

**ALL COMMON COUNCIL ACTIONS TAKEN AT THIS MEETING TO APPROVE
EXPENDITURES AND CONTRACTS OR TO ACCEPT BIDS AND OTHER
PROPOSALS REQUIRING THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS ARE
SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rilling called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., led the assembly with the pledge of allegiance.

City Clerk King read the notice that this meeting is being videotaped with subtitles and audio recorded for public broadcast. She noted that assisted listening devices are available, and she asked everyone to speak clearly, one at a time, into the microphone.

I. ROLL CALL

City Clerk King called the roll. The following Council Members were present:

Council at Large:	Mr. Greg Burnett	Mr. Michael Corsello	Mr. Nick Sacchinelli
	Ms. Barbara Smyth	Mr. Doug Stern	
District A:	Ms. Eloisa Melendez	Mr. Chris Yerinides	
District B:		Mr. Travis Simms	
District C:	Mr. John Kydes	Ms. Beth Siegelbaum	
District D:	Mr. Doug Hempstead	Mr. George Tsiranides	
District E:	Mr. John Igneri	Mr. Thomas Livingston	

Mayor Harry Rilling, Mario Coppola, Corporation Counsel; City Clerk: Donna King. The meeting began with 14 present. Absent: Ms. Faye Bowman

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Regular Meeting – April 10, 2018

** Mr. Igneri moved the minutes for discussion. Ms. Seigelbaum noted a correction on page 1: Change 4 members ‘present’ to ‘absent.’

** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2018 AS AMENDED WITH CORRECTION NOTES.

** MOTION PASSED WITH 13 VOTES IN FAVOR, NONE OPPOSED, AND ONE ABSTENTION (SMYTH).

Public Comments:

City Clerk King announced that there were no names on the sign-up sheet.

Mayor Rilling asked if there was anyone who wished to speak, and hearing none, closed the public participation portion of the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

RESIGNATIONS: None

APPOINTMENTS: Thomas M. Keegan, Conservation Commission (Alternate)
Peter Halladay, Fair Rent Commission (Alternate)
Frank Mancini, Zoning Commission (Alternate)

REAPPOINTMENT: C. Eric Rains, Parking Authority

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS KEEGAN AS AN ALTERNATE ON THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION.**

Comments in support of Mr. Keegan's appointment and his background and qualifications were made by Mr. Hempstead and Mr. Igneri.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** MS. MELENDEZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PETER HALLADAY AS AN ALTERNATE ON THE FAIR RENT COMMISSION.**

Comments in support of Mr. Halladay's appointment and his background and qualifications were made by Mr. Kydes and Ms. Melendez and Ms. Smyth.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF FRANK MANCINI AS AN ALTERNATE ON THE ZONING COMMISSION.**

Comments in support of Mr. Mancini's appointment and his background and qualifications were made by Mr. Kydes and Mr. Yerinides.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** MR. CORSELLO MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF ERIC RAINS TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY.**

Comments in support of Mr. Rains's reappointment and his service on the Authority were made by Mr. Tsiranides.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

City Clerk King administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed members in attendance and they were sworn in to their positions.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rilling announced the following:

- Last Saturday was Earth Day and a city-wide clean up was a huge success. He noted that over 200 residents participated in areas that included Jefferson School, SoNo, Golden Hill, and Camp Street with involvement of the Boy Scouts. He listed the amounts of tonnage of trash and brush that was collected at the transfer station, and reminded residents to be good citizens for Mother Earth.
- April 27 is Arbor Day and celebrations will be held at Tracy Elementary school to plant a tree and to promote the benefits of trees.
- Norwalk Police Athletic League (NPAL) Wine Tasting will be May 3 at the Norwalk Inn to benefit various youth programs.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Mr. Kydes stated that the following item VI. A. was on consent to move to the end of the agenda for an Executive Session. Mr. Hempstead requested a motion to amend the agenda to add an Executive Session, and Attorney Coppola noted that there was an amended agenda issued by e-mail from the City Clerk.

Mr. Kydes asked Mr. Sachinelli to present the Consent Calendar, and the following items were read as approved on consent:

**VI.A. VII. A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7. B1, B2a, B2b, 3;
C1 (TABLED—SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE**

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Authorize the Corporation Counsel to retain the law firms of Ventura Law and Branstetter, Stranch and Jennings, LLC to provide legal counsel to the City to pursue legal claims which the City may have arising out of the opioid epidemic, including but not limited to legal claims against the opioid manufacturer(s), distributor(s) or other third parties responsible for the opioid related municipal damages.

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

The following items were approved on consent:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- 1. Accept and Approve the Report of the Claims Committee Dated: April 12, 2018.**
- 2. For informational purposes only: Narrative on Tax Collections dated April 10, 2018.**

Consent Calendar -- Continued

FINANCE COMMITTEE—Continued

3. For informational purposes only: Monthly Tax Collector's Report: March 31, 2018.

4. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W Rilling, to submit an application to the State of Connecticut for grant funds provided under the State of Connecticut's Local Capital Improvement Fund for 2018 Local Capital Improvement Program (\$1,184,801- 2018 Entitlement).

5. Discuss and approve FY 2018-19 Parking Authority Budget.

6. Discuss and Approve FY 2018-19 Water Pollution Authority Budget.

7. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$276,422 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Police Department to cover the purchase of 179 Electronic Control Weapons (ECW's) and 179 Body Cameras. (Account #01-3022-5329).

B. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling to enter into an agreement with National Marine Manufacturers Association to use Taylor Farm, Calf Pasture Beach, Shady Beach and The Marine School for parking during the Boat Show to be held Thursday, September 20, 2018 through Sunday, September 23, 2018.

2a. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling to enter into an agreement with the Exchange Club of Norwalk for their use of Taylor Farm for the Gateway Antique Auto Show to be held Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 8:00AM-5:00PM. Set up to begin Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 6:00AM with tear down no later than 7:00 PM on Sunday, April 29, 2018.

2b. Approve the use of the Show Mobile by the Exchange Club of Norwalk for use at Taylor Farm on Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 8:00AM- 5:00 PM.

3. Authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the MBI -March Band NHS for their use of Andrews Field Parking Lot for a Treasures & Trinkets Tag Sale to be held on Sunday, May 20, 2018 from 9:00AM - 3:00 PM. Set up to begin at 7:30AM. Rain Date Saturday, June 2, 2018. Estimated attendance 300.

Consent Calendar -- Continued

C. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ITEM MOVED ON CONSENT TO BE SENT BACK TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute all required documents related to the execution of the Easement Agreement between the City of Norwalk and the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation for a temporary construction easement of 11,130± square feet for the purpose of storage of construction materials and equipment during the Walk Bridge replacement project, as depicted on a map prepared by the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation entitled "Compilation Plan Town of Norwalk Map Showing Easement Acquired from City of Norwalk by the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Walk Railroad Bridge Replacement," dated February 2018, at a scale of 1" = 20' on file in the Department of Public Works in exchange for a payment of \$100,000.00.

General Council Business

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO ENTER INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PURPOSES OF DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

Authorize the Corporation Counsel to retain the law firms of Ventura Law and Branstetter, Stranch and Jennings, LLC to provide legal counsel to the City to pursue legal claims which the City may have arising out of the opioid epidemic, including but not limited to legal claims against the opioid manufacturer(s), distributor(s) or other third parties responsible for the opioid related municipal damages.

**** MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The Council went into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. and reconvened into public session at 8:56 p.m. There was no vote or action taken.

Mr. Kydes read the following item and moved for approval. Mr. Livingston noted that approval would be under the terms and conditions as discussed during Executive Session.

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CORPORATION COUNSEL TO RETAIN THE LAW FIRMS OF VENTURA LAW AND BRANSTETTER, STRANCH AND JENNINGS, LLC TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO THE CITY TO PURSUE LEGAL CLAIMS WHICH THE CITY MAY HAVE ARISING OUT OF THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LEGAL CLAIMS AGAINST THE OPIOID MANUFACTURER(S), DISTRIBUTOR(S) OR OTHER THIRD PARTIES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPIOID RELATED MUNICIPAL DAMAGES.**

**** MOTION TO APPROVE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL – None

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE – None.

There was no further business.

**** MR. LIVINGSTON MOVED TO ADJOURN.
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Knox; Telesco Secretarial Services

ATTEST _____
Donna King, City Clerk Date: