

**Minutes of the September 12, 2022 Regular Meeting of the West Haven City Council -
City Council Chambers 3rd floor, West Haven City Hall**

The Regular Meeting of the West Haven City Council was held on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers 3rd floor, West Haven. Chairman Massaro called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Members Present were Councilmembers: Gary Donovan, Colleen O'Connor, Ronald Quagliani, Bridgette Hoskie (7:02), Meli Garthwait, Mitchell Gallignano, Robbin Watt Hamilton, Katherine Tucker (7:02), Robert Bruneau and Peter Massaro. Members absent: Sarah Ackbarali, Victor Borrás and Steven Johnstone. Also present: Rick Spreyer, Purchasing/Procurement, Lee Tiernan, Corporation Counsel, Scott Jackson, Director of Finance, Ken Carney, Chairman of the ARPA Committee and Joseph Perno, Chief of Police.

Public Hearing:

6:57 p.m.- 7:04 p.m.- **Public Lands Committee-Communication G:-** from the August 22, 2022 Agenda from Lee Tiernan, Corporation Counsel, regarding the Sale, Lease or Transfer of 25 Herman Street. See Video on the City website for comments.

7:05 p.m. Public Session – See Video on the City website for comments. 7:26 p.m.

Chairman Massaro called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:26 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Bruneau made a **MOTION to APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 22, 2022 which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Gallignano. All in favor. **MOTION** passed by **MAJORITY** with Councilwoman Hoskie abstaining

Councilman Bruneau made a **MOTION to APPROVE** the Minutes of the Public Lands Committee Meeting of August 31, 2022 which was **SECONDED** by Councilwoman O'Connor. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY**

Councilman Bruneau made a **MOTION to APPROVE** the Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 31, 2022 which was **SECONDED** by Councilwoman O'Connor. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY**

II. COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication A: from the Tax Collector regarding Overpayment refunds for August 2022.

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Communication B: from Neil C. Cavallaro Superintendent of Schools, regarding the contract between the West Haven Board of Education and the West Haven Administrator's Association.

III. COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE, Councilwoman Bridgette Hoskie, Chairwoman – Committee members: Colleen O'Connor, Ronald Quagliani, Robbin Watt Hamilton and Sarah Ackbarali absent.

Finance Committee was called to order at 7:28 p.m.

FINANCE UPDATES

1. YTD Budget Review – Scott Jackson, Finance Director – See Video on the City website for updates.
2. ARPA update – Ken Carney, Chairman of the ARPA Committee – See Video on the City website for updates.
3. MARB Meeting update – Scott Jackson, Finance Director – See Video on the City website for updates.
4. Police Pension Study update – no update Lee Tiernan, Corporation Counsel will follow up.

Communication B: form Neil C Cavallaro, Superintendent of Schools, regarding the contract between the West Haven Board of Education and the West Haven Administrator's Association. **HELD**

Communication J: Councilman Quagliani presented a **MOTION to Deny** to the entire Council of Communication J: from the June 7, 2022 Agenda from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi regarding the 5 Year Plan which was **SECONDED** by Councilwoman Hamilton. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY viva voce. Councilwoman Hoskie will not bring this out to the Whole Council until the Mayor is present to discuss her 5 Year Plan.**

Finance Committee Closed at 8:51 p.m.

PUBLIC LANDS COMMITTEE: Councilman Donovan, Chairman, Committee members: Councilwoman O'Connor, Councilman Quagliani, Councilman Bruneau and Councilwoman Hamilton

Public Lands Committee call to order at 8:52 p.m.

Communication G: from August 22, 2022 Agenda from Lee Tiernan, Corporation Counsel regarding the potential sale, lease, or transfer of 25 Herman Street. **HELD**

Public Lands closed at 8:52 p.m.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. P Card System/Procurement Ordinance – Rick Spreyer, Procurement Director- See video on the City website for update.
2. Investigative Committee-Attorney Burns – Lee Tiernan, Corporation Counsel - See video on the City website for update.
3. Video/Recording System for Council Chambers, Harriett North Court Room and Third floor Conference Room – Jumaine Samuels - Rick Spreyer gave update – See video on the City website for update.
4. Animal Shelter Bottle Donations – Joseph Perno, Chief of Police/Vertical Church- See video on the City website for update.
5. Pot Holes – Tom McCarthy, Commissioner of Public Works- NOT PRESENT
6. Economic Development Commission – Response ARPA ideas – NOT PRESENT

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS: 9:22 P.M.

Clerk read Communication A into record.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, Councilwoman Bridgette Hoskie, Chairwoman – Committee members: Colleen O’Connor, Ronald Quagliani, Robbin Watt Hamilton and Sarah Ackbarali absent.

Communication B: form Neil C Cavallaro, Superintendent of Schools, regarding the contract between the West Haven Board of Education and the West Haven Administrator’s Association. **HELD**

Communication J: from the June 7, 2022 Agenda from Mayor Nancy R. Rossi regarding the 5 Year Plan. **DENY**

PUBLIC LANDS COMMITTEE: Councilman Donovan, Chairman, Committee members: Councilwoman O’Connor, Councilman Quagliani, Councilman Bruneau and Councilwoman Hamilton

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VI. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED: NONE

VII. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS: NONE

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Massaro went to the ARPA Meeting – Has a packet for the Council.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Massaro made a **MOTION** to have Stacy Riccio stay in Executive Session which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Donovan. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY**

Entered into Executive Session at 9:24 p.m.

Discussion of Draft Tax Incentive Program

Out of Executive Session at 9:59 p.m.

Back in Session at 9:59 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Quagliani made a **MOTION to ADJOURN** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Donovan. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY.**

The City Council meeting was ADJOURNED at 9:59 p.m.

Peter Massaro

Chairman of the Council

Stacy Ricco

Clerk of Council

Diane Ascenzia

Admin. Asst. City Council

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