

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 2, 2011**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, May 2, 2011 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman G. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:44 p.m. He asked those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and remain standing for a moment of silence for those men and women serving our country.

1. Roll Call

Board Members Present

B. Bevan
B. Bier
B. Blake
D. German
F. Goodrich
A. Giannattasio
B. Joy
J. Patterson
G. Smith
P. Smith
P. Staneski
N. Veccharelli
P. Vetro
R. Vitali

Also Present

Mayor J. Richetelli, Jr.
P. Erodici, Acting Finance Director
L. Bull DiLullo, Mayor's Admin. Asst.
L. Stock, City Clerk

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.

A. Petrahai – 32 Orient Avenue – asked the Board to hold taxes. He went on to speak personally about his time at Sikorsky and the pension he receives. He also addressed the budget, specifically the Board of Education budget and stated they needed to do more with less. He stated there are too many mandates, too many bosses and that it was time to think about cuts. He stated history never changes, only the times. He concluded reading a story about Marie Antoinette.

J. Platt – 132 Platt Lane – read a letter from her husband regarding cuts to the Board of Education budget. She stated she too opposes cuts to the Board of Education budget. She stated how we educate our children affects everyone. She stated uneducated people are likely to be unproductive, unemployed and likely end up in jail. She stated now was the time to invest in our children.

J. Ju – 22 Saranac Road – stated she like others in her group are upset about the cuts to the education budget. Reading from a prepared statement she stated the ECS grant should be allocated entirely to the education budget.

J. Federico – 14 Breakneck Lane – read from a prepared statement asking the Board of Aldermen to fully fund the education budget. She also addressed the ECS monies which she stated should go to the Board of Education. She dared the aldermen to ignore her pleas and reminded them she will get her say on November 8, 2011.

L. Fucci – 136 Welchs Point Road – read a prepared statement regarding the education budget asking the aldermen to allocate the ECS grant to the education budget.

B. Anderson – 194 Cherry Street – stated last year the Board of Education bit the bullet and closed Simon Lake School and realigned the schools. He stated parents and students sacrificed and adjusted and tried to move on. He stated now it seems like the same situation. He asked the Board to reconsider monies to the Board of Education.

R. Silver – 55 Governors Avenue – reading from a prepared statement said she is discouraged. She stated she is discouraged at the tone that was used by some Board of Aldermen members. She also commented she would like to believe the Board is listening and further that there will not be a party line vote.

S. Glennon – 99 Carlson Drive – stated she was disappointed at the narrowness and focus of the budget conversations last week. Reading from a prepared statement she also spoke regarding the costs of educating children and the major shift of those receiving services. She also stated budgets are a large part of any budget. She asked the Board to give careful consideration to all things that drive costs.

R. Dunphy – 109 East Broadway – spoke of William Penn, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and more, stating they were all signees of the Declaration of Independence. He stated these men were called Statesmen. He stated what we need is more statesmen, not politicians. He asked the Board not to raise taxes, to bring back a nurse and not layoff Public Works employees. He suggested layoffs in management. He also wanted to make the Board aware that Thursday is National Day of Prayer and invited everyone to attend.

T. Simonek – 61 Governors Avenue – implored the Board to restore funding to the Board of Education. She stated the \$1.9 needs to be reinstated to provide programs to children. She stated the Board to put money into education and restore those funds cuts.

T. Marguis – 67 Point Beach Drive - read a letter from Joanne Lane, 14 Pearl Hill Street, regarding funding for Milford Public Schools.

D. Paul – 54 Terrace Road – stated he was confused. He stated he moved to Milford 12 years ago because of the education system. He stated he has a 6 year old and an 8 year old and that it is the same thing every year regarding the budget that he has to come to this Board to beg for a decent education for his children.

S. Feher – 348 Housatonic Drive – read a statement concerning cuts to the education budget and ECS monies that belong with education.

C. Berni – spoke about this being a year of change. She suggested the Board of Aldermen review PTA Council’s Code of Ethics. She also spoke about disrespect, the needs of teachers and that they often have to ask their PTA for construction paper. She stated to the Board that they did not have a clue what goes on in the schools. She stated decline in enrollment is due to people who are made and moving their kids to private schools. She also stated children are the future and that the Board is working against her in making her child and independent, productive adult.

N. Szygiel – 441 Meadowside Road – stated she is here tonight to talk about neighborhoods. She stated she choose to live where she does because she preferred to be near the woods. She stated in 2008 she and the neighbors looked at the property behind her and the possibility of purchasing it. She begged the Board to give them a chance to purchase this property. She also pointed out there are Red Tail Hawks in that area and that it needed to be preserved.

J. Berard – 175 Meadowside Road – stated she did not plan on speaking tonight. She stated she did try to get other parents here, but she got the same response “why bother”. She asked the Board to restore the funds to the Board of Education budget. She asked the Board to look to the city side to make cuts, stating it was time to look at healthcare benefits. She asked the Board to restore the education side and ECS funds.

J. Prisco – 11 Riverdale Road – asked the Board of Aldermen to hold the line when voting on the education budget. He asked where the money that was coming to the city would go.

J. Socquet – 34 Saranac Road – asked the Board to please allocate the \$1.5 ECS money to the Board of Education. She stated declining enrollment leads to declining property values.

J. Sawitsky – 72 Shelter Cove Road – stated he has 3 kids and a wife that works in the school district. He stated the empty seats tonight speak to the disillusionment of parents. He stated it should be education at any cost, not what cost. He also stated it was important to have a school system people are proud of.

C. Taylor – 12 Chapel Street – stated his father asked him why he would want to watch two parties play politics. He stated he has defended the school system the past few years when there have been cuts. He also stated there has been too much focus on enrollment. He stated he came tonight, because as President of his senior class, he wanted to give his class hope, but sadly they feel minds have been made up. He spoke regarding the ECS monies and also that the federal government would also be cutting education over the next few years. He stated he would finish up his high school career before things get worse. He stated he had always thought he would come back to Milford after college to raise a family, but that is now not likely to happen because he does not want to come back to this type of atmosphere. He stated his faith in government has been diminished.

J. Maroney – 22 Saranac Road – stated his roots in this town run very deep, so he is very passionate about Milford. He stated he came tonight to urge the Board maintain the ECS budget for the Board of Education. He stated his life is about education and giving back and that we cannot weaken our school system. He stated everyone benefits from a strong school system.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on April 4, 2011.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Goodrich made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 4, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman G. Smith commented his math may be fuzzy, but he wanted to state for the record that he drives a 2004 Jeep, is a graduate of Simon Lake Elementary School and Jonathan Law High School, as did his children, his parents and grandparents. He stated his brother and sister are both high school teachers. He went on to explain his charge as an aldermen and pointed out the fire, police and public works departments all received cuts. He also stated a school nurse was cut, while the Board of Education received a \$1.2 million dollar increase in their budget. He stated the Board of Education has never received a cut. He also stated the fact is there are 623 less students in the system since 2006 and will be 1,000 less over the next 10 years, all the while education continues to increase. He stated this Board is here to try to do the best for all in Milford, including children. He pointed out there are 680 teachers and 6,970 students in Milford, which gives a 10/1 ratio of teachers to students. He stated the Board will get answers before they vote, but that he appreciated the passion of the speakers tonight. He stated they will talk to their representatives at the school board and reiterated they will get answers before voting.

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Richetelli stated he would respectfully ask for the Board's action regarding items 8a and 8h and that he would be happy to discuss each as they come up on the agenda. He stated he would like to recognize Tanya Schweitzer to provide an update from the Milford Prevention Council.

Ms. Schweitzer reported the Milford Prevention Council recently hosted a national drug take back day. She stated the event was statewide with over 60 drop off locations including Milford. She stated she was happy to announce the Milford site was the most successful of the drop off locations.

Ald. Staneski added they work with DEA and Milford Police because there is a direct correlation between prescription use and heroin addiction. She also noted many of those who dropped off prescriptions had been told by their pharmacy that they did not take them.

He also stated he wished to make the Board aware of the following Mayor's appointment:

(R) Robert A. Barbieri, 63A East Broadway, 06460, to a five (5) year term on the Milford Redevelopment and Housing Partnership. Term to expire 11/30/15.

7. Unfinished Business:

None.

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

8a. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Goodrich made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the following appointments to the Veterans, Ceremony and Parade Commission:

- (D) Timothy R. Mead, 36 Dewey Avenue, 06460 (VFW), Term to expire 12/31/13.
- (U) Russell W. Edwards, 138 Melba Street, 06460 (VVA), Term to expire 12/31/14.
- (R) Thomas C. Flowers, 21 Point Lookout, 06460 (American Legion), Term to expire 12/31/15.
- (R) Christopher Roberts, 4 Parkland Place, 06460 (DAV), Term to expire 12/31/15.
- (U) William B. Kates, 97 Pomona Avenue, 06460 (Civic), Term to expire 12/31/14.
- (R) Ellenor M. Olson 80 Melba Street, 06460, (Citizen), Term to expire 12/31/14.
- (U) Christine L. Smith, 235 Plains Road, 06461, (Citizen), Term to expire 12/31/15.

City Clerk Linda Stock swore in those individuals who were present.

Chairman G. Smith thanked the mayor for thinking out of the box and combining the two commissions.

8b. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Agreement regarding the South Central Connecticut Regional Emergency Communications System (C-MED) and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement and take all steps necessary to effectuate the Agreement.

Mayor Richetelli explained the city is a member of CMED and that they have a 10-year agreement with other communities of CMED. He stated this is the renewal.

Motion carried unanimously.

8c. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Goodrich made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Allocation Transfer No. 8 (Marina Sewage Disposal Facility Replacement). Motion carried unanimously.

The Board recessed at 9:13 p.m. Chairman G. Smith reconvened the Board in public session at 9:19 p.m.

8d. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Municipal Animal Control Agreement between the City of Milford and the Town of Orange and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement and take all steps necessary to effectuate the agreement.

Mayor Richetelli stated Rick George, Animal Control Officer was present to answer any questions. Mayor Richetelli stated this merger is something that has been discussed for several years. He explained the current Orange First Selectman approached Milford a year ago. He further explained he sat down with Mr. George and that there were two overriding parameters. The first being that any kind of agreement could not reduce the level of services Milford receives; and second it could not cost the Milford taxpayers more money. He stated they were not interested in a regional control animal service or Board. Mayor Richetelli stated this is a win/win for both communities. He stated there are also possibilities for more funding opportunities. He also stated although Orange has more dog licenses, they handle a lot less complaint. He stated Milford would be able to hand them without any strain on its own department.

Ald. Blake commented the idea is a great idea. He stated based on the numbers quoted, he stated he would question the contribution by Orange, which is only 17%. He asked how negotiations took place to come up with the \$75,000 figure and asked why Milford is only charging less than 17% of costs when the Mayor stated they have more dog licenses. Ald. Blake asked if there is room for negotiation.

Mr. George explained Orange will get services, but it will be more “on-call” and minimal patrol.

Mayor Richetelli stated in discussing services, they came to a dollar amount based on what Mr. George felt it would cost and Orange accepted. He also pointed out there is a dedicated fund that will only be used for animal control, i.e. vehicles, other equipment, etc.

Ald. Bevan asked if Milford would be picking up stray dogs in Orange or if people would be bringing them to the shelter. He also asked if Milford would be able to handle the various animals they have in Orange, such as cows, pigs and horses.

Mr. George stated those type of animals would be handled by the Department Agriculture. He stated with regard to stray animals, Milford would pick them up and any costs Milford received would stay within the city.

Ald. Blake referred back to the figure in the agreement of \$75,000 and noted they currently pay \$110,000. He stated he would amend the \$75,000 figure to read \$100,000.

Ald. Blake and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to amend the motion and change the contribution amount for Orange from \$75,000 to read \$100,000.

Ald. Giannattasio questioned the amendment and stated they may be getting ahead of themselves at this point since it will be an on-call basis. He stated when they have more documentation they could revisit.

Mr. George stated the information is available through Region 2, but in reality he stated Orange has been overcharged, which has nothing to do with Milford. He stated the \$75,000 is a reasonable fee for their share. He also pointed out with any contract there is room to renegotiate.

Ald. Giannattasio asked how they would base their information regarding complaints, pickups, etc.

Mr. George stated the data for the two towns would be kept separate.

Ald. Staneski commented this agreement was based on workload and applauded the legal department for putting in Item 7. She asked if their interpretation that if this agreement does not work out and the workload is different, they can renegotiate.

Mayor Richetelli stated there are long term benefits to both towns with safeguards to protect both towns. He stated the agreement has the format of being a regionalized agreement, but it is not. He also stated it would not be ethical to charge in excess just because Orange is paying those fees now.

Ald. Veccharelli stated it was his understanding the agency that was taking care of this for the Town of Orange is one the town was unhappy with. He asked the reasons.

Mayor Richetelli stated he did not have that information, but pointed out three towns in that region have had problems for years.

Ald. Veccharelli asked where the animals are currently brought.

Mr. George replied Woodbridge.

Ald. Veccharelli asked if Milford would feed and house extra animals and if the monies received from Orange would go directly to Milford's budget.

Mayor Richetelli explained those monies would go into a Fund 76 account, which is revenue in, expenses out. He stated when Milford needs to expend money to Orange; they would be able to do that. He also stated the Milford budget would be separate and stressed there would be no co-mingling of the accounts.

Ald. Veccharelli asked if it would be a lot more work for our Milford staff. He also asked how costs would be determined. Ald. Veccharelli stated he did not want to short change Milford and that he did not want to hear from a constituent that they called Milford, but they were unable to come out because they were in Orange.

Mr. George stated they could take the Town of Orange over now and it would not cost a dollar. He stated there is a kennel keeper in Milford whether they have one dog or twenty-two dogs. He stated there are two assistant animal control officers and they are available at any time. He stated he is also able to clean kennels when necessary. Mr. George stated there staffing is well place and available.

Ald. P. Smith applauded the team that put this agreement together. She stated it was a nice effort working with their neighboring town. She asked if a police officer would be available to assist and also whether Orange has an animal control officer.

Mr. George stated there would be no combining of personnel.

Mayor Richetelli stated the paragraph refers to a police officer.

Ald. P. Smith asked if someone would call 911 if they were having a problem in their own town and then they are referred to animal control dispatch.

Mr. George responded yes and explained how it works after hours, which is completely different.

Ald. Vetro asked about the rescue trailers the fire department obtained.

Mr. George stated the City received those trailers and that they are part of the region.

Ald. Vetro asked if the two trailers would be enough now that they have Orange.

Mr. George explained Milford is the custodian for the equipment so in a disaster Milford has the right of first refusal.

Ald. Blake commended Mr. George on the concepts and agreed Milford should find ways to work with its neighbors to drive costs down. He stated his amendment is about fairness. He stated Milford taxpayers pay 100% of their fair share, but Orange taxpayers are getting a free ride.

Ald. Joy pointed out the costs being referred to are all sub-costs. He stated this plan will allow us to take care of what is already in place. He agreed they should look for a fair rate with each town, but that it should not turn into a money making venture.

Ald. Vitali noted the many safety valves in the contract. He asked if the contract benefits both parties and also if there were any undue burdens. He asked Mr. George, in his professional judgment, if the contract was good for both parties.

Mr. George replied yes, it is. He reiterated Orange is paying less, but they were overpaying before. He stated whether they have Orange or not Milford would still have the same costs. He stated Milford would keep fees for in-pound, adoption, etc. He stated it will be a very good situation for both towns.

Ald. P. Smith asked if there was a negotiation process and if everyone came to an agreement.

Mayor Richetelli responded yes. He stated they achieved an agreement that would benefit both towns. He stated to charge Orange more would just be unethical. He stated the citizens of Milford will only pay for their own benefits and reiterated it is a good deal.

Ald. P. Smith stated she agreed Milford wanted to be a good neighbor and that this agreement sets the tone that Milford is a good neighbor. She added this allows Milford to branch out to its neighboring town and that we acted in good faith.

Ald. Blake stated that Ald. Vitali asked if the \$75,000 was a good deal and Mr. George said yes. Ald. Blake stated he believed if Mr. George were asked if the \$100,000 was a good deal, he believed he would say yes as well. Ald. Blake pointed out again that Orange is currently paying \$110,000, so \$100,000 is fair.

Mr. George stated the \$75,000 is contractual and additional Milford would be receiving \$5,200 for fuel allowance.

Ald. Vitali asked if it would be fair to ask Mr. George to come back in three months and give some historical data.

Ald. Vitali and Ald. Staneski made and seconded a motion to move the question. Motion carried unanimously.

By roll call vote, the amendment failed 4 yes (Blake, Hardiman, Veccharelli, Vetro) and 10 no (Bevan, Bier, German, Giannattasio, Goodrich, Joy, G. Smith, P. Smith, Staneski, Vitali).

Chairman G. Smith thanked Mr. George and stated he had faith in him if he was saying he could get it done, he would.

On the main motion, motion carried unanimously.

8e. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation (March 1, 2011) to sell a city owned parcel on Harriet Avenue known as Map 25, Block 216, Parcel 20 as follows:

1) sale will be to the highest bidder with a minimum price of not less than the appraised value as listed on the assessor's records;

2) the parcel cannot be used as a separate building lot nor combined with any other property to create a new building lot, but it may be combined or merged with other property to make a more conforming lot size. (Adjacent property owners notified.)

Chairman G. Smith asked if this were approved if someone would be able to build in a wetland.

Mayor Richetelli stated this particular item is a very small 20 x 100 piece parcel at the beginning of the street. He stated he did not know of any proposal to develop this parcel. He stated the owner simply wants to add it to her property (Haydusky). He explained it would be bid with the sale to the highest bidder. He also pointed out all of these sales tonight were recommendations from Planning and Zoning and subject to all the city's agencies. He stated all the Board was approving was whether or not the parcel could be sold.

Ald. Staneski asked if this would be through open bid.

Mayor Richetelli stated in the past the city has done both open bid and sealed bid or by auction.

Ald. Goodrich stated having served on the Planning and Zoning Board that he knows all too well of waivers made after these types of purchases.

Ald. Goodrich and Ald. German made and seconded a motion to amend the motion to add the following language: "that deed restrictions, property line setbacks and wetland setbacks must meet minimum zoning requirements without waivers".

Attorney Smith stated he did not believe this Board could set requirements for another Board. He stated he would have to research this.

Ald. Goodrich stated he has seen lots wider than the minimum who claim a hardship to obtain approval.

Ald. Staneski commented she respected the personal views of Ald. Goodrich, however she did not believe this Board should tie the hands of another board. She stated it would be up to the Planning and Zoning to determine any hardship based on the information they receive, not this Board. She cautioned this Board to tie the hands of another board.

Mayor Richetelli stated he was not sure he understood the amendment. He stated the only value of the property is to the butting property owners. He stated by approving this it would not be creating an additional property lot.

Ald. Giannattasio asked Ald. Goodrich to rescind his amendment. He stated it just was not necessary since it would be the owner who would have to contend with the zoning.

By roll call vote, the amendment fails 2 yes (Goodrich, G. Smith) and 12 no (Bevan, Bier, Blake, German, Giannattasio, Hardiman, Joy, P. Smith, Staneski, Veccharelli, Vetro, Vitali).

Ald. Blake asked if the Mayor had received any other calls regarding this property, other than those individuals who spoke this evening.

Mayor Richetelli replied no.

Ald. Blake asked the appraisal amounts for all of the properties being considered tonight.

The Board took at 5-minute recess at 10:18 p.m.

Chairman Blake reconvened the Board in public session at 10:29 p.m.

Ald. Staneski raised a point of order concerning the public hearing held tonight and then taking a vote on the same evening. She suggested the remaining matters be tabled regarding the public hearing.

Mayor Richetelli stated the matters were properly noticed in accordance with State Statute, Section 8-24, which requires Planning and Zoning to forward the matters to the legislative body for approval, which is the Board of Aldermen. He explained they are required to hold a separate public hearing, as well as notify all residents within a 200 radius of the property. Mayor Richetelli state legal notices were done. He stated this is the procedure based on statute and that the City has more than satisfied the notification requirement in the laws and statute.

Ald. Staneski stated her point is not about satisfying or doing due diligence, she stated she wanted to make sure she has given herself enough time to vote on this.

Ald. Veccharelli commented Ald. Staneski's idea of moving so quickly after a public hearing is words well spoken. He stated he felt comfortable there had been enough notification, but they should have in their aldermanic rules or elsewhere something written that they should wait until the next meeting to vote on a public hearing. He expressed his hope for a bipartisan effort to have further discussions.

Chairman G. Smith stated he appreciated the thoughts of Ald. Staneski and Veccharelli, balancing that with the fact it was properly noticed and those who spoke on it were in favor of it.

Ald. Staneski asked about the bid process and if the land could be bid by anyone.

Mayor Richetelli responded yes. He pointed out from a practical standpoint this property is worthless, except to the abutting property owners.

By roll call vote the motion carried 13 yes (Bevan, Bier, Blake, German, Giannattasio, Goodrich, Hardiman, Joy, G. Smith, P. Smith, Veccharelli, Vetro, Vitali) and 1 no (Staneski).

8f. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation (2/15/11, 3/1/11, 4/5/11) to sell city owned parcels on Way Street known as:

Map 25, Block, 217, Parcel 7
Map 25, Block 217, Parcel 8
Map 25, Block 218, Parcel 8
Map 25, Block 218, Parcel 10
Map 25, Block 218, Parcel 12
Map 25, Block 218, Parcel 13

Ald. Goodrich stated having served on the Planning and Zoning Board that he knows all too well of waivers made after these types of purchases.

Ald. Goodrich stated he would make the same motion as earlier to amend the motion to add the following language: "that deed restrictions, property line setbacks and wetland setbacks must meet minimum zoning requirements without waivers".

There being no second the amendment failed.

Ald. Veccharelli asked about the responsibility of providing a street.

Chairman G. Smith responded he believed it would be the builder.

Mayor Richetelli stated the development is controlled by the authority of the Planning and Zoning Board. He stated it is the responsibility of the developer to meet all city standards. He also pointed out as you look at the map, it is understanding that Avery LLC or Field, which are around the city property are certified legal non-conforming building lots and can be built. The Stipulations would still allow only two building lots. By recommendation of Planning and Zoning you are making two smaller lots into two decent lots, but it is still legal non-conforming. He stated the approval by the Board would improve the non-conformity. On the southern side of Way Street, they have been certified by Planning and Zoning as legal non-conforming building lots.

Ald. Veccharelli thanked the Mayor for elaborate explanation but what he was looking for was what obligation the City has to put in a legal street. He stated his question is more about liability and if we have to provide a street.

Mayor Richetelli stated the City has no responsibility for putting in the costs of any road.

Ald. Bier stated it was his understanding all of these 40 x 100 lots on Way Street are all approved building lots, so potentially there could be seven houses on the street.

Mayor Richetelli stated six of the lots have been certified as building lots.

Ald. Bier asked if these were more conforming lots would the structure change.

Mayor Richetelli stated it is reasonable to ask someone their intent when purchasing.

G. Field stated his plan is to purchase and put a width ways raised ranch on the lot. He stated it will make the area so much more attractive and conforming to the area.

Ald. Giannattasio stated it would be more dense.

By roll call vote the motion carried 12 yes (Bevan, Blake, German, Giannattasio, Goodrich, Hardiman, Joy, G. Smith, P. Smith, Veccharleli, Vetro, Vitali) and 2 no (Bier, Staneski).

8g. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation (2/15/11) to sell a city owned parcel on Westmoor Road know as Map 30, Block 644, Parcel 8 as follows:

1) sale will be to the highest bidder with a minimum price of not less than the appraised value as listed on the Assessor's records;

2) the parcel cannot be used as a separate building lot nor combined with any other property to create a new building lot, but it may be combined with other property to make a more conforming lot size.

Ald. Staneski stated she would be voting no because she feels tonight was not the night to vote on these.

Chairman G. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to table item 8g.

By roll call vote, motion carried 13 yes (Bevan, Bier, Blake, German, Goodrich, Hardiman, Joy, G. Smith, P. Smith, Staneski, Veccharelli, Vetro, Vitali) and 1 no (Giannattasio).

8h. Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to table the request to accept the donation of a parcel of land (0.34 acres+/-) on Westmoor Road known as Map 30, Block 613A, Parcel 37 from Christopher Field (Field and Son) to be combined with abutting City property, designed as open space and protected wetlands per Planning and Zoning Board recommendation (4/5/11).

Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Staneski made and seconded a motion to table item 8h.

Ald. Blake raised a point of order stating a motion to table was not needed.

By roll call vote, the motion to table carried 9 yes (Bier, Blake, German, Goodrich, Hardiman, Joy, G. Smith, P. Smith, Staneski) and 5 no (Bevan, Giannattasio, Veccharelli, Vetro, Vitali).

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

None.

11. Refunds

(a) Ald. P. Smith and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of \$18,376.88. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Report of Standing Committees:

- a. Ordinance Committee – no report.
- 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.

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.

Being no further business to discuss, Ald. Goodrich and Ald. Veccharelli moved to adjourn at 11:00 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary