



BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF SHELTON
REGULAR FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 9, 2025
SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT
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Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Lauretti called the regular Board of Aldermen meeting 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 Lorenzo Durante – Present
Alderman Porter McKinnon – Present
Alderman Anthony Simonetti – Present
Alderman Bernie Simons – Present
Alderman Benjamin Perry – Present

Administration

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti
Fran Teodosio, Corporation Counsel – Present
Thomas Cotter, Assistant Corporation Counsel – Present
Kellie Vazzano, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor
Frances Freer, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor

PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor Lauretti asked if anyone wished to address the board.

Jerry Bloom

24 Fairfield Avenue, Shelton, CT

Good afternoon. I commend you all for finding a home for all that furniture that has been sitting back there. I see the Riverview Park Road is still unpaved, going on two years now. I see nothing in tonight's agenda that would expect that to be done any time soon. Do you have the Ivy Brook petition that was submitted last month here to be signed? No. I inquired upstairs a couple of days ago and it seems to have disappeared. It is a nice piece of property. I see here that Shelton wants to buy land from

Connecticut? I don't know why. The ten and a half acres of Ivy Brook Park is rugged, it is beautiful and it should be turned into open space. You can use the DEEP grants to acquire it.

Florida made the news again. They just passed SB 184, called a Halo law. It went into effect January 1st. It creates a 25-foot buffer zone around first responders to keep the YouTube Frauditors at bay. They have a propensity for surrounding them like a pack of jackals and making life more difficult. Florida is being proactive and that's good. Frauditors are freaking out over it. By the way you can look them up on Wikipedia now. Frauditors are now listed on Wikipedia, that's how much they have grown. I have been saying that for years. In eleven days, Shelton PD can unite with ICE. They can inspect job sites, markets, etc. and report to ICE suspicious people and encourage them to do so. As I mentioned last month, you all missed it I assume, on Frauditor Troll, Enrique Anselmo, one of the frauditors got into an altercation with a female UFC fighter at the Post Office. I encourage you to go watch it online because, as I said then, she did the most amazing thing I ever saw a woman do besides giving birth. Since then, it has received over two million views. It is worth watching. It is under 17 minutes long. That's all.

Mayor Lauretti asked if there was anyone else wishing to address the Board. Hearing none, the Public Portion is closed.

Alderman Anglace MOVED to add two items to tonight's agenda:

6.1A PRESENTATION & SELECTION OF THE OFFICIAL FLAG OF THE CITY OF SHELTON

8.6 2025 NEGLECTED CEMETERY ACCOUNT GRANT PROGRAM (ST. PAUL CEMETERY, LONG HILL CEMETERY AND WHITE HILL CEMETERY)

Seconded by Alderman McPherson.

No discussion.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

1.1 BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 12, 2024.

Minutes can be viewed on the city website: www.cityofshelton.org.

Alderman Anglace MOVED to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2024.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

No discussion.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0)

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

Mayor Lauretti: No report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Alderman Anglace: I have no report at this time.

6- LEGISLATIVE – OLD

6.1 ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 A. PRESENTATION & SELECTION OF THE OFFICIAL FLAG OF THE CITY OF SHELTON

Joe Ciccone

16 Oak Hill Lane, Shelton, CT

Good evening. I am here to present the new flag designs that the committee has decided upon that we think the public should vote on. To begin, the flag committee has four designs that we would like to go out to the public. We spent countless hours together working with others for the input including the libraries, Historical Society, and the high school civic classes to create designs that symbolize Shelton in its entirety. After receiving input, we worked together to hone in on these ideas to create the four designs. I believe you all have a packet with the designs in there. I will go through some of the designs and then towards the end we also have the prices and more financial aspects of it.



For the first flag we have the four stars symbolizing the four wards or Shelton. The “S” for Shelton as well as also the Housatonic River because that is very important to our history. We have the blue and white colors to symbolize the Connecticut flag and relates to that. This is similar to what we had originally in the January public hearing last year. We changed it up a bit after speaking to

the high school Civics class.



Our next flag, Shelton Flag 2. We have the City seal in the middle with five sunbeams coming off. The five sunbeams are the five historical names of Shelton. Originally, we were called Pootatuck, then Coram, Ripton, Huntington and then Shelton. We have the blue for the Housatonic River and we also have the green for the farms as well.

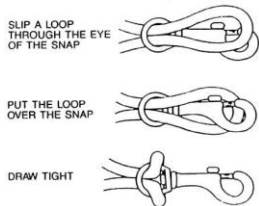


Shelton Flag 3, our third design. This flag was actually inspired by one of the students' submissions. We have the City seal in the middle with the five stars symbolizing the five historical names. We have the four beams of blue, like four rays, to symbolize the four wards as well. Also, the blue and white to connect back to the Connecticut flag.



The last one, Shelton Flag 4, which is similar to the first one except now we have the orange and black for the colors associated with the high school.

We believe that these four flags would be good options for the public vote that we will go into towards the end. We will have a Google form set up for that, or survey, to see what their opinions are.



Also, in the packet we have a diagram so that when we get the flag out to the public buildings, this is like an information thing for anyone who is putting up and adding a second flag to a flagpole.

Now for the fun part, the prices and everything. We also have a list in a big table of the places that we believe the Shelton flag would go. These are City owned buildings such as the Community Center, the schools, the Fire Houses, Police Departments, etc. We measured the size of the US Flag to make sure that whatever we decide it is not going to be bigger than the US, so ours will always be smaller. We went to all those places and the sizes are there. There is the type of flagpole, whether traditional or one of the newer ones where the crank it up. The number of clips needed, so if the flag would have two clips, one on top, one on bottom. I believe the Community Center has it, that is why they don't need it, and the possible Shelton size flag. We believe having a 3' x 5' would be good because we would have it throughout the City and it would be uniform and would look well on the flagpole there.

We also have the prices for them. We had a total of 24 flags that would be for the City buildings for the flagpoles out there. 25 would be what we would order for the minimum needed. We got prices from four different places. We also have quotes for 50 flags as well as if we want to get more than that just in case, as well as the prices for the clips for the flags when we put them up, so we have those as well. I believe if we do the 25 flags, between that and the clips, depending on who you go with it would be under \$2000. For 50 flags it would be a lot more than that depending on which company you go with.

Building	Size of US flag	Type of Flagpole	# of Clips Needed	Poss. Shelton Flag Size
Community Center	4' by 6'	Crank	None	3' by 5'
Plumb Library	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Mohegan	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Long Hill	4' by 6'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Sunnyside	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Elizabeth Shelton	4' by 6'	Crank	2	3' by 5'
Booth Hill	4' by 6'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Perry Hill	3' by 5'	Crank	2	3' by 5'
Shelton Intermediate	5' by 8'	Crank	2	3' by 5'
Shelton High	5' by 8'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Veterans Park	4' by 6'	Crank	2	3' by 5'
Belden Center	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Police Department	4' by 6'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
EMS	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Board of Ed	4' by 6'	Crank	2	3' by 5'
Constitution Park	8' by 12'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Center of Town	4' by 6'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Pine Rock Park	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
City Hall	5' by 8'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Huntington Fire	5' by 8'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Pine Rock Fire	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Echo Hose Fire	4' by 6'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
White Hills Fire	4' by 6'	Rope	2	3' by 5'
Senior Center	3' by 5'	Rope	2	3' by 5'

Total Number of
Flags
24

Total Number of
Clips
46

Prices for 25 flags (minimum needed)

Company	Material	Size	Quantity	Unit Price (per flag)	Total Price
Custom Flag Company	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	25	\$65.00	\$1,625.00
Best Flag	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	25	\$67.20	\$1,680.00
Flags.com	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	25	\$56.00	\$1,400.00
Flag and Banner	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	25	\$87.15	\$2,178.75

Prices for 50 flags

Company	Material	Size	Quantity	Unit Price (per flag)	Total Price
Custom Flag Company	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	50	\$60.00	\$3,000.00
Best Flag	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	50	\$57.60	\$2,880.00
Flags.com	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	50	\$51.30	\$2,565.00
Flag and Banner	200 Denier Nylon	3' by 5'	50	\$78.05	\$3,902.50

Prices for the clips

Company	Type	Price Per Unit	# in Unit	Total Clips	Total Price
ACE Hardware	Swivel Snap	\$3.99	1	46	\$183.54
Tractor Supply Co.	Swivel Snap	\$2.89	1	46	\$132.94
Home Depot	Swivel Snap	\$5.40	2	46	\$124.20

We have a flag survey that Dan Bednarsky and I were working together on. It is going to be a Google form that will be sent out to Shelton residents. We have a big introduction talking about what the committee has been doing, going through designs. This survey would then be a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen so you could see what the public has to say and what they are leaning towards. You guys would make the final decision about which flag to go with. We would have them submit their

email and it would say, Should we have a Shelton Flag? Yes No. Depending on what they pick, it will go to a certain page. If it is No it would go to the first page that would say submit to finish. If it says Yes it would go to another one that then has the four options with all the symbolism behind them. They would select one of these, go on and press submit once they are finished. Any questions so far?

Alderman Simonetti: Where will the survey be done? On regular internet? Our website?

Joe Ciccone: It will be on the Google forms website. We will try to get the link onto the City website. They would go there, press that and then would be directed to the survey.

Alderman McPherson: I also spoke with Dan Bednarsky yesterday about this. If the aldermen approve the survey, we have to vote to approve the survey, then he can get this right on the City website with the link that would take it to this and then people could start voting and we would give them 30 calendar days. They would compile all the data, get it back to us and then the Board would make the decision. This looks pretty simple, the survey. I tried it out yesterday. It looks very well done.

Joe Ciccone: The Flag Committee would like to have the flags decided upon and in our physical hand for an unveiling at Shelton Day. We think that would be very nice to have it.

Mayor Lauretti: I am glad to see that there was some sincere community effort put into this. I know it took some prodding. We had met a couple of times in my office and I was kind of pointing you in different directions just because I think that is what I think we should be doing instead of just a handful of people making the call on something like this. I kind of like what I see. There are two that really stick out in my opinion. I like the idea of the survey. I was just sitting here thinking about the survey. We could have sent out the notice with the tax bills, but I think that the tax bills have gone out already. It is not too late for the July tax bills. That will go to every household in the City. I don't think we need to rush into it. I think the timeframe for Shelton Day is good. It gives us 9-10 months, first Sunday in October. There are a lot of positives that you have on the table for us.

Alderman Simonetti: Would the survey only allow you to use your email one time so someone is not "gaming" the system as they say.

Joe Ciccone: I will be able to see that afterwards. We would take out everything but the first vote that they made.

Alderman Balamaci: If they have multiple accounts you wouldn't be able to.

Joe Ciccone: We can't tell. That was the biggest problem we had originally.

Alderman Simonetti: At least you won't have one person putting in 20.

Alderman Balamaci: You can if you have multiple accounts. I have five different email addresses.

Alderman Simonetti: How do you know the person is from Shelton who is voting.

Joe Ciccone: That is why we were hesitant on doing this. This was the closest way that we could get it to make it that each person each gets only one vote.

Alderman McKinnon: It is just a recommendation. Not a final vote.

Alderman Simons: I don't there will be too many deviants out there trying to throw our flag trajectory off.

Mayor Lauretti: Any other comments? I think we have to put a little thought into how we disperse it publicly. Again, I'm just sitting here thinking out loud. Maybe we send a postcard out through bulk mail or something like that. It is a way to touch the public, it is relatively inexpensive. Send it to 14,000 households.

Alderman McPherson: Would the Board have to vote to approve the survey or we could just say that agree that the survey is an idea in addition to the postcard thought when we get this voting started, for lack of a better word.

Mayor Lauretti: I think it is important for the Board of Aldermen to weigh in on stuff like this because then it becomes official. It is an official communication to the residents. Fran, am I off base?

Attorney Teodosio: You are correct.

Alderman McPherson: When can we start the survey?

Attorney Teodosio: Whenever you, as a Board, decide that you want to start the survey.

Alderman Simonetti: If we vote on it tonight, they could start in a couple of weeks, I would think.

Alderman McKinnon: If you are going to send out the postcard or with tax bills ...

Mayor Lauretti: When is the next Finance Committee meeting.

Alderman Simonetti: Probably in a week or two.

Mayor Lauretti: Put it on the Finance Committee and invite everybody to come or participate. Give everybody a couple of days to kind of brainstorm about how to do this. I just threw a few ideas out that came quickly to mind.

Alderman Simonetti: Excellent. I want to thank Joe for all he did. We were all tough on you and you hung in there. Thank you.

Mayor Lauretti: We won't take any action. Send it to Finance Committee and if there is a Special Meeting in order at the end of the month we will do it.

7 – FINANCIAL BUSINESS – OLD

7.1 NO ITEMS

8 – FINANCIAL BUSINESS – NEW

8.1 JANUARY STATUTORY REFUNDS

Alderman Anglace MOVED that the report of the Tax Collector relative to the refund of taxes for a total amount of \$9,196.88 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 McPherson.

No discussion.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

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

8.2. RESCISSION OF ACTION FOR "REPAIR OF VACUUM SYSTEM AT SHS" PASSED AT 08/08/2024 BOA MEETING.

Alderman Anglace MOVED per the request of the Board of Education Maintenance Department, to rescind the action take at the August 8, 2024 Board of Aldermen Regular meeting regarding Item 8.3 Repair of Vacuum System for SHS Science Department.

Seconded by Alderman Balamaci.

Discussion:

Alderman Anglace: On the back is an explanation of what happened.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

8.3 FUNDING FOR MUNICIPAL REVALUATION SERVICES

Alderman Anglace MOVED to appropriate an amount of \$25,875 for revaluation services performed by Municipal Valuation Services, LLC with funding to come from Contingency General #001-9900-99.99-00.

Seconded by Alderman Balamaci.

Discussion:

Mayor Lauretti: This is another item – first of all I would encourage approval tonight – this is an item for the Finance Committee. There are other payments that have to be made between now and June 30th that are not budgeted for. In the interim, I will have to discuss with Paul Hiller where the funding and what we think the estimated amount of expenditure is going to be between now and June 30th. The balance for this service will go into the next fiscal year and will be incorporated into next year's budget.

Alderman Balamaci: Do we have an agreement with this company?

Mayor Lauretti: Yea, we went out to bid and the Board approved it back in the fall. They have gotten started.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

8.4 SCHOOL BUS STOP ARM PROGRAM AGREEMENT AND ENFORCEMENT VIA ORDINANCE.

Alderman Anglace: I guess the only thing we can do here tonight is make this a "For Your Information" type. We have to develop an ordinance and present it to the Board for public hearing. In the packet you have the ordinance from the City of Bridgeport but it does not pertain to us and we can't do too much to piggyback that, but I am sure Kellie will work with us and come up with something to come back to you with at a later date.

Mayor Lauretti: Who is going to do this? I would assume some of this stuff would pertain to us. Some of this stuff should be boilerplate.

Attorney Teodosio: You can use those documents as guides, but those documents are specific to Bridgeport all the way around.

Alderman Anglace: They have a different situation. What they have done is they have contracted with an outside firm. The outside firm is collecting all the money.

Attorney Teodosio: That is what you are going to do here too.

Mayor Lauretti: That's not the issue.

Alderman Simonetti: This is for cars that pass buses that are stopped at the red light.

Fran Freer: When the arm is down.

Alderman Simonetti: What is the situation? My aunt got nailed in Derby once for doing this.

Alderman Balamaci: This company supplies the cameras and everything with regard to people violating the stop arm violation. The pictures are then reviewed by someone that would be designated, and that part I can't speak to with us, but a municipal worker, to see if it is a violation and then a ticket would be generated to go in the mail.

Alderman Simonetti: Bridgeport had some 5000 in the first part of the year. Are we having that many problems?

Alderman Balamaci: I spoke to Frank Scalzo today and it is pretty substantial according to him. But I don't know.

Fran Freer: It is 1000-1200 a month he estimates.

Mayor Lauretti: But that's not substantiated. Let's not throw numbers out there that we can't back up the facts. It is a problem. So many people do it everywhere, not just here in Shelton and Bridgeport, it is everywhere. This is a pretty good mousetrap. That is what we should focus on.

Alderman Anglace: We need to give this a little more thought before we come back and start the discussions. That is what I am suggesting we do.

Mayor Lauretti: I don't know how many more discussions there are to be had. It is just getting the legal document in place that allows you to enforce.

Alderman Anglace: We have to pass an ordinance and if we are going to make this an ordinance we have to have a public hearing on it. We are going to have discussion. Rather than discuss it here tonight, this is to let you know that we are going to do something along these lines. Would you want to put Kellie on this?

Mayor Lauretti: I'm not sure it is going to be Kellie. Kellie has enough things going on.

Alderman Anglace: Does anybody want to participate with me and whoever the Mayor wants.

Alderman McPherson: I will participate.

Alderman Simonetti: I will participate.

Alderman McPherson: Fran, can you interject? Isn't there something more beyond this? Isn't this something that the court system does not want to deal with this.

Attorney Teodosio: The background of it is, Anthony started alluding to his aunt and she probably went to Superior Court as a result of it. It used to be a pretty onerous fine. I believe it was \$400 and there was no way around it which caused, very candidly, some negotiation and it wasn't beneficial in any respect. The General Assembly changed the law and the General Assembly now allows municipalities

to enforce it under programs like this company is explaining through its paperwork. The mechanism is that there is an officer that certifies the – I actually think they took that out – but there is a certification of the photograph. Somebody is sent a fine pretty much the same way you get sent a fine if you get pulled over for speeding. If they send the payment in, it is over. If they want a hearing, the City has to have a mechanism with a citation officer, very similar to a blight citation officer, to entertain whatever information that person who is contesting it wants to bring into the City. The citation officer makes the decision. If the person who has been charged wants to take it further, they would have to appeal it in Superior Court.

Alderman Simonetti: The camera takes the picture of the violation. It has to be seen by an officer.

Attorney Teodosio: I think that part of the statute has been changed.

Alderman Simonetti: Who gets the picture?

Mayor Lauretti: This is all going to be laid out for you. This is part of what the ordinance is supposed to do, provide the direction.

Alderman McPherson: Study it over, look it over good.

Alderman Anglace: No action taken.

8.5 PURCHASE OF LAND FROM STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Alderman Anglace MOVED, per a favorable 8-24 referral from Planning & Zoning, to authorize the purchase of State Land/Break in the Non-Access Highway Line – S.R. 714, Bridgeport Avenue at Constitution Boulevard identified on attached map entitled, “Town of Shelton Map Showing Land Released to City of Shelton by the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation S.R. 714 – Bridgeport Avenue at Constitution Boulevard, Scale 1”, dated 2023, revised 12/04/2023 and 05/08/2024 prepared by Scott A. Hill, P.E. in an amount of \$876,000 with funding to come from aldermanic bonding pursuant to Section 7.16 of the City Charter.

Further authorize Mayor Mark A. Lauretti to execute any and all documents to effectuate the same.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

Discussion:

Alderman Anglace: I see this as roughly a half-acre of land and I think it is inconsistent with the State’s prior generosity on this project to the City of Shelton. To put it another way, I think it is a little bit excessive, but they have us over a barrel. We need it.

Mayor Lauretti: You are a lot kinder than I was.

Alderman Simonetti: This is the property to breakthrough for Constitution Boulevard?

Mayor Lauretti: Yes. It is insane. It is their system, it is in statute. They got two appraisals. It is a half-acre of rock, about 25-30 feet high, that will never be used by the State for anything other than the City use. When she says this is going to create a lot of value, I said to her, I'm the one creating the value, not you. All the value is behind the rock. Besides, if I really have to go around the rock, I could do that, it is not optimum. Rather than argue with them and a year from now we would probably lose it. It is like the Affordable Housing Law, we lose those things. We just take it and keep moving.

Alderman Anglace: I hope the governor comes back and gives us more money for the project.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Kellie Vazzano: May I add one point. For the record the Planning & Zoning Commission did unanimously favorably refer it to the Board of Aldermen today.

Mayor Lauretti: It says that in there.

8.6 2025 NEGLECTED CEMETERY ACCOUNT GRANT PROGRAM (A. ST. PAUL CEMETERY, B. LONG HILL CEMETERY, C. WHITE HILLS CEMETERY)

8.6.A ST. PAUL CEMETERY

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the following resolution:

Be it RESOLVED, that Mayor Mark A. Lauretti be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and accept on behalf of the City of Shelton, a 2025 Connecticut Neglected Cemetery Account Grant in the amount of \$5,000 for the maintenance and upkeep of the St. Paul Cemetery which may include the following eligible activities;

1. Clearing of weeds, briars and bushes;
2. Mowing of the ground's lawn areas;
3. Repairing of the ground's fences or walls; and
4. Straightening, repair, and restoration of memorial stones.

Further be it RESOLVED, that Mayor Mark A. Lauretti is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2025 Connecticut Neglected Cemetery Account Grant with the State of Connecticut.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

No discussion.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

8.6.B. LONG HILL CEMETERY

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the following resolution:

Be it RESOLVED, that Mayor Mark A. Lauretti be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and accept on behalf of the City of Shelton, a 2025 Connecticut Neglected Cemetery Account Grant in the amount of \$5,000 for the maintenance and upkeep of the Long Hill Cemetery which may include the following eligible activities.

Clearing of weeds, briars and bushes;
Mowing of the ground's lawn areas;
Repairing of the ground's fences or walls; and
Straightening, repair, and restoration of memorial stones.

FURTHER RESOLVED, Mayor Mark A. Lauretti is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2025 Connecticut Neglected Cemetery Account Grant with the State of Connecticut.

Seconded by Alderman Balamaci.

No discussion.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

8.6.C. WHITE HILLS CEMETERY

Alderman Anglace MOVED to approve the following resolution:

Be it RESOLVED, that Mayor Mark A. Lauretti be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and accept on behalf of the City of Shelton, a 2025 Connecticut Neglected Cemetery Account Grant in the amount of \$5,000 for the maintenance and upkeep of the White Hills Cemetery which may include the following eligible activities.

Clearing of weeds, briars and bushes;
Mowing of the ground's lawn areas;
Repairing of the ground's fences or walls; and
Straightening, repair, and restoration of memorial stones.

FURTHER RESOLVED, Mayor Mark A. Lauretti is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2025 Connecticut Neglected Cemetery Account Grant with the State of Connecticut.

Seconded by Alderman Balamaci.

No discussion.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Alderman Simonetti: May I ask a question. This money is going to come to the City to pay our staff or, I know in White Hills there is a gentleman who does mow the lawn up there from time to time. Will he get paid or just for our staff?

Mayor Lauretti: I don't think we know the answer to that yet. We will figure out how we will spend it.

9 – LEGISLATIVE – NEW

9.1 ITEMS TO PUBLIC HEARING

9.1 NO ITEMS

10 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.A. REQUEST TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Lauretti: At this time, I am going to entertain a motion to go into Executive Session and ask that Corporation Counsel and Assistant Corporation Counsel join us.

Alderman Anglace MOVED to go into Executive Session.

Seconded by Alderman McPherson.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0)

Executive Session began at 6:10 pm.

Mayor Lauretti: At this time I will entertain a motion to end Executive Session.

Alderman McPherson MOVED to end Executive Session.

Seconded by Alderman Simonetti.

Executive Session ended at 6:17 pm.

Mayor Lauretti: Let the record reflect that were no votes taken in the Executive Session.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously (8-0)

10.2 DEBRUM WORKERS' COMPENSATION

No Action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Anglace MOVED to adjourn the Board of Aldermen Meeting.

Seconded by Alderman Balamaci.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Donna Fonda

Donna Fonda
Acting Clerk, Board of Aldermen

DATE APPROVED _____

BY: _____

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti