

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

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, January 5, 2015 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman P. Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:38 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

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

Also Present

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake
Jonathan D. Berchem, City Attorney
P. Erodicti, Finance Director
J. Rohrig, City Clerk
S. Fournier, Mayor's Admin. Asst.

Excused

S. Fontana (personal)
R. Vitali (death in family)

Chairman Vetro deferred to Mayor Blake and Mr. Gregory. Mayor Blake spoke of the 375th celebration, which was celebrated in 2014. He thanked the entire Mr. Gregory and the entire Committee and Mrs. Nash for their hard work for a year's worth of activities.

Mr. Gregory stated it was a year ago that he came before this Board to plan a celebration that would include pomp, parades, fireworks and more and it was all a success. He went on to thank the numerous city departments that assisted. He also thanked the many partners who joined and thanked each of those special groups. He also thanked the Board of Education and Kathy Bonetti, who assisted with the time capsule submissions. He also spoke of the official city flower that was recognized in 2014. He also acknowledged Bryan Anderson who headed up souvenirs for the celebration and Frosty Smith and his Committee, including Dora Kubek, Pete Smith, Ray Vitali and Kathy Bonetti. He spoke of the rousing kickoff that started on the steps of city hall. He also mentioned the week long celebration which was headed up by Dan Worroll. He also spoke of the assistance from the library, including the former librarian, Jean Tsang. He also went on to thank Brain Smith, Carolyn Augur, Carmen Corvino, Alberta Jagoe, his brother David Gregory and Julie Nash. He also acknowledged Vice Chairman Pete Smith and James Maroney who headed up Founders walk initiative, which will be the 375th legacy. He also thanked Robert Berchem who served as treasurer. He stated none of this would have been accomplished without the support of Mayor Blake who gave the committee its marching orders and provided continued support. Mr. Gregory presented the Mayor with a special gift.

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.

R. Platt – Platt Lane – stated he wanted to follow the remarks of Mr. Gregory. All of this work only started only last November and was quite a success. He thanked Mr. Gregory for all of his efforts. He noted the First Church of Milford is the real reason for the celebration of Milford. Regarding Founding Fathers Day he noted there were over 300 with people coming from over 30 states and other countries. He provided some background details regarding Milford. Members of the Milford Preservation Trust are working on a preservation ordinance which he stated will be submitted next month. He spoke of some of the details. He also spoke of some amendments to the delay of the demolition ordinance which is still being worked on.

M. McCarthy – partner in fires pizza. He stated he hoped the Board would consider his offer for the purchase of 204 Melba Street. He also stated he and his business partner would be willing to put in an additional \$100,000. He stated he and his business partner love the Milford community and look forward to coming into town.

3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on December 1, 2014.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Golden made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meeting. None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman Vetro wished his fellow colleagues, Mayor Blake, administration and staff and Milford residents a Happy New Year. He also expressed his hope the Board would continue to work as a team.

6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations:

Mayor Blake wished everyone a happy, healthy and spirited New Year. He asked for the Board's consideration of items 8a-8i. He stated in January each and every year the city has Board/Commission appointments which helps make our city function. He stated Milford has always had strong volunteerism from its city residents and went on to thank all those who have volunteered to serve Milford.

6a. Mayor Blake announced the following mayoral appointments:

Milford Council on Aging, two-year term expiring 12/31/16

(D) Lillian Holmes, 100 Oxford Road, 06460, reappointment

(R) Michael J. Petrucelli, 4 Bayberry Lane, 06460, reappointment

(U) Philip A. Caporusso, D.M.D. 46 Shadows End Lane, 06460, reappointment

(D) Beverly K. Streit-Kefalas, 156 Meadow Street, 06460, reappointment

Conservation Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17

(D) Dan C. Drago, 43 Gunn Street, 06460, reappointment

(U) Gerald E. Loiseau, Jr., 85 Viscount Drive, #7A, 06461, reappointment

(D) Steven K. Johnson, 76 Marshall Street, 06461, reappointment

Human Services, Milford Department of, two-year term expiring 12/31/16

(D) Karen L. Barnett, 1202 New Haven Avenue, 06460, new appointment

Inland Wetlands Agency, three-year term expiring 12/31/17

(U) Kenneth R. Cowden, 312 West River Street, 06461, reappointment

Alternate:

(D) Daniel F. Schopick, 34 Shipyard Lane, 06460, new appointment, to fill unexpired term of David DeFlumeri, term to expire 12/31/15

Veterans Graves Preservation Commission, one-year term expiring 12/31/15

(U) Thomas Cody, Jr., 13 Dock Road, reappointment

(R) Thomas J. Beirne, 55 Bayshore Drive, 06460, reappointment

(D) Richard Shea, 79 North Street, Apt. 1, 06460, reappointment

(6b) Mayor Blake stated he was pleased to announce that Deepa Joseph, MPH, was appointed Milford's new Health Director and Andrew Carlson, M.D., has been appointed Milford's Community/School Medical Advisor.

Mrs. Joseph wished everyone a Happy New Year. She also thanked the Mayor and selection committee for the appointment and stated she looked forward to working with the entire Milford community.

Dr. Carlson stated he is a lifelong resident of Milford. He stated he came back to Milford after medical school because it is a great community where he wanted to raise his own children. He stated he looked forward to working with Mrs. Joseph, Supt Feser, and Mrs. Campbell, the school nursing supervisor.

7. Unfinished Business

None.

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

8a. Board of Aldermen approval is hereby requested of the following Mayor's Appointments to the following Boards and Commissions.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Giannattasio made and seconded a motion to approve the following Mayor's Appointments as listed below:

Board of Assessment Review, three-year term expiring 12/31/17

(D) Henry B. Healey, 192 West River Street, 06460, reappointment

(R) Gregory F. Harla, 2 Anchorage Drive, 06460, reappointment

Building Code Board of Appeals, five-year term expiring 12/31/19
(D) Ray S. Oliver, 404 Gulf Street, 06460, reappointment

Civil Service Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(R) Thomas N. Toohey, 59 Ruth Ann Terrace, 06461, reappointment

Ethics Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(R) C. Frank Figliuzzi, 102 Shell Avenue, 06460, new appointment
(U) Alexander G. Egelson, 346 Welchs Point Road, 06461, new appointment

Board of Finance, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(U) Mickel Montano, 26 Tall Pine Road, 06460, reappointment

Fire Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(U) William A. Brennan, 51 Milford Point Road, 06460, reappointment
(D) Kevin C. McGrath, 24 Miles Street, 06460, reappointment

Golf Course Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(U) Richard J. Austin, 14 Village Road, 06460, reappointment
(R) Marilyn W. Blake, 150 Forest Road, Unit 15, 06461, reappointment
(R) John H. O'Connell, 88 Bryan Hill Road, 06460, reappointment

Harbor Management Commission, five-year term expiring 12/31/19
(U) Alan Waterman, 412 Welches Point Road, 06460, reappointment
(U) Robert A. Pacelli, Jr., 827 East Broadway, 06460, new appointment, to fill vacant position, term to expire 12/31/16 (*former alternate member*)

Alternate
(U) John L. Nevin, 292 Melba Street, 06460, reappointment

Board of Health, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(D) Holly E. Mulrenan, 204 Third Avenue, 06460, reappointment

Housing Code Board of Appeals, five-year term expiring 12/31/19
(U) Richard Merly, Jr., 120 Cheryl Ann Drive, 06461, reappointment

Human Services, Milford Department of, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(R) Kathleen Hurley, 45 Anchorage Drive, 06460, (*Consumer Representative*), reappointment

Library Board, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(R) Linda Creedon, 3 Flax Mill Lane, 06461, reappointment
(R) Linda L. Wanosky, 28 Ashburn Lane, 06460, reappointment
(D) Alice F. Oliver, 404 Gulf Street, 06460, reappointment

Park, Beach & Recreation Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17
(D) Frank R. Giustino, 204 Third Avenue, 06460, reappointment

(U) Felicia Shashinka, 60 Ocean Avenue, 06460, reappointment

Police Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17

(R) Samuel Bergami, Jr., 310 Tanglewood Circle, 06461, reappointment

(D) David Rubenstein, 38 Bayshore Drive, 06460, reappointment

Sewer Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17

(D) Edmund Q Collier, 74 Cherry Street, 06460, reappointment

Transit District

Advisory Board, two-year term expiring 12/31/16

(U) Michael LeBov, 75 Anchorage Drive, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/15

(R) Gina V. Badalamenti, 85 Viscount Drive, Unit 13D, 06460, reappointment

(D) Janet Montalbano, 30 Revere Place, 06460, reappointment

Tree Commission, three-year term expiring 12/31/17

(R) James T. Malaney, 64 Wilcox Road, 06460, reappointment

Veterans, Ceremony and Parade Commission

(U) Russell W. Edwards, 48 Opal Street, 06460, (*VVA Representative*), reappointment

(R) John T. Jansen, 22 Russell Road, 06460, reappointment (*Citizen Representative*)

Zoning Board of Appeals, five-year term expiring 12/31/19

(D) Sarah Ferrante, 82 Pond Street, 06460, new appointment, (*former alternate member*)

Alternate, three-year term expiring 12/31/14

(D) Alison Rose Egelson, 347 Welchs Point Road, 06460, new appointment

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Vetro stated he would entertain a motion to re-order the agenda and bring forward item 8i so that all of the appointments could be completed at once.

Ald. Golden and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to re-order the Agenda and bring forward item 8i.

8i. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to appoint the following Mayor's appointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Animal Shelter Commission

(R) Marilyn Blake, 150 Forest Road, Unit 15, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/19

Economic Development Commission

(R) John T. DePalma, 27 Crestwood Road, 06460, reappointment, four-year term, term to expire 12/31/18

(R) Gregory Harla, 2 Anchorage Drive, 06460, reappointment (*citizen representative*), four-year term, term to expire 12/31/18.

(D) Victor M. Ferrante, 82 Pond Street, 06460, reappointment (Milford Bar Association Rep), three-year term – term to expire 12/31/17

Historic District Commission:

(U) John Carissimi, 64 Kirkside Avenue, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 1/01/20

Alternate:

(U) Michele A. Kramer, 104 West River Street, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 1/01/20

Historic District (South of the Green)

(D) Gary M. Becker, 34 Pond Street, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 1/01/20

(R) Arthur W. Stowe, 36 Fresh Meadow Lane, 06461. reappointment – term to expire 01/01/20

Human Services, Milford Department of

(U) Reverend Karl Deuetzmann, 6 Hickory Lane, Ansonia, 06401, reappointment, (*Milford Clergy Association Representative*), term to expire 12/31/17

(R) Scott Moulton, 30 Cleveland Avenue, 06460, new appointment (Chamber Representative), term to expire 12/31/15

Inland Wetlands Agency

(D) Brendan J. Magnan, 153 Rogers Avenue, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/17

(D) David DeFlumeri, 3 Hillcrest Avenue, 06460, new appointment – term to expire 12/31/17

MGAT (Milford Government Access Television) Committee

(R) David B. Casey, 18 Blackall Road, 06460, new appointment, term to expire 12/31/16

(D) Albert F. May, Jr. 56Q Rogers Avenue, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/16

Pension and Retirement Board

(R) Christopher Cody, 204 Oronoque Road, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/17

(D) Matthew C. Chaco, 93 Ruth Ann Terrace, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/17

(R) Thomas J. Beirne, 55 Bayshore Drive, 06460, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/17

(U) Brandon D. Marschner, Sr. (Local 899), 116 Settlers Ridge Road, 06460 reappointment, term to expire 12/31/17

Alternates

(R) Scott Firmender, 16 Centennial Drive, 06461, reappointment, term to expire 12/31/17

(R) Paul S. Beckwith, 10 Butternut Lane, 06460, new appointment (former regular member), term to expire 12/31/17

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board recessed at 8:12 p.m.

NOTE: Ald. Golden left at 8:15 p.m.

Chairman Vetro reconvened the Board in public session at 8:20 p.m.

8b. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Resolution Re: Establishment of Accounts Related to Milford Public Works Department.

Ald. Anderson stated he would like to call up the Public Works Director. He stated he would like an explanation as to how the program would work, what revenue the city may generate.

Mr. Saley spoke of an asphalt machine the city has owned since the 1980's. He went on to explain the process of asphalt. He stated the new machine will let them re-use asphalt. He stated Milford is one of a few towns that have this machine and it gives other towns the opportunity to come into town to reuse this asphalt.

Ald. Anderson asked about the hot box machine which was paid off several years ago,

Mr. Saley replied yes.

Ald. Anderson asked what other towns potentially might be interested.

Mr. Saley stated one town that may be interested is Ansonia, also possibly Orange.

Ald. Giannattasio asked what the market bears per ton.

Mr. Saley stated it is approximately \$70.00. He stated they have made an arrangement with Ansonia for \$50.00 per ton. He went on to explain the mechanics of the machine.

Ald. Giannattasio stated it would not interfere with work Milford and also if an additive was needed.

Mr. Saley stated there would be no affect to Milford. He explained yes, there is an additive and explained the specifications. He also commented they are also looking at some of the parking areas in Milford that may be in bad shape and they may be able to do some work in those areas.

Ald. Giannatasio asked about any liability in selling the asphalt to other towns. He also asked if they would be selling to outside contractors as well.

Mr. Saley stated he would defer to the City Attorney. He stated he would like the opportunity to sell to a contractor is possible. He mentioned companies he had spoken with.

Ald. Giannattasio stated he wished to be clear initially this was for other towns,

Ald. Veccharelli asked if there would be a profit.

Mr. Saley replied yes, but that it would not be substantial. He stated it is not a huge ticket item, but the process was most important.

Ald. Veccharelli asked about the extra wear and tear on the machine negating any savings.

Mr. Saley stated any calls they receive would be scheduled. He also stated it would be worthwhile.

Ald Veccharelli stated he hoped all went well and that a profit is seen.

Ald. Anderson commented there are negotiations that need to take place and that the aldermen need to first approve this. He stated it was important to see how well the process is going down the road, especially with budget season coming up.

Motion carried unanimously.

8c. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion for acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$1,326,150 under the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Repair program for Bayview Beach area flooding study and drainage improvements and to authorize the Mayor, City Attorney, Finance Director, Community Development Director and Public Works Director to take all steps necessary, including signing all documents, to effectuate said grant.

Ald. Giannattasio stated he had questions for Director Saley regarding Bayview area. He asked if the grant was going to cover one area or one street.

Mr. Saley explained there is a 25% cost share with the grant, He stated of course they would like to do as many streets as possible, but the design work has not been done as yet, so they are not sure what would get done. He also pointed there are some issues that have to be addressed.

Ald. Giannattasio asked if he was confident waters would not back up through the catch basin.

Mr. Saley reiterated it is a low lying area, but they feel they will be able to make the residents happy.

Ald. Giannattasio asked when the city would realize the grant.

Mayor Blake stated he would be bringing the grants to the Board at the February meeting. He stated the project will improve drainage last year and that it is a project they did some preliminary design work last year.

Ald. Shaw stated she wished to understand the consequences of elevating the road and the impact a property owner.

Mr. Saley stated they have meet with the association in the area and that they continue to work with them. He stated they would not be elevating the road in front of anyone's property. He stressed it is important the right work is done.

Ald. Shaw asked about the Point Beach area.

Mr. Saley stated monies for that area were bonded a few years ago and that they expected to get underway very soon. He stated it is a project that will be done in-house.

Motion carried unanimously.

8d. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion for acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$301,537 under the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Repair program for Milford Point Road area flooding study and drainage improvements and to authorize the

Mayor, City Attorney, Finance Director, Community Development Director and Public Works Director to take all steps necessary, including signing all documents, to effectuate said grant.

Ald. Giannattasio asked about runoffs from the road being raised.

Mr. Saley explained in that area the abutting properties to the right raised. He stated they are still working out the logistics. He stated they are working with the water company with scheduling because they will be ripping out the road.

Motion carried unanimously.

8e. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion for acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$638,250 under the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Repair program for Milford Calf Pen Meadow and Beachland area flooding study and drainage improvements and to authorize the Mayor, City Attorney, finance Director, Community Development Director and Public Works Director to take all steps necessary, including signing all documents, to effectuate said grant.

Ald. Giannattasio asked about the installation of the tide gate.

Mr. Saley explained it is a mechanism that slows down the tide water coming in. He stated the bigger component is raising Beachland roadway. He stated the flood gate itself is over the creek. He also spoke of the requirements of DEEP. He stated it would be a challenge, but they are working with the design professionals,

Ald. Giannattasio asked if there was a possibility there would not be a tide gate.

Mr. Saley replied yes. He explained where

Ald. Kubek asked the location of the flood gate on Buckingham or Melba she also asked the effect on the tidal waters that come in.

Mr. Saley stated the design professionals would look at all the components. He stated they have been out to the properties during heavy rains.

Mayor Blake stated the NRCS came in and surveyed that area up to Carmen Road and made representations they would dredge the entire stretch. They only dredged the mouth along the bridge. He stated during their initial assessment it was determined it needed to be dredged and that they continue to work with DEEP to get that work done.

Ald. Giannattasio asked if this would help remedy the problem.

Mr. Saley stated all of these projects would help, but he did not want to give false up that problems would be eliminated.

Motion carried unanimously.

8f. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion for acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$161,250 under the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Repair program for the Generator Project – Emergency Shelter at Jonathan Law High School and to authorize the Mayor, City Attorney, finance Director, Community Development Director, Public Works Director and Milford Public Schools Superintendent to take all steps necessary, including signing all documents to effectuate said grant.

Ald. Giannattasio asked about the generator and if the present generator was not working,

Mr. Saley stated this generator would be used in the event of a major storm and the building being used as a shelter.

Motion carried unanimously.

8g. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Anderson made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the Resolution Re: Microgrid Program Grant Award.

Ald. Shaw asked about an update for this program and if the \$50,000 was an initial amount.

Mayor Blake stated this item does not have any up front cost to the city. He stated the grant they are receiving pays for engineering, site fees, wiring, etc. He stated another component of the project is the installation of the generators. He stated overall the city would receive electricity at a much lower level than they currently pay. He stated it would run city hall, parsons, he senior center, Harborside School.

Mr. Saley stated they are still looking to negotiate a lower price. He stated it would be a 20 year term they will be locked into. He stated it would be substantially less than they currently pay.

Mayor Blake reiterated they are no up front costs. He stated they were looking for approval from this Board to get started,

Ald. Shaw asked the time frame of the projects.

Mr. Saley stated they were told about 1 ½ years, but likely could take 2 years.

Ald. Anderson asked about the senior center on Jepson Drive, not Milford Housing. He asked if down the road there would be excess capacity available.

Mr. Saley stated it was a very good question. He stated they are looking at capacity but would still be using the UI.

Ald. German asked if the micro grid would be separate from the grid,

Mr. Saley explained it basically takes care of the baseline. He explained the components they continue to work with the engineers.

Ald. German asked if Harborside School would potentially be another shelter.

Mr. Saley replied yes. He also pointed out the kitchen component at Harborside School.

Ald. Giannattasio thanked Mr. Saley for being present tonight for answering the questions presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

8h. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve the request for the acceptance of a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$4,990,000 from the State of Connecticut Bonding Commission and the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board dated December 17, 2014, for the acquisition of 44-64 River Street, "0" River Street (54/322/4A), 145 High Street and "0" Railroad Avenue (54/322/2B) for the creation of additional downtown parking and to authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to take all steps necessary, including signing all documents, to effectuate said grant-in-aid and acquisition.

Ald. German asked for some background on this proposal. He stated it was grant the state was providing this bonding but asked where the balance of the money would come.

Mayor Bake state this is exciting news and would bring parking downtown. He stated this is the first phase which would allow them to accept the money. He stated there are undeveloped parcels to the area and that they could use the new asphalt machine to do some paving. He stated over the next 2-3 years not much would change, but that it would add about 40 parking spaces. Mayor Blake stated as a community they would continue to have discussions with the residents of Milford. He explained potentially there was the possibility of a one level structure deck. He stated no views would be blocked and there was the potential for 300+ parking spaces, which would help invigorate downtown. He also pointed out the tenants currently in the building would remain. He stated he could not speak to the distant future of that parcel. He stated it is a key piece of property in the downtown. He stated this is where more community developments would come into play.

Ald. Giannattasio asked the income that would be generated from those tenants and if that would go into the city's general fund.

Mayor Blake stated the details were still being worked out, but that they had not seen the details of those leases.

Ald. Giannattasio asked if the leases would be honored until their end,

Mayor stated they have not reviewed the leases, but certain want them to continue.

Ald. Bier asked about "0" River and "0" Railroad and where they are located.

Mayor Blake stated "0" River is where there currently is parking and "0" Railroad is just a parcel. He explained some of the background.

Ald. Bier spoke of the appraised value and asked if the numbers are similar to what is found on Vision Appraisal.

Mayor Blake stated the agreement was based on the two appraisals that were conducted. He stated the assessment may be slightly different than how assessments are conducted by the assessor's office.

Ald. Bier asked about some of the tenants and who was going to manage those properties.

Mayor Blake stated these are conversations that are still continuing. He stated he spoke with Henry Jadach of the Transit District who manages the parking at the train station. He reiterated the details have not been finalized, but they will continue work so it is in the best interest of the city and the city's commuters.

Ald. Bier stated it is great acquisition. He asked the Mayor if he was working with the City Attorney's office.

Attorney Berchem stated there are two property owners that own two parcels. He stated they are buying them as a bundle and that their appraiser did separate appraisals which were consistent. He stated they then sought the monies from the state. At the end of the day, he stated the city got a great price.

Ald. Anderson commented they have had an experiment with shared parking which is fraying at the seams because of increased demand. He also stated there has been a need for additional parking for some time. He stated before those parcels were chosen there were several other scenarios. He stated he strongly favored additional parking downtown and also a retail anchor as part of the complex. He stated the residential stakeholders have to be taken into consideration. He stated he was referring to the Darina Place residents. He stated you also have restaurants, retailers, post office and Harborside School in the mix. He stated he is in favor of moving forward but wanted to make sure the residents would be a part of the future conversations.

Ald. German asked if a committee would be formed.

Mayor Blake stated if the property is acquired they would move forward with the next phases. He stated it was likely there would be a committee down the road for future phases.

Ald. Bier asked about the parcels on High Street and "O" River Street, he stated if those areas would be considered for parking garages.

Mayor Blake stated everything is conception at this point. He stated a parking deck has been considered, but is not a done deal. He stated everything is subject to funding.

Ald. Giannattasio commented it might have been easier if the study had been done first. He stated the acquisition was coming before the study. He noted to Mayor Blake's point that everything is conceptual, but to Ald. Bier's point three was concern for the local residents. He asked when the Board could anticipate the study coming.

Mayor Blake stated he did not have a date at this point. He stated the Resolution before the Board is consideration to accept the money. If there is any type of movement for construction, etc. it would have to come before this Board. He stated he sees this as several years down the road, but that this is the roadmap that accepts the monies the State has authorized. He stated what is key is parking.

Ald. Casey asked if the \$ 5M was strictly for the acquisition of the properties.

Mayor Blake responded yes.

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.

Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to introduce new business Re: Discussion regarding the Indian River Interceptor Project, which would be taken up under Executive Session 14(d). Motion carried unanimously.

10. Budget Memo Transfers

None.

11. Refunds

(a) Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of \$10,721.95. 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. 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 K Brothers, LLC v. City of Milford
RE: 305 New Haven Avenue
- 14b. Consideration of settlement of Stephen J. Courtney v. City of Milford
Re: 767 Bridgeport Avenue
- 14c. Discussion concerning the sale of 204 Melba Street (former Station 6).
- 14d. Discussion regarding the Indian River Interceptor Project.

Chairman Vetro announced those individuals entering Executive Session for item 14a, 14b and 14c would be the full Board, Mayor, City Attorney and City Assessor. For item 14d, Chairman Vetro announced the full Board, along with the Mayor, City Attorney, Finance Director and City's consultant Raymond Macaluso would enter Executive Session.

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

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 9:36 p.m.

Daniel Thomas, City Assessor left Executive Session at 10:21 p.m.

The Finance Director and Mr. Macaluso entered Executive Session at 10:21 p.m.

The Finance Director and Mr. Macaluso left Executive Session at 10:40 p.m.

Chairman Vetro reconvened the meeting in public session at 10:45 p.m.

14a. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to authorize the City to enter into settlement RE: K. Brothers, LLC v. City of Milford, RE: 305 New Haven Avenue, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Assessor and City Attorney as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

14b. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to authorize the City to enter into settlement RE: Stephen J. Courtney v. City of Milford, RE: 767 Bridgeport Avenue, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Assessor and City Attorney as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

14c. Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to reject all five (5) bids regarding 204 Melba Street (firehouse) and authorize the City Attorney to negotiate with the bidders as to price and use as discussed in Executive Session and to return to the Board of Aldermen in February for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business to discuss, Ald. Veccharelli and Ald. Anderson moved to adjourn at 10:47 PM p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



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Recording Secretary