

Finance and Government Operations Commission Meeting Minutes
Middletown, Connecticut
June 29, 2016
Municipal Building Room 208
7:00 P.M.

Present: Councilman Thomas Serra, Councilman Sebastian Giuliano, Councilwoman Linda Salafia, Councilwoman Mary Bartolotta, Councilman Gerald Daley, Dr. Joseph Havlicek, William Russo, Deputy General Counsel Kori Wisneski, Quentin Phipps

Absent: None

1. Thomas Serra called the meeting to order and requested a motion to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2016 Finance and Government meeting. Councilman Daley made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Salafia seconded, unanimously approved.
2. Public Comments on the Agenda – None
3. Conference and Training:

William Russo requested the approval to send Rick Romano to the Connecticut Tree Protective Association Summer meeting on July 21, 2016; member cost \$70.00. Councilman Daley motioned to approve and Councilwoman Salafia seconded, unanimously approved.

4. The following Departments have submitted items to be discussed:

Health – Grant Confirmation totaling \$12,985 in State funds for Preventative Health Block Grant for Smoking Cessation; Grant Confirmation totaling \$14,800 in State funds for CRCG- Medical Reserve Corps operations; Grant Confirmation totaling \$1,000 in local donations for Kids Health and Safety Day; Resolution requesting approval for allocation of Public Health Block Grant, totaling \$93,750, for FY1617

Councilman Daley motioned to approve all Grant Confirmations and the Resolution, Councilwoman Salafia seconded, unanimously approved.

- Approved to send to Council Floor -

Public Works – Resolution requesting approval for Mayor Drew to sign an application to the State for LoCIP funds totaling \$85,000 for renovation of the front patio of the Municipal Building and creation of a new Capital Improvement Plan line item entitled “Municipal Building Front Patio”; Resolution requesting bid waiver to continue waste hauling service with Dainty Rubbish to Lisbon, through the end of the current commitment; Bond Ordinance totaling \$500,000 for the design, construction, repair and replacement of sidewalks and driveway aprons.

Councilman Daley motioned to approve the Resolutions and Councilwoman Salafia seconded, unanimously approved. Councilwoman Bartolotta motioned to approve the \$500,000 Bond Ordinance for the design, construction, repair and replacement of sidewalks and driveway aprons. Councilman Daley seconded, unanimously approved.

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Wesleyan Tennis Courts –

Attorney Wisneski informed the committee that Wesleyan had just received the documents regarding the Tennis Courts this week. She also reminded the committee that the legal fees need to be included into the figure, total cost not to exceed \$750,000.

Carl Erlacher explained that there is a \$167,000 balance left from the last bond, Assessors Revaluation. He is working to have the bond ordinance changed with the new dates allowing it to be utilized towards the new revaluation.

Councilman Daley recommended approving to send to the Council floor for the next Council meeting, and noted, "subject to any final changes that have to be made." Councilman Giuliano seconded.

Committee – review of Actuary reports regarding annual Pension COLA adjustments

Councilman Daley offered to draw up a draft for the Pension Board. A copy will be forwarded to Carl and all F & G members.

Regular Reports – Information Only

- Transfer of Funds/BOE Transfers
- General Fund Appropriations
- City's Investments
- Tax Collection Recap Report – aggressively billing at this time
- Monthly Expenditure Summary Report
- Professional Services Report
- Department Over-Time Reports
- Quarterly Reports – Arts & Culture/Senior Services checking accounts

6. The next meeting is Wednesday, July 27 at 7pm in Room 208

Respectfully
Submitted by,

Tracy Vess on behalf of Carl Erlacher