

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2015**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2015 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Chairman Vetro asked those present to join in saluting our flag.

1. Roll Call

Board Members Present

B. Anderson
B. Bier
M. Casey
S. Fontana
D. German
A. Giannattasio
M. Hardiman
D. Kubek
S. Shaw
F. Smith
G. Stanford
N. Veccharelli
P. Vetro
R. Vitali

Also Present

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake
J. Rohrig, City Clerk
J. Berchem, City Attorney
P. Erodici, Finance Director

Absent

J. Golden

Chairman Vetro called on the Mayor Blake for a special presentation.

Mayor Blake proclaimed October breast health awareness month. He called upon the founder of the Get in Touch Foundation Mary Ann Wasil and Suzanne Cahill. Mayor Blake proceeded to read a proclamation declaring October National Breast Cancer Awareness month. He also asked everyone to join in wearing pink on October 16th. Mayor Blake also pointed out the Daisy Wheel can be found in all states and 33 countries.

Ms. Nylan stated she was happy to be here for yet another October. She stated she is doing her best to be here each and every October to bring awareness to Breast Cancer Health and Awareness. She spoke personally of her battle with breast cancer. She explained the program teaches the importance of breast awareness and knowing your body.

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 - 62 Hauser Street – commented she had visited the Board’s friend, Joe Prisco. She stated on behalf of Joe and herself, she wanted to encourage everyone to vote and take the elections, whether state, national or local seriously and remember to get out and vote.

B. Casey - 119 Hawley Avenue - here tonight to thank the Milford Arts Council for the event they put on in September. He stated they did a great job and a good time for all.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on October 5, 2015.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 5, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

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

None.

5. Chairman’s Report and Communications.

Chairman Vetro reported summer had officially ended and that the fall season had begun. He asked everyone to enjoy the fall months and have a safe and Happy Halloween, stay safe

6. Mayor’s Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Blake echoed the comments of Chairman Vetro and that there were some concerns early on regarding storm Joaquin, which the city watched closely. He also called the Board’s attention to tonight’s student video recorders, Steven Corbell, Sara Moore from Foran High School and their advisor Tom Dillon. He thanked each of them for being here tonight. Mayor Blake asked the Board’s consideration of items 8a-8d and stated he would be happy to answer any questions as they come up.

7. Unfinished Business – None.

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

8a. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the request to authorize the City of Milford to accept the 2015 Port Security Grant Award in the amount of \$18,000 and to authorize the Mayor and the Police Department to take all steps necessary, including signing all documents, to effectuate the receipt of said grant funds.

Mayor Blake stated Capt. Marscher was present if the Board had any questions.

Capt. Marscher - Port Security Grant for 2015 - explained would be used for maintenance of heir vessel.

Chairman Vetro asked if the grant monies would be used strictly for maintenance.

Capt. Marscher stated the grant was for all areas of maintenance and upkeep of the boat.

Ald. Giannattasio asked the age of the vessel.

Capt. Marscher stated the vessel was received last year. He went on to explained the process which originally began in 2013.

Ald. Giannattasio asked about maintenance of the electrical concerning the boat.

Capt. Marscher explained the mechanical warranties.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Resolution Re: Cash Advance for Naugatuck Avenue Drainage Project – Phase II.

Ald. Casey asked about the equipment on the field in that area.

Mr. Saley stated they received permission.

Ald. Vitali asked about the inconsistency of the bonding and a \$700,000 difference

Mayor Blake explained the first \$700,000 was for bonding and architectural fees. He stated those monies were originally bonded several years ago.

Ald. German asked the expected schedule.

Mr. Saley stated they broke ground today. He stated the project is expected to take approximately 300 calendar days, however it was not anticipated the work would take place during the winter, although they will work through the winter.

Motion carried unanimously.

8c. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the request for license agreement between the City of Milford and Coastline Construction Corp. Motion carried unanimously.

8d. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the request for Allocation Transfer No. 2 (De-Icer System). 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.

10. Budget Memo Transfers

None.

11. Refunds

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of \$9,497.64. 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 – none.
- 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
ECP-PF FT Operations, Inc. v. City of Milford
RE: 179 Boston Post Road

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

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Stanford made and seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the matter announced above by the Chairman. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:56 p.m.

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

14a. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to authorize the City to accept Consideration of Settlement of ECP-PF FT Operations, Inc. v. City of Milford, RE: 179 Boston Post Road, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Assessor and City Attorney, as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business to discuss, Ald. Hardiman and Ald. Stanford moved to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary