

**EAST HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2014**

In accordance with Chapter III, Section 6 of the East Haven Town Charter, the East Haven Town Council held a public hearing meeting Tuesday, April 1, 2014, at 7:00PM at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT 06512.

Chairman Richard Anania calls the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

Item #1

Roll Call for Public Hearing #1-14 present - 1 absent (Santino).

A quorum is present.

Item #2

To conduct Public Hearing #1 regarding an "Ordinance Repealing Section 15-3 ("Tow Policy") of the East Haven Code."

Council comment:

- Councilman Robert Sand asks if what they are repealing is what is in the Charter and they are adopting what the Police Commissioners have written.
- Chairman Richard Anania explains that they are repealing the Ordinance that the Town Council passed last year, which was the revised version of the towing policy, because it was looked into and it is not in the Council's jurisdiction to change the policy. Therefore, there was already one in place that has been in place, so the Council has to repeal theirs so that it goes back to the original one that was in place. The Council changed it because the previous administration had changed it through the previous Town Attorney. There were many complaints from the vendors, so he states that he appointed a subcommittee to look into it and they tried to make it more vendor-friendly. That is the one the Council put into place, but it has been determined the Council does not have that jurisdiction and there cannot be two in place.
- Councilman Sand seeks clarification that the policy in the Charter is being repealed and they have adopted what the Police Commission wrote.
- Town Attorney Joseph Zullo explains that there is no need for the Council to adopt what the Police Commission has done, the Police Commission per the Town Charter, is the traffic committee so the matter is exclusively in their jurisdiction. All the Council needs to do is eliminate confusion by repealing what they have already done. The Police Commission has already adopted something which is currently in effect and has been approved by the DOJ and the Compliance Expert.

- Councilman Badamo asks how many people are on the tow list and if it will change or remain the same.
- Attorney Zullo says the procedures as far as selecting who is on the tow list are specified in the policy and as far as he is aware, it is the same as it is now. It is supervised by the Chief directly and each year as far as who is on the list, he believes is done by RFP each year so that anyone who is interested would have a chance to request to be on the list.

Item #3

Adjournment of Public Hearing #1.

Councilman Sand makes a motion.

Councilman Badamo seconds the motion.

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

Item #4

Roll Call for Hearing Committee - 14 present - 1 absent (Santino).

Item #5

Hearing Committee report to the full Town Council and recommendation of action on Public Hearing #1.

Councilman Mckay makes a motion.

Councilman Sand seconds the motion.

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

Item #6

Adjournment of Hearing Committee.

Vice Chairman Robert Parente makes a motion.

Councilman Nicholas Palladino seconds the motion.

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

Meeting is adjourned at 7:10AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danelle Feeley, Clerk, East Haven Legislative Town Council