

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND BURGESSES
SEPTEMBER 1, 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Board of Mayor and Burgesses is practicing social distancing per executive order of Governor Ned Lamont. The meeting was held by Zoom Webinar, a remote video conferencing platform, and by phone.

1. Mayor “Pete” Hess called the regular meeting to order at **7:01 p.m.** with the following in attendance:

BURGESSES:

L. Taf Jackson C. Marenghi
M. Bronko J. Mizeski
F. Dambowsky R. Neth
J. DeOliveira R. Vitale
C. Herb

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RESIDENTS:

Unable to determine due to the format

OTHERS:

Attorney E. Fitzpatrick
S. Samela, Board of Finance
D. Sheridan, Board of Finance Chairman

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

J. Kallipolites, IT Director

2. Burgess Mizeski led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the minutes of the regular meeting of **August 4, 2020** and the special meeting of **August 12, 2020**. Each member received copies for review.
4. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the monthly reports of **August**. Each member received copies for review.
5. Public Comment – None
6. Mayor Hess approved the appointment of **Crystal Teal**, 75 Railroad Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT 06403 to the **Naugatuck Day Care Board of Directors**, filling the unexpired term of M. Hughes, term to expire April 1, 2022.
7. Mayor Hess approved the appointment of **Klaudia Gotshall**, 174 White Avenue, Middlebury, CT 06762 to the **Naugatuck Day Care Board of Directors**, filling the expired term of M. Knapp, term to expire April 1, 2022.
8. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the reappointment of **Diane Scinto (R)**, 190 East Waterbury Road, Naugatuck, CT 06770 as a regular member of the **Board of Finance**, term to expire July 1, 2023.

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9. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the reappointment of **Joseph Savarese (D)**, 145 Union City Road, Naugatuck, CT 06770 as a regular member of the **Board of Finance**, term to expire July 1, 2023.
10. Mayor Hess led a discussion regarding the **Crestwood Drive Water Main Installation Project**. The mayor and his staff met with residents on Crestwood Drive. Several residents are experiencing poor water quality and/or water quantity issues. The borough will connect houses to the public water system and homeowners will be responsible to pay back the cost. There are approximately eighteen households affected that want to be connected to public water. The homes will be connected to the public water system from Autumn Ridge Road up to Crestwood Drive. The borough applied for and received approval for state financing through the Department of Health. The grant pays for half the cost and homeowners pay back the other half. Attorney Fitzpatrick discussed the need to adopt an ordinance that will provide assessments to homeowners. A payment schedule will be created along with an interest rate for homeowners to pay back their half of the cost of the water main installation. There will be no cost to the borough. Other towns have adopted such an ordinance. The mayor asked Attorney Fitzpatrick to continue to work on the draft ordinance.
11. Mayor Hess said the borough is still reaching out to residents regarding the importance of filling out the **2020 Census** forms. He said they are considering sending CodeRed calls, texts and emails to residents. Brochures are being sent home with children through the school system. He asked board members to continue to reach out to groups in the community that may be reluctant to fill out the census forms. Burgess DeOliveira said he is planning to set up a table at the Portuguese Club this weekend to encourage people to be counted. Burgess Vitale will distribute brochures at the Dog Park.
12. Motion by Burgess Neth and seconded by Burgess Mizeski that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses authorize Controller Allyson W. Bruce to refund the following tax refunds approved by Tax Collector James Goggin; as if read:

Bill	Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Over Paid
2009-03-0027085	KORSON, JACQUELINE	33 CARRIAGE DRIVE	OXFORD, CT 06478	-373.67
2017-03-0053530	CAB EAST LLC	2975 BRECKINRIDGE BLVD	DULUTH, GA 30096	-526.96
2018-01-0003818	LERETA	1123 S PARKVIEW DR	COVINA, CA 91724	-141.74
2018-02-0040955	UNIMETAL SURFACE FINISHING	EAST WATERBURY RD	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-3.25
2018-03-0053307	BURNS, ROBERT J.	P.O. BOX 375	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-37.80
2018-03-0053469	CAB EAST LLC	2975 BRECKINRIDGE BLVD	DULUTH, GA 30096	-457.66
2018-03-0054490	CHOBAN, PENNY	933 RUBBER AVE., APT 1G	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-120.00
2018-03-0061405	JACKSON, STEPHEN E.	204 MARGARET CIRCLE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-155.25
2018-03-0063091	LAUDATE, KAREN E.	40 JUNE STREET	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-7.82
2018-03-0065800	MONGILLO, ANTHONY J.	246 E WATERBURY RD.	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-164.78
2018-03-0066917	NISSAN INFINITI LT	P.O. BOX 254648	SACRAMENTO, CA 95865	-151.78

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2018-03-0075504	ZEMBRUSKI, WILLIAM F.	53 BROOKSIDE AVE.	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-175.95
2019-03-0055324	CREGO, JOSE E.	59 KINGSWOOD DR.	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-210.38
2019-03-0055325	CREGO, JOSE E.	59 KINGSWOOD DR.	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-123.98
2019-03-0056135	DELAURENTIS, LINDA E.	7 LEO LANE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-10.98
2019-03-0056297	DEOLIVEIRA, ANTONIO G.	96 JOLIE ROAD	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-125.33
2019-03-0057268	EDMUNDS, LINDA A.	15 TANGLEWOOD LN	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-7.83
2019-03-0061877	KABELKA, MARGARET M.	121 WEDGEWOOD DR.	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-3.73
2019-03-0061987	KARLAK, JOHN S.	243 E WATERBURY RD.	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-16.20
2019-03-0066631	NISSAN INFINITI LT	P.O. BOX 254648	SACRAMENTO, CA 95865	-85.00
2019-03-0066684	NISSAN INFINITI LT	P.O. BOX 254648	SACRAMENTO, CA 95865	-127.22
2019-03-0075452	ZVER, JASON M.	1242 VT ROUTE 105	WEST CHARLESTON, VT 05872	-30.74
2019-01-0001771	CAULFIELD, MARK J & GLORIA L	20 MOONLIGHT CIRCLE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-3309.79
2019-01-0006421	REBIMBAS, ROSA	175 CHURCH STREET	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-9,368.55
			TOTAL	-15,736.39

Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson abstained.

13. Public Comment

Finance Board Chairman Daniel Sheridan informed the board there will be a Joint Boards meeting next Tuesday to approve salary increases for non union employees.

14. Burgess Comments/Sub-Committee Reports

Burgess Vitale said Drew Marine International is a new company in town that has already done many charitable things for the town. He congratulated and thanked them for their contributions. There is a wood shortage and the Dog Park needs help building a deck.

Burgess Mizeski said the soup kitchen is doing a good job. He met today to discuss expanding it.

Burgess Herb thanked the mayor and the street department for their services during the recent hurricane. The Sao Paio Festival will be held this weekend with modifications due to the pandemic. He wishes the club a successful fundraiser. Mission 22 will be held on September 26th. Burgess Herb told everyone to write a check for \$22 to support a worthy cause.

Burgess DeOliveira thanked everyone for their support of the Portuguese Club.

Burgess Dambowsky said the fire and police departments were wonderful during the recent hurricane. He said he could not say enough about the public works department and the fantastic job they did.

Burgess Marengi said the Portuguese Club plays a vital role in our community. He thanked the Arts Commission and park department for putting on the one and only concert this year. Everyone practiced social distancing and enjoyed themselves. The library will be opening.

Burgess Neth said the fire department, police department and public works department did a great job during the storms. The Standing Building Committee met to close out a few projects and to discuss a new heat and power project at the high school.

Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson thanked Drew Marine International for the lunch they provided at Oak Terrace and the YMCA.

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Mayor Hess said he will be meeting with members of the Portuguese Club. They are looking for ways to fundraise to save the club. September 26th is the Mission 22 Event. They are discussing ways to hold some type of event after the ceremony. The golf course is setting new records. They brought in \$5,700 on Sunday. The mayor said they struggled to raise \$2,700 in the past and COVID-19 has helped make the golf course a positive generator.

15. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth to recess to Executive Session at **8:11 p.m.** for discussion on the following: **Real Estate Negotiations** (Sale of Industrial Park Land/Great Hill Road, Sale of Park Department - 258 Rubber Avenue, 0 High Ridge Road, CT Water Company Available Parcels, Tax Incentive Ordinance), **Collective Bargaining** (AFSCME Public Works Union) and **Pending Litigation**. No one was invited into executive session.

Mayor Hess reconvened the meeting at **9:07 p.m.**

16. The following motion emanated from Executive Session.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses authorize Mayor Hess to enter into a modified real estate sales contract to sell lot **0 High Ridge Road** to two adjoining property owners as discussed in executive session.

17. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Taf Jackson and seconded by Burgess Neth to adjourn the meeting at **9:09 p.m.**

A digital recording of this meeting is available in the office of the Borough Clerk for further review.

Attest:

Nancy K. DiMeo
Borough Clerk