anglace: Move, per the recommendation of the City Engineer, to accept the proposed assessments and hold a Public Hearing on July 27, 2021 at 6 pm at City Hall.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

Alderman Anglace: I just want to say that this all being done by Ordinance and the water main is in, all put together, people have been notified. We'll hold the public hearing on the assessments. That's what this is all about. So moved.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

10.2 REAPPOINTMENTS TO NAUGATUCK VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Alderman Anglace: Move to reappoint the following people to the Naugatuck Valley Health District Board of Directors effective immediately:

Ms. Jean Jones (U) 606 Walnut Tree Hill Road Shelton, CT 06484 (Term to expire on June 9, 2023)

Mr. Edward Kisluk (D) 58 Birchbank Road Shelton, CT 06484 (Term to expire on May 5, 2023)

Mr. Jay Zikaras 20 Fawn Hill Road Shelton, CT 06484 (Term to expire on June 9, 2023)

So moved.

Seconded by Alderman McPherson.

Mayor Lauretti: Any Discussion?

Alderman Anglace: Yes Mr. Mayor, I would like thank these people for their service to date and their willingness to continue serving the City of Shelton in such an important position. Thank you.

A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Terry Burden

Acting Clerk, Board of Aldermen

DATE APPROVED _____BY:____

Alderman Simonetti MOVED to adjourn the Special Virtual Meeting.	
SECONDED by Alderman Balamaci.	
A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.	
Meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.	
Respectfully Submitted	
Terry Burden	

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti