

**EAST HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016**

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In accordance with Chapter III, Section 6 of the East Haven Town Charter, the East Haven Town Council Hearing Committee held a public hearing meeting Tuesday, May 3 2016, at 7:00PM at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, CT 06512.

Chairman Fred Parlato calls the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

**Item #1**

Roll Call for Hearing Committee - 10 present – 5 absent (Mckay, Santino, Richardson, Archambault and Anania).  
A quorum is present.

**Item #2**

To conduct Public Hearing #1 regarding an "Ordinance approving a transfer of \$200,000.00 for the Police Department" as follows:

**Police Department**

**To:**

01-332-0190	Overtime Wages	\$200,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$200,000.00</b>

**From:**

01-332-0110	Regular Salaries	\$200,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$200,000.00</b>

**Reason:** To cover anticipated overtime through the end of FY 2015-2016.

**AUTHORIZING ORDINANCE OF THE  
East Haven Town Council**

**An Ordinance approving a transfer of \$200,000.00 for the Police Department**

**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 April 20, 2016, approved and recommended the following transfer to the Town Council:

**Police Department**

**To:**

01-332-0190	Overtime Wages	\$200,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$200,000.00</b>

**From:**

01-332-0110	Regular Salaries	\$200,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$200,000.00</b>

**Reason:** To cover anticipated overtime through the end of FY 2015-2016.

**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: Danelle Feeley, Council Clerk Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: Joseph Maturo, Jr., Mayor Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: Stacy Gravino, Town Clerk Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- Police Chief Brent Larrabee and Deputy Chief Ed Lennon are present before the Council. Chief Larrabee explains that this transfer will more than cover their shortage in the overtime account from now until June 30<sup>th</sup>. They are even hoping for a surplus in the account though they can't guarantee that for sure.
- Chairman Parlato asks if this is from the regular salary account and if they have this money in the account and it is legitimate.
- Finance Director Paul Rizza says yes.
- Councilman Robert Parente asks the Chief in regards to a possible surplus, is that for this account or the entire budget?
- Chief Larrabee says in the overtime account, with the amount of money being transferred there is a good chance they will have a surplus and they will not be coming back before them for any more transfers in this fiscal year.

No public comment.

**Item #3**

Adjournment of Public Hearing #1.

Councilman Parente makes a motion.

Councilman Henry Butler III seconds the motion.

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

#### **Item #4**

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

Councilman Nicholas Palladino makes a motion.

Councilwoman Letizia Lettieri-Morales seconds the motion.

No public comment.

No Council comment

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

- Chief Larrabee asks for a moment and indicates that last Friday he delivered a letter to the Mayor's Office indicating he is not going to be renewing his contract as of June 30<sup>th</sup>. He would certainly like to stay; the Mayor has asked him to stay until the end of the term. He is unable to do it for a number of considerations such as family jobs, etc.
- Chairman Parlato says on behalf of the Council, words can't describe how happy they are that he came when he did.
- Chief Larrabee says the Council has been very supportive as they have gone through this journey; all of the boards and commissions as well as the unwavering support of the Mayor. He certainly would have liked to stay here but it just doesn't work for him financially, personally and family wise.

Council & others present in the room applaud the Chief with a standing ovation.

#### **Item #5**

Adjournment of Hearing Committee.


Councilman Parente makes a motion.

Councilman Vincent Spaduzzi seconds the motion.

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

Meeting is adjourned at 7:07PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Danelle Feeley, Clerk, East Haven Legislative Town Council

