

**CITY OF NORWALK
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION
AUGUST 3, 2015**

ATTENDANCE: James Clark, Chair; Mayor Harry Rilling; Gregory Burnett;
Edwin Camacho; James Feigenbaum

STAFF: Robert Barron, Director Management & Budgets; Erin Herring,
Assistant City Clerk; Mario Coppola, Corporation Counsel;
Michael Moccia, Director of Recreation and Parks

Mr. Clark called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 6, 2015- Regular Meeting

The following corrections were made to the minutes:

Page 4: Under - Proposed Fund Balance Policy Revision: Correct re-lined to red-lined
Page 4: Under – Discussion of Outside Agency Grant Recipient Guideline: the second paragraph should read as follows: Mr. Barron explained that the committee is not required by charter.

- ** MR. FEIGENBAUM MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED**
- ** MR. CAMACHO SECONDED**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

There were no special appropriations this evening.

TRANSFER AGENDA (SECTION B)

Mr. Barron explained that the City had a \$1.5 million total operating budget surplus therefore all of the transfers came from within the existing budget.

There was no need for a special appropriation to transfer money from either the contingency or the fund balance.

- ** MAYOR RILLING MOVED TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER AGENDA IN ITS ENTIRETY AS PROPOSED BY FINANCE
- ** MR. FEIGENBAUM SECONDED
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS (SECTION C)

- ** MR. CAMACHO MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

RESOLUTION, APPROPRIATING \$1,200,000 FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN INVERSE CONDEMNATION SETTLEMENT RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,200,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID CAPITAL APPROPRIATION

Mr. Barron explained the item as detailed in the meeting packet. The Common Council has already approved the settlement. Mr. Coppola said that as a result of this agreement there is a withdrawal of other court cases and a resolution of this case. In addition, the Norwalk Redevelopment Agency acquires the properties at 68 and 70 South Main Street; they expect to close in early October. Mr. Barron said that the Bond Council reviewed this agreement and it will be bonded next year.

- ** MR. BURNETT SECONDED THE MOTION.
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (SECTION D)

Mr. Barron reported that Oak Hills Park Authority, year to date, through June 30th is operating at a profit. He reviewed the Tax Collector's report. At the close of the fiscal year, they collected almost 99% of their current tax levy on the 2013 grand list. They also collected almost 97% of their current sewer use levy.

Mr. Barron reviewed the key revenue drivers; \$660,952 was added due to increased building permits and the real estate conveyance tax.

- ** MR. FEIGENBAUM MOVED TO ADJOURN
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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