

CITY COUNCIL MEETING December 4, 2012

Mayor Mark D. Boughton called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:30pm on Tuesday, December 4, 2012 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present Council Members: Philip Curran, Michael Haddad, Jack Knapp, Warren Levy, Colleen Stanley, Donald Taylor, Michael Halas, Shay Nagarsheth, Phil Colla, Joseph Cavo, Thomas Saadi, Fred Visconti, Andrew Wetmore, Steven Darcy, Peter Nero, Duane Perkins, Benjamin Chianese, Paul Rotello, Joseph Scozzafava, and Mary Teicholz.

Councilman Seabury is out of town on family business.

PRESENT 20 ABSENT 1

ALSO PRESENT: Jean Natale, Legislative Assistant, Robert Yamin, Corporation Counsel; and Laszlo Pinter, Deputy Corporation Counsel, and David St. Hilaire, Director of Finance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER

Mayor Boughton asked Deputy Chief of Police Shanahan to lead all in the Pledge. Councilman Curran then led all in prayer

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Margaret Mitchell, Main Street and Park Place, spoke on Item 11
Lynn Waller, 83 Highland Avenue, spoke on Items 1 & 4.
Chris ,1 Wallingford Rd., spoke on item 8

MINUTES - Minutes of the City Council Meeting held November 19, 2012

A motion was made by Joseph Cavo and seconded by Shay Nagarsheth to waive the reading of the minutes of the November 19, 2012 Council Meeting as all members have copies and additional copies are on file in the Office of the Legislative Assistant. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman Knapp read the Consent Calendar.

2 – Receive the Communication and approve the appointment of Council Members Phil Curran, Colleen Stanley and Paul Rotello to the Government Entities Commission. Also, approve the re-appointment of citizens Alan T. Boyce and Mark Chory to the panel.

3 - Receive the Communication and approve the appointment of Peter Jennings as a Member of the Conservation Commission with a term to expire July 1, 2015.

7 - Receive the Communication and adopt the Resolution authorizing Mayor Mark D. Boughton to apply for and accept funding of \$13,000.00 which will allow the City of Danbury to extend its Summer Youth Employment Program. The additional funding from the Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board will bring the total funding for the Danbury Youth Services to \$110,900.00 for the 2012-2013 School Year Youth Employment Program.

9 - Receive the Report and adopt the Resolution and Deferral Agreement as recommended by the Ad-Hoc Committee to approve a tax deferral for office and retail uses in accordance with the Code of Ordinances Section 18-25, for PM Danbury LLC for property at 2 National Place.

A motion was made by Mary Teicholz and seconded by Duane Perkins to accept the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

1 - COMMUNICATION - Lease - 35 Main Street - Price Rite

Jean Natale, Legislative Assistant, read the Communication regarding the lease at 35 Main Street.

A motion was made by Colleen Stanley and seconded by Fred Visconti to receive and approve the communication and the terms of the lease between the City and Price Rite for use of City owned property adjacent to the site contingent upon Planning and Zoning approval. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Levy stated that he was happy to see this space being occupied again and commended Price Rite for their contribution of \$7500 to the Historical Society. Mr. Chianese asked for clarification on the Public Hearing requirement for leases. Mr. Pinter informed the Council that as the lease had not expired and was for the same use no public hearing is required. Mr. Visconti stated that he spoke to a Price Rite representative. He stated that he believes Price Rite to be Community oriented working with the food pantry and Dorothy Day.

2 - COMMUNICATION - Appointments to the Governmental Entities Review Committee

The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and the appointments approved.

3 - COMMUNICATION - Appointment to the Conservation Commission

The communication was received on the Consent Calendar and the appointment approved.

4 - COMMUNICATION - Donation to Fire and Police Department

Jean Natale, Legislative Assistant, read the communication.

A motion was made by Warren Levy and seconded by Benjamin Chianese to accept the donation, credit the appropriate line items and send a letter of thanks to the Rotello Family to express appreciation for their most generous donation. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Taylor expressed his appreciation to the Rotello Family.

5 - COMMUNICATION - Conveyance of Traffic Light Easement - Sugar Hollow Road

Jean Natale, Legislative Assistant, read the communication.

Mr. Taylor requested Item #5 to be referred to Corporation Counsel, Planning Department, and City Engineering for reports. Mayor Boughton so ordered.

6 - COMMUNICATION - Request for Sewer Extension - 39 Hospital & 3 Forest Avenue

Jean Natale, Legislative Assistant, read the communication.

Councilman Wetmore requested that Item #6 be referred to the City Engineer and Planning Commission for reports. Mayor Boughton so ordered.

7 - RESOLUTION - Summer Youth Employment (NRWIB)

The communication and resolution were received on the Consent Calendar and the resolution was adopted.

8 - REPORT - DXR Holding - Wallingford Road

Councilman Curran requested that Item #8 be referred to an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Corporation Counsel, Airport Administrator, and Director of Economic Development. Mayor Boughton so ordered naming Councilman Knapp, Councilmen Cavo and Rotello as members.

9 - AD HOC REPORT - Assessment Increase Deferral - Paul Mitchell School

The report was received on the Consent Calendar and the Resolution and deferral agreement adopted.

10 - DEPARTMENT REPORTS - Police, Fire, Health-Housing & Welfare, Public Works, Permit, UNIT, Library

A motion was made by Joseph Cavo and seconded by Shay Nagarsheth to waive the reading of the Departmental Reports as all members have copies and additional copies are on file in the Office of the Legislative Assistant. The motion carried unanimously.

11 - Tabled Item from 19-Nov-2012 Meeting - Item 2

A motion was made by Joseph Cavo and seconded by Thomas Saadi to take from the table Item #2 from the 19-Nov-2012 Meeting of the City Council. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Joseph Cavo and seconded by Paul Rotello to table item again pending information from Corporation Counsel. The motion carried unanimously.

12 - Entertainment License Ordinances

A motion was made by Joseph Cavo to Approve to add on Item #12 Code of Ordinances 11-6 and 12-34 more commonly known as the Entertainment License Ordinances. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Joseph Cavo and seconded by Thomas Saadi to waive the reading of the minutes of the Public Hearing and the Committee as a Whole as all were present for these which occurred this evening. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Jack Knapp and seconded by Duane Perkins to receive the communication and amend the code of ordinances to add Section 11-6, Entertainment License and amend subsection 12-34, citations as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Saadi wanted to incorporate his comments for legislative intent that nothing in the ordinance is in conflict with any collective bargaining agreements or any other state statues or local ordinances.

Extend all Committees - Mayor Boughton extended all Committees.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Duane Perkins at 8:26 P.M and seconded by Thomas Saadi to Adjourn as there was no further business to come before the City Council. ***The motion passed unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,

Shani Burke Specht
Recording Secretary

Attest,
Mark D. Boughton, Mayor