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**TOWN OF EAST HAVEN
BOARD OF FINANCE**

MINUTES FOR JULY 15, 2020, 7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEICIAL MEETING

**TO THE RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF EAST HAVEN
AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:**

Richard DePalma read the following into the record:

Due to Governor Ned Lamont's March 10, 2020 declaration of a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency and his subsequently issued Executive Orders 7B and 7D: and, due to the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 in the State of Connecticut including New Haven County, in-person public access to this meeting will not be permitted. **This will be a 100% electronic meeting.**

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The East Haven Board of Finance held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday,

July 15, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. via ZOOM, in order to transact the following:

I. Roll Call

Mayor Joseph Carfora, Richard DePalma, Beth Purcell, Ralph Vitalie, Rich Esposito and Al Purzycki were present. Noreen Clough was absent. Jim Keeley, Finance Director was also present. Michael Luzzi was present for a portion of the meeting.

II. Read and Approve Special Meeting Minutes from June 23, 2020

Beth Purcell made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes from June 23, 2020. Rich DePalma seconds. All in favor.

III. Old Business

Rich DePalma asked if the June 30th reports are done yet. Jim Keeley responded that not all info is in yet.

IV. New Business

None

V. Public Comment

None

VI. Police Services:

To: 01 332 0658 Equip. Main. Svcs: \$ 3,200.00

From: 01 332 0330 Business & Travel \$ 3,200.00

Beth Purcell made a motion to discuss. Rich Esposito seconds.

Discussion: Jim Keeley stated this is a regular transfer at the end of the year. There is plenty of money in the travel expense. Roll Call. All in Favor. Motion Carried

VII. General Fund: Refer to the Town Council

To. 01-885-0195 Special Assignment \$105,000.00

From: 01-885-0689 Contingency \$105,000.00

Beth Purcell made a motion to discuss and to refer to the Town Council.
Rich Esposito Seconds.

Discussion: Jim Keeley stated we have had unprecedented amount of activity for special assignments for police and we need to transfer it to cover the salaries in the amount of \$105,000.00. It is \$140,000.00 more than last year but at the same time the revenue is going to be \$200,000.00 more than last year so there is a good net balance.

We are actually gaining about \$60,000.00. We just have to pay for it out of the Appropriations side but we are reaping it on the revenue side.
Roll call. All in favor, motion carried.

VIII. Public Works: Refer to the Town Council

To:	01-226-0677	Recycling Service	\$ 50,000.00
	01-226-0676	Waste Collection	110,000.00
	01-226-0674	Trashmaster	<u>62,000.00</u>
			\$222,000.00

From:	01-665-0110	Senior Center Salaries	\$ 45,000.00
	01-665-0115	Senior Center PT wages	12,000.00
	01-444-0694	Other Contractual	20,000.00
	01-885-0255	Street and Traffic Lights	83,000.00
	01-167-0910	Retirement Fund	<u>62,000.00</u>
			\$222,000.00

Beth Purcell made a motion to discuss and to refer to the Town Council.
Rich Esposito Seconds.

Discussion.

Rich DePalma asked if our tonnage has been increased. Jim Keeley stated there has been a lot more bulk pick up with families home during COVID-19. Jim Keeley looked at the Trashmaster contract and he cannot state where the prior budget went wrong however the bill has to be paid and we have to move forward. These are yearend transfers. Beth Purcell asked what exactly is the retirement fund. Jim Keeley responded that it is employee benefits and that it is our municipal retirement fund. It is not an underpayment of a retirement fund it is salary driven and when you have vacancies you will have excess in that account. It has nothing to do with police or fire.

Rich DePalma asked the Mayor about retirements and if there were any police or fire retiring soon. Mayor Carfora stated we had a couple of policemen retire and we may have a couple of firemen toward the end of the year that may retire.

Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

**IX. Public Works:
Discussion**

Discuss truck lease

Beth Purcell made a motion to discuss. Rich Esposito Seconds.

Discussion: Charlie Coyle stated this is regarding a dump truck and tree truck and the Town would like to Lease a new dump truck with a snow plow and sander. The tree truck the Town currently owns is 32 years old. Charlie stated we have a decent leasing option which is beneficial to the town and the taxpayers. He also stated they may be able to get some money for the old one in an auction. Charlie stated they needed another new dump truck because they are short on dump trucks and the age

bracket of the vehicles. Rich DePalma asked how long the lease was for and Charlie Coyle stated for 7 years and then we own them. The interest is about 3.25 percent.

Jim Keeley wanted clarification whether or not we voted to move it on to the next step Rich DePalma said this was a discussion we weren't voting on it. Ralph Vitale said we need to refer it to Town Council.

Rich DePalma asked Attorney Luzzi if we needed to vote on the discussion to move it on and Ralph Vitalie asked if we needed to refer this to the Town Council by a vote. Attorney Luzzi said yes. Ralph Vitalie made a motion to refer this to Town Council for approval and discussion. Beth Purcell seconds. Roll call, all in favor, Motion carried.

X. Adjournment

Beth Purcell made a motion to adjourn at 7:20. Rich Esposito seconds. All in favor.

Board of Finance Clerk
Susan Mauro
July 23, 2020