

**CITY OF NORWALK
HEALTH, WELFARE & PUBLIC SAFETY
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 27, 2013**

ATTENDANCE: Michelle Maggio, Chair; Sarah Mann, Jerry Petrini, David Watts

OTHERS: David Walenczyk, LMFT, Director of Youth Services; Deputy Police Chief Susan Zecca

CALL TO ORDER.

Ms. Maggio called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL.

Ms. Maggio welcomed everyone and called the roll. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

There was no one from the public present.

NEW BUSINESS.

Norwalk Youth Services.

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all agreements, documents or amendments to the same as may be necessary for the provision of services of the Norwalk Juvenile Review Board and the Norwalk Department of Youth Services to the Town of Westport, and individuals referred by the Westport Police Department for the annual fee of \$15,000.00.

Mr. Walenczyk, the Director of Youth Services came forward and greeted the Committee members. He said that his department had been working on this project with Westport for some time, but this was the first time that Westport had the funding. Norwalk had 120 cases referred to Norwalk's Juvenile Review Board (JRB) while Westport only had a few. Due to the low number of cases, Westport never established a JRB. This year will be a pilot program for Westport and the Town has allocated the funding for it to their police department.

Mr. Petrini asked how Westport handled their cases last year. Mr. Walenczyk explained that Westport had been referring all their cases to Juvenile Court, but the Court now wants the cases to go to the JRB first. Westport doesn't want to establish a JRB for the small number of cases they handle, so they would like to refer the cases to Norwalk.

Mr. Petrini said that he did not want this to cost Norwalk money. Mr. Walenczyk replied that the number of cases was small enough that there would not be an additional need for staff. The \$15,000 would be a subsidy. He also explained that right now, there was a part time staff member that he hoped could be moved to full time. He has discussed this with Mr. Hamilton. Right now, Norwalk is receiving Federal grant funding for the JRB, but the department is aggressively looking for outside funding.

**** MR. PETRINI MOVED THE ITEM.**

Ms. Mann asked if the Corporation Counsel's Office had reviewed the proposal. Mr. Walenczyk said that they had and proceeded to give the Committee an overview of the details. He also listed the various programs and services that the JRB provides.

**** THE MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, RICHARD A. MOCCIA, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE SAME AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES OF THE NORWALK JUVENILE REVIEW BOARD AND THE NORWALK DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES TO THE TOWN OF WESTPORT, AND INDIVIDUALS REFERRED BY THE WESTPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE ANNUAL FEE OF \$15,000.00 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Police Department:

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all documents necessary to apply for and accept grant funding from the Department of Justice under the FY2013 Edward Byrne memorial Justice Assistance Grant, in the amount of \$45,097.00.

Authorize the Police Chief, Thomas E. Kulhawik to execute any and all agreements, documents, instruments and amendments thereto as may be necessary to implement all programs through the FY2013 Edward Byrne memorial Justice Assistance Grant pursuant to such grant funding.

Deputy Chief Zecca came forward and greeted the Committee members.

Ms. Mann asked if both sections of the resolution would be presented to the Council. Deputy Chief Zecca said that they would.

**** MR. WATTS MOVED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, RICHARD A. MOCCIA, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

UNDER THE FY2013 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,097.00.

AUTHORIZE THE POLICE CHIEF, THOMAS E. KULHAWIK TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, INSTRUMENTS AND AMENDMENTS THERETO AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT ALL PROGRAMS THROUGH THE FY2013 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PURSUANT TO SUCH GRANT FUNDING.

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT.

**** MR. WATTS MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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