

TOWN OF HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
June 1, 2020

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held on Monday, June 1, 2020. This meeting was held electronically, via Zoom, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by the Council President. The Clerk took the roll followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mick McGarry	Dominque Baez
Harry Gagliardi	Justin Farmer
Marjorie Bonadies	Valerie Horsley
Berita Rowe-Lewis	Brad Macdowall
Betty Wetmore	Athena Gary
Kristin Dolan	Jody Clouse (joined at 8:00pm)
Kathleen Schomaker	

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Colaiacovo; Austin Cesare

PRESIDING: Mick McGarry, President

EXECUTIVE SESSION: President McGarry announced an executive session to include the Council, Town Attorney Sue Gruen, Labor Attorney Jason Stanevich, and Personnel Director Ken Kelley.

In executive session at 7:15pm - Out of executive session at 9:40pm

Mr. McGarry then called for a quick recess.

In recess at 9:40pm – Out of recess at 9:52pm

PUBLIC INPUT: There were 57 emails submitted and read by President McGarry.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT: None

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND DEPARTMENTS: None

REPORTS OF COUNCIL LIAISONS: None

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: None

Mr. McGarry moved a motion to suspend their rules and approve all items tonight, seconded by Ms. Baez and approved unanimously.

AGENDA:

1. **Order authorizing interdepartmental transfer 2019-2020 FY Budget (Town Attorney/Leg. Council - Settlement Reserve) - \$130,000 FROM OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) – TABLED ITEM**
-- Mr. McGarry moved a motion to take this item off the table. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wetmore and it failed with 6 opposed (Baez) (Bonadies) (Gagliardi) (Farmer) (Maddowall) (Gary)

2. **Order authorizing the Town of Hamden to apply, accept and expend a grant from the State of Connecticut Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Municipal Grant Program**
-- Moved by Mr. McGarry, seconded by Ms. Schomaker and Mr. Farmer. DISCUSSION: Ms. Baez asked if this grant covered 100% of the cost and if not how much was the Town responsible for. Mr. Donnelly said the Town isn't expending any money and that the Town is just a pass through from the State to the transportation fully funded by the State. A vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.

3. **Order authorizing the Town of Hamden to execute Municipal/Consultant PE Agreement Walkable Sidewalks Project State Project No. 61-153; Federal Project No. (PEDS 213)**
-- Moved by Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Farmer. DISCUSSION: Town Engineer Mark Austin explained that 80% of this 2.8 million grant was funded from the State and 20% the Town and said the Town's portion is approximately \$600,000. Ms. Horsley asked if this \$600,000 was in Capital and Mr. Austin said yes. After a lengthy discussion a vote was taken and the item passed with 3 opposed (Gagliardi) (Dolan) (Wetmore)

There being no further business Mr. McGarry requested a motion to adjourn. Moved by Mr. Farmer, seconded by Ms. Rowe-Lewis and adjourned at 11:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta,
Clerk of the Council

- Meeting Recording:
<https://zoom.us/rec/share/u8cqBo7-63NJHtb38gbwB7wBWd34aaa8hHdlQalFnhyT68Blvho9yS6r8Si-ifelq>
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