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Public Hearing Notices Town of East Haven

The Hearing Committee of the East Haven Town Council held certain public hearings Tuesday, September 1, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Via Zoom for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the following items:

Chairman Deko called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Staff Present: James Keeley, Finance Director, Town Attorney Michael Luzzi, Charles Coyle Superintendent Public Works, and Katie DePonte Purchasing Agent.

Roll Call-13 Present 2 Absent(Capotorto and Parlato)

Chairman Deko read the executive order and the Zoom process.

Public Hearing #1

Vice Chairman Pacelli read the following notice for an “Ordinance transferring from various budget accounts for year-end financial purposes—as follow:

General Fund		
To: 01-885-0195	Special Assignment	\$105,000.00
From: 01-885-0689	Contingency	\$105,000.00

This Ordinance shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Chairman Deko recognized Jim Keeley, Acting Finance Director who stated due to Covid-19 it created special assignments within the police departments and we needed to cover that payroll. The special assignment revenue this year is projected at \$904,000 whereas last year \$554,000. The good news is as the assignments increase so does revenue.

No public comments.

No questions from the Council.

Chairman Deko closed the public hearing.

Public Hearing #2

Vice Chairman Pacelli read the following for an “Ordinance transferring from various budget accounts for year-end financial purposes—as follow:

Public Works

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

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Chairman Deko explained that this is a routine end of the fiscal year transfers. With regard to the trash it is very unpredictable.

Mr. Keeley said that with more people being home and cleaning out their homes the cost of trash has increased. He further stated that there isn't much to add, Public Works budgeted too low and now we have to pay our bills.

Councilman Balter asked if this year was budgeted accordingly.

Mr. Keeley believes that we might be \$40k too low.

Councilman Balter read the finance minutes and questioned the retirement fund being over funded but the staff no longer in positions. Did we not spend \$83k on street and traffic lights maintenance?

Mr. Keeley stated with the more energy efficient lighting and newer traffic lights less maintenance is required.

Chairman Deko closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

Chairman Deko called the Hearing Committee to order and requested a Roll Call at 7:15p.m.

Roll Call-13 Present 2 Absent(Capotorto and Parlato)

Vice Chairman Pacelli moved that the Hearing Committee of the East Haven Town Council recommend to the Full Council adoption of the following:

For an ordinance entitled an “Ordinance transferring from various budget accounts for year-end financial purposes—as follow:

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AND WHEREAS, the Board of Finance, meeting of Tuesday, September 1, 2020, approved and recommended the following transfers/bond reauthorizations to the Town Council:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of East Haven that said transfers/bond reauthorizations are approved.

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Councilwoman Hennessey second the motion,.

Roll call vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions.

Motion carried.

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Councilman Santino second the motion,.
Roll call vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions.
Motion carried.

Councilman Santino moved to adjourn the public hearings.
Vice Chairman Pacelli second the motion.
Voice vote-All in favor. None opposed. No abstentions.
Hearings adjourned at 7:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta A. DeLuca