The Regular Meeting of the 29th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on **Monday, January 5, 2015**, at 8:00 p.m., in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.

# **MINUTES**

President Skigen called the meeting to order at 8:06 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** Delivered by Clerk Summerville

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Skigen.

<sup>1</sup>ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Summerville. There were 35 members present and 4 members absent (Reps. Adams, Day, DePina, and Pratt). There was one vacancy on the Board. <u>See Vote Record 1641</u>. Rep. Caterbone left the meeting at 8:50 p.m. and Rep. DeLuca left the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

VOTING MACHINE STATUS: Confirmed by Clerk of the Board Summerville.

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE:** For the late: Carolyn Forlenzo Young and Thomas Pia, Sr., by the 29th Board of Representatives; Tracey Brayboy and Orabell Smith Jenkins by Rep. Summerville; John E. LoRusso, Theresa Saccardi, Carmen Legato, Eleanor M. Scalfani and Sylvia M. Giordano by Rep. Giordano;, Michael E. Delaney, Thomas F. Moylan and John-Anthony Charles Compton by Rep. Zelinsky; Vito A. Aulenti by Reps. Giordano and Zelinsky; Michael S. Pansini by the Republican Caucus and Rep. Zelinsky; Roger Pastore by Rep. DeLuca; and Anthony Portanova by Reps. DeLuca, Fedeli and Day.

Specialist Wyatt Martin, 22, Mesa, Arizona; Staff Sergeant Matthew Ammerman, 29, Noblesville, Indiana; Sergeant 1<sup>st</sup> Class Ramon Morris, 37, New York, NY; Captain William Dubois, 30, New Castle, Colorado.

#### <sup>2</sup>COMMUNICATIONS:

President Skigen announced:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:02:25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:07:10

- 1. The deadline for the Steering Agenda is Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. The Steering Committee meeting is on Monday, January 12th. There will be a pre-Steering meeting with the Mayor at 6:00 pm
- 3. Next month's Board meeting will be on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 4. Reps. Buckman, Caterbone, Franzetti and McGarry are celebrating birthdays this month.
- 5. The Stamford Community Collective will be hosting a special screening of the movie "Selma" on Saturday, January 10th at 10:00 a.m.
- 6. The Community Action Alliance and Stamford Community Collective will be holding the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Breakfast on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am at CTE

#### <sup>3</sup>FILLING OF VACANCY:

Rep. Mitchell nominated Michael Briscoe to fill the vacancy in the 17<sup>th</sup> District; said nomination was seconded. A motion to close the nominations was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. A motion to approve Michael Briscoe to fill the vacancy in the 17<sup>th</sup> District was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

President Skigen administered the oath of office to Mr. Briscoe.

President Skigen announced that Rep. Briscoe would be on the Appointments and Parks & Recreation Committees.

## <sup>4</sup>HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

1. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION: **APPROVED BY** Congratulating the Susan Sweeney and the Scalzi **UNANIMOUS** Riverwalk Nature Preserve Volunteers on receiving **VOICE VOTE** the Stamford Land Conservation Trust Conservation Award for their efforts to repair the Scalzi Riverwalk Nature Preserve. 11/05/14 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky 2. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; Thanking APPROVED BY David Winston for his work on behalf of the Cove UNANIMOUS Island Wildlife Sanctuary. **VOICE VOTE** 11/12/14 - Submitted by Rep. Figueroa

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:09:12

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:11:33

SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; Thanking Dan Burke and Ron Marcus for their research for Stamford's World War II Service Roll.

11/25/14 – Submitted by Clerk Summerville, Rep. DeLuca, and Rep. Giordano

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

## STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Meeting: Monday, December 8, 2014

Attendance & Votes
Report & Video

Meeting: Monday, December 8, 2014

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Majority Leader Mitchell moved to waive the Steering Committee report; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

<sup>5</sup>APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: Annie Summerville, Co-Chair <u>Attendance</u> & <u>Votes</u> Anabel Figueroa, Co-Chair <u>Report & Video</u> Carl Franzetti, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, December 16, 2014 6:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Co-Chair Summerville reported that the Appointments Committee met as indicated above. Present were Co-Chairs Summerville and Figueroa, Committee Member Reps. Caterbone, de la Cruz, Franzetti and Savage. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli and McGarry. Also present were Rep. Zelinsky and Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations.

1. A29.082 Civil Citation Officer
Orazio Cirelli
12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 4-1-1

APPROVED BY
MACHINE VOTE
20-14-1

Rep Franzetti read the following statement into the record: "I will be voting no on Mr. Cirelli and the next four gentlemen also. The reason I am voting no is because these personnel are highly paid Operations supervisors with very important jobs. We pay these personnel to make sure other City employees do their job. Each of these supervisors supervise between 20 to 30 personnel. I don't believe that you can be a supervisor and a Civil Citation Officer at the same time. I certainly understand the need for Civil Citation Officers. There are many fine non-supervisory personnel that can perform these jobs. By having supervisory personnel perform this task, the cost of this service will be very high. I look forward to the Mayor and Director submitting the names of non-supervisory personnel to perform these tasks."

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:27:50

A motion to approve this appointment was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 20-14-1 (Reps. Buckman, Caterbone, Coleman, Di Costanzo, Fountain, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kooris, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Quinones, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, de la Cruz, DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Franzetti, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Okun, Reeder Ryan and Watkins opposed; Rep. Kolenberg abstaining.) See Vote Record 1642.

2. A29.083 Civil Citation Officer
John Cornelio
12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1

APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE 20-14-2

Rep. Cerasoli stated that: "I don't have salary figures for everyone on this list for 1 through 6 or 1 through 5 that we are talking about. For Mr. Cornelio, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Iannaccone, Item Nos. 2, 3 and 4, each of those employees have made a substantial amount on overtime on their salary. For Mr. Cornelio, he increased his base salary by 53% just based on overtime; Mr. Hoyt increased by 46%; Mr. Iannaccone increased by 37%, based on numbers right out of our budget books. The fact that the overtime that they are making is so high to me says right away that they don't have enough hours in their regular time to handle all the responsibilities they have already. Now we're going to factor something else in there and give them additional responsibilities. You can be sure its going to incur a lot more overtime and that's going to be incurred against a healthy base salary. I've got to think that there's a more cost effective way to do this, so I'll be voting against Items 2, 3 and 4 for that reason."

Rep. de la Cruz stated that "I will be voting no on this matter. Nothing against the individuals themselves, but I feel the program is not, at least I do not understand it well enough in all its ramifications to support it, with one exception. I can understand the snow component, but there are 29 other potential citations. And when I think about the comments on overtime and the additional responsibilities that this entails I cannot help but feel that it will add to the City's budget when perhaps if we look at each of the 30 or so citations involved, there might be a more cost-effective way to implement them."

A motion to approve this appointment was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 20-14-2 (Reps. Buckman, Caterbone, Coleman, Di Costanzo, Fountain, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kooris, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Quinones, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, de la Cruz, DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Franzetti, Kolenberg, McGarry, McMullen, Okun, Reeder Ryan and Watkins opposed; Reps. Briscoe and Mahoney abstaining.) See Vote Record 1643.

3. A29.084 Civil Citation Officer

Douglas Hoyt

12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1

APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE 20-13-2

A motion to approve this appointment was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 20-13-2 (Reps. Buckman, Caterbone, Coleman, Di Costanzo, Fountain, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kooris, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Quinones, Savage, Silver, Skigen,

Summerville, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, de la Cruz, DeLuca, Fedeli, Franzetti, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Okun, Reeder Ryan and Watkins opposed; Reps. Briscoe and Kolenberg abstaining.) See Vote Record 1644.

4. A29.085 Civil Citation Officer APPROVED BY
Peter lannaccone 12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 20-13-2
12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1

A motion to approve this appointment was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 20-13-2 (Reps. Buckman, Caterbone, Coleman, Di Costanzo, Fountain, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kooris, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Quinones, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, de la Cruz, DeLuca, Fedeli, Franzetti, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Okun, Reeder Ryan and Watkins opposed; Reps. Briscoe and Kolenberg abstaining.) See Vote Record 1645.

5. A29.086 Civil Citation Officer
William Price
12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1

APPROVED BY
MACHINE VOTE
20-12-3

A motion to approve this appointment was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 20-12-3 (Reps. Buckman, Caterbone, Coleman, Di Costanzo, Fountain, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kooris, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Quinones, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, de la Cruz, DeLuca, Fedeli, Franzetti, Mahoney, McMullen, Okun, Reeder Ryan and Watkins opposed; Reps. Briscoe, Kolenberg and McGarry abstaining.) See Vote Record 1646.

6. A29.087	Civil Citation Officer Natasha Townsend 12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
7. A29.088	Civil Citation Officer  Tyler Theder  12/03/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin  12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
8. A29.089	Urban Redevelopment Commission Denis Patterson (D) Repl. Christopher D. Meek Stamford, CT 06901 (Exp. 12/1/2019) 12/08/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/16/14 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 6 through 8 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

#### <sup>6</sup>FISCAL COMMITTEE:

Attendance & Votes Report & Video (Pt. 1 & Pt. 2)

## Jay Fountain, Chair Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, December 22, 2014 7:00 p.m. – Legislative Chambers 7:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Fountain reported that the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Fountain, Vice Chair Cerasoli and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Day, DeLuca, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Kooris, Mitchell and Silver. Also present were President Skigen; Clerk of the Board Summerville; Reps. Adams, Buckman, Coppola, Franzetti, Giordano, Mahoney, McMullen, Nabel, Okun, Quinones, Ryan, Savage, Watkins and Zelinsky; Kathryn Emmett, Corporation Counsel; Dr. Winnie Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools; Hugh Murphy, Tamu Lucero, Michael Fernandez and Jackie Heftman, BOE; Chief Trevor Roach, SFD; Jim Hricay, OPM; Kevin Murray, Parks & Facilities Manager; Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare; Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations; Robert Mislow, Smith House; and David Yanik, Controller.

1. F29.241

REVIEW; Financials and the impact on the budget as related to the investigation of the recent incidents at Stamford High School.

12/01/14 - Submitted by Rep. Fedeli

12/22/14 - Report Made

Secondary Committee: Committee of the Whole

2. <u>F29.236</u>

RESOLUTION; Authorizing an Agreement with the State Department of Energy & Environmental Protection for an Open Space Grant for 60 & 70 Main Street.

11/20/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/22/14 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0

3. F29.238

RESOLUTION; Authorizing an Agreement with the State Department of Energy & Environmental Protection for an Open Space Grant for 205 Magee Avenue.

11/26/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/22/14 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0 REPORT MADE

APPROVED, AS AMENDED, BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

APPROVED ON

CONSENT

AGENDA

A motion to amend this resolution to add the following language: ",subject to the review and approval of said agreements by the Board of Representatives," to the second paragraph of the resolution after the words "a Grant Agreement and Conservation and Public Recreation Easement and Agreement", was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:36:39

(Reps. Buckman, Di Costanzo, Fountain, and Skigen abstaining). A motion to approve the resolution, as amended, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

4. <u>F29.237</u>	APPROVAL; Bank of America, N.A. Agreement, Pursuant to RFP #633, Comprehensive Banking Services.  11/25/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/17/14 - Approved by Board of Finance 12/22/14 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
5. <u>F29.239</u>	REJECTION; of a Capital Project Closeout in the amount of \$53,000; CP5901: Emergency Generator & Electrical Upgrades.  11/25/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/17/14 - No action taken by Board of Finance 12/22/14 – No Action Taken	NO ACTION TAKEN
6. <u>F29.240</u> \$53,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP5340 - Belltown Building & External Improvements; building repairs & conversion of bunk room.  11/25/14 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/17/14 - Approved by Board of Finance 12/22/14 - Approved by Committee 11-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
7. <u>F29.242</u> \$25,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget) and RESOLUTION; Private Donation; Special Assistant to the Mayor.  12/01/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin  12/17/14 - Approved by Board of Finance  12/22/14 – Approved by Committee 7-0-4	RETURNED TO COMMITTEE 25-4- 3

Rep. Fedeli expressed concerns about the Board accepting this gift while Garden Homes has an item on the pending agenda.

Rep. Nabel expressed concerns about the use of a private donation to fund public employment and stated that she would like the Board to develop a policy for these types of donations.

Rep. Figueroa stated that she believes it is unethical for an individual who does business with the City to make a donation for a position.

Rep. Buckman expressed gratitude to the donor for being a good corporate citizen.

Rep. Watkins noted that there are a number of cases where corporate citizens help the City do things, including the fireworks and the parade. He finds no distinction between a donation paying for salary and for some other service that would have been paid for by the City when the donor's identity is fully disclosed.

Rep. Ryan read the following statement into the record: "Mr President, the philanthropic instinct of the donor is admirable and I applaud him for his generosity. I am certain that the donation is a bona fide gesture of good will and reflects the donor's genuine concern regarding municipal efficiency. I applaud and admire his intent, and I am glad I have this opportunity to thank him publically for his proposed gesture of goodwill. However, I have a fundamental objection to this item that has nothing to do with motivations of the donor or the generosity of his gift. My objection is simple. The donor is a sitting member of the Board of Finance. The Board of Finance is a six-member board of elected individuals who have as their duty the oversight of the fiscal policy of the city of Stamford. The Board of Finance is a powerful board with considerable influence over our civic affairs. Since the BOF is the main municipal organ of financial oversight, it is, by design, independent of the executive and legislative branch. Its powers and duties impact fundamentally the fiscal policy of this city and the administration is dependent on and answerable to its oversight functions.

"The city-wide elected members of the Board of Finance are empanelled by the voters to exercise unique powers. It is my contention, Mr. President, that with these unique powers comes unique responsibilities - among which is the responsibility to avoid even the mere appearance of any conflict of interest. This duty, the duty to scrupulously avoid even mere appearance inappropriate conflicts, is well placed and well accepted in areas where individuals serve in positions of public trust. I am not proposing any novel theory or radical objection here. This principal of avoiding mere potential appearances of impropriety in matters of the public trust is well accepted and a well understood principal at all levels of government. And so, and again, with all due respect to the donor, whose intentions I believe to be honorable, it is plain to me that to accept this gift is a bad idea. It sets a bad precedent and is bad public policy.

"Personally, in my short time here on this Board, I have been hoping to participate, and I believe that I have, along with all of you, in some progression made toward a greater openness and transparency in local government. I decided to volunteer to serve this Board because I felt that I might be able to, in some small way, contribute to those efforts, and more broadly, to help promote, participate, and encourage in more and deeper public participation in the process of city governance. And yet I can't help but think that the acceptance of a gift such as the one proposed from a sitting member of the Board of Finance might be a step in the wrong direction with regard to those general efforts. So with all due respect to my colleagues here, I cannot condone any action taken that might create even the mere potential of an appearance of impropriety with respect to the public trust. I realize that is a high standard - but I believe it is a standard we all agreed to aspire to undertake when we took the oath to serve this city."

Rep. Quinones stated he would like to see a Board policy for receiving gifts such as this.

A motion to return this Appropriation and Resolution to Committee was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 25-4-3 (Reps. Briscoe, Cerasoli, Coppola, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fountain, Franzetti, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kooris, Mahoney, McGarry, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Okun, Reeder, Ryan, Savage, Skigen, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman, Kolenberg, McMullen and Quinones opposed; Reps. Buckman, Silver and Summerville abstaining.) See Vote Record 1647.

8. F29.116

REVIEW; Financial Controls, Reporting
Requirements and Other Contractual Obligations
between the City of Stamford and Funded ThirdParty Organizations.
06/03/14 – Submitted by Rep. Buckman
06/09/14 – Held at Steering
08/11/14 – Held at Steering
09/29/14 – Report Made & Held in Committee

12/22/14 - Held in Committee

10/14/14 – Held at Steering 11/17/14 – Held in Committee

## Secondary Committee - Legislative & Rules

9. F29.222	REVIEW; Initial Report on Status of 2014 Financial Statements and Results.  10/22/14 – Submitted by Rep. Fountain  11/17/14 – Report Made & Held in Committee  12/22/14 – Report Made	REPORT MADE
10. F29.232	REVIEW; Stamford Police Department overtime spending YTD and projections for the fiscal year 2014 -2015.  11/19/14 – Submitted by Rep. Fedeli  12/22/14 – Report Made	REPORT MADE
11. F29.233	REVIEW; Stamford Fire Department overtime spending YTD and projections for the fiscal year 2014 -2015.  11/19/14 – Submitted by Rep. Fedeli  12/22/14 – Report Made	REPORT MADE
12. F29.234	REVIEW; Operations Department spending YTD and projections for the fiscal year 2014 -2015.  11/19/14 – Submitted by Rep. Fountain  12/22/14 – Report Made	REPORT MADE
13. F29.235	REVIEW; Smith House revenue YTD and projections for the fiscal year 2014 -2015.  11/19/14 – Submitted by Rep. Fountain  12/22/14 – Report Made	REPORT MADE

14. <u>F29.244</u> <u>RESOLUTION</u>; Amending the Capital Budget for

Fiscal Year 2012-2013 by Increasing the

Appropriation by \$53,000 for the CP5340 Belltown Building and External Improvements Project to be

Funded by Close-Outs.

12/17/14 - Submitted by Jim Hricay

12/17/14 - Approved by Board of Finance

12/22/14 - Approved by Committee 11-0-0

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 2, 4, 6, and 14 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

<sup>7</sup>LEGISLATIVE & RULES

COMMITTEE: Eileen Heaphy, Chair

Attendance & Votes Elise Coleman, Vice Chair

Report & Video Meeting: Wednesday, December 10, 2014

7:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

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Attendance & Votes Monday, December 15, 2014

Report & Video 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Heaphy reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on Wednesday, December 10, 2014. In attendance were Chair Heaphy, Vice Chair Coleman, and Committee Member Reps. Mitchell, Nabel, Okun, Ryan, Silver and Zelinsky. Absent or excused was Committee Member Rep. Day. Also present were Reps. Figueroa, Fountain, Kooris, McMullen, Moore and Summerville; and Kathryn Emmett, Esq. and Dana Lee, Esq., Law Department. The Committee also met on Monday, December 15, 2014. In attendance were Chair Heaphy, Vice Chair Coleman, and Committee Member Reps. Day, Mitchell, Nabel, Okun, Ryan, Silver and Zelinsky. Also present were Reps. Coppola, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Fountain, Franzetti and McMullen; Kathryn Emmett and Dana Lee, Law Department; Sue Greene, Tax Department, and several members of the public.

1. LR29.023 REVIEW; Planning Board's latest triennial list of

City-owned and City-leased properties (Code §9-4)

06/04/14 – Submitted by Reps. Reeder and Ryan

06/16/14 - No Action Taken

07/21/14 - Held by Committee

08/11/14 – Held at Steering

09/08/14 - Held at Steering

10/14/14 - Held at Steering

11/24/14 – Held by Committee

12/15/14 - Held by Committee 9-0-0

<sup>7</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:53:36

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. LR29.029 ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption: **APPROVED ON** Amendment of Chapter 220, Article IV of the Code, CONSENT Senior Citizens Tax Abatement (12/10 & 12/15) AGENDA (Reps. Cerasoli, McGarry 10/08/14 – Submitted by Rep. Fountain 10/27/14 - Approved by Committee for publication and McMullen 11/24/14 – Held by Committee abstaining) 12/01/14 - Referred back to Committee, as amended 12/10/14 - Approved by Committee 5-3-0 12/15/14 - Approved by Committee 9-0-0 Secondary Committee: Fiscal APPROVAL; of an Amendment to the Board's Rules **APPROVED ON** 3. LR29.031 to conform to current practice re: lack of quorum. CONSENT 11/05/14 – Submitted by President Skigen **AGENDA 12/10/14 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0** 4. LR29.032 REVIEW; Policies and/or Procedures Regarding **HELD IN** Electronic/Telephonic Attendance at Meetings of COMMITTEE Boards and Commissions. (12/10) 11/21/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/10/14 - Held in Committee 5. LR29.033 REVIEW: City Legal Obligations, if any, for the REPORT MADE Defense or Indemnification of Municipal and/or BOE Officers/Employees Charged with Allegations of Violation(s) of CT General Statutes Sections 17a-101 through 17a-103, inclusive. (12/15) 12/03/14 - Submitted by Rep. Ryan 12/15/14 - Report Made 6. LR29.035 ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption; NO ACTION Regarding the Liability of the City of Stamford for **TAKEN** Ice and Snow on Public Sidewalks. (12/10 & 12/15) 12/04/14 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/10/14 - Approved by Committee for publication 7-1-0 12/15/14 - No Action Taken

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 2 and 3, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

#### <sup>8</sup>PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Attendance & Votes Report & Video

## Susan Nabel, Chair Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, December 10, 2014 6:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Nabel reported that the Personnel Committee met at the above date and time. In attendance were Chair Nabel, and Committee Member Reps. DePina, Figueroa, McMullen, McNeil, Okun and Savage. Absent or excused was Committee Members Rep. Vice Chair Fedeli and DePina. Also present were Reps. Clerk Summerville, Mitchell, Moore, Adams, Kooris, de la Cruz, Zelinsky; Clemon Williams, Director of Human Resources; Robin Stein, Mayor's Office; Kathryn Emmett, Corporation Counsel: Michael Pollard, Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office: and Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations; and Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare.

1. P29.033

ORDINANCE for publication; Creating the position of Bureau Chief, Transportation, Traffic & Parking (formerly T29.026).

11/04/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

11/20/14 – Approved by Personnel Commission

11/20/14 - Taken up by Transportation Committee

as T29.026

12/01/14 – Approved by Transportation Committee

12/01/14 - Referred to Personnel Committee by

12/10/14 - Approved by Committee 7-0-0

**APPROVED BY** MACHINE VOTE 27-6-1

Rep. Zelinsky noted that the City had a Traffic Director position in the past, which position was eliminated. He did not feel this new position is needed, given the deficit being faced by the City and particularly in the Office of Operations.

Rep. Kooris stated that this position could not come at a more important time in the evolution and growth of the City. This position consolidates a range of functions that deal with transportation, traffic and parking and addresses the demands of all the constituents in the City.

Rep. Nabel stated that it was pointed out in Committee that approximately 26 positions within the Operations Department would be reassembled under this position and it does not create any conflict under the union agreements.

A motion to approve this Ordinance for publication was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 27-6-1 (Reps. Briscoe, Buckman, Coleman, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fountain, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kolenberg, Kooris, McMullen, McNeil, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Quinones, Reeder, Ryan, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, Franzetti, Mahoney, Okun and Zelinsky opposed; Rep. McGarry abstaining.) See Vote Record 1648.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:56:54

2. P29.034 APPROVAL; of employment contract for Valerie **APPROVED ON CONSENT** 

Rosenson - Legislative Officer.

**AGENDA** 12/03/14 – Submitted by Clemon Williams 12/10/14 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0

3. P29.035 REVIEW; Requirements Needed for Job Applicants REPORT MADE

> to receive Veteran's or Residency points. 12/03/14 - Submitted by Reps. Mitchell and

de la Cruz

12/10/14 - Report Made

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 2, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

LAND USE/URBAN

REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Harry Day, Co-Chair David Kooris, Co-Chair

Co-Chair Kooris reported that there was no meeting and no report.

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** Joseph Coppola, Jr., Chair

John R. Zelinsky, Vice Chair

Chair Coppola reported that there was no meeting and no report.

<sup>9</sup>PUBLIC SAFETY &

**HEALTH COMMITTEE:** Gloria G. DePina, Chair

**Matthew Quinones, Vice Chair** Attendance

Report & Video Meeting: Thursday, December 18, 2014 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Quinones reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Vice Chair Quinones and Committee Member Reps. Coppola, Moore and Zelinsky. Absent or excused were Chair DePina and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Caterbone, Giraldo, Kolenberg, Also present were Rep. Ryan, Captain Tom Wuennemann, SPD; Jim Minor, Law Department; Richard O. Warren, Facilities Manager, O&G; Steven Loeb; and Carol Ann McClean. There was no quorum and no actions could be taken.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Video Time Stamp 01:10:09

1. PS29.016 ORDINANCE for publication; Proposed change to **HELD IN** Sec. 164-5, Noise - Restrictions on Sunday COMMITTEE demolitions 06/04/14 - Submitted by Reps. Cerasoli and Coppola 06/09/14 - Held at Steering 10/02/14 - Held in Committee 11/20/14 – Approved by Committee 12/01/14 - Held in Committee by BOR 12/18/14 - No Action Taken, Held in Committee 2. PS29.023 ORDINANCE for publication; Proposed Amendment **HELD IN** to Sec. 146-50, Blight Ordinance. COMMITTEE 10/07/14 - Submitted by Rep. Quinones 11/20/14 - Held in Committee 12/18/14 - No Action Taken, Held in Committee 3. PS29.024 ORDINANCE for publication; Proposed change to **HELD IN** Sec. 164-6, Noise - to prohibit idling for more than COMMITTEE three minutes. 12/02/14 - Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky 12/18/14 - No Action Taken, Held in Committee REVIEW: Construction-Generated Persistent and On-4. PS29.025 **HELD IN** Going Polystyrene Foam Pollution in the West Branch COMMITTEE of the Stamford Harbor and the City's Law-Enforcement, Environmental and Land Use Authorities' Response to Mitigate Such Hazard. 12/08/14 – Submitted by Rep. Ryan 12/18/14 - No Action Taken, Held in Committee

**PARKS & RECREATION** 

COMMITTEE: Jim Caterbone, Co-Chair Marion McGarry, Co-Chair

Co-Chair McGarry reported that there was no meeting and no report.

<sup>10</sup>EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Mary Savage, Chair

**Attendance** Meeting: Wednesday, December 17, 2014 Report & Video (Pt. 1 & Pt. 2) 6:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Savage reported that the Education Committee met as indicated above. In attendance

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were: Chair Savage, and Committee Member Reps. Buckman, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Nabel, Quinones, and Wallace. Also present were Reps. Mitchell and Zelinsky; six members of the Student Advisory Council; Dr. Winnie Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Michael Fernandes, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Tamu Lucero and Mike Meyer, Stamford Public Schools; Geoff Alswanger, Betsy Allyn, Jackie Heftman and Dolores Burgess, Board of Education; and Kathy Emmett, Corporation Council.

1. E29.014 REVIEW; Student Advisory Council 2014-15.

08/06/14 - Submitted by Rep. Savage

08/20/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee

09/17/14 – Report Made & Held in Committee 10/22/14 – Report Made & Held in Committee 11/19/14 – Report Made & Held in Committee

12/17/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee

2. E29.018 REVIEW; CGS 17a-101 through CGS 17a-103 and

related statutes and Board of Education Policies,

related to compliance with those statutes. 12/03/14 – Submitted by Rep. Buckman

12/17/14 - Report Made

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11HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Elaine Mitchell, Chair Lila Wallace, Vice Chair

Report & Video Meeting: Tuesday, December 16, 2014 6:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Mitchell reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met at the above time and place. In attendance were Chair Mitchell, Vice Chair Wallace, and Committee Member Reps. Giordano, Mahoney, McNeil, Moore and Watkins. Also present were Erik Larson, Community Development Office: Ellen Bromley, Social Services: Johnnie Malloy, Liberation Programs; Vin Tufo, Charter Oak; and Fernando Alvarez, Chairman of the Board and Interim Director, Yerwood Center.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Video Time Stamp 01:12:27

1. HCD29.17 REVIEW: Procedures (Current and Proposed) for **REPORT MADE** Social Services Relocation. 05/23/14 – Submitted by Anne Fountain 06/17/14 - Held in Committee 07/22/14 - Held in Committee 08/19/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee 09/26/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee 10/21/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee 12/16/14 - Report Made **REPORT MADE** 2. HCD29.20 REVIEW: Status Update re: Yerwood Center 08/06/14 - Submitted by Pres. Skigen 08/11/14 - Held at Steering 09/08/14 - Held at Steering 10/21/14 - Report Made & Held 12/16/14 - Report Made 3. HCD29.24 APPROVAL; Request by the Westside APPROVED BY Neighborhood Revitalization Zone to modify its COMMITTEE. NO CDBG Scope of Services to allow them to engage **BOARD ACTION** the Women's Business Development Council, rather **REQUIRED** than hire an employee, to carry out their program. 10/08/14 – Submitted by Tim Beeble 10/21/14 - Held in Committee 12/16/14 - Approved by Committee 6-0-1 APPROVAL; Year 41 CDBG Budgeting Schedule. **APPROVED BY** 4. HCD29.25 10/30/14 – Submitted by Erik Larson COMMITTEE. NO 12/16/14 - Approved by Committee 7-0-0 **BOARD ACTION REQUIRED** 5. HCD29.26 APPROVAL; Request by Friends of Liberation **APPROVED BY** Programs, Inc. to permit \$22,489 of CDBG funding COMMITTEE, NO allocated to Fire Suppression Hood to be used for **BOARD ACTION** Fire Panel System replacement. REQUIRED 10/30/14 – Submitted by Erik Larson 12/16/14 - Approved by Committee 7-0-0

<sup>12</sup>TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Attendance & Votes
Report & Video

Robert "Gabe" DeLuca, Chair Terry Adams, Vice Chair Tuesday, December 23, 2014

7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Rep. Kooris reported that the Transportation Committee met at the above time and place. In attendance were Chair DeLuca, Vice Chair Adams, and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Giordano, Kooris and Moore. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Franzetti, Kolenberg and Pratt. Also present were Kathryn Emmett, Corporation Counsel, Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations, Mike Papa and Laura Di Costanzo.

1. T29.022

ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption; Complete Streets Ordinance to ensure that capital projects and transportation improvements implemented in the city are designed to meet the needs of all users as appropriate for the project context.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

09/03/14 – Submitted by Reps. Kooris, DeLuca, Fountain, Reeder, Kolenberg and de la Cruz

09/15/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee

10/23/14 - Held in Committee

11/20/14 - Approved by Committee

12/23/14 - Approved by Committee 6-0-0

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Brien Buckman, Chair Attendance & Votes Date to be Determined

Report & Video 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Buckman reported that there was no meeting and no report.

1. SC29.013 REVIEW; 2014 Accomplishments and Proposed

2015 General Assembly Legislative Initiatives with

Stamford state senators and representatives.

06/24/14 - Submitted by Rep. Heaphy

08/11/14 - Held at Steering

09/08/14 - Held at Steering

10/14/14 - Placed on Pending Agenda

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Video Time Stamp 01:14:33

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

<sup>13</sup>STAMFORD WATER QUALITY

**Attendance** Report & Video Susan Nabel, Chair Gail Okun, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, December 15, 2014 6:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair Nabel reported that the Stamford Water Quality Committee met at the above date and time. In attendance were Chair Nabel, Vice Chair Okun and Committee Member Reps. Day, Savage and Silver. Also present were Anne Fountain and Jim Federici of the Health Department.

1. WQ29.002 REVIEW; Code Sec. 143-14 - Testing of Well Water, REPORT MADE

to consider revisions regarding post-remediation/retesting and the timeline for the testing program.

09/03/14 - Submitted by Rep. Nabel

09/29/14 - Report Made & Held in Committee

10/14/14 - Held at Steering 11/18/14 - Held in Committee 12/15/14 - Report Made

**COST SAVINGS &** REVENUE ENHANCEMENT

> Frank Cerasoli, Co-Chair Keith Silver, Co-Chair

Co-Chair Silver reported that there was no meeting and no report.

#### PERFORMANCE METRICS

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Chair Di Costanzo reported that there was no meeting and no report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Video Time Stamp 01:15:21

## **MINUTES**

1. <u>December 1, 2014 Regular Board Meeting</u>

APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTEb (Rep. Briscoe abstaining)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

President Skigen adjourned the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

This meeting is on video.