

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND BURGESSES
MAY 3, 2022**

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Borough of Naugatuck held the Board of Mayor and Burgesses meeting on a hybrid basis. Everyone was welcomed to attend in person, by Zoom Webinar or by phone.

1. Mayor "Pete" Hess called the regular meeting to order at **7:00 p.m.** with the following in attendance:

BURGESSES:

R. Neth	G. Mudry
M. Bronko	D. Neth-Kunin
F. Dambowsky	M. Smith
C. Marengi	R. Vitale
J. Mizeski, virtual	

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RESIDENTS:

Unable to determine due to the format

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

C. McAllister, Chief of Police	A. Bruce, Controller, virtual
K. Hanks, Deputy Fire Chief	S. Jackson, Assessor, virtual
J. Stewart, Public Works Director	E. Carter, ZEO, Small Cities
S. Ribeiro, Parks Superintendent	J. Goggin, Tax Collector
C. Warren, Housing Authority Director	K. Eyre, Recreation Director

OTHERS:

L. Riley, Assistant to the Assessor, virtual	L. Wehry, IT Assistant
E. Osterberg, Recreation Department Secretary	C. Herb, Former Burgess
E. Fitzpatrick, Borough Attorney, virtual	S. Savoy, Savoy & Associates
S. Scinto, Finance Board Vice Chairwoman	D. Peterson, Rampage Skate
M. Leonard, Conservation Comm. Chair, virtual	D. Vostinak, NPD Lieutenant
K. Kelley, Naugatuck Ambulance Chief, virtual	S. Hwang, PayByPhone Sales Director
D. Sheridan, Finance Board Chairman, virtual	P. Testa, A&E Services Group

2. Burgess Charles Marengi led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Smith that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the minutes of the regular meeting of **April 5, 2022** and the special meeting of **April 11, 2022**. Each member received copies for review.
4. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the monthly reports of **April**. Each member received copies for review.
5. Mayor's Opening Comments
Mayor Hess said a very important public hearing and special meeting on May 10th conflicts with the Exchange Club Awards Dinner. He told the burgesses a quorum is needed to vote. He intends on going to the awards dinner and then back to town hall for the public hearing.

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6. Public Comment

Former Burgess Carl Herb spoke about Daniel Biondi who is incarcerated for the rape and murder of Anna Cortellino, the daughter of his friend, forty-five years ago in Naugatuck. Mr. Biondi is going before the parole board again. He asked this board if they would write to the parole board to deny his parole request. Finance Board Vice Chairwoman Diane Scinto thinks the proposed emergency management director should start out as a part time position instead of a fulltime position. She is opposed to the splash pad and skateboard park. Conservation Commission Chairwoman Melissa Leonard questioned the amount of acreage being purchased by Bluewater Property Group.

7. Chief Kyle Kelley gave his monthly update on the **Naugatuck Ambulance Corps (NAC)**. He said it was a busy month. They responded to a critical issue at one of the schools. He said school officials and police personnel did an amazing job and so far, the outcome is great. They responded to a three family house fire on Andrew Avenue. NAC will be recognizing their employees the week of May 15th – May 21st for National EMS Week. He will email details to the board.

8. Mayor Hess said there will be a presentation on the potential **Skateboard Park Concepts and Location**. The project is in the early stages. He said we are looking for an indestructible skateboard park that is designed differently than the one we previously had. The mayor said he wants input from the community and from the kids themselves to see if this is what everyone wants. Recreation Department Secretary Emily Osterberg said they are looking at the playground area alongside Hop Brook Elementary School as the possible location for a skateboard park. It is close enough to downtown without being downtown. There are several businesses in the area where drinks and snacks can be purchased. Parks Superintendent Sandra Ribeiro said they were looking for a centrally located skateboard park accessible to kids from the entire town. A positive aspect to this location is that it is flat. Dave Peterson, from Rampage Skate Shop, said a playground company built our previous skateboard park. His company is offering solid construction. He showed a picture of the possible skateboard park we could have here. There are stairs, ledges and ramps.

Burgess Vitale asked what the other possible locations for a skateboard park are. He inquired about parking. He wanted to know if there are seams on the apparatus and how do you stop the bowl from filling with water.

Sandy Ribeiro said the old playground site at Salem Elementary School and Cedar Park were the other possible locations. Parking is on Crown Street or in the school parking lot when school is not in session.

Dave Peterson described how the skateboard park is created and assembled. Drainage will eliminate water in the bowl.

Burgess Mudry asked about fencing and the use of cameras around the skateboard park and splash pad.

Sandy Ribeiro said the area is already fenced.

Burgess Smith asked if there will be signs stating, "Skate at your own risk".

Sandy Ribeiro will speak to the insurance company. They usually say no signs are better than signs.

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Chief McAllister said it is possible to add cameras to that location and it makes sense to install cameras from the beginning.

Burgess Marengi wanted to know how many kids could skate at one time. He asked how long it would take to complete the project.

Dave Peterson said about twelve kids could be there at the same time but they take turns skating. They do not skate all at once. An individual skates for a minute or so at a time. Then someone else will take their turn. It should take around six to eight weeks to complete the project.

Burgess Mizeski asked what would happen to the concrete when kids throw salt on it because they want to skate in the wintertime.

Sandy Ribeiro said the skateboard park would be closed in the winter.

9. Mayor Hess said we already started a discussion on a town wide broadband project and formed a **Town Wide Broadband Project Due Diligence Committee**. Wolcott, Waterbury and possibly Middlebury have expressed a desire to join the project. Three or four information technology people will be added to the committee. He said we will be moving forward with a larger group.
10. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses authorize Mayor Hess to execute all contracts and related documents for **“Civil Engineering Services to Prepare a Parking Study of Downtown Naugatuck”** with Rose Tiso & Co. LLC, 35 Brentwood Avenue, Fairfield, CT 06825.
11. Mayor Hess said we may or may not do a parking phone app to help with the **Downtown Parking** issue. We will be acquiring additional parking downtown. He asked burgesses to share their thoughts.

Burgess Vitale said he is opposed to paying for parking downtown. Merchants need to work it out with each other. Perhaps landlords can put something in the lease. He has never had a problem parking downtown.

Burgess Smith feels the opposite of Burgess Vitale. She has trouble finding parking every time she goes downtown. Merchants have spoken to each other and it is still happening.

Burgess Mudry agrees with Burgess Smith. The train station is coming and there is going to be construction. There is no way to enforce the two hour parking requirement.

Burgess Bronko is in favor of using the phone app if we have no alternative.

Burgess Neth said he has received many calls opposing the phone app since there was an article in the newspaper. It's a problem that needs to be addressed. He wonders if we should hold a public hearing on the issue.

Burgess Dambowsky thinks there has to be an alternative. He doesn't think paying to park is the only way.

Burgess Neth-Kunin said she is on the fence. She can see both positions on the issue.

Burgess Marengi said clearly, there is a problem. Data from the parking study is needed. He's not comfortable making our elderly use a phone app.

Mayor Hess said we have an immediate problem with parking and will have a problem down the road. He doesn't know if the additional parking we are acquiring will solve the problem.

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Burgess Mizeski doesn't think it is enforceable. He doesn't think it will work especially with the elderly going into hair salons. We will have to hire a person to walk up and down the street to see if people are parking too long.

Lieutenant Vostinak said business owners could enter the patron's plate number on their phone app or collect the minimum charge.

Chief McAllister said they brought an option for the board to use now. Other options are not for them to present. They are limited to enforcing parking issues downtown.

Mr. Hwang, PayByPhone Sales Director said the data received, once the parking phone app is implemented, will be valuable. The parking study is a snapshot but the information received by the phone app is daily and ongoing. The project can be customized to work for the borough and its residents. The parking phone app can be implemented initially without charging to park. We can charge a fee later if desired.

12. Mayor Hess appointed **Michael Allison** (D), 232 Bluebird Drive, Naugatuck, CT 06770 as a regular member of the **Zoning Board of Appeals**, filling the expired term E. Rachuba, term to expire December 1, 2026.
13. Mayor Hess appointed **Steven K. Hunt** (R), 18 Partridgetown Road, Naugatuck, CT 06770 as an alternate member of the **Fire Commission**, filling the unexpired term of R. Didato, term to expire December 1, 2022.
14. Mayor Hess appointed **Francis Santana**, 1 New Street, Naugatuck, CT 06770 as a regular member to the **Arts Commission**, term to expire April 1, 2024.
15. Mayor Hess reappointed the following regular members to the **Arts Commission**, terms to expire April 1, 2024, as if read:

Catherine M. Ernsky
56 Rockwell Avenue
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Frank Alcorace
47 Jones Road
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Aldona LaPorta
300 Spring Street
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Janice L. Dambowsky
35 Moonlight Circle
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Elizabeth Wierzbicki
50 Rockwell Avenue
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Matthew Tansley
400 Park Avenue
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Valerie Doty
1081 New Haven Road, Apt. 14D
Naugatuck, CT 06770

16. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Neth-Kunin that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the appointment of **Christopher Sheedy** (D), 50 Debbie Lane, Naugatuck, CT 06770 as a regular member of the **Golf Course Commission**, filling the expired term of J. Rizk, term to expire June 1, 2024.

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17. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses authorize Mayor Hess to execute all contracts and related documents with SLR Corporation, 45 Glastonbury Boulevard, Glastonbury, CT 06033 to perform **Phase 1 Studies on Parcel Y** (2.6 acre parcel) in the amount of **\$4,000** and on **Parcel Z** (.69 acre parcel) in the amount of **\$3,500**.
18. Mayor Hess said a **Tax Incremental Financing District (TIF)** is critical for the future of Naugatuck. He invited the burgesses to meet with him individually to look over the maps and documents so they will be prepared to vote next month on implementing a TIF District. There are many steps in the process and he wants to get the process started soon. They need to think about the Rubber Avenue Corridor, the LANXESS Property Industrial Area, downtown, as well as any other areas they want to include for new construction. New revenue is treated differently than existing revenue in the TIF District. The object is to get as much new revenue as we can.
19. Mayor Hess said the **Facade Improvement Program** is interrelated with the TIF District. Part of the TIF District is raising money for a Façade Improvement Program in the district. There are many new projects happening on Rubber Avenue. There is new construction and five town projects. We have LOTCIP money that will be used to widen the road and install new sidewalks and underground utilities. It will look much better. Some facades on Rubber Avenue need work. We want to incentivize people to improve the façade of their property. Mayor Hess said we want to improve Rubber Avenue to be the gateway to Naugatuck High School and the borough. Burgess Smith is in charge of the program.

Mayor Hess recessed the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Mayor Hess reconvened the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

20. Mayor Hess said there has been a long term problem with out of town cars not being registered and not being taxed. A program was implemented over the last several years that has been very successful. Stephanie Savoy, from **Savoy & Associates**, said her team travels through town capturing out of state plates. Once a plate is captured, it goes through a system over a three to four month period. If it is a multi captured plate, her team then looks to see if it is a new resident. It then goes to the assessor's office who sends a tax liability notice regarding their out of state plate. Predominantly they are renters. People from New York do not understand that their license plate needs to be registered in Connecticut if the vehicle is in Connecticut on a regular basis. They are now seeing repeat offenders. A file is being built on those people and the case is stronger to go after them for prior taxes lost. Assessor Shelby Jackson said this is a fair process for everyone. They educate people from other states what is required in Connecticut regarding motor vehicles.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses enter into an agreement with **Savoy & Associates** as presented with the modification not to exceed **\$50,000** without the approval of the assessor and the mayor.

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21. Mayor Hess believes the borough needs a fulltime, not part time, **Emergency Management Director Position**. He thinks this position is critical. He discussed some of the job responsibilities in the proposed job description. The salary will be discussed in executive session. Burgess Marengi asked what both chiefs think of a fulltime position. Chief of Police McAllister, Fire Chief Russell and Deputy Fire Chief Hanks agree the position should be fulltime and that Fran Dambowsky has been working fulltime and receiving a stipend salary. They said a fulltime position would free both fire and police personnel from performing emergency management duties.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses create a fulltime position of **Emergency Management Director** and that the job description handed out tonight will become the job description for the position.

22. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses waive the bid and authorize Mayor Hess to enter into an agreement with Sullivan Brothers Remodeling, 1 Wolcott Road, Wolcott, CT 06716 for **“Phase 1 of the Project at the Fire Department”**, not to exceed the amount of **\$125,000**, as recommended by the Five Year Capital Committee.

23. Motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses adopt the following **Connecticut Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Resolution**, as if read:

WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Connecticut Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93 -3 83, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Borough of Naugatuck make application to the State for **\$2,000,000.00** in order to undertake a Small Cities Community Development Program and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should one be offered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Mayor and Burgesses;

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes; and,
2. That the filing of an application by the Borough of Naugatuck in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 is hereby approved, and that the Mayor of the Borough of Naugatuck is hereby authorized and directed to file such Application with the

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Commissioner of the Department of Housing, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required by the Commissioner, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Borough of Naugatuck.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FOR

Mayor N.W. Hess
R. Neth
M. Bronko
F. Dambowsky
C. Marengi

J. Mizeski
G. Mudry
D. Neth-Kunin
M. Smith
R. Vitale

OPPOSE

None

ABSTAIN

None

Motion carried 10-0-0

24. Discussion/possible action to **accept** the Connecticut Water Company's recommendation to award the **Crestwood Drive Water Main Installation Project** to John J. Brennan Construction Company.
Tabled.
25. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses refer the **acquisition of three parcels of land from the Connecticut Water Company** to the Planning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the CT General Statutes and authorize Mayor Hess to execute all contracts and related documents.
26. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses refer the **sale and transfer of 0 Beacon Manor Road, Assessor's Parcel #053-3550** to the Planning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the CT General Statutes and authorize Mayor Hess to execute all contracts and related documents.
27. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses refer the **sale of a parcel of land at the intersection of May Street and Maple Hill Road, Assessor's Parcel #065-7114** to the Planning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the CT General Statutes and authorize Mayor Hess to execute all contracts and related documents.
28. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses refer the **sale 41 Raytkwich Road, Assessor's Parcel # 074-9120** to the Planning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the CT General Statutes and authorize Mayor Hess to execute all contracts and related documents.

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29. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses **rescind** the action of the board made on **April 5, 2022, item #25 in the meeting minutes**, regarding the abatement of taxes on 56 Patricia Lane.
30. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses abate the taxes on real property, GL 2007-2012, ID #016-2415 in the amount of **\$14,787.44** owned by **Maltese Lori Ruby and Scott Ruby, 56 Patricia Lane, Naugatuck, CT 06770** pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 12-81.
31. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses **abate \$60,716.35 in uncollectible taxes** as recommended by the Tax Collector James Goggin.
32. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses designate **the week of May 1, 2022 as Teacher Appreciation Week** in the Borough of Naugatuck
33. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko 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
2020-01-0000970	ATTY. CHENETTE C. TRUSTEE	76 WATERTOWN ROAD 2H	THOMASTON, CT 06787	-2,581.61
2020-01-0001363	BROWN, JAKE S.	39 CLIFF STREET	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-2,325.67
2020-01-0006926	KIERNAN, BRIAN	153 STORMVILLE ROAD	HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533	-2,295.35
2020-01-0010279	VELAZQUEZ, NORMA	1 NINA DRIVE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-14.09
2020-02-0040498	FRANKLIN MEDICAL GROUP PC	56 FRANKLIN STREET	WATERBURY, CT 06706	-569.66
2020-03-0050156	ACAR LEASING LTD	4001 EMBARCADERO DR.	ARLINGTON, TX 76014	-620.72
2020-03-0053789	CARVALHO-DEMIRANDA, JOSEMAR	66 GOLDEN HILL STREET	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-219.94
2020-03-0055461	DANA, JOSEPH JR.	31 CROFUT ROAD	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-184.27
2020-03-0056213	DIAZ, MADELINE	226 TAWNY THRUSH ROAD	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-2.00
2020-03-0057107	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	9315 OLIVE BOULEVARD	SAINT LOUIS, MO 63132	-273.46
2020-03-0059379	GUY, NANCY M.	299 EVENING STAR DRIVE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-98.55
2020-03-0059543	HANNAFEY, PATRICIA	70 TURNER ST UNIT 2C	WARWICK, RI 02886	-61.20
2020-03-0059544	HANNAFEY, PATRICIA	70 TURNER ST UNIT 2C	WARWICK, RI 02886	-25.42
2020-03-0061230	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-249.56
2020-03-0061252	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-776.21
2020-03-0061255	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-511.66
2020-03-0061278	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-443.12
2020-03-0061292	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-683.56

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2020-03-0061300	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-253.08
2020-03-0061343	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-793.80
2020-03-0061346	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-653.62
2020-03-0061513	KASEK, THOMAS A.	18 VILLAGE CIRCLE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-1.84
2020-03-0062463	HORTON, CHERYL A.	60 GUNNTOWN ROAD	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-210.68
2020-03-0062950	LOMAX, RAYMOND C.	28 CAITLIN CIRCLE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-15.78
2020-03-0064908	MILLER, LANISE C.	274 SPRING STREET # 5-3	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-70.30
2020-03-0072018	TACCARIELLO, DONNA	133 PLATTS MILL ROAD	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-18.04
2020-03-0072649	TOYOTA LEASE TRUST	3200 W. RAY ROAD	CHANDLER, AZ 85226	-181.36
2020-03-0073576	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD	1401 FRANKLIN BOULEVARD	LIBERTYVILLE, IL 60048	-330.08
2020-03-0073644	WAKELEY, KENNETH M.	34 CELENTANO DRIVE	NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	-97.65
2020-03-0073843	WEATHERTITE SYSTEMS LLC	550 MAIN STREET SOUTH	BETHLEHEM, CT 06751	-109.58
2020-03-0073844	WEATHERTITE SYSTEMS LLC	550 MAIN STREET SOUTH	BETHLEHEM, CT 06751	-109.58
2020-03-0073846	WEATHERTITE SYSTEMS LLC	550 MAIN STREET SOUTH	BETHLEHEM, CT 06751	-351.68
2020-04-0083087	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NA	P.O. BOX 901098	FORT WORTH, TX 76101	-349.02
2020-04-0085920	TOYOTA LEASE TRUST	P.O. BOX 23590	NASHVILLE, TN 37202	-156.96
			TOTAL	-15,699.29

34. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses add to the agenda three motions for funding on the **Removal and Replacement of Vinyl Asbestos Flooring Projects**.
35. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the use of funds from the Capital Reserve Account to fund the **Removal and Replacement of Vinyl Asbestos Flooring Project at City Hill Middle School** in the amount of **\$180,000**.
36. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the use of funds from the Capital Reserve Account to fund the **Removal and Replacement of Vinyl Asbestos Flooring Project at Andrew Avenue Elementary School** in the amount of **\$180,000**.
37. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses approve the use of funds from the Capital Reserve Account to fund the **Removal and Replacement of Vinyl Asbestos Flooring Project at Salem Elementary School** in the amount of **\$40,000**.
38. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses add to the agenda discussion/possible action regarding a **Dumpster Collection and Disposal Services Agreement**.

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39. Discussion/possible action regarding **Board of Education, Municipal Buildings and Housing Authority Dumpster Collection and Disposal Services Agreement**, contract extension from July 1, 2022 to and including June 30, 2027, with USA Hauling & Recycling, Inc.
Tabled.
40. Public Comment – None
41. Burgess Comments/Sub-Committee Reports
Mayor Hess said there will be a Food Truck Battle Festival on May 14th and May 15th at the Naugatuck Event Center. It has gone viral and he expects 30,000 people coming to the borough.
Burgess Dambowsky reported a firefighter was injured battling the fire on Andrew Avenue.
Burgess Mudry thanked the police department for the press release on the Black Rock Canines situation.
Burgess Vitale thinks we should move to a larger venue to hold the public hearing on the budget.

Mayor Hess recessed the meeting at 10:21 p.m.

Mayor Hess reconvened the meeting at 10:36 p.m.

42. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko to recess to Executive Session at **10:36 p.m.** for discussion on the following: **Personnel** (Deputy Police Chief, Senior Center Director, Emergency Management Position), **Real Estate** (LANXESS Property, Parcels A, B, Y & Z, Bank of America, Acquisition of Land for Downtown Parking, Norcom Expansion, Tax Incremental Financing District, Remnant Parcel – Evelyn Drive), **Collective Bargaining** (Fire Union) and **Pending Litigation** inviting in Human Resources Director John Lawlor.

Mayor Hess reconvened the meeting at **10:55 p.m.**

43. The following motions emanated from Executive Session.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses authorize Mayor Hess to enter into an employment agreement with **Daniel Norck as Deputy Chief of Police** as discussed in executive session for a term commencing on April 19, 2022 and terminating on June 30, 2026.

Mayor Hess swore in Daniel Norck as the Deputy Chief of Police.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses authorize Mayor Hess to enter into an employment agreement with **Harvey Frydman as Senior Center Director** as discussed in executive session for a term commencing on March 1, 2021 and terminating on June 30, 2027.

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For the record:

Mayor Hess: “All of these matters will become public information as soon as the agreements are signed and that should be on both cases this week.”

The board returned into executive session for the second time at 10:57 p.m.

The mayor reconvened the meeting at 11:44 p.m.

The following motions emanated from the second Executive Session.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Smith that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses set the salary of the **Emergency Management Director at \$80,000 a year plus benefits.**

Burgess Dambowsky abstained.

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses **extend the contract to acquire the LANXESS Property until June 30, 2022.**

VOTED: Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko that the Board of Mayor and Burgesses **accept a deed to property on Evelyn Drive**, a vacant lot that adjoins open space connected to the Bridle Trail, for potential use for parking or other needs to improve the Bridle Trail and open space.

44. **VOTED:** Unanimously on a motion by Deputy Mayor Neth and seconded by Burgess Bronko to adjourn the regular meeting at **11:47 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