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Town Manager

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

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MAYOR JEFF WRIGHT

Minutes

Newington Town Council

March 9, 2010

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Helen Nelson Room of the Newington Town Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Councilors Present:

Councilor Banach
Councilor Casasanta
Councilor Cohen
Councilor Lenares
Councilor McBride
Council Nagel
Council Nasinnyk
Mayor Wright

Staff Present

John Salomone, Town Manager
Jeff Baron, Director Administrative Services
Jaime Trevethan, Exec. Asst. to the Town Manager
Ann Harter, Director of Finance
Lisa Rydecki, Deputy Director of Finance
Tony Ferraro, Town Engineer
Tom Molloy, Highway Superintendent
Rob Hillman, Asst. Highway Superintendent
Diane Stone, Director of Senior & Disabled Center
Marian Amodeo, Library Director
Lisa Masten, Asst. Library Director
Ed Meehan, Town Planner
Mary Richard, Council Clerk

Councilor Casasanta moved to add item III: Awards/Proclamations – Girl Scout Week to the Agenda. Motion seconded by Councilor Nagel. Motion passed 9-0.

III. AWARDS/PROCLAMATIONS

A Girl Scout Week

Mayor Wright moved the following:

WHEREAS, March 12, marks the 98th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the USA, founded by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912 in Savannah, Georgia; and

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WHEREAS, throughout its distinguished history, Girl Scouting has inspired millions of girls women with the highest ideals of courage, confidence, and character; and
WHEREAS, through the Girl Scout leadership experience girls develop the skills and lessons that will serve them a lifetime so that they may contribute to their communities; and
WHEREAS, Girl Scouting takes an active role in increasing girls' awareness of the opportunities available to them today in math, science, sports, technology and other fields that can expand their horizons; and
WHEREAS, more than 3 million current Girl Scout members nationwide will be celebrating 98 years of this American tradition, with nearly 50 million women who are former Girl Scouts and living proof of the impact of this amazing Movement;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Wright, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Newington and on behalf of the Newington Town Council, do hereby applaud the commitment Girl Scouting has made to support the leadership development of America's girls and proudly proclaim the week of March 7, 2010, as Girl Scout Week.

Mayor Wright commended the girls on being members of the Girl Scouts which is a great organization which teaches girls and women about things American.

Councilors Nasinnyk, Klett, Cohen, Casasanta, Nagel, Banach and comments from the Public – Rose Lyons, Michael Fox, Carol Anest all commended the girls on their hard work and thanked them for what they've done for Newington. Reminded them not to forget what they've learned and remember what the earned badges represent. Keep up with the good job of selling the cookies and remember that you're involved in a great group.

Motion seconded by Councilor Casasanta. Motion passed 9-0.

I. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Rose Lyons, 46 Elton Drive, stated that she hopes the Council will vote to open up the phone lines so that the public can call in their comments for the convenience of those who would rather phone in then come to the meetings. Also she asked that the Council look at some of the smaller projects, realizing that the larger projects are important but not to forget about the smaller ones. She also requested that the door is repaired for coming in and out.

Michael Fox, 1901 Main Street, reminded everyone of the Memorial Day parade on May 29. Also brought the Council's attention to the area on the other side of the lot in Churchill Park where there's a 1,000 gallon oil tank that, he believes, has spilled a lot of oil on the ground.

II. CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

A. Ordinance Amendment – Insurance Reserve Fund

Councilor Lenares moved the following:

INTRODUCTION:

I hereby introduce for the Town Council's consideration proposed amendments to the Town of Newington Code of Ordinances, Chapter 48: Funds, a copy of said proposed amendments has been filed with the Clerk of the Council.

Introduced by: Councilor Lenares

RESOLVED:

That a Public Hearing be held on March 23, 2010 at 6:55 p.m. to consider proposed amendments to Town of Newington Code of Ordinances, Chapter 48: Funds.

TOWN OF NEWINGTON PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS CHAPTER 48: FUNDS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON THAT

CHAPTER 48, "FUNDS" IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I Insurance Reserve Fund (§48-1 - §48-4) (~~Delete §48-3~~)

§48-1 Purpose. (~~Delete: Creation of fund, revenues.~~)

The Insurance Reserve Fund was established to account for and finance the Town's obligations from uninsured losses, deductibles, and rating plan adjustments from its property and casualty insurance programs. (~~Delete: There is hereby created for the Town an Insurance Reserve Fund. There shall be paid into said fund any refunds or return premiums yielded from the Town's property and casualty insurance policies subject to retrospective rating, and any monies recovered from third parties either through subrogation, direct recovery, or litigation, provided that that portion of any such payment which would increase the fund balance above the level provided for in §48-2 shall be deposited in the Town's general fund. In addition to such payments, the Town Council shall each year appropriate an amount sufficient to sustain the maximum fund balance provided for in §48-2 based upon the financial condition of said fund as of April 1 of each year. Supplemental general fund appropriations may be made as necessary during the fiscal year.~~)

§48-2 Appropriation. (~~Delete: Fund balance.~~)

Each fiscal year the Town shall appropriate the level of funds required to meet its obligations based on an actuarial based recommendation using a 75% confidence level and additional consideration by the Town Manager of exposures not subject to the actuarial based review. The actuarial based review shall include open loss sensitive rating plans from prior years and projections for the current and upcoming policy year that are or will be subject to loss sensitive rating plans. (~~Delete: The income of the Insurance Reserve Fund shall accrue from year to year, and the balance thereof shall not be subject to lapsing at the close of any fiscal period. The balance of the Insurance Reserve Fund may be invested separately or in conjunction with other idle Town funds. Any interest earnings shall be credited to the general fund. The balance of the fund shall not exceed \$225,000.~~)

§48-3 Revenue.

During the fiscal year, there shall be paid into the Insurance Reserve Fund:

1. Refunds or return premiums including adjustments from loss sensitive plans and premium audits;
2. Monies recovered from third parties, subrogation, direct recoveries or litigation;
3. Investment earnings, interest or dividends.

§48-4 Expenditures.

The Town Treasurer is authorized to draw upon the balance of the Insurance Reserve Fund to pay for uninsured losses, deductibles and/or rating plan adjustments relative to the Town's property and casualty insurance programs upon certification of the Director of Finance as to the validity of the expenditure. No other expenditures shall be made from the balance of the Insurance Reserve Fund, nor shall any transfers be made from the fund. However if, at the end of the fiscal year, the balance of the Insurance Reserve fund exceeds the amount required by the Town to meet its obligation per above by 5% and there are no known or anticipated expenditures that would bring the Insurance Reserve Fund below the required amount, the excess over that 5% shall be credited to the Town's General Fund. (~~Delete: The Town Treasurer is authorized to draw upon the balance of the insurance reserve fund to pay penalty premiums or special excess loss premiums for the Town's property and casualty insurance policies subject to retrospective rating. Upon certification of the Director of Finance as to the validity of expenditure, the Town Treasurer is further authorized to pay losses incurred through insurance deductibles and uninsured property and casualty losses. No other expenditures shall be made from the balance of the reserve fund, nor shall any transfer be made from the fund for any purpose.~~)

B CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE

Councilor Nasinnyk moved the following:

WHEREAS: the Newington Town Council amends its Rules of Procedure from time to time; and

WHEREAS: the Rules of Procedure were last amended on February 12, 2008;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Newington Town Council hereby amends Rules of Procedure Section 10, Public Participation, by allowing for members of the public to utilize a telephone call in line at each opportunity for Public Participation on a meeting agenda; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the telephone call-in public participation shall be subject to the same rules as in-person public participation as described in Town Council Rules of Procedure Section 10.

Motion seconded by Councilor Banach.

Councilor Casasanta and Mayor Wright commented belief that the phone line would be in the best interest of the Public.

Councilors Cohen, Klett, Nasinnyk, Banach disagree in that the Public should be allowed to give their input via phone. Councilor Nagel asked Mr. Salomone if the Public would also be allowed only three minutes.

Mr. Salomone said that there would have to be an arrangement established to limit the time each caller would be allowed.

Councilor Lenares indicated that after being on the Board of Education for eight years, he only knew of two phone calls. He asked if this becomes a problem can we go back to the original arrangement.

Mr. Salomone answered that going back is always an option.

Mayor Wright stated that the Councilors are always available via email and he believes it's in the best interest of the Council if the Public attends the meetings to state their remarks and comments. Mayor Wright requested a roll call vote:

Councilor Banach – yes
Councilor Casasanta– no
Councilor Cohen – yes
Councilor Klett – yes
Councilor Lenares – yes
Councilor McBride – yes
Councilor Nagel – yes
Councilor Nasinnyk – yes
Mayor Wright – no

Motion passed 7-2 as indicated.

VI CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

A. School Code Compliance

Present were Jeff Baron, Director of Administrative Services, and Board of Education members Steve Woods and Dan Carson. Mr. Woods and Mr. Carson also serve on the High School Code Compliance Project Building Committee.

Mr. Woods commented on the inspection of Newington High School, which resulted in a list sent to the Board of Education and there were several deficiencies and a committee was formed to do an oversight to correct these problems. Tonight is the first stage to have the Council consider/approve the preliminary plans and possibly the same tomorrow night, and possibly again in another two weeks to approve the final plans. One part of this project will take in the exterior to make accessible for disability and some of the parking situation and inside the new gym floor, the bleachers will also come out and the two ramps from the cafeteria to the class rooms and from class rooms to the auditorium.

Councilor Lenares asked if any of these things could be 'grandfathered' in and Mr. Woods gave an example with the auditorium which is supposed to have railings which is impossible.

Councilor Nasinnyk asked Mr. Woods if all that you described tonight is Phase 1 and how many phases there will be. Mr. Woods answered that there will be three phases.

Councilor Cohen asked if this project should be on the fast track and go before the Council and the Board before going to bid. Everything really has to be in place and ready to go.

Councilor Nagel asked if there has been any changes in the plans since October. Mr. Woods answered that there have been some changes which will be described in detail at a future meeting.

Councilor Banach asked if there was any reimbursement to come from this, and Mr. Woods answered that there is except for the gym floor. Councilor Lenares asked about the final cost when the project is completed. Mr. Woods answered that the final cost will be around \$300,000,000.

B. Memo of Agreement: Federal Homeland Security Grant Funds

Mr. Salomone stated that the State of Connecticut is eligible for about \$3.1 million dollars of local funding and is mandated by an agreement with the Federal Government. This will appear for Council consideration at a future meeting.

C. Historic Documents Preservation Grant – FY 2011

Mr. Salomone stated that this is an annual process and is still being funded and we need to have this on the next agenda for consideration

Mayor Wright asked to change the Budget Review, Board of Education Mon. March 15 date to March 22 or March 23, and the reason is that previously he had made a request of the Board of Education for a number of documents to better understand this budget and to better support the budget. He said that he had spoken with Dr. Collins and that he was working on getting that information together and would have it for me this week. Mayor Wright met with Dr. Collins and Mr. Woods but the information offered was not what was requested.

Councilor Banach declined the request saying that he has confidence in the Board of Education providing information requested. He is inclined to stay with the original date. Councilor Casasanta supports the change of date. Councilors Klett, Cohen do not agree with changing the date. Councilor Lenares believes that the date should be changed to assure that the information is complete. Councilor Klett was concerned about the different schedules of the people involved and that some may have already made plans for these dates.

Councilor Cohen stated that she believes that the presentation should go forward as scheduled and everyone will know where they're coming from early on and analyze the presentation. Mayor Wright said that he is asking for very detailed information in advance of the meeting and if he doesn't have that information, he could not ask the necessary questions.

Councilor Klett suggested that Mayor Wright and Mr. Woods get together and discuss the issue and resolve the problem.

D. BUDGET REVIEW – SENIOR AND DISABLED CENTER SERVICES

Present: Diane Stone – Director of the Senior and Disabled Center

#640 Community Services – Mr. Salomone stated the major change in this department is the maintenance and cleaning of the building, his proposal is to prioritize the cleaning part is why the full time salaries are reduced and overtime also goes down. Next week we'll discuss the subject to offset more savings. He stated that this budget is very status quo.

#644 Changes in full time salaries - otherwise there is very little change. Councilor Nasinnyk asked that the Summary page says that the Custodian II has been eliminated from 1 to 0. She asked if the part time custodian will stay. Ms. Stone stated that the part time custodian will take over more time and will be taking on the set ups. She doesn't see the supervisor in the evening doing the breakdown and set ups.

Mr. Salomone stated that a part time person could set up makes \$12. per hour whereas the custodian would get over \$20. per hour so we'd get more from the part time person. Councilor Banach asked who might be watching these people to see if the work is satisfactory. Mr. Salomone said that it's the responsibility of the Custodian Manager and he says we've had good results in other areas. Councilor Cohen asked about the custodian hours, are we keeping the part time in evening and eliminating the day time. Ms. Stone stated that the full time position will be eliminated saving 19 hours a week. She stated that they will continue to work out the details but there will be a part time person in the mornings.

Councilor Klett questioned the upcoming four major projects and asked what these projects are. Mr. Salomone one is the Library grant project for the new controls and presently renovations are going on along with renovations in other buildings. Also the basement level that need to looked at, and repairs at the Public Works garage and Parks Department.

Councilor Klett asked about the addition to the Center. Ms. Stone stated that the Center opened in 1985 and then we added the extension. Councilor Klett asked about the request for \$48,000 for the canopy. Ms Stone explained that it's an entrance cover between the curb and the door, with no protection. Councilor Nasinnyk stated that as the Chair of the Capitol Improvement Project Committee she did want the canopy to be in there and it had stayed there for many meetings and did make the cut and advised Ms. Stone that it is not in the budget. Ms. Stone said that she's aware of that and believe that the economy will turn around, and is happy that's it in there for future consideration. Councilor Nagel, having attended the last meeting and this matter was a subject of conversation and recognizes the need and also the economy. Mayor Wright complimented Ms. Stone on the good work and with the difficult times will have to expect that some will not work out as we hoped and try again in the future.

Councilor Cohen commented on the high number of volunteers as are involved with the Senior & Disabled Center.

#645- DIAL-A-RIDE Mr. Salomone stated that this program has stayed the same. Ms. Stone explained to Councilor Cohen that the ITN (Independent Transportation Network) is a volunteer position, where anyone can call and get a ride any time, and also volunteers are always needed. The ITN program is not in competition with Dial-A-Ride and is a totally separate program.

#670 – COMMUNITY SERVICES – SUMMARY – NO DISCUSSION

#671 - SUMMARY

Councilor Cohen asked about other services being available i.e. letter writing. Mayor Wright stated that no funds are being used for lobbying efforts. Ms. Stone stated that that's true other than the paper and stamps. Mayor Wright asked for the future that the funds for paper and stamps for lobbying efforts does not come out of this budget.

E. BUDGET REVIEW: LIBRARY

Present were Marian Amodeo, Library Director and Lisa Matsen, Asst. Library Director, and Board Member Eric Rothauser.

Mr. Salomone noted a reduction of hours in a number of part time positions, shows a decrease of 7/10th of overtime. Marian Amodeo stated the main reasons for the decrease – no impact on library programming, , minimal impact on reading room use by the public, savings on cleaning and utilities contracts, less impact on scheduling staff meaning reduction of 5 to 7 of our part time people. Eric Rothauser stated that this was a very hard decision because where other libraries are experiencing less activity, our is increasing. Ms. Amodeo stated that Thursday would be one less night for Library programming, because it has become very important, offered to children, teens and adults. Councilor Klett asked about other town's Libraries and if they are changing hours and could we coordinate with them. Ms. Amodeo stated that we do try to coordinate with the others. Mr. Salomone stated that this could be investigated and discussed again in the future. Councilor Nasinnyk asked for the last fiscal year what other towns are closed and weekend hours. Mayor Wright asked where the reduction is around 2% of our total personnel budget, could we work with less personnel but keep it spread out over that period of time. Ms. Amodeo said that they had considered doing that. She stated that on Sunday they're working with a skeleton crew for the size of the building.

Councilor Nasinnyk, being familiar with the Library issue, Newington Library is the only Library where the time is limited because of people waiting for the space. Councilor Cohen asked about the number of people using the Library and Ms Amodeo brought figures for January which showed a 41% increase in borrowing of materials on Sunday and a 48% increase in foot traffic.

Councilor Klett asked about the cleaning contracts – Ms. Amodeo said that it's been problematic in that when there's a problem we have to deal with the company to get a new crew, then there's the training etc. so it can be problematic.

#711 LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Salomone reductions - Administration

#712 Reductions – saving about \$29,000

#713 Reductions

Councilor Nagel stated that he is concerned about the reduction in staff and will that be affected by these changes. Ms. Amodeo said that it could be, because of the number of people using the Library.

#714 - NO QUESTIONS

#715 – NO QUESTIONS

#716 - CIRCULATION

Mr. Salomone noted that this reflects the bulk of all the reduction of hours.

#730 – NO QUESTIONS

Mayor Wright commended Ms. Amodeo and Ms. Matsen on their projecting work for the future in expanding the Library and it's because of your vision that the Library has become such an important asset to Newington.

Ms. Amodeo stated that it's their job to look to the future. She said that the Library has been open for 22 years and at this point they are completely out of space and have to look for the best way to use what is available to them and create a campus atmosphere. Councilor Klett expressed her concern about the many families using the Library and likes the idea of working with other towns but has to consider their traveling, especially in the evenings.

Councilor McBride stated that when the economy goes down and people struggle, the Library attendance goes up. This is really unique at a very low cost. It's an amazing service is something to be considered as we move forward.

Mayor Wright stated that we all have copies of Commissioner Palomino's letter (attached.)

F. BUDGET REVIEW: PUBLIC WORKS (Engineering, Highway, Sanitation)

Present were – Tony Ferraro, Town Engineer, Tom Molloy, Highway Superintendent and Rob Hillman, Asst. Highway Superintendent

#300 ACTIVITY SUMMARY OVERVIEW (Public Works)

Shows a slight decrease of 22% - Mr. Salomone stated that the report is showing some positive savings.

#310 ACTIVITY – ENGINEERING

Councilor Nagel asked if the public can have access as to what the priorities are as to what's the greater importance to fix or is it a need to know basis.

Mr. Ferraro answered that it is not a need to know basis. That listing is put together based on the budget that's approved for sidewalk maintenance. They are prioritized on 'trip hazard'. This list can change on any given day. Mr. Tony Ferraro stated that the sidewalks are basically sound but for miscellaneous reasons on occasion one will raise above another and is reasonable to repair.

#320 – ACTIVITY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Salomone stated that this is a summary of the Highway Department with no change of the status and overtime with a slight adjustment on the seasonal.

#321 – ACTIVITY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Salomone stated that the only increase shown is in the safety training and is occupational safety of staff.

#322 – ACTIVITY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Salomone stated that it started a couple of years ago with a specialized part time person from a complaint. Mr. Molloy stated that littering is a problem, in the Constitution Square in the dumpster facility, not a public facility but we do have a great deal of dumping i.e. contents of an apartment, hot water heater, etc. His staff has come up with the solution with a video camera. He said they found many florescent bulbs.

Councilor Lenares asked how these people were getting in if the gates are locked. Mr. Molloy said that the gates are not locked. If they were locked the dumping would go outside the gate. Mr. Salomone said that we are keeping a close eye on this area and we will catch these people at some point.

#324 - ACTIVITY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Salomone said there were a few adjustments in the area of salt and road treatment materials with the fine-tuned new application method.

#325 - ACTIVITY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Molloy stated that there was a slight reduction. Mr. Salomone said that reduction was **regarding stop signs and stop lights.**

#327 – ACTIVITY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Salomone stated that using the market trend there is a dramatic increase in the fuel costs. Our lock in price ends next year. It's possible that it could drop again and lock in at a lower price.

#328 – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – LEAF COLLECTION

Mr. Salomone stated that it's a valuable service to the community.

Councilor Nasinnyk stated that it is important to keep the leaf collection. Mr. Molloy said comparing the prices it a great service. Councilor Lenares asked about West Hartford's leaf program. Mr. Molloy said that West Hartford went back to the bag system.

#329 – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

#350 – SOLID WASTE SERVICES

Mr. Salomone said this service was divided into #351

#351

#352 – REFUSE COLLECTION - RECYCLING

Mr. Salomone stated that this is the actual cost for recycling, up about 2% with the change to collection once every two weeks with the larger bins.

#353 - RECYCLING

- G. Budget Review – Community Development & Improvements
(Town Planner, TPZ, ZBA, Building Dept, Conservation Comm. Economic Development)

Mayor Wright welcomed Mr. Ed Meehan, Town Planner.

#420 – PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Regarding Personal Services, Contractual Services and Materials & supplies, Mr. Salomone stated that we have primarily assigned all the items to Mr. Meehan. Mr. Salomone said that there is a Public Hearing on March 10 to discuss publishing in the newspaper as opposed to doing it on the web. He will speak on this more on March 10th.

#420 – NO QUESTIONS

#450 – BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Salomone stated that the Building Department at this point there would be one full time official, one 6/10th of a building official and then one part time building official and a ½ time secretary.

#460 – CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mr. Salomone stated this is expenses for the Conservation Commission which regulates wetlands and other conservation locations . Councilor Nasinnyk asked if we would be using contractual services. Mr. Salomone said that after discussing the issue with Tony Ferraro, using a contractor would not really be of benefit. Mr. Ferraro stated that a couple of years ago the management allowed the town to put in their structure, an opportunity to the town to be able to utilize this process should a controversial application came along.

#472 - DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Councilor Klett thanked Mr. Meehan for always being here and always being at the end of the Agenda and the next time she thinks we should plan to put him on the beginning.

VII WRITTEN/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER, OTHER TOWN AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS, OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS AND THE PUBLIC

A. Town Manager Reports - NONE

Councilor Cohen asked to read an email for the resignation as an alternate sent to the Town Clerk and copies to the Council from Val Ginn of the Economic Development Commission. Councilor Cohen commended Val Ginn on having been a valued alternate member on the Economic Development Commission and thanked her for her contributions.

VIII COUNCIL LIAISON/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Nagel all committee reports have been handled and he will not be reporting at this meeting. Councilor Cohen stated that the Volunteer of the Year for the Commission on Aging dinner will be May 12th.

IX PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Jay Bottaligo, 37 Valley View Drive – stated that he is disturbed with the Board of Education. He reminded the Mayor that last year the Chairman promised that he would open negotiations with the Teachers Union. Two weeks ago, that hadn't happened. He said he knows the information requested, and doesn't believe it will be made available to the Council. Mr. Bottaligo believes that the Board doesn't want this information to be made public. He continued that with two years on the Council he tried to figure out how much the buses in this town cost and never could figure it out.

Rose Lyons – water ? inaudible - regarding the Parking Lot could the Highway Department take a look at the No Parking signs and there is little parking on the street. On the dumping issue she believes there's a lot of dumping around this Town in different areas. She thanked the Council for the efforts and work they have provided and appreciates working with them.

X REMARKS BY COUNCILORS

Councilor Klett said that she is concerned with changing the Budget date to March 17th date, that putting public safety, and Emergency EMS on the same night as Human Services that might create a very late meeting, creating a possible concern for public safety. Mayor Wright said that he would consider an alternate date and would discuss it further with Mr. Salomone & Mr. Woods.

Councilor McBride reminded everyone of the St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday in Hartford. Councilor Nasinnyk encouraged everyone to participate in the events of this coming weekend. Councilor Nagel noted that prior to being appointed to this Council he had made some major commitments over the rest of this month and may miss most of the Council meetings this month.

Mayor Wright commented on pot holes in Constitution Square, the first coat of asphalt is a portion called a bindercoat and the weaknesses are noticeable now, finishing touches are coming up as an ongoing project.

XI ADJOURNMENT 10:30 PM

MOVED TO ADJOURN: Councilor Casasanta

SECONDED BY: Councilor Banach
VOTE: 9 – 0

Submitted Respectfully,

Mary Richard
Clerk of the Council

