

**September 14, 2020**

The regular meeting of the West Haven City Council was held on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 7:05 P.M. via electronic means pursuant to City Council Rule #30.

Pledge of Allegiance

6:55 P.M. Legislative Matters Committee Public Hearing: Amendments to the Code of the City of West Haven Chapter 89 Dogs.  
(Postponed)

Present were Council Members: Quagliani, Donovan, O'Connor, Galignano, Johnston, Hamilton, Massaro, McGeé, Fanelli, Cohen, Hoskie, Conlon, and Bruneau. Mayor Nancy R. Rossi was also present.

7:13 P.M. Public Information Session

(See Tape for Public Comments)

Chairman Quagliani called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:20 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF JOURNAL:**

Councilman Bruneau presented a MOTION to APPROVE the Journal of the August 24, 2020 regular meeting which was SECONDED by Councilman Galignano and APPROVED unanimously viva-voice with amendments. (See Tape)

Councilwoman Hamilton presented a MOTION to APPROVE the Journal of the Finance Committee Budget minutes which was SECONDED by Councilman Donovan and APPROVED by unanimously viva-voice.

Councilman Bruneau presented a MOTION to APPROVE the Journal of the Special Meeting of May 7, 2020 which was SECONDED by Councilwoman Hamilton and APPROVED by unanimously viva-voice.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Communication from Maureen Lillis in regards to accepting a grant in the amount of \$344,769.00 for COVID related response from the Center for Disease Control and the Connecticut Department of Public Health.
- B. Communication from Commissioner Sabo in regards to a tentative agreement between the City of West Haven and AFSCME Local 681.
- C. Communication from Corporation Counsel in regards to Adopt-A-Spot Program.

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D. Communication from the Tax Collector in regards to overpayment refunds for September 2020.

**RECESS: 7:22 PM**

**Finance Committee, Councilwoman Hoskie, Chairwoman**

**Committee Members Present: Hamilton, Bruneau, Massaro, Cohen**

Communication A. Committee Member Cohen presented a MOTION to recommend the APPROVAL of Communication A. to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Bruneau and APPROVED unanimously by the Finance Committee.

Communication B. Committee Member Hamilton presented a MOTION to recommend the APPROVAL of Communication B. to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Massaro and APPROVED unanimously by the Finance Committee.

**Streets & Squares Committee, Councilman Conlon, Chairman**

**Committee Members Present: Massaro, Johnston, Fanelli, Cohen**

Communication C. Committee Member Cohen presented a MOTION to recommend the APPROVAL of Communication C. to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Fanelli and APPROVED unanimously by the Streets & Squares Committee.

**Legislative Matters Committee, Councilman Gallignano, Chairman**

**Committee Members Present: Bruneau, Johnston, Fanelli, Cohen**

Communication C. – Held in Committee.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Councilwoman Fanelli discussed the continued parking problems along the shoreline and she requested more signage from Public Works. She also expressed a desire for more patrols along with water. Councilwoman Fanelli also expressed concerns regarding the gas company and paving the roads to the condition they were previously in before outside companies perform work.

**RECONVENE: 7:35 PM**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Clerk read Communication D. into record.

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Councilwoman Hoskie Chairwoman of the Finance Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication A. from Maureen Lillis in regards to accepting a grant in the amount of \$344,769.00 for COVID related response from the Center for Disease Control and the Connecticut Department of Public Health.

Councilwoman Hoskie presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Conlon and was unanimously viva-voice.

**RESOLVED:** The City Council of the City of West Haven hereby approves and authorizes Mayor Nancy R. Rossi to execute a contract between the City of West Haven and the Connecticut Department of Public Health, or their designee, for the grant amount of \$344,769.00 for COVID related activities to be administered by the West Haven Department of Public Health.

Councilwoman Hoskie Chairwoman of the Finance Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication B. from Commissioner Sabo in regards to a tentative agreement between the City of West Haven and AFSCME Local 681.

Councilwoman Hoskie presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Bruneau and was APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

**RESOLVED:** The City Council of the City of West Haven hereby approves and authorizes Mayor Nancy R. Rossi to execute the tentative agreement between the City of West Haven and AFSCME Local 681 which was ratified by Local 681 on September 1, 2020.

Councilman Conlon Chairman of the Streets & Squares Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication C. from Corporation Counsel in regards to Adopt-A-Spot Program.

Councilman Conlon presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Cohen and was APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

**RESOLVED:** The City Council of the City of West Haven hereby approves and authorizes Mayor Nancy R. Rossi to accept and execute "Adopt-A-Spot" applications and permits for City owned parcels within West Haven.

Chairman Quagliani set a Public Hearing on the Amendments to the Code of the City of West Haven Chapter 89 (Dogs) for September 28, 2020 at 6:50 P.M. in accordance with City Council Rule #30.

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED:** None

**COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS:** None

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

City Council Members discussed the I.T. Position opening, the parking study, opening City Hall, and engaged in a Q/A with the Mayor on the above-mentioned topics (See Tape).

Councilman Massaro presented a MOTION to Adjourn SECONDED by Councilman Bruneau and APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:38 PM

**ATTEST:** Stacy Riccio, Clerk of the Council

**BY:** Michael A. DiMassa, Administrative Assistant

These minutes are subject to City Council approval.