

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING
JULY 7, 2014**

The Ordinance Committee of the Board of Aldermen held a meeting and public hearing on Monday, July 7, 2014. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

F. Smith, Chairman
S. Shaw
A. Giannattasio
B. Anderson
M. Casey

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake
Jonathan D. Berchem, City Attorney

Chairman F. Smith stated the legal notice for tonight's meeting was posted in the New Haven Register on July 1, 2014. Chairman Smith provided a brief outline of each of the Ordinances. He then stated he would entertain a motion to waive the reading of the Ordinances in their entirety.

Ald. Giannattasio and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to waive the reading of the Ordinances in their entirety. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Smith opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

1. An Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Establishing Compensation of City Officials and Employees in the Service of the City of Milford (Registrars).

Speakers in favor – none.
Speakers opposed – none.

- 2 An Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Establishing Compensation of City Officials and Employees in the Service of the City of Milford (Mayor, City Clerk).

Speakers in favor – none.
Speakers opposed – none.

- 3 An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 13, License and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, Article I, In General, Section 13-2 of the Milford Code of Ordinances (Renewal of Liquor Permits).

Speakers in favor – none.
Speakers opposed – none.

Chairman Smith closed the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Ald. Shaw and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to forward to the full Board of Aldermen with a favorable recommendation An Ordinance Amending An Ordinance Establishing Compensation of City Officials and Employees in the Service of the City of Milford (Registrars).

Chairman Smith explained the background for this Ordinance. He stated this Ordinance and the following Ordinance are for the scheduled U4 employees and that the increase reflects a 2% increase over the current salary.

Ald. Giannattasio stated he would rise in support of this Ordinance. He stated these employees did not receive and increase two years ago. He stated they have waited long enough and were duly owed this increase.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Shaw and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to forward to the full Board of Aldermen An Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Establishing Compensation of City Officials and Employees in the Service of the City of Milford (Mayor, City Clerk).

Ald. Casey asked if these salaries are codified in the Ordinance book.

Attorney Berchem stated they were codified.

Ald. Giannattasio stated he would respectfully vote against this Ordinance. He explained two years ago this Board gave the mayor and city clerk an increase. He stated in light of the fact that taxes are increasing for Milford citizens he felt this Board and the aldermen should hold the line on these salaries. He reiterated these two positions received an increase two years ago and that he felt this was the time to hold these salaries.

By roll call vote, the motion carried 3 yes (Smith, Shaw, Anderson) and 2 no (Giannattasio, Casey).

Ald. Shaw and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to forward to the full Board of Aldermen with a favorable recommendation An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 13, License and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, Article I, In General, Section 13-2 of the Milford Code of Ordinances (Renewal of Liquor Permits).

Chairman Smith asked for some background regarding this Ordinance.

Attorney Berchem stated this Ordinance comes on the heels of recently enacted Public Act, PA 14-48, which required any business that is up for removal of their liquor license to have to go before the chief of police, who can provide comments to the Liquor Control Board. Attorney Berchem stated the police chief was in favor of this Ordinance.

Chairman Smith asked if this Ordinance pertained to renewals only.

Attorney Berchem replied yes.

Ald. Anderson commented that he sees this as a positive measure for the safety of Milford residents.

Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Ald. Shaw and Ald. Casey made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary