

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

Mayor Rilling called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and led the Assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. King read the notice stating that the meeting was being audio recorded and videotaped with subtitles for public broadcast. She asked everyone to speak clearly, one at a time, into the microphone and said that assisted listening devices were available.

I. ROLL CALL

Ms. King called the Roll. The following Common Council members were present:

Council at Large:	Mr. Gregory Burnett Mr. Colin Hosten	Mr. Michael Corsello (7:35 p.m.) Mr. Nicholas Sacchinelli
District A:	Ms. Eloisa Melendez	Mr. Chris Yerinides
District B:	Ms. Darlene Young	Mr. Ernest Dumas
District C:	Mr. John Kydes	Ms. Beth Siegelbaum
District D:	Mr. Douglas Hempstead	Mr. George Tsiranides
District E:	Mr. John Ignéri	Mr. Thomas Livingston

At Roll Call there were thirteen (13) Common Council members present and two (2) absent (Mr. Corsello and Ms. Smyth).

Also present were Mayor Harry Rilling, Corporation Counsel, Jeffrey Spahr and City Clerk, Donna King.

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting: April 23, 2019

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation comments are not verbatim and represent a summarization of statements unless otherwise noted.

Mr. David Westmoreland spoke in support of Ms. Brown's appointment to the Conservation Commission. He also spoke in support of Ms. Saviano's appointment to the Historical Commission and the reappointment of Ms. Wilson Grant and Mr. Yost to the Historical Commission.

Mr. Bryan Meek spoke about what a \$3 million additional investment would mean over the life of a new school. He asked the Common Council members to consider what could go wrong during renovations on an 80 year old building.

IV. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

RESIGNATIONS: There were no resignations announced this evening.

APPOINTMENTS:

Jo Bennett, Human Relations

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JO BENNETT TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

Mr. Igneri spoke in support of this appointment.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Cheryl Q. Brown, Conservation Commission, Alternate

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF CHERYL Q. BROWN AS AN ALTERNATE TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Mr. Kydes spoke in support of this appointment.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Carrie Saviano, Historical Commission

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**** MR. SACCHINELLI MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF CARRIE SAVIANO TO THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Mr. Sacchinelli and Mr. Yerinides spoke in support of this appointment.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Corsello joined the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

Lisa Wilson Grant, Historical Commission

**** MR. BURNETT MOVED TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MS. WILSON GRANT TO THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Mr. Burnett, Mr. Livingston and Mr. Hempstead spoke in support of this reappointment. Mr. Hempstead noted that Ms. Wilson Grant brought the watering trough back to Norwalk.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Charles L. Yost, Historical Commission - This reappointment was withdrawn.

Ms. King administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Bennet, Mr. Brown and Ms. Wilson Grant.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rilling announced that on May 15th the Norwalk Police Department will hold their annual Police Memorial Service. In Norwalk, there were four Officers who lost their lives. Since records have been kept, more than 19,000 Officers have lost their lives.

On Saturday, May 18th flags will be placed at local cemeteries to commemorate Memorial Day. King Industries provides this opportunity by supplying the flags.

On Sunday, May 19th the annual Shea Magrath Concert and Ceremony will take place at Calf Pasture. This ceremony honors the two Medal of Honor recipients who lost their lives serving our country.

The Rowayton Memorial Day Parade will take place on Sunday, May 26th and the Norwalk Memorial Day Parade will take place on Monday, May 27th.

Mayor Rilling asked everyone to remember our men and women who lost their lives serving our country. He wished everyone a save holiday weekend.

V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS:

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS – there were none this evening.

RESIGNATIONS:

APPOINTMENTS:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

B. CONSENT CALENDAR:

**** MR. KYDES MOVED THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR:**

VII.A.1, A.2, VII.B.1, B2, VII.C.1, C.2, VII.D.1, D.2, D.3, VII.F.1a, F.1b, F.2a, F.2b, F.3a, F.3b, F.3c, F.4a, F.4b, F.5a, F.5b, F.5c, F.6a, F.6b, F.6c, VII.G.1, G.2, G3, G.4, G.6, G.7, G.8

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. CORPORATION COUNSEL

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. HEALTH, WELFARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE THE ELEVENTH AMENDMENT, AND ANY AND ALL FUTURE AMENDMENTS AND ANNUAL CONTRACT RENEWALS, TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND ONSOLVE, LLC (F/K/A) EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, LLC), FOR THE CODE RED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FEATURES, INCLUDING THE INTEGRATED PUBLIC ALERT AND WARNING SYSTEM (IPAWS) SUBMISSION APP, SO LONG AS THE ANNUAL COSTS ARE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$37,500.

2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, INSTRUMENTS AND AMENDMENTS NECESSARY TO REQUEST AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS UNDER THE FEDERAL OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS 2019 BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,400.00.

B. PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH SUBMISSION OF THE PY45 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO HUD.

2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE APPROVED 20152019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND PY45 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN.

C. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE A POLE ATTACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE COMPANY (D/B/A FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS), AND ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE PURPOSE OF GOVERNING USE OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL GAIN RIGHTS ON FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS' UTILITY POLES FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.

ACCOUNT NO. 09 14 4021 5777 C0232

2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE THIRD TAXING DISTRICT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES RELATED TO EAST AVENUE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION UTILITY RELOCATION (PROJECT #102-297) FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$115,000.00.

ACCOUNT NO. 09 12 4021 5777 C0471

D. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL COMMITTEE

1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL MARINE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION FOR THEIR USE OF CALF PASTURE BEACH, SHADY BEACH, TAYLOR FARM AND MARVIN SCHOOL PARKING AREAS FOR THE 2019 NORWALK BOAT SHOW TO BE HELD THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

**AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019 FROM 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM DAILY.
ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 15,000**

2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAM RAVEIS CHARITABLE FUND FOR THEIR USE OF CALF PASTURE BEACH FOR THEIR WILLIAM RAVEIS RIDE & WALK TO BE HELD SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 FROM 7:00 AM – 2:00 PM. SET UP TO BEGIN ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019 AT 12:00 NOON AND AGAIN ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 AT 5:30 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 3:00 PM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 500-1,000

3. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NORWALK LACROSSE ASSOC. INC. FOR THEIR USE OF VETERANS PARK FOR THE NORWALK JUNIOR LACROSSE POUND ON THE SOUND TO BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019 FROM 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM AND SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019 FROM 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM. SET UP TO BEGIN FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2019 AT 6:00 PM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 8:30 PM ON SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 2,000 ROTATING EACH DAY.

F. LAND USE AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SAV-MOR COOLING AND HEATING, INC. FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE BOILER AT BROAD RIVER FIRE STATION FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$70,900. FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM ACCOUNT 0915 3110 5777 C0557.

1B. AUTHORIZE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON THE CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$7,090.00.

2A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SAV-MOR COOLING AND HEATING, INC. FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE BOILER AT THE WESTPORT AVE FIRE STATION FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$83,200. FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM ACCOUNT 0915 3110 5777 C0557.

2B. AUTHORIZE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON THE CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$8,320.00.

3A. RESOLVED, THAT THE NORWALK FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION (NFCC) IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED AS THE BUILDING

COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO THE ROWAYTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT.

3B. RESOLVED, THAT THE NORWALK COMMON COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES AT LEAST THE PREPARATION OF SCHEMATIC DRAWINGS AND OUTLINE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE ROWAYTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT.

3C. RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY OF NORWALK COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE CITY OF NORWALK BOARD OF EDUCATION TO APPLY TO THE COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND TO ACCEPT OR REJECT A GRANT FOR THE ROWAYTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT.

4A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHPORT CONTRACTING INC. FOR THE KENDALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISHWASHING ROOM & SCHOOL STORE UPGRADES PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$51,100.00. ACCOUNT # 09195010 5777 C0610 - \$12,714.00 AND BALANCE FROM ACCOUNT

4B. AUTHORIZE BOE FACILITIES DEPT. TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$5,110.00.

5A. RESOLVED, THAT THE NORWALK FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION (NFCC) IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED AS THE BUILDING COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO THE MISCELLANEOUS RENOVATIONS AT NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL: MEDIA CENTER/BLACKBOX THEATER, LEARNING COMMONS (LIBRARY) AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE PROJECTS.

5B. RESOLVED, THAT THE NORWALK COMMON COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES AT LEAST THE PREPARATION OF SCHEMATIC DRAWINGS AND OUTLINE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE MISCELLANEOUS RENOVATIONS AT NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL: MEDIA CENTER/BLACKBOX THEATER, LEARNING COMMONS (LIBRARY) AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE PROJECTS.

5C. RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY OF NORWALK COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE CITY OF NORWALK BOARD OF EDUCATION TO APPLY TO THE COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND TO ACCEPT OR REJECT A GRANT FOR THE MISCELLANEOUS RENOVATIONS AT NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL: MEDIA

CENTER/BLACKBOX THEATER, LEARNING COMMONS (LIBRARY) AND SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE PROJECTS.

6A. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH UNIVERSAL BUSINESS SERVICES, LLC FOR CITY HALL AIR HANDLER #4 REFURBISHMENT PROJECT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$84,249.39. ACCOUNT 0914 4071 5777 C0439.

6B. AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS ON THE CONTRACT FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$8,424.00.

6C. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO NEW ENGLAND ENERGY CONTROLS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF CONTROLS FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF AHU #4 AT CITY HALL FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$24,944. ACCOUNT 0916 7100 5777 C0439

G. FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE DATED: MAY 9, 2019.

2. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: NARRATIVE ON TAX COLLECTIONS DATED MAY 9, 2019.

3. FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: MONTHLY TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT DATED: APRIL 2019.

4. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING, TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT REGIONAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TEAMS WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$60,000.

6. RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF NORWALK'S LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE FIRST TAXING DISTRICT, DATED DECEMBER 2010, TO AMEND THE RATE OF INTEREST ON THE LOAN FROM 3.43% TO 2.64% AND A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF

\$93,798.58 TO BE APPLIED AS A CREDIT AGAINST THE LOAN BALANCE STARTING WITH THE LOAN PAYMENT SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 2019.

7. RESOLUTION, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AGGREGATING \$52,508,000 FOR THE FY 2019-20 CAPITAL BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$52,508,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE FY 2019-20 CAPITAL BUDGET.

8. RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZE THE CLOSURE OF THE CITY PROJECTS OUTLINED IN THE TABLE TITLED CITY CAPITAL PROJECT CLOSURES WITH AVAILABLE BALANCES TOTALING \$2,484,369.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Due to a potential conflict of interest, Ms. Young left the meeting.

E. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

**** MR. SACCHINELLI MOVED THE FOLLOWING:**

APPROVAL OF AND VOTE ON ESTABLISHING THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Mr. Sacchinelli reviewed the item and said that this department will offer crucial services to the community. This is a public facing item.

Mr. Hempstead said that he would be opposing this item. He said he thought a lot of these functions were going to be absorbed by existing positions. Mr. Hempstead said the reorganization plan was supposed to be sum neutral, but there are additional expenses.

Mr. Livingston spoke in support of the item. He said that when he first joined the Common Council, people would ask him where to go for services. He pointed out that 14 of the 15 largest municipalities in Connecticut have a Community Services department. Norwalk is the only one without this department.

Mayor Rilling said this something that has been needed for a long time in Norwalk. This department will provide a single stop for people who need services.

Ms. Melendez added that the Ordinance Committee held a public hearing about creating this department and the Personnel Committee worked on the positions.

**** MOTION PASSED WITH ONE (1) VOTE IN OPPOSITION (MR. HEMPSTEAD)**

G. FINANCE COMMITTEE

**** MR. BURNETT MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:**

RESOLUTION, APPROVE SPECIAL OPERATING APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$140,648 TO FUND THE FINAL PHASE OF THE CITY REORGANIZATION AND ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Burnett reviewed the item. He explained there are associated dollars that apply for the item just approved.

Mr. Hosten said that it is important to think of this as an investment in the City. He said they can't forget about the people who need services from the City.

Mr. Hempstead said it is not that they don't need the function. This position could have been absorbed by existing staff.

Mayor Rilling thanked all those involved. He said this was the final stage of the reorganization that will help run the City in a professional way. Norwalk is a growing city and one of the few in Connecticut where people are moving in.

**** MOTION PASSED WITH ONE (1) VOTE IN OPPOSITION (MR. HEMPSTEAD)**

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

There were none this evening.

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

There were none this evening.

X. SUSPENSION OF RULES

There were none this evening.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

**** MS. MELENDEZ MOVED TO ADJOURN
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Donna King, City Clerk