

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 4, 2022**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their regular meeting on Monday, April 4, 2022, in the Aldermanic Chambers at City Hall. Chairman Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. Chairman Vetro asked those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call

Board Members

M. Arciuolo
E. Beatty
B. Broesder
D. German
A. Giannattasio
G. Harla
S. Marlow
J. Moffitt
H. Mulrenan (joined at 8:07 p.m.)
R. Pacelli
M. Parente
P. Vetro
R. Vitali
W. Willis

Also Present

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

Excused:

M. Casey

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.

Ann Berman, 77 Pelham Street, stated she is member of the Environmental Concerns Coalition. She discussed Milford Earth Day 2022 to be held at Eisenhower Park on April 23 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Jeff Cartwright, address unknown, spoke concerning Taiwan and its relevance to Milford

William Waslewski, 280 Mary Ellen Drive, stated he is a member of the Milford Pickleball Association. He read from a prepared statement. He discussed the usage of the courts and programming.

Victoria Kovak, 60 Ocean Avenue, discussed playing pickleball and the current restrictions for court times. She commented on the social impact provided by pickleball.

Bill Nubert, 12 Seaview Avenue, spoke in favor of pickleball. He commented that through the Milford Pickleball Association approximately 300 people would play circulating through the courts and the impact of recent changes to the court time.

Penny Vasilas, 111 Broadway, state pickleball is a growing sport. She stated she is in favor of the recent changes limiting use. She discussed confusion this year concerning registration and the Milford Pickleball Association should not be permitted to use all the courts as it impacts others wishing to play.

Eileen Torres, 12 Lawrence Avenue, stated she echoes the sentiments regarding pickleball.

Chairman Vetro called for a 5-minute recess. Board recessed at 7:56 p.m. and reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on March 7, 2022.

Ald. Harla and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 7, 2022, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications

Chairman Vetro welcomed all to Spring and the budget deliberation sessions..

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations

Mayor Blake wished all a Happy Spring and stated he is looking forward to the Summer. He commented on the upcoming Milford Earth Day on April 23 and the annual tree give away. Mayor Blake asked the Board for their consideration of agenda items 8a-8d.

7. Unfinished Business

None.

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

(8a) Ald. Harla and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the appointment of (D) Holly Mulrenan, 204 Third Avenue, 06460, to complete the unexpired term of Martin Hardiman on the Board of Aldermen representing the Third District.

Aldermen Giannattasio, Beatty, Vitali and Broesder all welcomed Ms. Mulrenan to the Board and stated they look forward to working with her.

Motion carried unanimous!

(8b) Ald. Harla and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the appointment of (D) Gary Montano, 24 Founders Way, 06460 as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, to fill the present vacancy (term expiring 12/31/26).

Aldermen Giannattasio and Ald. Vitali thanked Mr. Montano for his volunteer work and stated he will be an asset to the City.

Ald. Pacelli stated he would be abstaining from voting as Mr. Montano is his father-in-law.

Motion carried 13 in favor, 1 abstention.

(8c) Ald. Harla and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to approve a Resolution re: State of Connecticut Local Capital Improvement Program Assistance Program (LoCIP) – 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

(8d) Ald. Harla and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve a Resolution re: Cash Advance for State of Connecticut Local Capital Improvement Prog1:am Assistance Program (LoCIP) – 2022. 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

11a. Ald. Harla and Ald. Beatty made and seconded a motion to approve refunds in the amount of \$24,619.38. 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. Beatty read from a prepared statement concerning the Public Works budget.
- d. Claims Committee – no report
- e. Rules Committee.
- f. Personnel Committee.

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.

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

The Board adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Toni Jo Weeks

Recording Secretary