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# TOWN CLEREAST HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019

The East Haven Town Council held a regular meeting Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at 7:30PM at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT 06512.

Chairman Ken Mckay calls the meeting to order at 7:14PM.

He asks all to stand for the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for the passing of longtime member of the Town and employee of Public Works Nick Pizzorusso as well as all of the veterans.

### Item #1

Roll Call- 13 present – 2 absent (Carfora and Butler III). A quorum is present.

### Item #2

Approval of minutes from the October 1, 2019 Public Hearing.

Councilman Louis Pacelli makes a motion.

Councilman Joseph Badamo seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

# Item #3

Approval of minutes from the October 1, 2019 Regular Meeting.

Councilman Louis Pacelli makes a motion.

Councilman Loria Jaffe seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

#### Item #4

Approval of minutes from the October 22, 2019 Special Meeting.

Councilman Richard Anania makes a motion.

Councilman Louis Pacelli seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

#### Item #5

Approval of minutes from the October 29, 2019 Public Hearing.

Councilman Richard Anania makes a motion.

Councilman Louis Pacelli seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

#### Item #6

Approval of minutes from the October 29, 2019 Special Meeting.

Councilman Joseph Santino makes a motion.

Councilman Richard Anania seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

### Item #7

No correspondence.

### Item #8

# Subcommittee Reports:

a. Subcommittee on Education, Library, and School Building;

(Robert Parente, Lou Pacelli, Linda Hennessey)

- Councilman Robert Parente says the boilers have been replaced in 3 firehouses, and 4 of the schools. They have done all of the windows which are now air tight and will be a cost savings for the Town.
- Councilwoman Judy Sittnick asks about the air conditioning at the Library that
  has not been working for a while and was supposed to be part of the
  Honeywell project.
- Councilman Robert Parente says he is not aware of this issue and will check with Honeywell.
- b. Subcommittee on Public Safety, Health, & Welfare;

("BIG" Steve Tracey, Rich Anania, Joe Santino)

- Councilman Joseph Santino says they will be doing repairs to Station 4.
- c. Subcommittee on Finance; no report

(Judy Sittnick, Joseph Badamo, Joseph Carfora)

d. Subcommittee on Public Services, Parks, & Recreation;

(Robert Parente, Joseph Deko, Lori Jaffe)

 Councilman Robert Parente says one new truck, Truck #90, was brought online yesterday and they are expecting another new truck hopefully by the last week of this month. They are working on getting a purchase order approved for the new Backhoe which is under the capital improvements. They are pretty well positioned for the winter; all trucks are online except one which is being done Saturday. The salt has been delivered and they are prepared.

e. Subcommittee on Urban Renewal/Housing; no report

(Richard Anania, Henry Butler, III, Joseph Deko)

f. Temporary Subcommittee on Community Group Stipends.

("BIG" Steve Tracey, Nick Palladino, Robert Parente)

• Councilman Nicholas Palladino says he got a call from Momauguin to which Councilman Parente says they are working on setting up the meeting. They come to them this time of year for their budget for next season.

## Item #9

To consider and act upon "An Ordinance Accepting 'Lisa Lane' and 'A, To-Date, Private Extension of 'Sharon Drive" as Town Roads."

# AUTHORIZING ORDINANCE OF THE East Haven Town Council

"An Ordinance Accepting 'Lisa Lane' and 'A, To-Date, Private Extension of 'Sharon Drive" as Town Roads"

BE IT ORDAINED that East Haven Legislative Town Council hereby accepts Lisa Lane and a, to-date, private extension of Sharon Drive as a public roadways within the Town of East Haven (said roadways being described in a "Metes and Bounds Description" included in a deed from Sharon Drive Estates to the Town of East Haven and presented to the Council contemporaneously with this ordinance);

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the Town Engineer is directed to add said roadway to the list of public roadways maintained in the office of the Town Clerk;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Mayor Joseph Maturo, Jr., or his designee, is authorized to execute any and all documents to effectuate the intent of this ordinance;

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this ordinance shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Submitted by:	Danelle Feeley, Council Clerk	Date:	
Approved by:	Joseph Maturo, Jr., Mayor	Date:	
Received by:	Stacy Gravino, Town Clerk	Date:	

No public comment.

No Council comment.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

## Item #10

To consider and act upon "An Ordinance Reallocating \$100,000.00 of Capital Funds between Capital Accounts #98-1-09 (Fire) and #98-1-03/99-01-05 (Land Imprv./Roof Repair)" as follows:

# AUTHORIZING ORDINANCE OF THE East Haven Town Council

An Ordinance Reallocating \$100,000.00 of Capital Funds between Capital Accounts #98-1-09 (Fire) and #98-1-03/99-01-05 (Land Imprv./Roof Repair)

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of East Haven, upon recommendation of the Board of Finance, must approve both transfers of monies in excess of \$50,000.00 in any given fiscal year and reallocations of previous bond authorizations;

AND WHEREAS, the Board of Finance, on October 8, 2019, approved and recommended the following transfers/bond reauthorizations to the Town Council:

Accts. #98-7 and #98-2				
To:	For:			
98-1-09	Fire House - Repairs	\$100,000.00		
TOTAL		\$100,000.00		
From:				
99-1-03	Land Improvement	\$44,000.00		
99-01-05	Roof Repair	\$56,000.00		
TOTAL		\$100,000.00		

Reason: Transfer needed for fire house repairs at Station 4.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of East Haven that said transfers/bond reauthorizations are approved.

This Ordinance shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Submitted by:	Danelle Feeley, Council Clerk	Date:	
Approved by:	Joseph Maturo, Jr., Mayor	Date:	
Received by:	Stacy Gravino, Town Clerk	Date:	

Councilman Robert Parente makes a motion. Councilman Joseph Deko seconds the motion. No public comment. No Council comment.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

# Item #11

To consider and act upon an "Ordinance approving a transfer of \$149,008.00 for Various Departments" as follows:

# AUTHORIZING ORDINANCE OF THE East Haven Town Council

# Ordinance approving a transfer of \$149,008.00 for Various Departments

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of East Haven, upon recommendation of the Board of Finance, must approve transfers of monies in excess of \$50,000.00 in any given fiscal year;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Board of Finance, on October 8, 2019, approved and recommended the following transfer to the Town Council:

# Various Department

To:	For:	
01-332-0190	OT Wages	\$13,408.00
01-224-0530	Gasoline	\$57,400.00
01-334-0110	Regular Salaries	\$78,200.00
TOTAL.		\$149,008.00
From:		
01-332-0132	Shift Diff.	\$13,408.00
01-224-0192	Seasonal OT	\$33,400.00
01-224-0120	Snow Wages	\$22,500.00
01-224-0450	Bldg. Maint.	\$1,500.00
01-334-0150	Vacation Pay	\$47,500.00
01-334-0191	Garcia Payments	\$30,700.00
TOTAL		\$149,008.00

Reason: Funds needed to close out FY 2018-2019.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of East Haven that said transfer is approved.

This Ordinance shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Submitted by: Approved by:

Danelle Feeley, Council Clerk Joseph Maturo, Jr., Mayor Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by:

Stacy Gravino, Town Clerk

Date:

Councilman Robert Parente makes a motion. Councilman Joseph Deko seconds the motion.

No public comment. Council comment:

- Councilman Nicholas Palladino asks about the gasoline account, did we run out of money. Did the price go up?
- Finance Director Paul Rizza says we didn't run out of money but when
  we started the process about 3 months ago we hadn't billed out all of
  the gasoline for the Departments that utilize it. The transfer is coming
  from within the budgets of the Departments the money is going to.

# Item #12

To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$2,827.47 to Toyota Lease Trust as follows:

# A Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$2,827.47 to Toyota Lease Trust

**WHEREAS**, C.G.S. Section 12-129 provides that a local board of selectmen, or its equivalent, may, upon recommendation and certification of the Tax Collector, issue a refund for tax overpayments;

**AND, WHEREAS**, the following entity or person has requested a refund for the following overpayment:

# Toyota Lease Trust

20 Commerce Way, Ste 800 Woburn, MA 01801-1057

Acct./List:

2018-03-0071523

Reason:

Vehicles were sold

Amount:

\$2,827.47

TOTAL:

\$2,827.47

AND, WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, via backup paperwork submitted to this Council, has recommended and certified the accuracy of this refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said refund is approved and the tax collector is authorized to effectuate said refund.

This resolution shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Councilman Louis Pacelli makes a motion.

Councilman Joseph Santino seconds the motion.

No public comment.

No Council comment.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

# Item #13

To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$1,807.90 to Lereta, LLC as follows:

# A Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$1,807.90 to Lereta LLC

**WHEREAS**, C.G.S. Section 12-129 provides that a local board of selectmen, or its equivalent, may, upon recommendation and certification of the Tax Collector, issue a refund for tax overpayments;

**AND, WHEREAS**, the following entity or person has requested a refund for the following overpayment:

# Lereta LLC

ATTN: Refunds and Returns 1123 Park View Drive Covina, CA 91724

Acct./List: 2018-010008950

**Reason:** Overpayment made by the bank.

**Total:** \$1,807.90

TOTAL: \$1,807.90

AND, WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, via backup paperwork submitted to this Council, has recommended and certified the accuracy of this refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said refund is approved and the tax collector is authorized to effectuate said refund.

This resolution shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Councilman Joseph Santino makes a motion.

Councilwoman Loria Jaffe seconds the motion.

### Public comment:

- Donna Richo-67 Charnes Drive, East Haven- Mrs. Richo asks for the address.
- Attorney Zullo says 55 Hughes Street.
- Mrs. Richo asks if it is bank owned.
- Attorney Zullo says it is not bank owned. He indicates there is a mathematical error on the addition of the refund. It says there is a total due of \$3,615.80 and a total paid of \$3,617.44. The total is properly calculated in the totals column with an overpayment of \$1.64 but the total under is not properly calculated as it reads \$1,807.90. He asks that they table it so they can get a full explanation from the Tax Collector as to which number is correct.

Councilman Joseph Santino makes a motion to table Item #13.

Councilman Joseph Deko seconds the motion.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

## Item #14

To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$2,083.45 to CoreLogic Tax Service as follows:

# A Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$2,083.45 to CoreLogic Tax Service

**WHEREAS**, C.G.S. Section 12-129 provides that a local board of selectmen, or its equivalent, may, upon recommendation and certification of the Tax Collector, issue a refund for tax overpayments;

**AND, WHEREAS**, the following entity or person has requested a refund for the following overpayment:

# CoreLogic Tax Service

ATTN: Refund Department

PO BOX 9202

COPPELL, TX 75019

Acct./List: 2018-01-005597

Reason: Overpayment made by the bank

**Total:** \$2,083.45

TOTAL: \$2,083.45

AND, WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, via backup paperwork submitted to this Council, has recommended and certified the accuracy of this refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said refund is approved and the tax collector is authorized to effectuate said refund.

This resolution shall be effective in accordance with the provisions of the East Haven Town Charter.

Attorney Zullo explains there was a request that came in from the Tax Office through notification from one of the employees that there was a typo in what was sent. The account # listed on the tax refund is wrong. The correct account # is 2018-01-005597

Councilman Nicholas Palladino makes a motion to amend the account #.

Councilman Louis Pacelli seconds the motion.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

Councilman Robert Parente makes a motion to approve Item #14.

Councilwoman Loria Jaffe seconds the motion.

## Public comment:

- Donna Richo-67 Charnes Drive, East Haven- Mrs. Richo asks for the location.
- Attorney Zullo says 8 Dora Drive.
- Mrs. Richo asks if it is a foreclosure to which Attorney Zullo says it is not bank owned.

Roll call vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain. Motion carries.

• Vice Chairwoman Linda Hennessey mentions the resignation letter sent in by the clerk, Danelle Feeley and thanks her for her services.

# Item #15

Adjournment of Regular Meeting.

Councilman Robert Parente makes a motion.

Councilman Joseph Santino seconds the motion.

Voice vote: all in favor-none oppose-none abstain.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:32PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

# Danelle Feeley

Danelle Feeley, Clerk, East Haven Legislative Town Council