

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 6, 2015

Honorable Mayor, Mark D. Boughton, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER

Robin Edwards led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chief Curran led all in prayer.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Philip Curran, Michael Haddad, Sr., Jack Knapp, Warren Levy, Gregg Seabury, Christina Chieffalo, Andrew Wetmore, Irving Fox, John Priola, Vinny DiGilio, Joseph Cavo, Fred Visconti, Elmer Palma, Christopher Arconti, Duane Perkins, Ben Chianese, Paul Rotello, Nancy Cammisa, and Joseph Scozzafava.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Thomas Saadi and Peter Nero.

PRESENT: 19, ABSENT: 2

Thomas Saadi is recuperating, and Peter Nero is at a family event.

ALSO PRESENT: Robert Yamin, Corporation Counsel; David St. Hilaire, Director of Finance; Alan Baker, Police Chief; TJ Wiedl, Fire Chief; Robin Edwards, Assistant Corporation Counsel; and Jean Natale, Legislative Assistant.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

- P.J. Prunty, 4 Mark Road, Executive Director of CityCenter, Danbury, discussed Item 5.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Boughton made the announcements for the month of October.

MINUTES - Minutes of the Council Meeting held September 1, 2015

A motion was made by Councilman Cavo and seconded by Councilman Perkins, to waive the reading and accept the minutes of the September 1, 2015 meeting, as all members have copies and additional copies are available in the office of the Legislative Assistant. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman Seabury read the Consent Calendar as follows:

4. COMMUNICATION - Accepted Banks for Municipal Deposit

Receive the Communication and approve the list of qualified financial institutions as required by Connecticut General Statute section 7-401 paragraph (b) and Section 6-1 of the City Charter.

6. COMMUNICATION - Danbury Train Station Lease Proposed Budget

Receive the Communication and approve the Danbury Train Station Budget for the fiscal year 2015-2016 as presented.

7. COMMUNICATION - Re-Appropriations Requests

Receive the Communication from David W. St. Hilaire, Director of Finance, and approve the re-appropriation to the current fiscal year of the following funds as presented ; General Fund - \$288,716.89, Water Fund \$48,517.07, Sewer Fund \$110,697.01. Also re appropriate City General Fund \$11,735.15 to FY15/16 General Fund Capital Projects and \$29,436.00 from General Fund Capital Projects from prior years to City's Fund Balance due to inactivity.

8. COMMUNICATION - Certification of Funds - Historic Documents

Receive the Communication and approve the request for the transfer of funds from the Historic Documents Reserve account totaling \$91,800.00 to the Town Clerks Equipment and Outside Services account.

9. COMMUNICATION - Disposal of Surplus Equipment

Receive the Communication from Charles J. Volpe, Purchasing Agent, and approve the request for the disposal of Surplus Equipment as required by Section 2-153 of the City's Code of Ordinances.

11. REPORTS - Sewer Easement - 109 North Street

Receive the Reports from Corporation Counsel, City Engineer and the Planning Commission and accept the Sewer Easement at 109 North Street pending the completion of all necessary documentation as required by the Office of Corporation Counsel.

12. REPORTS - Drainage Easement - Trinity Christian Church -85-93 Elm Street

Receive the Reports from Corporation Counsel, City Engineer and the Planning Commission and accept the request for Drainage Easement by the Trinity Christian Tabernacle Church at 85-93 Elm Street pending the completion of all necessary documentation as required by the Office of Corporation Counsel.

A motion was made by Councilman Seabury and seconded by Councilman Cavo, to accept the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

1. [COMMUNICATION - Promotions - Fire Department](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Visconti, seconded by Councilman Chianese, to receive the communication and confirm the appointment and promotion of Firefighter Ted Mourges to the position of Fire Lieutenant in the Danbury Fire Department. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Curran, seconded by Councilman Chianese, to receive the communication and confirm the appointment and promotion of Firefighter Rich Krickorian to the position of Fire Lieutenant in the Danbury Fire Department. The motion carried unanimously.

2. [COMMUNICATION - Promotions - Police Department](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Priola, seconded by Councilman Seabury, to receive the communication and confirm the appointment and promotion of Police Officer Amity LaFantano the position of Police Sergeant in the Danbury Police Department. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Priola, seconded by Councilman Chianese, to receive the communication and confirm the appointment and promotion of Police Officer Robert Conrad to the position of Police Sergeant in the Danbury Police Department. The motion carried unanimously.

3. [COMMUNICATION - Appointments to the Police Department](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Arconti, seconded by Councilman Palma, to receive the communication and confirm the appointment of Vito Iacobellis and Sean Galloway to the position of Police Officer in the Danbury Police Department. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Haddad, seconded by Councilman Perkins, to receive the communication and confirm the appointment of Jamie Hodge, Crystal Davis to the position of Police Officer in the Danbury Police Department. The motion carried unanimously.

4. [COMMUNICATION - Accepted Banks for Municipal Deposit](#)

***CONSENTED** - Receive the Communication and approve the list of qualified financial institutions as required by Connecticut General Statute section 7-401 paragraph (b) and Section 6-1 of the City Charter.

5. [COMMUNICATION - Certification of Funds - Octagon House](#)

Clarifications regarding the Open Space Bond Funding in relation to historical preservation were discussed.

A motion was made by Councilman Wetmore, seconded by Councilman Seabury, to receive the communication and adopt the Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

6. [COMMUNICATION - Danbury Train Station Lease Proposed Budget](#)

***CONSENTED** - Receive the Communication and approve the Danbury Train Station Budget for the fiscal year 2015-2016 as presented.

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***CONSENTED** - Receive the Communication from Charles J. Volpe, Purchasing Agent, and approve the request for the disposal of Surplus Equipment as required by Section 2-153 of the City's Code of Ordinances.

10. [COMMUNICATION - Conveyance of Parcel X - 95 Great Plain Road](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Cavo, to refer to Corporation Counsel's Office, the City Engineer, and Planning for reports. Hearing no objections, Mayor Boughton so ordered.

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13. [DEPARTMENT REPORTS - Police, Fire, Health-Housing & Welfare, Dream Homes, Public Works, Permit Center, UNIT. Elderly](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Cavo, seconded by Councilman Perkins, to waive the reading of the Department Reports as all members have copies and copies are on file in the Legislative Assistant's Office for review. Motion carried unanimously.

In response to Councilman Perkins, Mayor Boughton discussed the status of the Heroin Task Force.

Councilman Levy noted that October is Fire Prevention Month and Joe Howe is Firefighter of the Year. Mayor Boughton added that Home Depot put on an excellent Fire Prevention Program which included many of the City's public safety personnel.

14. [Board of Education Technology Lease](#)

A motion was made by Councilman Cavo, seconded by Councilman Knapp, to add item 14. Board of Education Technology Lease to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Fox to receive the communication and refer to an Ad Hoc consisting of Corporation Counsel, the Director of Finance, a representative from Danbury Public Schools Administration, and a representative from the Danbury Board of Education. Hearing no objections, Mayor Boughton ordered the Ad Hoc Committee with the following Councilmembers - Levy as Chair, Fox, and Perkins.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilman Seabury, seconded by Councilman Levy, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The Mayor extended all committees, and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Goor
Recording Secretary

Attest,

Mark D. Boughton, Mayor