

TO: Mayor Mark D. Boughton and Members of the Common Council

RE: Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held May 2, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were recited. The members were recorded as:

PRESENT – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Calandrino, Cavo, Perkins, Visconti, Chianese, Esposito, Saadi, Nolan, Basso, Rotello, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Riley, Saracino, Seabury, Stanley, Taborsak

21 PRESENT

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Joseph DaSilva, Jr., 161 Main Street – Spoke on items 1, 3 and 4. This budget makes significant changes to our City.

Joel Urice, 44 Olympic Drive – Regarding item 1, he is against grants to private agencies. Regarding item 28, he is concerned or puzzled. What are they asking for? Many benefits have already been provided for this project. Is the City being asked to pay for these?

Lynn Waller, 83 Highland Avenue – She is disappointed because at the public hearing it was requested that the Common Council Meetings, as well as Planning and Zoning meetings on television. Why does the public bother to come if you do not listen? She is glad to see item 15 on the agenda. We should not have to foot the bill for these things. She has been concerned about the grants for twelve years. The Director of the Hispanic Center asked students to stay out of school – look at that appropriation. Human welfare grants concern her.

Chris Halfar, 8 Settlers Hill Road – She is concerned that the livable neighborhood plan has expanded into the UNIT and is heavily weighted to enforcement. It is complaint driven. The City would be better served with a model similar to the Blind Brook Neighborhood Association.

Margaret Mitchell, 3 Park Place – Supports item 15 – the permit requirement ordinance. She has wanted this for years. It should cover all types of events such as unique and spontaneous celebrations like soccer events. Manner and time limits and who bears the expenses should be spelled out. Protect everyone's rights and still give free speech.

MINUTES – Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held April 4, 2006. Mr. Nolan made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented and waive the reading as all members have copies. Seconded by Mrs. Basso. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Mrs. Basso proposed the following items for the Consent Calendar:

7 – Receive the communication, approve the resolution and authorize Mayor Mark D. Boughton to apply for and accept grant funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$398,400.00 with local matching funds in the amount of \$99,600.00 from the Fire Department 2006-2007 operating budget for the purpose of purchasing Personal Protective Equipment for personnel.

8 – Receive the communication and approve the resolution authorizing Mayor Mark D. Boughton to apply for and accept grant funding from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation in the amount of \$7,700.00 with local matching funds in the amount of \$1,925.00 from the current Police Department budget for the 2006 Memorial Day and Fourth of July DUI Enforcement Program.

9 – Receive the communication and approve the reappointment of Evelyn Durgy and Zoy Beretis as members of the Cultural Commission.

13 – Receive the communication and authorize Mayor Mark D. Boughton to apply for and accept grant funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$80,500.00 as the lead agency for the community's Continuum of Care.

17 – Receive the communication and approve the transfer of \$405,070.58 to the Suspense List as outlined in the memo from the Tax Collector.

19 – Receive the communication and approve the transfer of funds from the Contingency Account in the amount of \$186,000.00 as outlined in the memo from the Director of Finance and Personnel to cover the increased costs of fuel in various utility and fuel accounts.

27 – Receive the communication and approve the extension of time to December 1, 2006, relative to the previous approval for extending sewer and water from Nabby Road to Candlewood Park, Inc. on Forty Acre Mountain Road.

31 – Receive the committee report and adopt the committee recommendation to direct the Planning Department to survey the affected property owners relative to the approval of changing street names in the Driftwood Point area, with the results to be reported back to the Common Council.

32 – Receive the committee report and adopt the committee recommendations on the extension and sunseting of various commissions.

Mr. Cavo made a motion to adopt the Consent Calendar as read. Seconded by Mr. Chianese. Motion carried unanimously.

1 - ORDINANCE & RESOLUTION – An Ordinance Making Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2006 and Ending June 30, 2007 and a Resolution Levying the Property Tax for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006 and Ending June 30, 2007.

Mr. Nolan made a motion to adopt the ordinance making appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007 and the accompanying resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Teicholz.

Mr. Cavo submitted the General Government I committee report:

The General Government I Budget committee met on April 24, 2006 at 6:30 P.M. In attendance were committee members Cavo, Seabury, Teicholz, Saadi and Perkins. Also in attendance were Director of Finance & Personnel Dena Diorio, Town Clerk Lori Kaback, Director of the Permit Center Sean Hearty, Airport Administrator Paul Estefan, Corporation Counsel Robert Yamin, Director of Economic Development Wayne Shepperd, Mayor Mark Boughton and Council Members Nolan, Saracino, Riley, Visconti, Chianese, Rotello, Cutsumpas and Taborsak.

Ms. Diorio read from the narratives and explained the functions of the line items.

The position of Assistant City Clerk has been reduced to part-time. Money has been added to the overtime account. Mr. Saadi asked how many years the current clerk has held this position, was the job tested and how had the job changed over the years. Ms. Samaha stated that she has been in the job for twenty years and the job was civil service with a two-part test – written and oral. She stated that the job has changed in many ways. The agenda is compiled in a totally different manner than it was twenty years ago. The

workload varies depending on the nature of the Council. Before 1999, ad hoc committee chairmen were responsible for taking the minutes of ad hoc committee meetings and submitting them to the Assistant Clerk along with a completed report for the agenda.

Mr. Saadi said the City Clerk is a partisan position so it is important for the Common Council to have its own full-time staff. The City Clerk's office is an independent office, which has duties that are covered by the Charter. He is not comfortable with the City Clerk covering duties outlined in a civil service job description for the Assistant City Clerk. The Office of the Common Council should have a full-time civil service clerk.

Mr. Saadi made a motion to restore the salary line item to a full-time position at a rate of \$45,000 per year, reduce the overtime account by \$1,500 and appropriate \$17,825 from the Contingency Account and add those funds to the salary account. Seconded by Mr. Perkins.

Mr. Saadi asked the Mayor how he came to the conclusion that this job should be reduced to part-time? Mayor Boughton said charter revision is needed but right now money is being wasted because the City Clerk has nothing to do.

Mr. Nolan said he has not been at odds with Mayor Boughton and now that he is leaving he does not want to be. However, he is concerned about the reduction and assignment of roles. He agrees with Mr. Saadi that the City Clerk is elected and from the day they are sworn in they need not do another thing for two years. They do not have to show up for work, so it puts the administration of the Common Council's office into the hands of another elected office. It does not make sense. Charter revision is needed.

Motion carried with Seabury, Perkins and Saadi voting yes and Teicholz and Cavo voting no.

A raise has been included in the Registrars of Voters budget for six months because they will begin their terms on January 1, 2007. Regarding the Town Clerk's budget, Mr. Saadi asked about the reduction in the legal and public notices line item from \$5,000 to \$2,500. Ms. Kaback said she has already spent \$3,000 and must still publish public notices for the referendum and election. Ms. Diorio said whatever is needed will be funded internally.

In the Planning Department, an Assistant Zoning Enforcement Officer has been transferred to the UNIT. The title of Assistant Planning Director has been changed to Deputy Planning Director. There is one full-time employee in the Office of Economic Development. Some money has been added for marketing and there is some money for conferences. Ms. Diorio said under the Lake Authority line item, this is the City's contribution to Candlewood Lake Authority and it cannot be cut.

One Assistant Library Director's position has been eliminated. The increase in the part-time salaries account reflects the first raise part-time employees have had in three years. The Long Ridge Library is funded at \$6,000 per year.

An Assistant Airport Administrator has been added to the Table of Organization. Mr. Saadi asked if there are Federal regulations or State required qualifications for this position? Mr. Estefan said the City falls under the FAA regulations, Part 139 and he has to certify the staff as it relates to operational procedures at the Airport. He has to forward the employee's credentials to the FAA.

Funding for HART is at \$666,772, which is a slight increase.

Ms. Teicholz made a motion to recommend adoption of the budget as proposed by the committee and add a 3 and ½ percent raise for the

Registrars of Voters to take effect January 2007. Seconded by Mr. Seabury. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Basso submitted the General Government II committee report:

The General Government II Budget Committee met on April 19, 2006 at 6:30 P.M. in the Third Floor Caucus Room in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Basso, Nolan, Johnson, Rotello and Taborsak. Also in attendance were Director of Finance & Personnel Dena Diorio and Council Members Cutsumpas, Saracino, Chianese, Stanley and Teicholz.

Finance Department – A part-time position for payroll has been added. The Professional Services line item has been reduced by \$10,000.

Independent Audit – The fee is \$134,000 per year and the City is in the fourth year of a five-year contract.

Data Processing – Four servers were requested, but three were funded. 100 Gateway computers will be replaced this year.

Tax Collector – The postage account is deceiving because most of the mailings are done in July. This office will be getting a network printer. A stuffing and folding machine was purchased last year. Mr. Johnson asked about the entry-level salary for the new tax collector. Ms. Diorio said it would be posted this weekend at \$82,000 because there is a high experience requirement.

Purchasing – There is \$50,000 in outside services to hire a firm to do a physical inventory of all equipment. This is now required every four years.

Personnel/Civil Service – There are two full-time people in this department – a civil service examiner and a personnel assistant. A police exam will be conducted this year and more training will be done. Training will include customer service, supervisory training and other types that can be done on-site or locally. The job description for the personnel assistant has been changed because they want to hire someone with Human Resources experience.

Ms. Diorio explained FICA, Pension Expenses, Employee Service Benefit, Worker's Compensation, State Unemployment, Employee Health and Life Insurance, Dental Insurance, Union Welfare, Insurance and Debt Service.

Capital Budget – There are two sources of funding. Each year \$500,000 in notes are bonded, but not permanently financed. It is paid off each year. This year's budget contains four vehicles, removal of underground storage tanks and computers and cameras for police cars. The second source of funding is LoCIP. These funds will be used for renovations on Memorial Drive and sidewalk repairs. These funds will not be used for big construction projects.

Grants – Ms. Taborsak provided a chart ranking the grants by amounts awarded. She said that a budget would tell you what you value. There is very little for culture and arts. Ms. Diorio explained that two years ago the Cultural Commission budget was increased and they make allocations. Ms. Taborsak said there were pitiful amounts for organizations such as DAWS and Amos House. She would like to take money from the War Memorial grant and add money to organizations that deal with issues such as homelessness. A discussion following regarding the War Memorial grant and the YMCA grant.

Mr. Nolan said he could agree with giving more money but this has always been politically arbitrary. The Common Council has debated going with a United Way mode. He supports leaving this along, but would encourage the Council to continue to look for changes in the way this is administered.

Mr. Nolan made a motion to recommend adoption of the General Government II Budget as proposed by the Mayor, and to include a resolution to the Common Council to look at revising the grant agency funding. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried with Ms. Taborsak abstaining.

Ms. Saracino submitted the Education Budget committee report:

The Education Budget Committee met at 7:30 P.M. on April 21, 2006 in Conference Room 3C in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Saracino, Stanley, Riley, Diggs and Visconti. Also in attendance were Board of Education Members Joan Hodge, Eileen Alberts, Scott Ferguson, Michael Fazio, Joel Garafalo, Robert Taborsak and Cathy Molinaro, Director of Finance & Personnel Dena Diorio, Director of Finance for the Board of Education Elio Longo and Council Members Nolan Basso, Chianese, Rotello and Taborsak, ex-officio.

Mr. Longo began with a review of the Board's presented budget. The biggest driver is the cost of health care. It looks like it will come in at 15%. Worker's compensation is flat funded. Standard fixed costs increased by 5.7%. Utilities have increased by 30%. There will be a \$700,000 shortfall on fuel costs this year. Mr. Longo continued with a description of transportation costs. Tuition for special placement reflects a 12.5% increase. Mr. Longo discussed the fuel costs for vehicle operations and fuel. Lease costs are down by 9%. The Head Start contribution is up \$10,000 to \$160,000. Mr. Longo continued that the budget is \$100,259,000 for an increase of 6.2% without the Magnet School.

Mr. Longo discussed the problems involving the start-up funding for the Magnet School. The total project amount for full enrollment is \$2,900,000. Ms. Saracino asked if there was any consolidation savings by moving students to the Magnet School. Mr. Longo said that he was not in a position to project savings. Mr. Riley asked if there were contract concerns regarding the staffing at the Magnet School. Mr. Long said that existing teachers have a right of first refusal. Ms. Saracino asked if the Magnet School costs are just for the first year. Mr. Longo said no, many of them continue. Mr. Longo explained that there is a \$1,000,000 gap between revenue and expenses.

Ms. Saracino asked Ms. Diorio to explain the rationale of the City's proposal. Ms. Diorio said that the City would suggest eliminating the Superintendent's priorities, grants for equipment, additional priority school district money plus energy assistance from the State. There is a gap to close of \$400,000. Mr. Ferguson said that the energy grant is great. The challenge is the Magnet School. Mr. Nolan asked about the potential for there having been a change in the reimbursement since it was approved years ago. Mr. Longo said no.

Mrs. Stanley made a motion that the committee recommend adoption of the education budget as proposed by the Mayor. Seconded by Mr. Visconti. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Calandrino presented the Public Works Budget committee report:

The Public Works Budget Committee met on April 20, 2006 at 6:30 P.M. in the Third Floor Caucus Room in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Calandrino, Cutsumpas, McMahon, Teicholz and Chianese. Also in attendance were Director of Finance & Personnel Dena Diorio, Director of Public Works William Buckley, Highways Supervisor Duke Hart, Joe Pacific from Parks and Recreation, Superintendent of Public Buildings Richard Palanzo, Sandra Moy and Gerald Daly from Tarrywile Park and Council Members Basso, Rotello, Saracino, Stanley and Taborsak, ex-officio.

Public Buildings – There has been a jump in the utilities because of Immanuel Lutheran School and Memorial Drive. \$2,000 has been added for to Safety Equipment for safety shoes.

City Hall Building - \$6,000 has been added for overall maintenance, as well as \$15,000 to replace the fire alarm panel.

Library Building – The Maintain Buildings line item has been increased to \$28,000.

Police Station – Buildings and Structures line item has been increased to do some contract work on the HVAC system.

Senior Center Building – There has been a slight increase for roof repairs.

Old Library Building – The Maintain Buildings line item has been increased by \$5,000.

Highways – There is a change to the Table of Organization with the addition of a public works director. There is \$55,000 for overtime. Money has been added for road improvement seminars, as well as funds for spring cleanup.

Snow and Ice Removal - \$250,000 has been budgeted for overtime at an increase of \$25,000. Funding for storm meals has been reduced because instead of paying per meal the City will give the workers a stipend at the beginning of the season. There is additional money for salt and sand at a \$50,000 increase.

Parks Maintenance – There is an increase for heating fuel.

Public Building Maintenance and Repair – The Maintain Buildings and Structures line item has been increased to \$250,000.

Equipment Maintenance – There is funding for new vehicle training courses.

Engineering – Salaries went down because of the Director of Public Works position. The City Engineer's position will be filled and the position of Assistant City Engineer will be eliminated.

Tarrywile Park – This budget was increased by \$50,000 because they remained flat for so long it was time for the increase.

Lake Kenosia Commission – \$20,000 in this budget will be used to implement a non-chemical treatment for plants in the Lake.

Sewer Fund – There will be a rate increase of 8%.

Water Fund – There will be a rate increase of 5%.

Mr. Chianese made a motion to recommend adoption of the Mayor's budget as proposed. Seconded by Mrs. McMahon. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Trombetta submitted the Health & Housing, Public Safety, Welfare & Social Services Budget committee report:

Mr. Saadi stated that he opposes the merger of the Welfare & Social Services Department with the Health & Housing Department. He stated that the increases in sewer and water rates are due to the reduced connection fees. He stated that the job of Assistant City Clerk should be a full-time, civil service position.

Mr. Saadi made a motion to restore the position to full-time at a salary of \$40,000. Seconded by Mr. Visconti. Motion failed 11 yes and ten no.

Voting Yes – Council Members – Calandrino, Perkins, Visconti, Chianese, Esposito, Saadi, Nolan, Rotello, Riley, Saracino, Taborsak

Voting No – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Cavo, Basso, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Seabury, Stanley

Mrs. Teicholz made a motion that the raise for the Registrars of Voters be effective July 1, 2007. Seconded by Mr. Cavo. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Chianese made a motion to remove \$600 from the Office of Economic Development Conference account to make it consistent with all other budgets, and move that sum to the Planning and Zoning training line item. Seconded by Mr. Saadi.

Motion failed 7 yes and 13 no with 1 abstention

Voting Yes – Perkins, Visconti, Chianese, Esposito, Saadi, Rotello and Taborsak

Voting No – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Calandrino, Cavo, Basso, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Riley, Saracino, Seabury, Stanley

Mr. Nolan abstained.

Ms. Taborsak moved to re-establish separate welfare department consistent with the text of the amendment given to the Clerk. Seconded by Mr. Chianese.

Motion failed 6 yes and 15 no.

Voting Yes – Perkins, Chianese, Esposito, Saadi, Rotello, Taborsak

Voting No – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Calandrino, Cavo, Visconti, Nolan, Basso, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Riley, Saracino, Seabury, Stanley

Main motion, as amended, carried with 14 members voting yes and 7 members voting no.

Voting Yes – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Calandrino, Cavo, Nolan, Basso, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Riley, Saracino, Seabury, Stanley

Voting No – Perkins, Visconti, Chianese, Esposito, Saadi, Rotello, Taborsak

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2007.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANBURY:

SECTION 1. That the amounts hereinafter set forth aggregating \$178,091,982 or so much as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated for the General Fund, from current revenue, for the use of the several departments of the Municipal Government and for the purpose hereinafter mentioned for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007.

	<u>MAYOR'S</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>
I. <u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
Common Council	\$ 40,458	\$ 40,458
Mayor's Office	334,560	334,560
City Clerk's Office	49,168	49,168
Ordinances	20,600	20,600
Probate Court	17,450	17,450
Registrars & Elections	172,746	172,746

City Treasurer	19,008	19,008
Director of Finance	809,994	809,994
Data Processing/Info Tech	1,055,589	1,055,589
Independent Audit	44,800	44,800
Bureau of Assessments	427,567	427,567
Board of Assessment & Appeals	4,350	4,350
Tax Collector	576,241	576,241
Purchasing	276,303	276,303
Corporation Counsel	836,750	836,750
Town Clerk	396,464	396,464
Annual Report	10,000	10,000
Permit Coordination	317,279	317,279
Planning Department	465,517	465,517
Office of Economic Development	102,823	102,823
Conservation Commission	9,220	9,220
Personnel Department/Civil Service	288,010	288,010
Mayor's Discretionary Fund	17,000	17,000
Fair Rent Commission	1,450	1,450
City Memberships	82,487	82,487
Lake Authority	58,800	58,800
	<u>MAYOR'S</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
 <u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
Retirement Administration	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000
Labor Negotiations	153,000	153,000
Public Buildings	996,041	996,041
City Hall Building	423,120	423,120
Library Building	213,553	213,553
Police Station Building	232,758	232,758
Senior Center Building	87,550	87,550
Old Library Building	48,175	48,175
Employee Service Benefit	29,395	29,395
<u>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	<u>\$ 8,646,226</u>	<u>\$ 8,646,226</u>
 II. <u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>		
Police Department	\$13,091,796	\$13,091,796
Animal Control	205,051	205,051
Fire Department	9,590,034	9,590,034
Building Inspector	573,419	573,419
Department of Civil Preparedness	12,250	12,250
Department of Consumer Protection	56,894	56,894
Unified Neighborhood Inspection Team	241,549	241,549
Employee Service Benefit	8,075	8,075

	<u>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</u>	<u>\$23,779,068</u>	<u>\$23,779,068</u>
III.	<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>		
	Highways	\$ 2,377,157	\$ 2,377,157
	State Aid – Highways	411,480	411,480
	Snow and Ice Removal	387,520	387,520
	Street Lighting	420,000	420,000
	Park Maintenance & Forestry	1,585,261	1,585,261
	Public Building Maintenance and Repair	525,118	525,118
	Equipment Maintenance	1,024,405	1,024,405
	Recycling/Solid Waste	310,550	310,550
	Engineering Department	992,977	992,977
		<u>MAYOR'S</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>
		<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
	<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>		
	Employee Service Benefit	\$ 14,285	\$ 14,285
	<u>TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS</u>	<u>\$ 8,048,753</u>	<u>\$ 8,048,753</u>
IV.	<u>HEALTH, HOUSING & WELFARE</u>		
	Health, Housing & Welfare	\$ 1,126,163	\$ 1,126,163
	Employee Service Benefit	7,555	7,555
	<u>TOTAL HEALTH & HOUSING</u>	<u>\$ 1,133,718</u>	<u>\$ 1,133,718</u>
V.	<u>SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCIES</u>		
	Welfare Department	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Veterans' Advisory Center	60,228	60,228
	Commission on Aging	285,742	285,742
	Elderly Transportation	12,000	12,000
	Grants – Human Services	1,274,506	1,274,506
	Employee Service Benefit	2,995	2,995
	<u>TOTAL SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCIES</u>	<u>\$ 1,635,471</u>	<u>\$ 1,635,471</u>
VI.	<u>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</u>		
	Schools, Regular	\$ 99,952,621	\$ 99,952,621
	Schools, Health & Welfare	208,575	208,575
	<u>TOTAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>\$100,161,196</u>	<u>\$100,161,196</u>
VII.	<u>LIBRARIES</u>		
	Danbury Public Library	\$ 2,039,683	\$ 2,039,683
	Employee Service Benefit	4,050	4,050
	Long Ridge Library	6,000	6,000
	<u>TOTAL LIBRARIES</u>	<u>\$ 2,049,733</u>	<u>\$ 2,049,733</u>

VIII PARKS & RECREATION

Department of Recreation	\$ 410,910	\$ 410,910
Tarrywile Park Authority	315,000	315,000

<u>MAYOR'S</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>
<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>

PARKS & RECREATION

Cultural Commission	\$ 102,000	\$ 102,000
Lake Kenosia Commission	22,000	22,000
Employee Service Benefit	700	700
<u>TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION</u>	<u>\$ 850,610</u>	<u>\$ 850,610</u>

IX. RECURRENT COSTS

FICA	\$ 1,464,196	\$ 1,464,196
Pension Expense	3,429,000	3,429,000
Employee Service Benefit	317,556	317,556
Worker's Compensation	690,572	690,572
State Unemployment Compensation	35,000	35,000
Employee Health & Life Insurance	11,528,441	11,528,441
Union Welfare	975,520	975,520
Insurance & Official Bond Premium	2,336,798	2,336,798
<u>TOTAL RECURRENT COSTS</u>	<u>\$ 20,777,083</u>	<u>\$ 20,777,083</u>

X. DEBT SERVICE

Interest on Debt	\$ 2,073,329	\$ 2,073,329
Interest on Debt – School	1,219,581	1,219,581
Redemption of Debt	3,402,350	3,402,350
Redemption of Debt – School	2,770,000	2,770,000
<u>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>\$ 9,465,260</u>	<u>\$ 9,465,260</u>

XI. CAPITAL PROGRAM

	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAM</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

XII. TRANSPORTATION

Danbury Airport	\$ 476,277	\$ 476,277
H.A.R.T.	666,772	666,772
Employee Service Benefit	1,815	1,815
<u>TOTAL TRANSPORTATION</u>	<u>\$ 1,144,864</u>	<u>\$ 1,144,864</u>

<u>MAYOR'S</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>
<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>

XIII <u>CONTINGENCY</u>	\$ <u>400,000</u>	\$ <u>400,000</u>
<u>TOTAL CONTINGENCY</u>	\$ <u>400,000</u>	\$ <u>400,000</u>
<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>	\$ <u>178,091,982</u>	\$ <u>178,091,982</u>

SECTION 2. That the amount of \$1,930,515 is appropriated to the AMBULANCE FUND in the same manner as set forth in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 3. That the amount of \$219,051 is appropriated to the ANIMAL CONTROL FUND in the same manner as set forth in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 4. That the amount of \$9,408,260 is appropriated to the SEWER FUND in the same manner as set forth in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 5. That the amount of \$6,948,162 is appropriated to the WATER FUND in the same manner as set forth in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 6. That a provision for tax appeals reserve is established in the amount of \$750,000.

Adopted by the Common Council
 Approved by Mayor Mark D. Boughton

A RESOLUTION LEVYING THE PROPERTY TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2007

SECTION 1. The sum of \$134,604,812 representing the gross appropriation for the City of Danbury of \$178,091,982 for the fiscal year of July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007, minus Indirect Revenue of \$41,037,170, minus use of fund balance of \$3,200,000, plus reserve for tax appeals in the amount of \$750,000, is hereby levied and assessed on all taxable property in the City of Danbury as set forth on the annual Grand List as of October 1, 2005.

SECTION 2. Accordingly, the General Fund Tax Rate for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007 shall be as follows:

TAX RATE: 22.05 MILLS

SECTION 3. The taxes levied and assessed as hereinafter provided shall be payable in quarterly installments on July 1, 2006, October 1, 2006, January 1, 2007, and April 1, 2007 except for taxes levied and assessed on mobile homes, motor vehicles and where not in excess of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), which taxes shall be paid on July 1, 2006, in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, unless said dates shall have lapsed before the effective date of this resolution, in which case the Tax Collector shall fix the dates and installments as if said dates had not been fixed herein as provided by law.

SECTION 4. The Tax Collector shall cause the said taxes above levied and assessed to be inserted on the tax rolls for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007.

2 – ORDINANCE – An Ordinance Appropriating \$500,000 For Public Improvements In The 2006-2007 Capital Budget and Authorizing The Issuance of \$500,000 Bonds Of The City To Meet Said Appropriation and Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANBURY:

Section 1. The sum of \$500,000 is appropriated for the public improvements hereinafter listed:

Project	Estimated Cost
Vehicle Replacement – Building Department And Police Department	\$ 112,000
Replace Underground Storage Tanks	28,000
In-Car Camera System – Police Department	216,000
In-Car Computers – Police Department	144,000
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Total	\$ 500,000

Section 2. To meet said appropriation \$500,000 bonds of the City are hereby authorized to be issued maturing not later than the fifth year after their date. Said bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Mayor and the Director of Finance provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in bearer form or in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the City of Danbury by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, bear the City seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys at Law, of Hartford. The bonds shall be general obligations of the City and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and the paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds including the rate or rates of interest shall be determined by the Mayor and the Director of Finance.

Section 3. The bonds of each series shall be sold by the Mayor in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in his discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the City. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds.

Section 4. The City Treasurer is authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, have

the seal of the City affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the City Treasurer, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the City Treasurer pursuant to Section 7-373 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the City and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The appropriation may be expended with the approval of the Mayor and the Director of Finance to meet the actual cost of any of the projects set forth in Section 1, including actual costs which may exceed the estimated costs thereof, provided that the total amount of the appropriation is not exceeded.

Section 6. The City hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this ordinance in the maximum amount and for the capital projects defined in Section 1 with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Bonds") authorized to be issued by the City. The Bonds shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The City hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations of this date. The Mayor or his designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of reimbursement bonds and to amend this declaration. This declaration shall be made available in the office of the clerk for public inspection within thirty days of its passage, and any amendment shall be made available for public inspection within thirty days of such amendment.

Section 7. The Director of Finance is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Danbury, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to nationally recognized municipal securities, information repositories or state based information repositories (the "Repositories") and to provide notices to the Repositories of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance. Any agreements or representations to provide information to Repositories made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Ms. Saracino made a motion to adopt the Ordinance appropriating \$500,000 for public improvements in the 2006-2007 Capital Budget and authorizing the issuance of \$500,000 bonds of the City to meet said appropriations and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowing for such purpose. Seconded by Mr. Chianese. Motion carried unanimously.

3 –ORDINANCE – Sewer Use Rates

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 16-32 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 16-32. Sewer Use Charges.

(a) General sewer use charges established. There are hereby established sewer use charges applicable with respect to all bills rendered on or after July 1, 2006, to all sewer customers provided with metered city water service. Sewer use charges shall be reflected on the quarterly billing in two (2) components. The first component shall be the sewer use charge for the operation and maintenance (O&M) of the Danbury sewage works (as defined in Section 16-1 hereof) and the second component shall be the sewer use charge for the retirement of debt service relating to system renovations and improvements. Such charges, established in accordance with criteria contained in Section 16-27 of this Code of Ordinances, shall be determined in accordance with the following formulas and values:

(1) Formulas:

a. Quarterly Sewer Use Charge (O&M) = $\frac{0.9 \times A \times X}{1,000 \text{ gallons}}$

b. Quarterly Sewer Use Charge Residential Debt Service = $\frac{0.9 \times A \times Y}{1,000 \text{ gallons}}$

Where “A” equals the volume of water, as measured through the customer’s water meter, used during the previous billing quarter. Where X and Y are the values with respect to sewer use charges and classes. Notwithstanding the prior provisions of this section, there shall be a minimum quarterly sewer use charge, which shall be established herein.

(2) Values:

a. For sewer use customers with metered city water service, the following sewer use charge values are hereby established:

1. O&M value (X) = \$2.11

2. Debt service values (Y) =

i. Residential, Class 1 and 1A = \$0.35

ii. Mixed residential / commercial, Class 2A = \$5.15

iii. Nonresidential, Class 2 and 3 = \$6.05

b. The minimum quarterly sewer use charge shall be twenty-three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$23.25).

(b) For sewer use customers with flat rate city water service the quarterly sewer use charge shall be:

(1) Residential (Class 1 and 1A) = one hundred and thirteen dollars and twelve cents (\$113.12) per unit.

(2) Mixed residential / commercial (Class 2A) = two hundred and twenty-four dollars and ninety-one cents (\$224.91) per unit.

(3) Nonresidential (Class 2 and 3) = two hundred and twenty-four dollars and ninety-one cents (\$224.91) per unit.

(c) For sewer use customers having no city water service the quarterly sewer use charge shall be:

- (1) Residential (Class 1 and 1A) = fifty-three dollars and four cents (\$53.04) per unit.
- (2) Mixed residential/commercial (Class 2A) = One hundred ninety-one and eighty-four cents (\$191.84) per unit.
- (3) Nonresidential (Class 2 and 3) = Two hundred ten dollars and fifty-six cents (\$210.56) per unit.

For the purposes of subsections (b) and (c) hereof, a sewer unit shall represent the sewer use for a single family dwelling. An additional sewer unit shall be assessed for each additional residence within any residential structure. A fractional sewer unit shall be assessed for a portion of the dwelling which, in the opinion of the superintendent of public utilities, bears, with respect to sewer usage, the same relationship to a whole sewer unit as that portion of the dwelling in question bears to a single family dwelling. All non residential flat rate city water customers shall be assessed for sewer units or fractions thereof based on the relationship between the customer's nonresidential use and the use generated by a single family dwelling, in the opinion of the Superintendent of Public Utilities.

(d) For purposes of this section, sewer use charges imposed upon military veterans' posts and organizations that are exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall be imposed at the residential rates established herein.

Mr. Cavo made a motion to receive the communication and adopt the sewer use rates ordinance. Seconded by Mrs. Teicholz. The motion carried 15 yes and 6 no.

Voting Yes – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Calandrino, Cavo, Esposito, Nolan, Basso, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Riley, Saracino, Seabury, Stanley

Voting No – Perkins, Visconti, Chianese, Saadi, Rotello, Taborsak

4 – ORDINANCE – Water Use Rates

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-46 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-46. Meter rates generally.

(a) The following water meter rates shall be charged for those areas served and specified by the superintendent of public utilities. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2006, and are based on the consumption per thousand gallons (MG) as follows:

- (1) 5/8-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>		
0-1.....	\$	10.79
2		11.94
3		13.08
4		14.23
5		15.37
6		16.52
7		17.66
8		18.81
9		19.95
10		21.10
11		22.24
12		23.38
13		24.53

14	25.67
15	26.82

(2) ¾-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>	
0-1.....	\$ 16.78
2	17.92
3	19.07
4	20.21
5	21.36
6	22.50
7	23.65
8	24.71
9	25.84
10	27.08
11	28.22
12	29.37
13	30.51
14	31.66
15	32.80

(3) 1-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>	
0-1.....	\$ 34.70
2	35.85
3	36.99
4	38.14
5	39.28
6	40.43
7	41.57
8	42.63
9	43.76
10	45.00
11	46.15
12	47.29
13	48.44
14	49.58
15	50.73

(b) The following water meter rates shall be charged for those areas served and as specified by the superintendent of public utilities. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2006, and are limited to the first fifteen thousand (15,000) gallons of consumption and are based on the consumption per thousand gallons (MG) as follows:

Size of Meter (inches)	
1 ½	\$ 158.95
2	233.10
3	516.60
4	1,033.07
6	2,066.13
8	4,132.31
10	8,264.60

(c) For water consumed in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) gallons and less than thirty thousand (30,000) gallons for any size meter the charge shall be three dollars and twenty-three cents (\$3.23) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2006.

(d) (1) For water consumed in excess of thirty thousand (30,000) gallons and less than seventy five thousand (75,000) gallons for non-residential uses for any size meter and use, the charge shall be three dollars and seventy-three cents (\$3.73) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2006.

(2) For water consumed in excess of thirty thousand (30,000) gallons for residential uses for any size meter the charge shall be three dollars and twenty-three cents (\$3.23) per one thousand gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2006.

(e) For water consumed in excess of seventy five thousand (75,000) gallons for non-residential uses for any size meter the charge shall be four dollars and twenty cents (\$4.20) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2006.

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-47 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-47. Additional rates and charges for special uses.

In addition to the rates set forth in sections 21-42 and 21-46, the following rates and charges are hereby established for all bills rendered on or after July 1, 2006:

(1) Hydrant use by contractors \$ 500.00 plus an additional \$ 2.50 per one hundred (100) gallons.

(2) The following quarterly rates shall be charged for water service to premises for fire protection purposes:

<i>Size of Connection (inches)</i>	<i>Charge for Three Months</i>
4 and under	\$139.76
6	262.06
8	384.34
10	524.09
12	698.80

Mr. Calandrino made a motion to receive the communication and adopt the water use rates ordinances. Seconded by Mr. Seabury. Motion carried with 14 yes and 7 no.

Voting Yes – McMahon, Johnson, Trombetta, Calandrino, Cavo, Nolan, Basso, Diggs, Teicholz, Cutsumpas, Riley, Saracino, Seabury, Stanley

Voting No – Perkins, Visconti, Chianese, Esposito, Saadi, Rotello, Taborsak

5 – ORDINANCE – Police Department Reorganization

Ms. Saracino asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Chief of Police and the Corporation Counsel. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Cavo, Basso, Saracino, Cutsumpas and Saadi to the committee.

6 – RESOLUTION – Downtown Special Services District

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

A RESOLUTION LEVYING THE PROPERTY TAX FOR THE DANBURY DOWNTOWN SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2007.

SECTION 1. The sum of One Hundred Forty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Six Dollars (\$147,856.00) represented the gross appropriation for the City of Danbury Downtown Special Services District of One Hundred Fifty Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty Six Dollars (\$150,256.00) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007, minus indirect revenues of \$-0-, and minus estimated available "Surplus" of \$2,400.00, is hereby levied and assessed on all taxable interests in real property located within the City of Danbury Downtown Special Services District as set forth on the new tax assessment dated October 1, 2005 based upon a total net assessment of \$81,475,800.00.

SECTION 2. Accordingly, the General Fund tax rate for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007 with respect to said property interests within said District shall be as follows:

TAX RATE: 1.8147 MILLS

SECTION 3. The taxes levied and assessed as herein provided shall be due and payable in quarterly equal installments on July 1, 2006, October 1, 2006, January 1, 2007 and April 1, 2007 except for taxes not in excess of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) which taxes shall be paid on July 1, 2006 in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, unless said date shall have lapsed before the effective date of this resolution in which case the Tax Collector shall fix the date as if said date had not been fixed herein as provided by law.

SECTION 4. The Tax Collector shall cause the said taxes above levied and assessed to be inserted on the tax rolls for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007.

Mr. Nolan made a motion to receive the communication and adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Basso. Motion carried unanimously.

7 – RESOLUTION – Fire Department Grant

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has allowed the Danbury Fire Department to apply for funding for the acquisition of personal protective equipment; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of said funding for such purpose is \$498,000 of which \$398,400.00 is FEMA funds and the balance of \$99,600.00 is the required local share; and

WHEREAS, the Danbury Fire Department would like to apply for and accept said grant and together with the local share, obtain the needed personal protective equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mark D. Boughton, Mayor of the City of Danbury, or his designee, Danbury Fire Chief Peter Siecienski, be and hereby are authorized to apply for and accept said grant and to execute such additional documents as may be required to effectuate the purposes thereof.

The communication was received on the Consent Calendar, the resolution approved and Mayor Mark D. Boughton authorized to apply for and accept grant funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$398,400.00 with local matching funds in the amount of \$99,600.00 from the Fire Department 2006-2007 operating budget for the purpose of purchasing Personal Protective Equipment for personnel.

8 – RESOLUTION – DUI Enforcement Grant

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Safety ha made a grant available in the amount of \$7,700.00 for the 2006 Memorial Day/Fourth of July Driving Under the Influence Enforcement Program; and

WHEREAS, a local cash match of \$1,925.00 is required in order to reach the total cost of the program, which is \$7,700.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor Mark D. Boughton is hereby authorized to apply for said grant and to accept grant funds if approved, and Mayor Mark D. Boughton is authorized to sign all contracts necessary to effectuate the purposes of said grant. Any prior acts of the Mayor in applying for such grant funds are hereby ratified.

The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and the resolution authorizing Mayor Mark D. Boughton to apply for and accept grant funding from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation in the amount of \$7,700.00 with local matching funds in the amount of \$1,925.00 from the current Police Department budget for the 2006 Memorial Day and Fourth of July DUI Enforcement Program approved.

9 – COMMUNICATION – Reappointments to the Cultural Commission

Letter from Mayor Mark Boughton requesting confirmation of the reappointments of Evelyn Durgy and Zoy Beretis to the Cultural Commission for terms to expire February 1, 2009. The reappointments were confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

10 – COMMUNICATION – 2006 Clean City Danbury Day

Letter from Director of Public Works William Buckley requesting permission to accept from James Galante the value of container rentals, transportation and disposal for the 2006 Clean City Danbury Day. The total value of these services is \$21,999.90. Mr. Cutsumpas moved to receive the communication, accept the donation and send a letter of thanks. Seconded by Mr. Riley. Motion carried unanimously.

11 – COMMUNICATION – Donations to the Department of Elderly Services

Letter from Director of Elderly Services Susan Tomanio requesting permission to accept donations in the total amount of \$175.00 for the office supplies line item. Mr. Cavo made a motion to receive the communication, accept the donations, credit the appropriate line item and send letters of thanks. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

12 – COMMUNICATION – Donations to the School Based Health Center

Letter from Clinic Administrator Melanie S. Bonjour requesting permission to account donations in the total amount of \$4,890.00 to support health center services and various in-kind and silent auction donations. Mrs. Stanley made a motion to receive the communication, accept the donations and send letters of thanks. Seconded by Mr. Chianese. Motion carried unanimously.

13 – COMMUNICATION – Continuum of Care – Homeless Assistant Funds

Letter from Director of Welfare & Social Services Deborah MacKenzie requesting authorization to apply for funding from HUD on behalf of the Continuum of Care in the amount of \$80,500. The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and Mayor Mark D. Boughton authorized to

apply for and accept grant funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$80,500.00 as the lead agency for the community's Continuum of Care.

14 – COMMUNICATION – Donation of a Lease for a Honda Accord

Letter from Mayor Mark D. Boughton requesting permission to accept the donation of a lease for a 2006 Hybrid Honda Accord for his use. Mrs. Teicholz made a motion to receive the communication, accept the donation and send a letter of thanks. Seconded by Mrs. McMahon. Motion carried unanimously.

15 – COMMUNICATION – Request for an Ad Hoc Committee – Permit Requirement Ordinance

Mr. Saadi asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Corporation Counsel and the Chief of Police. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Trombetta, Saracino and Esposito to the committee.

16 – COMMUNICATION – Request for Ad Hoc Committee – Absentee Landlords

Mr. Johnson asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Corporation Counsel and the Director of the Permit Center. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Cutsumpas, Riley and Rotello to the committee.

17 – COMMUNICATION – Suspense List

Letter from Tax Collector Catherine Skurat recommending a listing of names to be transferred to the Suspense List because she considers these taxes uncollectible. The amount is \$405,070.55. The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and the transfer of \$405,070.58 to the Suspense List as outlined approved.

18 – COMMUNICATION – Request for Funds – Police Department/Animal Control

Certification of Funds from the Director of Finance in the amount of \$820,000 pursuant to the arbitration award dated March 15, 2006. Ms. Saracino made a motion to receive the communication and authorize the transfer of funds. Seconded by Mr. Chianese. Motion carried unanimously.

19 – COMMUNICATION – Request for Funds – Utility Accounts

Letter from the Director of Finance requesting an appropriation of \$186,000 to cover rising costs for utilities. The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and the transfer of funds from the Contingency Account in the amount of \$186,000 as outlined in the memo from the Director of Finance to cover the increased costs of fuel in various fuel and utility accounts approved.

20 – COMMUNICATION – Request for Funds – Corporation Counsel

Letter from Corporation Counsel Robert Yamin requesting an appropriation of \$90,000 for the Litigation – Special account. A certification of funds was attached. Mr. Cavo made a motion to receive the communication and authorize the transfer of funds. Seconded by Mrs. Teicholz. Motion carried unanimously.

21 – COMMUNICATION – Appropriation to the Animal Control Fund

Letter from Chief of Police Alan Baker requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$6,000 to complete the Dog Pound air conditioning project. A certification of funds was attached. Mr. Nolan made a motion to receive the communication and authorize the transfer of funds. Seconded by Mr. Seabury. Motion carried unanimously.

22 – COMMUNICATION – Request for Sewer and Water Extensions – 20 Eastwood Road

Mr. Seabury asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Director of Public Works and the Planning Commission. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Basso, McMahon and Chianese to the committee.

23 – COMMUNICATION – Request for Sewer and Water Extensions – 60 Forest Avenue

Mrs. Stanley asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Director of Public Works and the Planning Commission. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Johnson, Trombetta and Taborsak to the committee.

24 – COMMUNICATION – Saugatuck Ridge Road

Mrs. Diggs asked that this be referred to the Corporation Counsel, the Director of Public Works and the Planning Commission for reports back within thirty days. Mayor Boughton so ordered.

25 – COMMUNICATION – Acceptance of Lease – Duck Pin Bowling

Mr. Riley asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Corporation Counsel and the Recreation Director. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Stanley, Diggs and Saadi to the committee.

26 – COMMUNICATION – Request to Use City Property for Outside Seating

Mr. Calandrino asked that this be referred to the Corporation Counsel, the Zoning Enforcement Officer and CityCenter for reports back within thirty days. Mayor Boughton so ordered.

27 – COMMUNICATION – Water and Sewer Line Extensions, Nabby Road to Candlewood Park, Inc. – Forty Acre Mountain Road

The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and the extension of time approved.

28 – COMMUNICATION – Kennedy Place

Mr. Trombetta asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Corporation Counsel and the Director of Planning. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Cavo, Saracino and Perkins to the committee.

29 – COMMUNICATION – Reports regarding Proposed Lot Line Revision – Southern Boulevard and Brushy Hill Road

Mrs. McMahon asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Corporation Counsel, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning and Tarrywile Park Authority. Mayor Boughton so ordered and appointed Council Members Seabury, Cutsumpas and Visconti to the committee.

30 – COMMUNICATION – Reports regarding Request to Purchase Property on Great Plain Road

Mr. Cavo made a motion to receive the reports, declare the property surplus and offer it for sale. Seconded by Mr. Nolan. Motion carried 20 – 1 with Mr. Rotello voting in the negative.

31 – REPORT – Change of Name for Point Driftwood

Mr. Seabury submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the change of name of Point Driftwood met on April 11, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. in the Third Floor Caucus Room in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Seabury and Chianese. Also in attendance were Director of Planning Dennis Elpern, Fire Department 911 Coordinator Patrick Sniffen, Deputy Fire Chief Phil Curran and Council Member Michael Calandrino, ex-officio.

Mr. Calandrino stated that there have been ongoing problems in this area regarding mail and deliveries and serious problems with emergency calls. Mr. Calandrino's address is 16 Lake Road, Point Driftwood. If he only uses Lake Road his mail goes to the Aunt Hack Area. He went to Public Works and found out that the road in question is really named Driftwood Point. He pulled some field cards to see what addresses people are using. They are using Old Neversink, Middle Passway and East Passway. His solution is to take Point Driftwood and make that road Middle Passway and take the small road and make it East Passway 300 feet down and just number the properties.

Mr. Seabury read an opinion issued by Assistant Corporation Counsel Laszlo Pinter stating that the consideration to change a road name is within the purview and discretion of the Common Council, after advice and information from relevant City departments. This authority is granted, in part, by State law granting the local governing body jurisdiction over roads, their operation, maintenance, numbering and naming. Mr. Seabury said the Common Council does have the privilege of renaming roads so it would fall to it to present a recommendation to the full Common Council to rename or let it stand.

Mr. Chianese asked if a street is renamed does it have to be renumbered? Mr. Elpern said the process is for the Common Council to direct the Planning Office to do a survey of the abutting property owners and he will issue a report to the Common Council. Chief Curran said the more pressing issue is the 911 problem. He suggested that renumbering be done as well.

Mr. Chianese made a motion to recommend that the Planning Department be directed to conduct a survey to do away with the name Point Driftwood and change the name to Middle Passway and East Passway and renumber the area as recommended by the Fire Department. Seconded by Mr. Seabury. Motion carried unanimously.

The report was received on the Consent Calendar and the committee's recommendations adopted.

32 – REPORT – Government Entities Review and Evaluation

Mrs. Basso submitted the following report:

The Government Entities Review and Evaluation Committee met on April 6, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were committee members Basso, Rotello and Mark Chory. Also in attendance were Director of Planning Dennis Elpern, Scott LeRoy and Paul Schierloh from the Health Department, Assistant Corporation Counsel Laszlo Pinter and Chairman of the Aviation Commission John Ashkar.

Mr. Rotello made a motion to continue the Parks and Recreation Commission for a period of five years. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schierloh stated that there has been a great deal of change for the Danbury Housing Partnership. It will oversee the implementation of the Homeless Task Force plan. Mr. Rotello made a motion to continue the Danbury Housing Partnership for a period of three years. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotello asked about the Airport Noise Study. Mr. Ashkar stated that the study has been completed and is being reviewed. Mr. Rotello asked about the neighborhood liaison and Ridgefield. Mr. Ashkar said there is a community telephone service available at all times. Mr. Elpern said he is a member of the Task Force and there have been only four complaints. Mr. Rotello made a motion to continue the commission for five years. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotello made a motion to sunset the Commission on the Status of Women. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotello made a motion to continue the Lake Kenosia Commission for a period of three years. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotello made a motion to sunset the Economic Development Commission. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotello made a motion to continue the Youth Commission for a period of five years. Seconded by Mr. Chory. Motion carried unanimously.

The report was received on the Consent Calendar and the committee's recommendations approved.

33 – DEPARTMENT REPORTS – Police Chief, Fire Chief, Fire Marshall, Public Works, Health & Housing, Department of Elderly Services, Permit Center & Building Department, Welfare & Social Services, Recreation. Mr. Nolan made a motion to receive the reports and waive the reading as all members have copies. Seconded by Mr. Trombetta. Motion carried unanimously.

34 – Mr. Nolan made a motion to add his resignation letter to the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Cavo. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATION – Resignation as Common Member from the First Ward

Letter from Common Council President and First Ward Council Member Vincent Nolan resigning from the Common Council effective May 22, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

Ms. Saracino made a motion to accept the resignation with regret. Seconded by Mr. Riley. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Boughton extended all committees.

There being no further business to come before the Common Council a motion was by Mr. Seabury at 10:05 P.M. for the meeting to be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JIMMETTA L. SAMAHA, Clerk

ATTEST:

MARK D. BOUGHTON, Mayor

