

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2009**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, September 14, 2009 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman B. Blake called the meeting to order at 8:23 p.m. Chairman Blake asked those present to join in saluting our flag asking Austin Wheaton to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call

Board Members Present

B. Bier
J. Blacketter
B. Blake
V. Ditchkus, Jr.
A. Giannattasio
S. Manning
R. Nunno
J. Patterson
J. Rosen
J. Toohey
N. Veccharelli
P. Vetro
R. Vitali
S. Willey

Also Present

Mayor J. Richetelli, Jr.
L. Bull DiLullo, Mayor's Admin. Asst.
W. Smith, Jr. City Attorney

Excused

M. Hardiman

Mayor Richetelli thanked the Board for its indulgence of some presentations tonight for some very special guests. He stated introduced Austin Wheaton, a junior at Jonathan Law High School who would be serving as mayor for the day tomorrow. He stated it was Austin who was instrumental in making the stage at the Parson's complex handicap accessible and was the first to use the ramp at his middle school graduation ceremony. Mayor Richetelli also spoke of the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities sponsors this annual event. He went on to read the proclamation in Austin's name declaring Austin Wheaton mayor for the day on September 15, 2009.

Austin acknowledges the recognition and stated he would like to thank his parents and so many others including Joe Dellamonica and Ray Vitali, who he stated was a great leader in the early years for this group. Austin also thanked the Mayor; a man he stated of great courage.

Mayor Richetelli called upon the chair of the Committee, Tony Candido, who he wished to publically thank, as well as the members of this commission.

Mr. Candido thanked those present. He also acknowledged City Clerk, Alan Jepson commenting no one would be able to fill his shoes. He stated he had a special presentation and asked Ald. Vitali to come forward. Mr. Candido stated Ald. Vitali serves on a number of Boards, Bridges, United Way, Boys and Girls Club to name a

few and always finds time to come to all of his meetings as well as willing to lend a hand. He thanked him for always being willing to help those with special needs and presented him with a plaque.

Ald. Vitali expressed his thanks to Mr. Candido and also commented Austin is an inspiration to all.

Mayor Richetelli stated there were two groups of special outstanding ladies present tonight who have made Milford proud and as well as being young ambassadors for the City of Milford. He went on to recognize the Milford International Girls 11-12 year old softball team, who were the 2009 National World Series Champions. He stated this is not the first time they have been hear and that they were the 9-10 year old State Champions and the 10-11 State Champions. He proceeded to read a proclamation to the girls and went on to present each with their proclamation. Mayor Richetelli stated the second group of girls present was from the Milford Babe Ruth and are the 10 and under State Champions having competed in Pittsfield, MA. He went on to read a proclamation and went on to present each with their proclamation. Mayor Richetelli also acknowledged Mike Georgetti, the league organizer who presented the girls with jackets.

Chairman Blake extended congratulations to Mayor Wheaton and the City girls champion softball players.

Ald. Ditchkus asked for a 5-minute recess. The Board recessed at 8:52 p.m.

Chairman Blake reconvened the Board at 8:58 p.m.

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.

L. Flannigan – 38 Prospect Street - stated she was here tonight on behalf of the Milford Preservation Trust and that they fully support the demolition delay Ordinance. Reading from a prepared statement she spoke of the importance of respecting history. She also referenced the town of Hilton Head and its restrictive requirements. She asked the Board to consider the entire culture of Milford.

M. Kramer – 104 West River Street – stated she too is a member of the Milford Preservation Trust and that she supports the demolition delay Ordinance, which she stated is long overdue. She also commented an Ordinance is only as good as its implementation and that key individual have to be contacted to make it work. Reading from a prepared statement she referenced the Merwin/Cadely property which is still talked about on the State Preservation groups. She implored the Board to bring practice upon 417 Gulf Street and bring pressure on the owner there.

R. Platt – 132 Platt Lane – commented he is unable to get Channel 79 unless he buys a special box. He stated he supports the demolition delay Ordinance. He also commented he has been asking for a Historic Properties Commission and that he has asking for this for some time. He stated once that type of an inventory was in place they would get more protection for many homes. He urged the Board to get going on that study committee.

J. Platt – 132 Platt Lane – stated she has lived in Milford for 44 years and that this Ordinance was a long time coming. He spoke of the importance of preserving our historic heritage and expressed her hope the Board would take action.

S. Borer – 204 Anderson Avenue – spoke regarding Eisenhower Park. He stated a group met regarding cyclists and the trails in the park and that the process seems to be moving forward. He stated this is the people's park and that the people of Milford should be considered. He stated changes should not be taking place until the people have been made aware of the changes and that everyone should agree how these people are processed. He stated there should be a plan put into place and right now the people are being excluded from what is going on with just one group.

S. Patrick – Gulf Street – stated she is a member of the Economic Development Commission and that she was here tonight to speak in favor of the anti-bligh Ordinance. She stated the ECC has been having a committee within working on this as well. She urged the Board to go ahead with this stating it would preserve neighborhoods and allow the City to step in quickly.

N. Riggione – stated he is the owner of 417 Gulf Street and that he has been called numerous times by the newspaper. He stated he is also the former owner of Knickerbocker's Restaurant, which he stated he lost three years ago because of a tax issue. He stated it is another election season and the Republican Mayor along with the Democrats and Independent parties are prevailing and he is yet again the brunt of another controversy. Mr. Riggione stated he brought with him photographs of the work being done at the house, which he distributed to the Chairman. Mr. Riggione stated he has owned the property for about 10 years and probably should have been working on it all along, but was trying to save Knickerbockers. He stated demolition by neglect is not what is going on here. He further stated he invited sever historians to his house and gave out his cell phone number but none of them every called him, but instead choose another route. He stated this is not a house that a husband could fix up. He stated it is much more than that and that it requires a great deal of work. He went on to explain some of the details of the restoration involved such as the removing of plaster, lathe, asbestos and more. He stated the windows needed to be removed because of the asbestos. He stated after he completes his assessment of the building he will decide if it is salvageable. Mr. Riggione stated it is his house and he could do that and will decide what to do. He also commented he is trying to do it the right way, but constantly finds himself in the newspapers with his every move as well as having the matter at Knickerbockers brought up where one has nothing to do with the other. He reiterated he invited the historians and they are still welcome to see the work going on, but that he should not have to see his name in the newspaper.

D. Guaglianone – 73 Cooper Avenue – member of the Cable Advisory Committee. He addressed the comment made by an earlier speaker not being able to get Channel 79 and stated he would ask that individual as well as the Board to speak before the DPUC and Cablevision. He stated there is a meeting on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and he asked all to attend this meeting to fight the DPUC. He also pointed out since going digital you do need a cable box. He asked the public to tell DPUC to give the \$134,000 at year back to Soundview.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on August 3, 2009.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on August 3, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Board of Aldermen held.

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman Blake reported since the last meeting the Oyster Festival, Labor Day, Devon Day, the Fire Muster and Folks on Spokes had been held, which marks the unofficial end of the summer. He also reported the Kimball team delivered a "draft" copy of their report today. He stated the City Attorney's office would review the report and disseminate a final draft, adding assurances had been made this Board would receive the report prior to the next meeting.

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Richetelli stated there were several items he wished to bring to the Board's attention. He stated John Ludtke, a longtime member of the Inland Wetland Agency had moved out of Connecticut. He reported the following appointment:

Milford Inland Wetlands Agency

Appointment of (U) James D. Connors, 25 Country Lane, to complete the unexpired term of (R) John Ludtke (resigned). Term to expire 12/31/09.

Mayor Richetelli reported Mr. Connors had served on this Board before and had also been trained in that capacity. He also reported pursuant to the Board of Aldermen's Resolution of the Board of Aldermen (8/3/09), the following appointments had been made by the Mayor and Chairman of the Board of Aldermen:

Designation of the Walnut Beach Enhancement Committee:

Suzanne Manning (appointed by the Chairman of the Board of Aldermen)

Gregory M. Smith, 235 Plains Road (appointed by the Mayor)

Daniel W. Worroll, Jr., 457 Swanson Crescent (appointed by Chairman of Park, Beach and Recreation Commission)

Joseph Garbus, 60 Park Avenue (Walnut Beach Association)

Frank Goodrich (Walnut Beach Association)

Mayor Richetelli asked those members present to come forward and be sworn in.

City Clerk, Alan Jepson swore-in those members present.

Mayor Richetelli stated further to the Resolution that the Community Development Department would be the administrative agency.

Regarding item 6c, Mayor Richetelli stated he met with the Chairman of the Board of Aldermen and they were pleased to appoint the following Ad hoc Advisory Committee:

SMART (Save Money and Reduce Trash) PAYT (Pay as you Throw)

State Representative Barbara Lambert, 8 Breakneck Lane

Daniel German, 114 Beach Avenue
Diane Vasseur, 17 Devol Street
Daniel Hooks, Sanitation Foreman, Public Works Department
Robert Barbieri, 63A East Broadway
Brian A. Grunow, 4 Anchorage Drive
Roberta Silver, Governors Avenue

City Clerk, Alan Jepson swore in those members present.

Mayor Richetelli stated he was pleased to introduce to the Board the Milford Prevention Council, a coalition of community professionals working together to prevent and reduce substance abuse among our youth. He stated the Council has been organizing over the last 18 months and that Marcia Winter was on hand tonight to address the Board and address the work, strategy and goals of the Milford Prevention Council.

Ms. Winter thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak this evening. She stated this group has been meeting for a long time and finally they are official. She gave a brief overall as to the work of the Council and the upcoming events being planned. She stated the mission of this diverse group would be to coordinate all of their efforts together to better serve youths and families of the community. She also went on to explain how they got to where they are today and that the desire is to be sustainable. She stated the first kick-off event would be held on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at Milford Hospital beginning at 7:00 p.m. – Ginger Katz of the Courage to Speak Foundation; and October 19, 2009 at Milford City Hall Auditorium – Bob Anastas, Founder of SADD (Students Against Drunk Drivers).

Chairman Blake thanked Ms. Winter for her work and wanted to make sure the events were publically announced and put on the calendar.

Ald. Vitali commented regarding the many people who have been so active in this group. He stated they are the models for our youth and encouraged his colleagues to attend this program.

Mayor Richetelli also reported he was respectfully submitting for consideration items 8a-8g on the agenda under New Business.

7. Unfinished Business:

None.

8. New Business:

8a. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to approve the request to authorize the City of Milford Health Department to accept funds for the Children's Mental Health Planning Grant in the amount of \$2,500 from Bridges. . . A Community Support System, Inc., acting as fiduciary for the grant from the Connecticut Health Foundation and to authorize the Mayor and health Director to take all steps necessary to effectuate this grant (per request of Dr. A. Dennis McBride, Health Director, dated 9/2/09). Motion carried unanimously.

8b. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Resolution Re: State of Connecticut Local Capital Improvement Program Assistance for Milford Road Resurfacing Program – 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

8c. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Resolution Re: Cash Advance for Road Resurfacing Program – 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

8d. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Clean Energy Roadmap – Comprehensive Energy Plan for the City of Milford as recommend by the Clean Energy Task Force.

Mr. Ivers apologized for the snafu on the distribution. He explained it was named a road map because it provided a direction. He went on to explain “cool city”. He also stated the proposals received from the departments have been processed and approved and that they should be able to move forward shortly. Mr. Ivers recognized the members of the task force for the significant contributions.

Ald. Manning thanked Mr. Ivers and the Commission for their hard work. She asked about the Energy Block Grant and how this road map is included.

Mr. Ivers explained the need to support energy efficiency and conservation strategy.

Ald. Blacketter echoed the comments of Ald. Manning and noted the document has a number of target dates. She questioned if they would make those target dates and if there were any they needed to focus on.

Mr. Ivers spoke of the importance of implementing the process as soon as possible and moving forward. He stated it is the hope to fulfill the timetable; it is not set in stone.

Ald. Blacketter asked about the setup of the team and asked if that had been set up by a Resolution passed by this Board.

Mr. Ivers responded no. He stated the energy team brings together agency/department heads to help with the physical importance and management importance.

Ald. Manning commented the Resolution this Board put together collectively.

Mr. Ivers spoke of the importance of establishing where they are and measuring success.

Ald. Vitali asked if the Board would periodically receive reports as to how buildings did each year.

Mr. Ivers responded yes and explained the energy use data which is by building and fuel type.

Ald. Vitali asked if the Board could receive something in writing.

Mr. Ivers responded yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

8e. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to approve the request to authorize the Milford Fire Department to apply for and accept the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) from State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) in an amount of approximately \$20,000 and to authorize the Mayor and the Fire Chief to take all steps necessary to effectuate this grant (per request of Battalion Chief Alan J. Zingaro, dated 9/9/09).

Ald. Vetro asked if this item was already budgeted.

Chief LaVecchia responded no. He explained it is a grant that supplements emergency management.

Motion carried unanimously.

8f. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Authorizing Resolution of the City of Milford which is required by the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DMHS) as part of the grant application requirements for DEMHS.

Ald. Manning questioned the referencing.

Mayor Richetelli explained DEMHS suggests this be passed and then it be used for any grants.

Motion carried unanimously.

8g. Ald. Vetro and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Authorization of Signature Document (Corporate Resolution) which is required by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management (OPM) pursuant to the Board of Aldermen's approval (Item 8f of the August 3, 2009 meeting) to authorize the Milford Police Department to apply for and accept the Local Pass-Through Justice Assistance Grant (CT Local JAG) in the amount of \$30,000.

Ald. Blacketter suggested amending the motion to reference the Resolution. She stated currently it stands alone and there is no reference.

Chairman Blake asked Ald. Blacketter if she had a specific amendment and language.

Mayor Richetelli interjected stating the item the Board is being asked to pass references item 8f of the August 3, 2009 meeting.

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

None.

11. Refunds

(a) Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of \$55,669.69. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Report of Standing Committees:

a. Ordinance Committee – Ald. Patterson stated the Committee met earlier in the evening to consider two Ordinances.

Ald. Patterson and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to approve an Ordinance repealing §6-5 through 6-12 of the code of Ordinances of the City of Milford and substitution §6-5 through 6-14 by Regulating the Demolition of Certain Buildings.

Ald. Ditchkus and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to waive the reading of the Ordinance in its entirety. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Blacketter requested a 5-min. recess.

The Board recessed at 9:57 p.m. Chairman Blake reconvened the Board at 10:18 p.m. in public session and recognized the City Historian, Richard Platt.

Mr. Platt noted the recently death of Milford's first mayor, Charles Iovino, a write-in candidate for mayor. He suggested the City send its condolences to his family.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Patterson and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve an Ordinance amending Chapter 10, Article II, §10-14 through 10-19 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Milford (Creating Anti-Blight Ordinance).

Ald. Toohey and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to waive the reading of the Ordinance in its entirety. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Rosen, reading a prepared statement thanked Susan Patrick for her efforts.

Ald. Veccharelli stated he would like to wholeheartedly support this as it is badly needed, but he also does not want to pass something they will be sorry about later. He expressed concern regarding Sec. 10-18 (a) that the anti-blight officer could enter the property without notification. He stated if it is not of an emergency nature he would like to see some type of notice given to the property owner. He stated he had a big problem with the anti-blight officer just showing up on the property. He stated he would like to amend Sec. 10-18 (a) that the anti-blight officer gives notification that they will be coming on the property.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Blacketter made and seconded a motion to add the following language to Sec. 10-18 (a) following the wording *may enter upon any property* “***after notice is given***” . . .

Ald. Ditchkus stated he did not wish to belabor this, but that he would like to get a ruling from the City Attorney concerning notification.

Attorney Smith stated there should be parameters as to the notification, ie. how many days, will it be via certified mail, regular mail. He stated he would need to know from the Board what parameters and what exactly they wanted.

Ald. Veccharelli stated it is notification that he wants. He stated the notification could be sent to the person who pays the taxes, but basically it just wanted some type of notification to the owner that an inspection would be coming. He also stated he did not want to put a timeframe on it.

Ald. Bier questioned noticing the abutting property owner. He also asked how you would notify a property owner you are unable to locate. He also expressed concern that locating a property owner could take time and depending on the severity of the property he questioned how long you would want to wait. He stated you would be handcuffing the official by putting restraints on the Anti-Blight Enforcement Officer. He stated they could at least go to the front door to investigate. Ald. Bier stated he did not support this amendment.

Ald. Blacketter stated there are different levels of inspection that would be required. She stated in some cases such as long grass that is visibly seen, this would be know immediately. He stated she felt there was a way to come up with some type of proper notice with proper language, but still speak to the concerns.

Mayor Richetelli stated he wished to make the Board aware that all code enforcement officers’ derieve authority to enter a property from the State statutes, which are clearly spelled out. He also commented Milford’s code enforcement officers would never violate State statute.

Attorney Smith stated he was not adverse to the suggestion and that there could be a way to address this, but doing a notice provision would take time to do it. He stated if it is this Board’s wish, possibly this could issue could be issued at the next Board of Aldermen meeting.

Chairman Blake stated Ordinances are always subject to amendment. He stated he was not sure this is what the Board wishes to do here.

Ald. Veccharelli stated he is for the Ordinance and that it is badly needed, but reiterated it is a bad decision to have someone enter a property without notification and that it could open up another problem. He described the scenario of someone looking out their window and seeing an officer walking around their property. He stated they should not put themselves in that type of position. He stated if the language he proposed is not changed he would not vote for this.

Ald. Patterson commented while he understands Ald. Veccharelli’s concern, this type of language could limit the power of the officer further to State Statue. He stated it was not a good idea for this Board to make laws that limit State Statute.

Ald. Toohey commented they have been battling blight for years as well as listening to the taxpayers speak to this Board regarding blight. She stated this Board cannot change what State Statute says adding this Board should not step outside the boundaries of this Board. She says she does not believe they would not have the right to be on a property and certainly the blight officer would have the right to just look at the property. She stated this Board is belaboring the point and it was time to move forward. She stated for those who truly need help, there are agencies that can help them. She stated there has been enough discussion on this Ordinance.

Ald. Vetro commented he has been working with neighbors regarding a tough situation in his neighborhood. He stated although it is being pursued, they still have not located the owner. He spoke of the endless problems with this property that included high grass, vermin on the property, an abandoned vehicle, the pool was in disrepair, etc. He stated the City stepped in and took care of the high grass, which took care of the vermin issue; however this property was a grave concern to public safety. He also pointed out there is a bus stop nearby this property. He also stated the City should have the discretion to contact all the departments.

Ald. Ditchkus stated there are different departments have use of this Statute and currently are able to go on to a property.

Attorney Smith replied yes, there are agencies that can enter a property for a variety of reasons.

Ald. Ditchkus pointed out the City Attorney has not been unreasonable regarding this section of the Ordinance. He also stated the City Attorney has stated he would need time to see what would work. Ald. Ditchkus suggested it would not be unreasonable to amend this further down the road once they have some history as to what works. He stated there are other departments that basically use the same Statutes and that he has never seen anyone go before the State to try and change those statutes. He stated for someone to make a comment they will not vote for this without the change is unfair.

Ald. Blacketter asked if they did not include the statement if the blight officer still has authority by statute to enter the property.

Attorney Smith explained to the Board they were empowering a new position to do specific things in a new Ordinance structure. He stated if you want someone to go on the property you have to state it or vice versa. He stated basically you either authorize someone to enter the property or not.

Ald. Veccharelli stated there is an amendment on the table. He stated he would suggest a motion to table this to get additional wording. He stated he was not in favor of going forward with this with the possibility of amending it later. He reiterated they should table this until next month when they have the language.

Ald. Ditchkus raised a point of order. He stated tabling this would require sending it back to the Ordinance Committee.

Chairman Blake responded he disagreed and stated the point of order was not founded.

Ald. Vitali and Ald. Ditchkus made and seconded a motion to move the question.

Chairman Blake stated a motion to move the question can only be made if everyone has had a chance to speak.

Ald. Vitali clarified it is anyone who wishes to speak on the topic and has not done so.

Motion to move the question carried unanimously.

By roll call vote, the motion to amend fails 13 no (Bier, Blacketter, Blake, Ditchkus, Giannattasio, Manning, Nunno, Patterson, Rosen, Toohey, Vetro, Vitali, Willey) and 1 yes (Veccharelli).

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Blacketter made and seconded a motion to table the matter until next month.

By roll call vote the motion failed 11 no (Bier, Blake, Ditchkus, Giannattasio, Manning, Nunno, Patterson, Rosen, Toohey, Vitali, Willey) and 3 yes (Blacketter, Veccharelli, Vetro).

Ald. Blacketter commented at the Ordinance Committee meeting they discussed better wording for Sec. 10-15 (10).

On the main motion, by roll call vote, the motion carried 12 yes (Bier, Blacketter, Blake, Ditchkus, Giannattasio, Manning, Nunno, Patterson, Rose, Toohey, Vitali, Willey) and 2 no (Veccharelli, Vetro).

b. Public Safety and Welfare Committee – no report.

c. Public Works Committee –Ald. Vetro reported there would be a special collection on October 3, 2009 from 9-12 propane tanks.

Chairman Blake commented on the items approved earlier concerning road repair and asked if those roads could be listed on the web site.

Mayor Richetelli replied yes, when the list has been finalized.

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 – Ald. Vetro reported they would be losing another Milford landmark as the Dakota restaurant would become a Chase Bank.

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 – Ald. Toohey encouraged the Board to take a ride by the Orchards if they have not done so recently. She reported the new fencing is up and that the new shed has now been painted. She stated it is an asset to the property and that it is maintenance free. Ald. Toohey also reported they received the new golf cart and that the signage has been affixed. She also reported they already had someone use it. She reported rounds are down slightly due to the New England weather.

- m. Inland Wetlands Agency – no report.
- n. Milford Academy Community Campus Bldg. Committee – no report
- o. Courthouse Expansion Committee – no report.
- p. Liaison Health Department – no report.
- q. Milford Legislative Action Committee – no report.
- r. Devon Revitalization Committee – no report.
- s. Human Services Commission – Ald. Vetro read a list of announcements.
- t. Liaison Police Commission – no report.
- u. Liaison Pension & Retirement Board – no report.
- v. 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.

Chairman Blake stated the Board would go into Executive Session to discuss three items as follows:

- (14a) Consideration of Ratification of Successor Pension Agreement between the City of Milford and Milford Public Works Association, Local 1566 and Milford School Custodians and Maintainers Association, Local 2018.
- (14b) Status report and consideration of settlement of Sharlene A. Adams v. City of Milford
RE: 184 Point Beach Drive
- (14c) Status report and consideration of settlement of Sharlene A. Adams v. City of Milford
RE: 188 Point Beach Drive

Chairman Blake stated he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session the above referenced matters. He stated those going into Executive Session for Items 14(a) would include the Mayor, City Attorney, Attorney Sgrignari and Mr. O'Connell, Personnel Director, as well as the full Board. He stated those going into

Executive Session for items 14(b) and 14 (c) would include the Mayor, City Attorney and City Assessor, as well as the full Board.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: Attorney Sgrignari and Mr. O'Connell exited the Executive Session at 11:07 p.m., at which time the City Assessor Dan Thomas entered the Executive Session.

Ald. Ditchkus and Ald. Vetro made and seconded a motion to come out of Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Blake reconvened the Board in public session at 11:21 p.m.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to authorize the City Attorney to enter into settlement discussions with Local 1566 and Milford School Custodians and Maintainers Association Local 2018 as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to authorize the City Attorney to enter into settlement in accordance with the recommendations of the City Assessor as discussed in Executive Session RE: Sharlene A. Adams v. City of Milford (184 Point Beach Drive). Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson made and seconded a motion to authorize the City Attorney to enter into settlement in accordance with the recommendations of the City Assessor as discussed in Executive Session RE: Sharlene A. Adams v. City of Milford (188 Point Beach Drive). Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Ditchkus and Ald. Patterson moved to adjourn at 11:23 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary