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East Haven Town Council Minutes

The East Haven Town Council held its Regularly Scheduled Meeting Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. or immediately following a certain public hearing(s), if any, at the East Haven Community Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT in order to transact the following:

Chairman Deko called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.Roll Call-13 Present2 Absent (Hedley and Stacey)Staff Present: Jim Keeley, Finance Director, Edward Sabatino Asst. Director, Michelle Benivegna,
Director of Administration & Management, and Town Attorney, Michael Luzzi.

Item #1

Approval of Minutes Vice Chairman Pacelli moved to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Cesare second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried Approved

Item #2

Correspondence None

Item #3

Subcommittee Reports:

- a. Education, Library and School Building
- b. Public Health, Safety, and Welfare
 - Councilman Santino asked that they look into having the crosswalks repainted. Chairman Deko remarked that the council received an email with regard to the Foxon Recreation League and were informed that they are not under the authority of the council.
- c. Finance
- d. Public Services, Parks, and Recreation
- e. Urban Renewal/Housing
- f. Blight

Councilman Vollono indicated that the Blight Officer Licata has addressed 90 violation, most were for high grass.

Item #4

Vice Chairman Pacelli read the following to Consider and Act Upon a Resolution to provide a tax refund for the following refund:

Refund \$3,385.20 / 2022-01-0004041

230A SHORT BEACH RD/ payment made by CoreLogic on behalf of Franker Aguaze Reason for Refund: Refund to go to Corelogic. They made two payments in the month of January for this property via bank wire. There was a sale of this property in December of 2023, this is likely the reason for the double payments.

Chairman Deko recognized Shayna Acampora, Tax Collector who recapped the item on the agenda and also indicated it took a longer time to receive a signature.

Vice Chairman Pacelli moved to approve. Councilwoman Penington second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried Approved

Item #5

Vice Chairman Pacelli read the following to consider and act upon setting a Public Hearing Date on a proposed Ordinance to regulate short-term rentals and vacation stays for the June 4, 2024 regular meeting of the Town Council or another date duly noticed.

Chairman Deko stated that this is a long time coming. Councilman Santino indicated there are lot of people in favor of short-term rental as are opposed to short term rentals.

Vice Chairman Pacelli moved to approve. Councilman Santino second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried Approved Public Hearing set for June 4, 2024

Councilman Santino moved to change the order of the items on the agenda and to move Item #8 and Item #9 for action next. Vice Chairman Pacelli second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried Approved

Item #8

Vice Chairman Pacelli read the following to consider and act upon an 8-24 Referral of the potential purchase of real property of Anne E. Acquarulo, located at 8 Tyler Street, Ext. East Haven CT to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review under Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-24.

Attorney Luzzi indicated that this is a proforma referral to purchase this property at 8 Tyler Street Ext. The council received a copy of the draft with the appraisal. This is unbuildable property on the river to be utilized as open space for passive recreation. Councilman Santino moved to approve. Vice Chairman Pacelli second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried

Approved

Item #9

Vice Chairman Pacelli read the following to consider and act upon an 8-24 Referral for the potential sale of a portion of real property of the Town of East Haven located at 75 Michael Street to be sold to the owners of 76 Michael Street and referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review under Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-24.

Attorney Luzzi explained that this is a small portion of town property next to Michael Street Parkm which is unusable to the town. Where the abutting property owner encroached on town property. The town plans to square off the property in order to make the property compliant at 76 Michael Street.

Vice Chairman Pacelli moved to approve. Councilman Santino second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried Approved

Item #6

Vice Chairman Pacelli moved to consider and act upon whether to convene into executive session per CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES § 1-200 (6) (E) AND § 1-210 (B) (9) - consideration of and discussions of records, reports, and statements of strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining related to a successor collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the EAST HAVEN SUPERVISOR'S UNION, LOCAL 818, COUNCIL 4 AFSCME, AFL-CIO for the 2023-2025 fiscal year budgets.

Councilwoman Martin second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion Carried Entered Executive Session

Item #7

Councilman Santino moved to consider and act upon a resolution that the report of the mayor regarding the recommended ratification of a contract for the EAST HAVEN SUPERVISOR'S UNION, LOCAL 818, COUNCIL 4 AFSCME, AFL-CIO for the 2023-2025 fiscal year budget and for the wage reopener for fiscal budget 2022-2023.

Vice Chairman Pacelli second the motion.

Roll call vote-12 in favor. None opposed. 1 abstention. (Deko) Motion Carried Approved

Vice Chairman Pacelli moved to reconvene the meeting and adjourn. Councilwoman Cesare second the motion. Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta A. DeLuca Town Council Clerk