

**June 10, 2019**

The Regular Meeting of the West Haven City Council was held on Monday, June 10, 2019, in the Council Chambers, third floor, City Hall.

Present were Council Members: Quagliani, Morrissey (7:05 P.M.), Hoskie, Hamilton, Charney, Martone, Gallignano, Bias, Massaro, Ruickoldt (7:02 P.M.), Ronan, Forsyth and DePalma (7:07 P.M.). Mayor Nancy R. Rossi was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

6:45 P.M. Finance Committee Public Hearing – Community Block Grant Program Year 45 (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020) (See Tape)

6:50 P.M. Finance Committee Public Hearing – C.D.A. Neighborhood Assistance Act  
(No Speakers)

6:55 P.M. Legislative Matters Committee Public Hearing – An Ordinance Creating an O.P.E.B. Trust  
(No Speakers)

7:00 P.M. Public Information Session  
(See tape for Public Comments)

Chairman Quagliani called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:34 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF JOURNAL:**

Councilman Massaro presented a MOTION to APPROVE the Journal of May 28, 2019 which was SECONDED by Councilman Charney and APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Communication from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi in regards to the appointment of Gail Burns to replace Moshe Cohen on the West Haven Tree Commission.
- B. Communication from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi in regards to the appointment of Lalani Perry to replace Anthony Gallo on the Economic Development Commission.
- C. Communication from Deputy Chief Flemming in regards to Police Department donations.
- D. Communication from Community Development Housing Specialist John Bernardo in regards to the 2019 Neighborhood Assistance Act.
- E. Communication from Community Development Manager Mark Bisaccia in regards to the C.D.B.G. Program Year 45 Budget.
- F. Communication from Councilman DePalma requesting action on a Tolls Resolution.

**RECESS:** 7:36 P.M.

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**Finance Committee, Councilwoman Martone, Chairwoman**

**Committee Members Present: Charney, Massaro, Bias, DePalma**

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

Communication D. Committee Member Charney presented a MOTION to recommend the APPROVAL of Communication D. to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Massaro and APPROVED by majority by the Finance Committee with Committee Member Charney abstaining.

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

**Personnel & Civil Service Committee Councilman Gallignano, Chairman**

**Committee Members Present: Hoskie, Massaro, Forsyth, DePalma**

Communication A. Committee Member Forsyth presented a MOTION to recommend the APPROVAL of Communication A. to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Hoskie and APPROVED unanimously by the Personnel & Civil Service Committee.

Communication B. Committee Member Forsyth presented a MOTION to recommend the APPROVAL of Communication B. to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Hoskie and APPROVED unanimously by the Personnel & Civil Service Committee.

Communication A. from 5/28/19 agenda – Was held in Committee.

**Redevelopment Committee, Councilman Ronan, Chairman**

**Committee Members Present: Morrissey, Bias, Martone, DePalma**

Communication C. from 3/25/19 agenda– Was held in Committee.

**Legislative Matters Committee, Councilman Charney, Chairman**

**Committee Members Present: Gallignano, Hoskie, Morrissey, DePalma**

Communication B. Committee Member Gallignano presented a MOTION for a SECOND READING & APPROVAL of Communication B. from the 5/28/19 agenda to the entire Council which was SECONDED by Committee Member Morrissey and APPROVED unanimously by the Legislative Matters Committee.

Communication F. Held in Committee (referred to Corporation Counsel).

Communication E. – Held in Committee.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

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**RECONVENE:** 7:44 P.M.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Martone Chairwoman of the Finance Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication C. from Deputy Chief Flemming in regards to Police Department donations:

Councilwoman Martone presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Gallignano/DePalma and was APPROVED unanimously viva-voice:

RESOLVED: That the following donation to the Department of Police Service be approved and deposited into line item #1010000028285 Animal Shelter donations:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>Leonie L. Dawson</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
<u>First Congregational Church</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
<u>First Congregational Church</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
<u>Ann M. Paluzzi</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
<u>Karen Asard Moreland</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
<u>Carol A. Colt</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
<u>Creative Bath Sales</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
<u>Kara M. Burgarella</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
<u>Abstract Builders</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>
<u>Lois K. Feldman</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
<u>Ann Marie Jaworowski</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>

Councilwoman Martone Chairwoman of the Finance Committee presented the majority reports of the committee in regards to Communication D. from Community Development Housing Specialist John Bernardo in regards to the 2019 Neighborhood Assistance Act:

Councilwoman Martone presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Gallignano and was APPROVED by majority viva-voice with Councilman Charney and Chairman Quagliani abstaining:

RESOLVED: The City Council of the City of West Haven hereby approves the C.D.A. 2019 Neighborhood Assistance Act program as follows:

<u>Connecticut Radio Information System, Inc.</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
<u>West Haven Community House</u>	<u>\$120,000.00</u>
<u>West Haven Child Development</u>	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
<u>West Haven Chamber of Commerce Foundation</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
<u>Ward-Heitman House Museum Foundation, Inc.</u>	<u>\$25,000.00</u>

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Councilwoman Martone Chairwoman of the Finance Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication E. from Community Development Manager Mark Bisaccia in regards to the C.D.B.G. Program Year 45 Budget:

Councilwoman Martone presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Ruickoldt/Gallignano and was APPROVED by majority viva-voice with Councilman Charney and Chairman Quagliani abstaining:

RESOLVED: The City Council of the City of West Haven hereby approves the C.D.B.G. Program Year 45 Budget submitted to the City Council for consideration at the regular scheduled meeting held on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Councilman Gallignano Chairman of the Personnel & Civil Service Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication A. from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi in regards to the appointment of Gail Burns to replace Moshe Cohen on the West Haven Tree Commission:

Councilman Gallignano presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilman Massaro and was APPROVED unanimously viva-voice:

RESOLVED: That the Appointment to the West Haven Tree Commission of Gail Burns, of 70 Oxbow Lane, West Haven, CT, to replace Moshe Cohen, effective immediately and to expire on January 31, 2022, be approved.

Councilman Gallignano Chairman of the Personnel & Civil Service Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication B. from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi in regards to the appointment of Lalani Perry to replace Anthony Gallo on the Economic Development Commission:

Councilman Gallignano presented the following MOTION which was SECONDED by Councilwoman Hamilton and was APPROVED unanimously viva-voice:

RESOLVED: That the Appointment to the West Haven Economic Development Commission of Lalani Perry, of 782 Ocean Avenue, West Haven, CT, to replace Anthony Gallo, effective immediately and to expire on January 31, 2022, be approved.

Councilman Charney Chairman of the Legislative Matters Committee presented the unanimous reports of the committee in regards to Communication B. from the 5/28/19 agenda from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi in regards to an Ordinance creating an O.P.E.B. Trust:

Councilman Charney presented the SECOND READING and the Ordinance was SECONDED for APPROVAL by Councilman Massaro and was unanimously passed viva-voice: **AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN OPEB TRUST:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HAVEN:

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Section 1. In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-450(a), the City of West Haven ("City") shall establish a trust to provide for other post-employment benefits of the City's retired employees and their qualified dependents (other than pension benefits) which may include medical, dental, and vision insurance, and such other benefits as the City may provide in the future, known as the City of West Haven Retiree Medical Program Trust ("OPEB Trust");

Section 2. The Trustee of the OPEB Trust shall be the Personnel Director for the City and if there shall be no Personnel Director then the Finance Director.

Section 3. The City Council of the City may amend or terminate the OPEB Trust at any time and from time to time in its discretion. The Plan Administrator shall be the Finance Director of the City, or his or her designee who shall be responsible for instructing the Trustee in the disbursements of benefits of the OPEB Trust.

Chairman Quagliani set a Public Hearing for June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:55 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, third floor, City Hall.

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED**

None

**COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilwoman Hoskie requested an opinion from Corporation Counsel in regards to the benefit for elected and appointed employees who do not clock in and may not be "full-time" employees.

Councilman Ruickoldt presented a MOTION to adjourn SECONDED by Councilman Ronan and APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:16 PM

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

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

These minutes are subject to City Council approval.