

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2018**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, January 8, 2018 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman P. Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. Chairman Vetro asked those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call

Board Members Present

B. Anderson
E. Beatty
K. Fortunati
C. Gaynor
D. German
A. Giannattasio
J. Golden
J. Grant
F. Smith
A. Sutton
J. Tranquilli
N. Veccharelli
P. Vetro
R. Vitali

Also Present

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake
J. Berchem, City Attorney
P. Erodicti, Finance Director
J. Rohrig, City Clerk
S. Fournier, Mayor's Admin. Asst.

Excused

M. Hardiman

2. Public Statements

Public statements are limited to the legislative function of the Board of Aldermen. He stated only residents; taxpayers or electors may address the Board. The time limit granted to each speaker shall be three (3) minutes. He asked each speaker to adhere to the three-minute limit.

P. Smith – Gulf Street – stated he was here tonight as the Chairman of the Downtown River-High Street Development Committee. He provided the Board with an overview of the work of the Committee and invited all to attend the January 18, 2018 final presentation of conceptual site plan/market analysis, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. He spoke of the hard work of the committee members and acknowledged Julie Nash, Community Development Director.

R. Gregory – 14 Manor House Lane – stated he was here tonight regarding item 12a-1. He stated he is the President of the retirees group and provided the background regarding the retiree adjustment. He stated he would ask the Board to approve this tonight.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on December 4, 2017.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 4, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meeting.

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman Vetro extended a Happy New Year to all.

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Blake welcomed everyone tonight and extended New Year greetings to all. He asked the Board's consideration regarding items 8a-d and stated he would be happy to answer any questions as they come up. Mayor Blake informed the Board of the Mayoral appointments below. He note three Scribner's errors as follows: Appointment of Susan M. Stango, term to expire 12/31/19, appointment of Michael Casey, correct address to read: 31 Riverside Drive; and appointment of Rev. Karl Deuetzmann, term to expire 12/31/17.

6a. Mayor Blake announced the following mayoral appointments:

Milford Council on Aging, two-year term expiring 12/31/19

(R) Doreen Fontana, 18 Overlook Drive, 06460, reappointment

(D) Cynthia R. DeLuca, 22 High Street, 06460, reappointment

(R) Richard E. Dowin, 554 Merwin Avenue, 06460, reappointment

(R) Shirley A. Serrano, 36 Meetinghouse Lane, 06460, reappointment

(D) Teresa Nolan, 258 Oak Ridge Lane, 06461, reappointment

Conservation Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(D) Janet C. McAllister, 197 Maplewood Avenue, 06460, reappointment

(D) Gayle S. Hoffman, 38 Holbrook Street, 06460, new appointment

(D) Diana Bytell, 17 Benham Avenue, 06460, new appointment

Human Services Department

(R) Barbara Genovese, 19 Belmont Street, 06460, new appointment, to fill vacant position, term to expire 12/31/18.

Inland Wetlands Agency, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(U) Kenneth R. Cowden, 312 West River Street, 06461, reappointment

Milford Redevelopment & Housing Partnership, five-year term expiring 11/30/22

(D) Charles Montalbano, 30 Revere Place, 06460, reappointment

Veterans Graves Preservation Commission, one-year term expiring 12/31/18

(U) Thomas Cody, Jr., 13 Dock Road, reappointment

(U) David DeRubeis, Sr., 17 Waterview Landing, 06460, reappointment

7. Unfinished Business

None.

8. New Business (from Mayor's Report Items 8a-8d)

8a. Board of Aldermen approval is hereby requested of the following Mayor's Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve the following Mayor's Appointments to the Boards and Commissions as listed below:

Board of Assessment Review, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(D) Henry B. Healey, 192 West River Street, 06460, reappointment

(R) Gregory F. Harla, 2 Anchorage Drive, 06460, reappointment

(R) Winthrop Smith, III, 167 Penn Common, 06460, new appointment

Alternate:

(D) Jason P. Zammiello, 134 Lexington Way South, 06461, reappointment

Building Code Board of Appeals, five-year term expiring 12/31/22

(D) Richard F. Jagoe, 1 Morningside Drive, 06460, reappointment

Civil Service Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(U) Twig Holland, 2 Gulfview Court, 06460, reappointment

Board of Finance, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(R) Scott G. Moulton, 30 Cleveland Avenue, 06460, new appointment

Fire Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(U) William A. Brennan, 51 Milford Point Road, 06460, reappointment

(D) Kevin C. McGrath, 24 Miles Street 06460, reappointment

Golf Course Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(U) Richard J. Austin, 14 Village Road, 06460, reappointment

(R) Marilyn W. Blake, 150 Forest Road, Unit 15, 06461, reappointment

(R) John H. O'Connell, 88 Bryan Hill Road, 06460, reappointment

Harbor Management Commission, five-year term expiring 12/31/22

(U) Joseph Gilbert, 71 Harborview Avenue, 06460, reappointment

Board of Health, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(D) Holly E. Mulrenan, 204 Third Avenue, 06460, reappointment

Historic Preservation Commission, five-year term expiring 12/31/22

(R) Carol Malloy Smith, 21 Green Street, 06460, reappointment

(U) Erik J. Johnson, 40 Benson Street, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/18

Human Service Department, three-year term expiring 12/31/19

(U) Susan M. Stango, 148 Rivercliff Drive, 06460, reappointment

Library Board, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(R) Linda Creedon, 3 Flax Mill Lane, 06461, reappointment

(R) Linda L. Wanosky, 28 Ashburn Lane, 06460, reappointment

(D) Alice F. Oliver, 404 Gulf Street, 06460, reappointment

(U) Amanda Kemp, 3 Kinloch Street, 06460, new appointment, to fill vacant position, term to expire 12/31/19

Park, Beach & Recreation Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(R) Bill Bevan, 23 Merlin Circle, 06460, new appointment

(U) Felicia Shashinka, 60 Ocean Avenue, reappointment

Police Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(D) Samuel Bergami, Jr., 310 Tanglewood Circle, 06461, reappointment

(D) David Rubenstein, 38 Bayshore Drive, 06460, reappointment

Sewer Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(D) Edmund Q. Collier, 230 Gulf Street, 06460, reappointment

Transit District, two-year term expiring 12/31/21

(U) Michael Lebov, 75 Anchorage Drive, 06460, reappointment

Tree Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(R) James T. Malaney, 64 Wilcox Road, 06460, reappointment

Veterans, Ceremony and Parade Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/20

(U) Russell W. Edwards, 48 Opal Street, reappointment (*VVA Representative*)

(R) John T. Jansen, 22 Russell Road, 06460, reappointment (*Citizen Representative*)

Zoning Board of Appeals, five-year term expiring 12/31/22

(U) William Soda, 35 Edgemont Road, 06460, reappointment

Alternate,

(R) Michael Casey, 31 Riverside Drive, 06460, new appointment, three-year term to expire 12/31/20.

Ald. Anderson stated in keeping with how he has voted in the past and in accordance with the aldermanic rules he wished to divide the question and vote on the Harbor Management Commission

appointment separately. He stated he would abstain on voting on this appointment as he did previously.

Chairman Vetro stated the Board would vote on the motion, with the exception of the appointment to the Harbor Management Commission.

Motion carried unanimously.

On the appointment of Harbor Management Commission, five-year term expiring 12/31/22, (U) Joseph Gilbert, 71 Harborview Avenue, 06460, reappointment.

Motion carried 13 yes (Beatty, Fortunati, Gaynor, German, Giannattasio, Golden, Grant, Smith, Sutton, Tranquilli, Veccharelli, Vetro, Vitali) and 1 abstention (Anderson).

Chairman Vetro stated he would entertain a motion to re-order the agenda and bring forward item 8e so that all of the appointments could be completed together.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to re-order the Agenda and bring forward agenda item 8e. Motion carried unanimously.

8e. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to appoint the following individuals to the following Boards and Commissions:

Animal Shelter Commission

(D) Sarah Nierenberg, 160 Meadowside Road, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/22

Economic Development Commission

(U) Carlo Piselli, 58 Carrington Avenue 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/21 (*Citizen Representative*)

(D) Victor M. Ferrante, 82 Pond Street, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20 (*Milford Bar Association Rep.*)

Flood & Erosion Control Board

(R) J. Andrew Bevilacqua, 5 Usher Street, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/22

Historic District Commission

(D) Robert Berchem, 135 West River Street, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 01/01/23

Historic District (South of the Green):

(R) Marika Mosley, 299 Ford Street, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 01/01/23

Human Services Department

(R) Kathleen Hurley, 45 Anchorage Drive, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20

(U) Reverend Karl Deuetzmann, 6 Hickory Lane, Ansonia, 06401, term to expire 12/31/20 (*Milford Clergy Association Representative*).

Inland Wetlands Agency

(D) Brendan J. Magnan, 153 Rogers Avenue, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20

(D) David DeFlumeri, 3 Hillcrest Avenue, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20

(U) Nathan Buchok, 98 Knobb Hill Road, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/18

Alternate:

(D) Matthew Connors, 198 West River Street, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/18.

MGAT (Milford Government Access Television) Committee

(U) Chris Hiza, 140 Centennial Drive, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/19

(D) Nija Phelps, 1264 Naugatuck Avenue, 06461, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/19

Pension and Retirement Board

(D) Matthew C. Chaco, 93 Ruth Ann Terrace, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/19

(U) Brandon D. Marschner, Sr. (*Milford Police Union*), 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20

(R) Christian McInnis, 60 Point Lookout, 06460, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20

(R) William Farrell, 27 Bayberry Lane, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/18

(U) Gregg R. Hammond, 33 Railroad Avenue, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/18

Alternate

(D) Janet Montalbano, 30 Revere Place, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/20

Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Joanne Rohrig swore in those appointees present.

The Board recessed at 7:52 p.m.

Chairman Vetro reconvened the Board in public session at 8:04 p.m.

8b. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Resolution Re: Supporting Participation in the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Blake introduced Jessica LeClair, Energy Technical Specialist who made the trip to Milford tonight.

Ms. LeClair presented an overview of the program.

8c. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Resolution: Cash Advance for State Public Library construction Grant FY 2017-2018. Motion carried unanimously.

8d. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve the request per recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board, dated December 19, 2017, for the acceptance of the Capital Improvement Plan for the years 2018-2022. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business not on the Agenda which may be introduced by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting.

None.

10. Budget Memo Transfers

(a) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Budget Memo Transfers #3 and #4, Fund 10, FY 18. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Refunds

(a) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of \$22,447.28. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Report of Standing Committees:

a. Ordinance Committee – Ald. Smith reported the Ordinance Committee met earlier in the evening to consider one Ordinance and voted favorably to forward it to the full Board of Aldermen for consideration.

Ald. Smith and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to approve An Ordinance Further Amending Chapter 17.1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Milford (General Government Retiree Adjustment).

Ald. Smith summarized the discussions that occurred at the Ordinance Committee meeting.

Mayor Blake provided a brief overview. A brief discussion ensued.

b. Public Safety and Welfare Committee – no report.

c. Public Works Committee – no report.

d. Claims Committee – no report

e. Rules Committee – no report.

f. Personnel Committee – no report.

13. Report of Special Committees:

a. Liaison Sub-Committee – Board of Education – no report.

b. Liaison Sub-Committee – Flood & Erosion Board – no report.

c. Liaison Sub-Committee – Park, Beach & Recreation Comm. – no report

d. Liaison Sub-Committee – Planning & Zoning Board – no report.

e. Liaison Sub-Committee – Sewer Commission – no report.

f. Liaison Sub-Committee – Harbor Management Commission – no report.

g. Liaison – Council on Aging – no report.

- h. Permanent School Facility Building Committee – no report.
- i. Liaison Sub-Committee – Library Board – no report
- j. Liaison Sub-Committee – Fowler Memorial building – no report
- k. Liaison Sub-Committee – Milford Redevelopment & Housing Partnership – no report.
- l. Golf Course Commission – no report.
- m. Inland Wetlands Agency – no report.
- n. Liaison Health Department – no report.
- o. Devon Revitalization Committee – no report.
- p. Human Services Commission – no report
- q. Liaison Pension & Retirement Board – no report.
- r. Milford Government Access Television (MGAT) – no report.
- s. Liaison – Milford Progress, Inc. – no report.

14. Executive Session. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting is required for any item to be considered in executive session. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting is required to go into executive session.

The Chairman shall announce, in public session, those items to be covered in executive session and call for a vote to enter executive session. If a two-thirds (2/3) vote, to enter executive session, is obtained, the hall shall be cleared and executive session declared.

- 14a. Consideration of settlement of:
Wendy Gibbons, et al v. City of Milford
RE: 11 Bonsilene Street
- 14b. Consideration of settlement of:
Milford Four, LLC v. City of Milford
RE: 1306 and 1330 Boston Post Road
- 14c. Consideration of settlement of:
Ireit Milford Marketplace v. City of Milford
RE: 1620 Boston Post Road
- 14d. Consideration of settlement of
Ireit Milford Markeplace v. City of Milford
RE: 1650 Boston Post Road

Chairman Vetro announced those entering Executive Session would be the full Board of Aldermen, Mayor Blake, City Attorney and City Assessor.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 8:56 p.m.

Chairman Vetro reconvened the meeting in public session at 9:11 p.m.

14(a) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to authorize settlement in the matter of Wendy Gibbons, et al v. City of Milford, regarding 11 Bonsilene Street, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Attorney and City Assessor as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

14(b) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to authorize settlement in the matter of Milford Four, LLC v. City of Milford, regarding 1306 Boston Post Road and 1330 Boston Post Road, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Attorney and City Assessor as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

14(c) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to authorize settlement in the matter of Ireit Milford Marketplace v. City of Milford, regarding 1620 Boston Post Road, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Attorney and City Assessor as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

14(d) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to authorize settlement in the matter of Ireit Milford v. City of Milford, regarding 1650 Boston Post Road, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Attorney and City Assessor as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business to discuss, Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Smith moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary