

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2021**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held a meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021 via video / teleconference Zoom meeting. Chairman Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Vetro asked those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Roll Call**

Board Members Present

E. Beatty  
C. Gaynor  
A. Giannattasio  
G. Harla  
S. Marlow  
F. Smith  
A. Sutton  
J. Tranquilli  
N. Sutton  
P. Vetro  
R. Vitali  
W. Willis

Also Present

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake  
J. Berchem, City Attorney  
P. Erodicti, Finance Director  
K. Fortunati, City Clerk  
J. Rosen, Chief of Staff

Excused

J. Golden  
M. Hardiman  
M. Parente

Chairman Vetro welcomed everyone to the Board of Aldermen regular meeting. He reviewed how the meeting will be conducted via Zoom and guidelines to be followed. He further stated a recording of the meeting will be available on the City's website.

**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.

Chairman Vetro stated a letter had been received from Michael Ryan, 12 Naugatuck Ave and a copy is available on the City's website.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on February 1, 2021.

Ald. Sutton and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 1, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meeting.

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman Vetro wished everyone Happy St. Patrick's Day he also wished everyone a happy spring.

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Blake stated it is sad to have cancelled the St. Patrick's parade two years in a row. He stated there are festivities that have been kicked off such as shamrocks on the green. He stated everyone is looking forward to community events returning. Mayor Blake stated vaccination clinics are going full strength. He commented that schools will be returning to 5 days per week on March 17<sup>th</sup>. He asked for the Board's consideration of agenda items 8(a) through (b).

7. Unfinished Business

None.

8. New Business (from Mayor's Report Items 8a-8l)

(8a) Ald. Sutton and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the appointment of (R) Patrick Tokarz, 155 Castle Lane, 06460 as a member of the Veterans Graves Preservation Commission to fill the present vacancy, term to expire 12/31/21. Motion carried unanimously.

(8b) Ald. Sutton and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the appointment of (D) Benjamin Gettinger, 93 Thompson Street, 06460 as a member of the Board of Finance to fill the present vacancy, term to expire 12/31/21. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Vitali asked who has resigned from the Board. Mayor Blake stated Mr. Fitzpatrick has stepped down.

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

a. Ald. Sutton and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion for the approval of Budget Memo Transfers #3 and #4, Funds 1005 and 2812 FY21. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Refunds

a. Ald. Sutton and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve Refunds in the amount of: \$193,209.31. 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 – 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. Liaison Sub-Committee – Library Board – no report.
- i. Liaison Sub-Committee – Veterans Ceremony & Parade Commission – no report
- j. Liaison Sub-Committee – Fine Arts – no report
- k. Liaison Sub-Committee – Milford Redevelopment & Housing Partnership – no report.
- l. Liaison - Golf Course Commission – no report.
- m. Liaison - Inland Wetlands Agency – no report.
- n. Liaison Board of Health – no report.
- o. Liaison – Human Services Commission – no report.
- p. Liaison Sub-Committee - Pension & Retirement Board – no report
- q. Liaison Sub-Committee – Milford Government Access Television (MGAT) – no report.
- r. Liaison – Economic Development Commission – no report.
- s. Liaison Sub-Committee – Milford Arts Council – no report.
- t. Liaison Sub-Committee – Milford Progress, Inc.
- u. Liaison Sub-Committee – Fire Commission
- v. Liaison Sub-Committee – Police Commission
- w. Permanent School Facilities Building Committee

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.

(14a) Consideration of settlement of B33 Milford Crossing, LLC v. City of Milford Re: 1357 Boston Post Road, 51-53 Roses Mill Road.

Ald. Sutton and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Vetro announced those entering Executive Session for item 14(a) would be the full Board of Aldermen, Mayor, City Attorney and City Assessor.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:49 p.m.

Chairman Vetro reconvened the regular meeting at 8:07p.m.

Ald. Sutton and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the settlement of B33 Milford Crossing, LLC v. City of Milford Re: 1357 Boston Post Road, 51-53 Roses Mill Road as discussed in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

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.

Being no further business to discuss, Ald. Vitali and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Jo Weeks  
Recording Secretary