

**EAST HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013**

The East Haven Town Council held a regular meeting Tuesday, October 1, 2013, 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 7:00PM.
Chairman Anania asks all to stand for the pledge of allegiance.

Item #1

Roll Call -10 present - 5 absent (Depalma, Sand, Badamo, Cubellotti and Carbo).
A quorum is present.

Item #2

Approval of minutes from September 18, 2013 Special Meeting.

Councilman Anthony Purificato makes a motion.
Councilman Joseph Santino seconds the motion.
Voice vote: all in favor- none oppose- none abstain. Motion carries.

Item #3

No Correspondence.

Item #4

Subcommittee Reports-

- Public safety- nothing to report.
- Board of Education- nothing to report.
- Parks/Rec- nothing to report.
- Urban Renewal- nothing to report.
- Finance- nothing to report.

Item #5

To consider and act upon a resolution appointing Juan Montalvo to the Greater New Haven Transit District Board for a term beginning 9/1/2013 and ending 8/31/2016.

A Resolution appointing Juan Montalvo to the Greater New Haven Transit District Board for a term beginning 9/1/2013 and ending 8/31/2016

WHEREAS, a vacancy currently exists on the Greater New Haven Transit District Board;

AND, WHEREAS, the Town Council is designated as the appointing authority to re-appoint individuals to said position;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby appoints Juan Montalvo to the Greater New Haven Transit District Board for a term beginning 9/1/2013 and ending 8/31/2016.

Councilman Robert Parente makes a motion.
Councilman Purificato seconds the motion.

Council comment:

- Councilwoman Beverly Gravino asks what exactly the Greater New Haven Transit District is.
- Arthur DeSorbo- Director of Administration & Management- Mr. DeSorbo explains that that they do things like schedule the transit buses. It's important to have someone on it that can represent East Haven because there is going to be a new Mayor in New Haven. We have always been treated well by the board when John DeStefano was Mayor, but we don't know what will happen with a new Mayor. We need a strong voice on that. They can arbitrarily reduce the East Haven bus system in East Haven if we don't have support on that Board.
- Chairman Anania said in speaking with Juan he mentioned trying to get a grant for East Haven for this.

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

Item #6

To consider and act upon a Resolution setting a public hearing date and time to discuss an "Ordinance Regulating the Operation or Use of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain Vehicles, or Snowmobiles." The public hearing shall take place on November 12, 2013, at 7:00PM, at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, Connecticut.

A Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for November 12, 2013

BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Chapter 3, Section 6 of the Town Charter and Section A, Item 3 of the Town Council Standing Rules, a public hearing shall take place on November 12, 2013 at 7:00PM, at the East Haven Senior Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, Connecticut to discuss an "Ordinance Regulating the Operation or Use of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain Vehicles, or Snowmobiles."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the council clerk and Town Attorney are charged to effectuate notice of said public hearing in accordance with the Town Charter and the Standing Rules.

Councilman Santino makes a motion.
Councilman Parente seconds the motion.

Council comment:

- Councilman Fred Parlato asks if we will get a copy of the Ordinance before the meeting.
- Town Attorney Joseph Zullo says he is going to try and get this to everyone in advance, he knows it is very important especially to the District 2 people. This may be one of the most aggressive Ordinances in the State because we are enacting penalties.

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

Councilman William Richardson makes a motion to add the following item to the agenda:

6a. To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide the following tax refund:

Joann Vitkovsky
140 Thompson Street, Unit 11-D
East Haven, CT 06513

2011-01-2815

Reason: Overpayment made on second installment

TOTAL: \$530.53

Councilman Parente seconds the motion to add this agenda item.
Roll call vote: all in favor- none oppose- none abstain. Motion carries.

Item #6a**A Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$530.53 to Joann Vitkovsky**

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:

Joann Vitkovsky
140 Thompson Street, Unit 11-D
East Haven, CT 06513

2011-01-2815

Reason: Overpayment made on second installment

TOTAL: \$530.53

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

Councilman Santino makes a motion.

Councilman Purificato seconds the motion.

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

Councilman Richardson makes a motion to add the following item to the agenda:

6b. To consider and act upon a Resolution to provide the following tax refund:

HSBC Mortgage
ATTN: Refunds
1 Corelogic Drive
Westlake, TX 76262

2011-01-10076

Reason: Overpayment made on second installment

TOTAL: \$1,126.65

Councilman Riolino seconds the motion to add this agenda item.

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

Item #6b**A Resolution to provide a tax refund of \$1,126.65 to HSBC Mortgage**

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:

HSBC Mortgage
 ATTN: Refunds
 1 Corelogic Drive
 Westlake, TX 76262

2011-01-10076

Reason: Overpayment made on second installment

TOTAL: \$1,126.65

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

Councilman Parente makes a motion.

Councilman Parlato seconds the motion.

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

Councilman Santino makes a motion to add to the agenda a discussion about brush coming into the landfill.

Councilman Riolino seconds the motion.

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

Item #6c

- Councilman Santino states that while it is free to bring brush into the landfill, every weekend the same contractors are coming in and we have a pile that is bigger than Town Hall right now which will probably cost us another \$70,000 to chip up and get rid of. These guys are getting paid to clean up the brush from people's lawns and we are taking it in for nothing. Guys are coming in with trailers of brush, the same landscapers every weekend because it's free and it is costing us a ton of money to get rid of it.
- Chairman Anania says don't they get charged for trailers.
- Councilman Santino said no, brush is free.
- Councilman Parlato says the problem is that you can't tell where the material is coming from. This is the first time he has seen this much brush down there and

he attributes it to surrounding Towns that are tightening up their rules. If you get a licensed landscaper whose registration says East Haven, there is no way of verifying whether or not it is East Haven's debris. His suggestion is to contact the Town Engineer and have him come up with some recommendations. The people who live in East Haven pay, through their taxes, for the Town to remove the leaves and brush. Homeowners don't bring in that amount; the landscaping trucks with trailers come in and dump what they have. We are taking other people's debris there's no doubt about it. This may be something people resent because they pay taxes for this but if they are paying a landscaper to take the stuff away, they are adding in the cost to dispose that material and the Town is paying for it. It has to be tightened up and the best person to do it is the Town Engineer. He says he would hate to see us putting another cost on the homeowner.

- Councilman Purificato says they could make the homeowner come into the Town Hall and get some type of pass proving it is coming from their land.
- Councilman Santino says we can make it a little more convenient for them but as far as the cost, he wouldn't impose any more costs on the homeowner. He adds that it is a huge fire hazard down there right now, right in the flight path of the airport.

Councilman Santino makes a motion to have something submitted to the Town Engineer letting him know we want something done about the brush coming into the landfill.

Councilwoman Gravino seconds the motion.

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

Item #7

Adjournment of Regular Meeting.

Councilman Purificato makes a motion.

Councilman Santino seconds the motion.

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

Meeting is adjourned at 7:18PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danelle Feeley, Clerk, East Haven Legislative Town Council