



Stratford, Connecticut

MINUTES OF MEETING

THE STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL CONDUCTED A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2017 IN THE AUDITORIUM OF STRATFORD HIGH SCHOOL, NORTH PARADE, STRATFORD, CT PURSUANT TO NOTICE DULY POSTED.

CALL TO ORDER — 8:00 P.M.

PRESIDING: Council Chairman Beth Daponte

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ms. Beth Daponte, Mr. Scott Farrington-Posner, Mr. Wali Kadeem, Mr. David Harden, Mr. Gregory Cann, Mr. Philip Young, Ms. Marianne Antezzo, Mr. J. Vincent Chase, Mr. Alan Llewelyn, Ms. Tina Manus.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor John Harkins, Town Clerk Susan Pawluk

PRAYER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE — Dispensed with.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — Minutes of: Public Forum and Regularly scheduled Council meeting of November 13, 2017

RESOLVED: that the reading of the minutes of the foregoing meetings be dispensed with as copies thereof have been previously provided to each Council Member and the same be and are hereby approved.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. YOUNG, SECONDED BY MR. FARRINGTON-POSNER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MEETING WITH AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE COUNCIL MEMBER ANTEZZO IN EXECUTIVE SESSION ATTENDANCE. THE MOTION PASSED 10 TO 0 AS AMENDED.

2. DISPENSE WITH: PUBLIC FORUM, CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

3. DISPENSE WITH: COUNCIL MEMBERS' RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC FORUM

4. DISPENSE WITH: COMMUNICATIONS, BILLS, PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES

5. DISPENSE WITH: MAYOR'S REPORT, COMMITTEE REPORTS, TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT.

6. DISPENSE WITH: QUESTIONS FOR THE MAYOR

7. DISPENSE WITH: UNFINISHED BUSINESS and/or OLD BUSINESS

8. DISPENSE WITH: ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

9. NEW BUSINESS — CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD

TOWN OF STRATFORD

AS CERTIFIED ON NOVEMBER 8, 2017, at the regular election held on November 7, 2017, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.1.1 of the Town Charter, the following persons were duly elected:

- A. To the Office of the Mayor for a term of four (4) years commencing December 11, 2017
HONORABLE LAURA HOYDICK

RESOLVED: that the foregoing Certification of Election of Mayor for a term of four (4) years commencing December 11, 2017 be and is hereby accepted.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. CHASE, SECONDED BY MS. ANTEZZO TO APPROVE THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. To the Office of Councilman for a term of two (2) years commencing December 11, 2017.

- FIRST DISTRICT — HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER PIA
- SECOND DISTRICT — HONORABLE RONALD TICHY
- THIRD DISTRICT — HONORABLE WALI KADEEM
- FOURTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE DAVID L. HARDEN
- FIFTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE GREGORY CANN
- SIXTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE KENETH POISSON
- SEVENTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE WILLIAM PERILLO
- EIGHTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE JAMES J. CONNOR
- NINTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE WILLIAM O'BRIEN
- TENTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE LAURA DANCHO

RESOLVED: that the foregoing Certification of Election of Council members for a term of two (2) years commencing December 11, 2017 be and is hereby accepted.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. CHASE, SECONDED BY MR. HARDEN TO APPROVE THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- C. Certificates of Appreciation to Council Members — Presented by Town Clerk
- HON. MARIANNE ANTEZZO, 7th District Councilwoman
 - HON. J. VINCENT CHASE, 8th District Councilman

- HON. SCOTT FARRINGTON-POSNER, 2nd District Councilman
- HON. ALAN LEWELYN, 9th District Councilman
- HON. TINA MANUS, 10th District Councilwoman
- HON. PHILIP YOUNG, 6th District Councilman
- HON. BETH OSBORNE DAPONTE, Council Chairwoman 1st District Councilwoman

10 COMMENTS FROM DEPARTING COUNCIL MEMBERS

- HON. MARIANNE ANTEZZO
- HON. TINA MANUS
- HON. SCOTT FARRINGTON-POSNER
- HON. ALAN LEWELYN
- HON. PHILIP YOUNG, Majority Leader
- HON. J. VINCENT CHASE, Minority Leader, Chair Pro Temp
- HON. BETH OSBORNE DAPONTE, Council Chair

11. ADJOURNMENT OF 2015-2017 SESSION OF STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. CHASE, SECONDED BY MR. YOUNG TO ADJOURN THE MEETING THUS CONCLUDING THE 2015-2017 SESSION OF THE STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL AT 8:30 P.M.

ATTEST:

Carol Cabral

Carol Cabral, Council Clerk



Stratford, Connecticut

MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF § 2.1.3 OF THE STRATFORD TOWN CHARTER, A MEETING OF THE NEWLY ELECTED STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL WAS CONDUCTED ON MONDAY DECEMBER 11, 2017 IN THE AUDITORIUM OF STRATFORD HIGH SCHOOL, NORTH PARADE, STRATFORD, CT.

1. CALL TO ORDER — by temporary Chairman Town Clerk Susan Pawluk at 8:35 p.m.
COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Chris Pia, Mr. Ron Tichy, Mr. Wali Kadeem, Mr. David Harden, Mr. Gregory Cann, Mr. Ken Poisson, Mr. William Perillo, Mr. James Connor, Mr. Bill O'Brien, Ms. Laura Dancho

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Laura Hoydick, Town Clerk Susan Pawluk, Assistant Town Clerk Len Green

RECEIVING OF PLAQUES BY OUTGOING ELECTED OFFICIALS — presented by Town clerk

Constable Ed Monroe; Land Use Commissioners John Dempsey, Joe Paul, Mark Juliano, Linda Pepin, David Fuller, Christopher Silhavey, Charles Senft; Board of Education members Terry Sheehy, Chris Barnaby, Len Petrucelli, Jim Feehan

2. OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED

By The Honorable Judge Kurt Ahlberg to the following newly elected officials:

PLANNING COMMISSIONERS

Term of office: January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2022

- DISTRICT III – Harold Watson
- DISTRICT IV — Dan Senft
- DISTRICT V — John Staley

ZONING COMMISSIONERS

Term of office: January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2022

- DISTRICT III — Alec Voccola
- DISTRICT IV — Christopher Silhavey
- DISTRICT V — Michael Henrick
- DISTRICT I — (to fill vacancy for two years) — Richard Fredette

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS COMMISSIONERSTerm of office: January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2022

- DISTRICT I — Mary Young
- DISTRICT II — Paul A. Tavaras (not in attendance)
- DISTRICT III — Annette R. Streets

CONSTABLESTerm of office: November 21, 2017 to November 19, 2019

- Carol Cabral
- Richard P. Brown
- Richard Brown, Jr.
- Frank Bevacqua
- John A. Dobos, Jr.
- Robert J. Connolly (not in attendance)
- Edward J. Scinto

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERSTerm of office: December 11, 2017 to December 13, 2021

- Allison Delbene
- Vincent Faggella
- Robert DeLorenzo
- Karen Rodia

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERSTerm of office: December 11, 2017 to December 9, 2019

- FIRST DISTRICT — HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER PIA
- SECOND DISTRICT — HONORABLE RONALD TICHY
- THIRD DISTRICT — HONORABLE WALI KADEEM
- FOURTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE DAVID HARDEN
- FIFTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE GREG CANN
- SIXTH DISTRICT — HONORABLE KENETH POISSON
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By State Representative and Republican House Leader the Honorable Themis Klarides to:

MAYORTerm of office: December 11, 2017 to December 13, 2021

HONORABLE LAURA HOYDICK

3. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: that EIGHTH DISTRICT COUNCILMAN JAMES CONNOR be and is hereby appointed Chairman of the Stratford Town Council.

TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON PAWLUK ASKED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR PERMANENT TOWN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN. SHE ACCEPTED A MOTION FROM MR. POISSON AND A SECOND FROM MR. HARDEN TO NOMINATE JAMES CONNOR. HEARING NO OTHER NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, SHE ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS. MR. POISSON MOTIONED, SECONDED BY MR. HARDEN TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS. THE MOTION TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. THE MOTION TO SELECT JAMES CONNOR FOR COUNCIL CHAIRMAN PASSED 10 TO 0.

4. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE

RESOLVED: that SIXTH DISTRICT COUNCILMAN KEN POISSON be and is hereby appointed Chairman Pro Tempore of the Stratford Town Council.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. PIA, SECONDED BY MR. HARDEN TO NOMINATE KEN POISSON FOR TOWN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE. THE MOTION PASSED 10 TO 0.

5. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL CLERK

RESOLVED: that CAROL CABRAL of 1034 EAST MAIN STREET- be and is hereby appointed Council Clerk until the effective date of her retirement, but not to exceed sixty days at a salary as outlined in grade 5, step 6 of the current Employees salary schedule.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MS. DANCHO, SECONDED BY MR. HARDEN TO APPOINT CAROL CABRAL AS STATED ABOVE. THE MOTION PASSED 10 TO 0.

6. ADJOURNMENT — Hearing no further discussion in connection with the above agenda items or further business, Mr. Connor entertained a motion to adjourn. ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY MR. HARDEN IT WAS VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Carol Cabral

Carol Cabral, Council Clerk