

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 10, 2017**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, July 10, 2017 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman P. Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. Chairman Vetro asked those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked the Board to remain standing for a moment of silence in memory of Joseph J. Prisco, Ralph Frank Edo, Mary Powers Kennard and Robert Post, all who recently passed.

1. Roll Call

Board Members Present

B. Anderson
E. Beatty
B. Bevan
M. Casey
D. German
J. Grant
M. Hardiman
S. Shaw
N. Veccharelli
P. Vetro
R. Vitali

Also Present

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

Excused

B. Bier
A. Giannattasio
J. Golden
F. Smith

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.

D. Dutko - 236 Buckingham Avenue - very concerned about potential LED lights coming to town. She suggested turning off 20% of the lights, which would equal the LED lights. She also asked the Board to consider a referendum and let the people speak on this topic.

G. Comfort - 91 Melba Street – stated he was addressing the Board concerning the Beachcomber Bar. He stated the place is open until 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 am depending on the day of the week. He also spoke about the extremely loud music that comes from the bar which can be heard throughout the street. He also spoke of the general outside condition of the bar citing excess garbage, etc. He urged the Board to take action.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on June 5, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 5, 2017.

Ald. Bevan stated he had two corrections. He stated on p. 4, 4th paragraph from the bottom, he asked the cost of the crosswalks being painted. Ald. Bevan stated Director Saley stated the cost was \$15.00, and not \$16.00 as reflected in the minutes. Ald. Bevan stated he also asked about the crosswalks on the green and sidewalks at Parsons.

Motion carried unanimously, as corrected.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meeting.

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman Vetro thanked Dan Worroll, Julie Nash and her staff and Mayor Blake for putting on a fantastic "Kickoff to Summer" event. He also announced Susan Shaw would be resigning from the Board effective August 1.

Ald. Shaw spoke of being a volunteer and that she was thankful for the opportunity to serve. She stated it has been a wonderful opportunity to give back to the citizens of Milford.

Ald. Anderson expressed his sincere thanks to Ald. Shaw.

Chairman Vetro also thanked Ald. Shaw for her time.

Ald. Vitali also thanked Ald. Shaw for her time and the energy and dialogue she brought to the Board.

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Blake expressed sadness losing Ald. Shaw from the Board of Aldermen. He stated she always worked hard, and was a big contributor to the Board, providing research, and thoughtful conversation. Mayor Blake stated he expected Ald. Shaw would still be a contributor to the community in other ways. Mayor Blake asked the Board for their consideration of the one agenda item, 8a.

7. Unfinished Business

None.

8. New Business (from Mayor's Report Item 8a)

8a. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Shaw made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Resolution Re: Confirming Commitment and Participation in a Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Bevan asked the cost.

Mr. Erodicti stated it was approximately \$40,000.

Ald. Bevan stated a number of residents are not aware of the program and suggested more advertising for this worthwhile program.

Mayor Blake stated press releases go out through his office. He also stated there are a number of items that have to be disposed of specifically and those are the types of items that have to be brought to the Regional Household.

Ald. Casey asked about the cost and how the dollar figure is arrived at.

Mayor Blake explained the number is primarily based on number of households as well as a specific formula.

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

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Budget Memo Transfer #9 and #10, Fund 10, FY 17. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Refunds

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of \$17,400.116. 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 – Ald. Anderson stated a number of aldermen have expressed interest in beautification and proposed projects throughout the city. He stated there would be a meeting tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. at Cafe Atlantique.

- 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.

None.

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

The Board adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary