# EAST HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017

The East Haven Town Council held a regular meeting Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at 7:00PM at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT 06512 in order to transact the following.

Chairman Fred Parlato calls the meeting to order at 7:00PM. He asks all to stand for the pledge of allegiance.

#### Item #1

Roll Call -13 present - 2 absent (Spaduzzi and Archambault). Councilman DePalma arrived at 7:10PM. A quorum is present.

#### Item #2

Approval of minutes from the March 7, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Councilman Joseph Santino makes a motion.

Councilman Ken Mckay seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

## Item #3

Approval of minutes from the March 28, 2017 Special Meeting.

Councilman Nicholas Palladino makes a motion.

Councilman Henry Butler III seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

## Item #4

No correspondence.

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#### Item #5

## Subcommittee Reports:

- a. Subcommittee on Education, Library, and School Building; Councilman Robert Parente says education is an item on everyone's mind lately and there are reports pending from the auditor. The Board of Finance did cut the \$300,000 allocation to them and returned it to Mayor Maturo who put it back in for the Council's evaluation. As far as the concerns with the shortages and blaming people, they don't know what is going on because there is not a final report in front of them so there is no reason to waste their time or breath formulating opinions. He thinks they should demand that the report be before the Council before discussing their budget, he feels confident there will be answers from the person who was hired to go through it.
- b. Subcommittee on Public Safety, Health, & Welfare; no report.
- c. Subcommittee on Finance; Councilman William Richardson says there is no report they are in the budget season.
- d. Subcommittee on Public Services, Parks, & Recreation; no report.
- e. Subcommittee on Urban Renewal/Housing; no report.

## Item #6

To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide the following tax refund:

Paulo M. Pereira or Victoria A. Platt 151 Concord Street New Haven, CT 06512

Acct,./List: 2014-03-0066624

Reason: Refund of excess payments

**Amount:** \$248.94

Acct,./List: 2013-03-0066659

Reason: Refund of excess payments

**Amount:** \$268.26

TOTAL: \$517.24

Councilman Richardson makes a motion. Councilman Santino seconds the motion.

### No Public Comment.

## Council comment:

- · Councilman Palladino asks about this refund, it is going to Concord Street in New Haven, why are they paying taxes here in the first place.
- Attorney Al Zullo explains that these are car taxes, they moved so the vehicle is no longer in East Haven.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

#### Item #7

To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide the following tax refund:

Paulo M. Pereira

151 Concord Street New Haven, CT 06512

Acct,./List: 2014-03-0066622

Reason:

Refund of excess payments

Amount:

\$70.67

Acct../List: 2014-03-0066623

Reason:

Refund of excess payments

Amount:

\$148.92

TOTAL:

\$219.59

Councilman Santino makes a motion.

Councilman Palladino seconds the motion.

No public comment.

No Council comment.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

#### Item #8

To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide the following tax refund:

Anthony Peluso - Tolli's Pizza 406-410 Main Street

East haven, CT 06512

Acct,./List: 2013-04-84095

Reason: Assessor Adjustment (duplicate bill)

**Amount:** \$577.86

Acct,./List: 2013-04-64094

Reason: Assessor Adjustment (duplicate bill)

Amount: \$187.49

TOTAL: \$765.35

Councilman Palladino makes a motion.

Councilwoman Linda Hennessey seconds the motion.

No public comment.

Council comment:

- Councilman Santino asks why they don't do credits like they used to rather than these refunds. They are doing these every month. Is there something that needs to change with the Tax Department's system?
- Attorney Al Zullo explains it is a duplicate bill that shouldn't have been issued. It's
  not something with the Tax Office, a lot of these things happen after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the
  year and there are instances where the bank and the owners both pay the taxes.
  These are duplicate payments that should be given back not given in the form of
  a credit.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

Councilman Santino makes a motion to add to the Agenda a resolution setting a public hearing to discuss an Ordinance Reallocating \$49,500.00 of Capital Funds within Capital Account #94-3 (DOJ).

Councilman Mckay seconds the motion.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

A Resolution setting a public hearing date and time to discuss "An Ordinance Reallocating \$49,500.00 of Capital Funds within Capital Account #94-3 (DOJ)"

BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Chapter 3, Section 6 of the Town Charter and Section A, Item 3 of the Town Council Standing Rules, a public hearing shall take place on May 2, 2017, at 7:00PM, at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East

Haven, Connecticut to discuss "An Ordinance Reallocating \$49,500.00 of Capital Funds within Capital Account #94-3 (DOJ)" as follows:

Acct. #94-3 (DOJ)		
To:	For:	
94-3-600-01	DOJ Overtime	\$49,500.00
TOTAL		\$49,500.00
From:		
94-3-700-03	DOJ - Contingency	\$49,500.00
TOTAL		\$49,500.00

**Reason**: To cover additional and residual overtime due to DOJ reporting and consent decree requirements.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the council clerk and Town Attorney are charged to effectuate notice of said public hearing in accordance with the Town Charter and the Standing Rules and, if necessary for any reason, to reschedule said hearing without any further vote or action by this Council.

Councilman Santino makes a motion.

Councilman Palladino seconds the motion.

No public comment.

Council comment:

- Councilman Parente says they were on time and under budget, but they are taking funds from capital; does this mean they are not under budget anymore?
- Attorney Al Zullo says this transfer is from one DOJ account to another DOJ account; DOJ contingency to DOJ overtime.
- Chairman Parlato says it is all part of the amount they allocated in the beginning.
- Councilman Richardson asks when their decree will be finished. He heard on the news that the Attorney General called for a reviewing of all cases for Departments that are under a decree, we may not fall under that if we are going to be finishing up in the next six months or so.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

#### Item #9

Adjournment of Regular Meeting.

Councilman Santino makes a motion. Councilman Mckay seconds the motion. Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danelle Feeley, Clerk, East Haven Legislative Town Council