

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING
NOVEMBER 10, 2011**

The Ordinance Committee of the Board of Aldermen held a meeting and public hearing on Thursday, November 10, 2011. Chairman Giannattasio called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. stating the meeting was duly noticed in the New Haven Register on November 3, 2011.

MEMBERS PRESENT

A. Giannattasio, Chairman
P. Smith
J. Patterson
N. Veccharelli
P. Staneski

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor James L. Richetelli, Jr.
Winthrop S. Smith, Jr., City Attorney

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

Chairman Giannattasio opened the public session of the Ordinance Committee at 7:19 p.m. regarding the following Ordinances:

- 1) An Ordinance Repealing An Ordinance Establishing Conditions Of Employment And Benefits For City Officials And Employees In The Service Of The City Of Milford And Adopting Chapter 19, Conditions Of Employment And Benefits For City Officials And Employees In The Service Of Milford.

Speakers in favor – none.

Speakers in opposition – none.

Chairman Giannattasio closed the public hearing portion of the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Ald. Staneski and Ald. P. Smith made and seconded a motion to approve An Ordinance Repealing An Ordinance Establishing Conditions Of Employment And Benefits For City Officials And Employees In The Service Of The City Of Milford And Adopting Chapter 19, Conditions Of Employment And Benefits For City Officials And Employees In The Service Of Milford.

Chairman Giannattasio pointed out the meeting was duly noted in the New Haven Register on November 3, 2011.

Ald. Patterson referenced Section A – Police Department Personnel and commented the language was ambiguous. He also asked for clarification regarding Section 4, #2.

Mayor Richetelli responded those two sections were not one of the changes. He stated the changes being made to the Ordinance were underlined.

Ald. Patterson stated it was something that should be addressed at another date.

Ald. Veccharelli commented regarding the language that states if a person has less than one year of service they would receive one day up to a maximum of five days if they have less than one year, but after one year they get ten days. He also pointed to Section B where it states an employee who has completed one year, but less than seven years would get ten days. He stated he needed some clarification as to this language.

Mayor Richetelli stated although he did not necessary disagree, he pointed out this Committee had the opportunity to address and make changes a few months ago when this first came to the Committee. He stated the Ordinance tonight is for the amendments only. He also pointed out there are no other changes to the Ordinance. He stated the changes basically correct what is already in place.

Ald. Patterson stated this should be left for a future Board to consider these changes.

Ald. Veccharelli stated he disagreed and that he felt this Committee should be looking at the entire Ordinance. He also stated he was disappointed there was no one here tonight that could answer his questions. He went on to explain the important of parity between the two departments. He stated although this may not have been the language that was being changed tonight; it is not properly worded and should be addressed.

Mayor Richetelli stated no one from the police or fire departments who is a non-rep has complained in the past about this Ordinance. He reiterated the Committee was only being asked to make the changes that have been underlined.

Ald. Staneski stated her question would concern protocol.

Motion carried 4 yes (Giannattasio, Staneski, P. Smith, Patterson) and 1 no (Veccharelli).

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

The Committee adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber
Recording Secretary