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## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**JANUARY 25, 2012**

Mayor Timothy E. O'Brien called the Regular Meeting of the Common Council to order on Wednesday, the 25th of January 2012 at 7:36 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

Fourteen members were present at roll call: Ald. Trueworthy, Magnuszewski, DeFronzo, Sanchez, Collins, Black, Carlozzi, Hermanowski, Platosz, Brown, Freeman, Pabon, Giantonio, and Bielinski.

One member was absent: Ald. Centeno.

Ald. Trueworthy was granted a point of personal privilege and announced that Ald. Centeno was absent due to the serious illness of his mother and asked that we keep Ald. Centeno and his family in our thoughts.

Ald. Carlozzi was granted a point of personal privilege and asked that a moment of silence be observed in memory of Victor Tomasso, long time businessman and benefactor. Mr. Tomasso died on January 23, 2012.

City Clerk, Peter J. Denuzze, gave the invocation: O God, our Heavenly Father, bless the city of New Britain and all its citizens. Bless this Common Council and the work they are engaged in. Grant that they work together for the betterment of our City. We ask this in Thy name. Amen.

Julie Swan led the pledge to the flag.

Ald. Bielinski moved to amend the agenda by substituting 31722(H), by deleting L, and M, and by adding 31728(N1), 31729(N2), 31730(N3), and 31736(5), seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor.

### **PETITIONS**

- 31737           ALD. BLACK FOR INVESTIGATING THE CLOSURE OF THE EAST SIDE OF LEO STREET AND ENFORCE THE PARKING BAN IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.**
- 31738           ALD. BLACK FOR INVESTIGATING A VERMIN INFESTATION AT AN ABANDONED HOUSE LOCATED AT 20 LEO STREET. REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND DEPT. OF LICENSES, PERMITS & INSPECTIONS.**
- 31739           ALD. BIELINSKI FOR INVESTIGATING THE PARKING SITUATION AT THE END OF LEO STREET AND THE POTENTIAL FOR PLACING “NO PARKING” SIGNS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE STREET. REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.**
- 31740           ALD. DEFRONZO FOR INSTALLATION OF A “STOP” SIGN AT THE CORNER OF CHAPMAN STREET AND RHODES STREET. REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.**

Ald. Bielinski moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor. Approved January 12, 2012 by Timothy E. O'Brien, Mayor.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

**CITY CLERK**

**31715 RE: CLAIMS FOR INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

CLAIMANTS NAME

- Korzynski, Janice A.
- Labreck, Damien D.

Peter J. Denuzze  
City Clerk

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

**31716 RE: LINE ITEM TRANSFERS – JAN. 4, 2012 THRU JAN. 17, 2012**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

In accordance with the city of New Britain ordinance of Article VII – Finance, Section 2-494(c), the following departments have transferred monies from one line item to another within their departmental budget (total department budget has not changed). Each transfer will be continuously numbered from month to month throughout the fiscal year. This report represents the transfers executed by the mayor in accordance with the aforementioned ordinance for the period ending January 17, 2012

11. Department:	Building		
From:	001214002-5121		(Full Time Salaries)
To:	001214002-5122	\$11,000.00	(Overtime)
	001214002-5336	\$ 5,000.00	(Other Purchase Services)
Amount:	\$16,000.00		
Brief Description:	Funds needed for overtime for anti-blight inspections, calls by city dispatch for emergencies and services for emergency boarding up of property		

Rebecca Salerni  
Deputy Finance Director

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

**31717 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – A COMMAND AND LAB EVIDENCE COLLECTION VEHICLE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), a purchase order was requested by the New Britain Police Department for the following under the Federal Government’s GSA Cooperative Purchasing Plan:

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<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Farber Specialty Vehicles Columbus, OH.	Command and Lab Evidence Collection Vehicle	\$162,026.00

The New Britain Police Department requested a purchase order for the purchase of a Command and Lab Evidence Collection vehicle utilizing the Federal Government's contract award GS-30F-0008N. This new vehicle will help to the Police Department collect and analyze evidence and manage major crime scenes. The Police Department has made due with working out of the trunks of their police cruisers and other vehicles. For professional policing and the integrity of modern evidence collection they need to have a proper vehicle. With the size of the City and the amount of crime scenes they process, this new vehicle will be not only a great benefit to the investigators and the courts, but to the citizens of New Britain that the Police Department provides service to. The cost of the Command and Lab Evidence Collection Vehicle is being paid for by the Federal Government. Police Department Administration requested that the expense for this purchase be taken from their account number, 289211128-5740, Drug Investigation, Asset Forfeiture Federal, Other Miscellaneous Equipment.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$162,026.00 to Farber Specialty Vehicles of Columbus OH for the purchase of a Command and Lab Evidence Collection Vehicle for the New Britain Police Department utilizing the Federal Government's GSA Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #GS-30F-008N.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31718 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – 2012 FORD F350 4 X 4 PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), a purchase order was requested by the New Britain Water Department for the following under the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Crowley Ford, LLC Plainville, CT.	2012 Ford F350 4x4 Pickup Truck	\$32,752.00

The New Britain Water Department requested a purchase order for a new 2012 Ford F350 4x4 Pickup Truck utilizing the State of Connecticut's contact Award 10PSX0239. This new pickup truck will replace a pickup truck that the Water Department has been utilizing since 1999. Funds are available within the Water Department's account number, 9303501000-5436, Capital Equipment. The purchase of this new 2012 Ford F350 4x4 Pickup Truck was presented and approved by the Water Commission at their January 10, 2012 meeting.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$32,752.00 to Crowley Ford, LLC of Plainville, CT for the purchase of a 2012 Ford F350 4x4 Pickup Truck, for the New Britain Water Department utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #10PSX0239.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31719 RE: PRINTING OF BROCHURES FOR THE PARK & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

Public Bid No. 3645 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the Printing of Summer/Fall 2012 and the Winter/Spring 2012-2013 Brochures for the Parks & Recreation Department. Funding is available for the printing of these Brochures within the Park and

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Recreation's Account Numbers 001420001-5835, Recreation Programs and 001420001-5550, General Fund, Printing and Advertising.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to sixty-six (66) Printing Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Printing Companies on the mailing list who indicated that they could not respond to the bid request. The Responses received are on file in the Town Clerks Office.

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Parks & Recreation Department's Administration and the Purchasing Agent. As done previously, the Parks and Recreation Department's Administration would like a brochure that is appealing so more parents look at the brochure and become aware of the programs offered by the City for their children. Therefore the Director of Parks and Recreation is recommending that the bid be awarded to TCI Press, Inc of Seekonk, MA who was the lowest bidder for the printing of the brochures.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to enter into a contract and issue purchase orders to TCI Press, Inc of Seekonk, MA in the amount of \$1,845.00 for the printing of 10,000 Summer/Fall 2012 Brochures and \$1,845.00 for the printing of 10,000 Winter/Spring 2012-2013 Brochures for the Parks and Recreation Department per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3645.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31720 RE: SLIDING GATE FOR THE WATER DEPT. CARETAKER ROAD ENTRANCE**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

Public Bid No. 3623 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for a Sliding Gate at the Water Department's Caretaker Road Entrance. Funding is available for this purchase within the Water Department's account number 9303501100-5897, Capital Improvements, Miscellaneous.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to thirty (30) Fence Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Fence Companies on the mailing list who indicated they could not provide a response to the bid request. The Responses received are on file in the Town Clerks Office.

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Water Department's Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Therefore the Director of the Water Department is recommending the bid be awarded to P&C Fence Company of Bridgeport, CT who was the lowest bidder and met all of the bid specifications. The bid results were presented to the Water Commission at their January 10, 2012 meeting. At this meeting they approved the Director of the Water Department's recommendation to award the bid to P&C Fence Company of Bridgeport, CT

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to enter into a contract and issue a Purchase Order for \$18,300.00 to P&C Fencing of Bridgeport, CT for a Sliding Gate at the Water Department's Caretaker Road Entrance per the specifications and terms of Public Bid No 3623.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31721 RE: DOME STYLE TENSION STRUCTURE, QUONSET HUT, FOR THE WATER DEPT.**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

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Public Bid No. 3633 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the purchase of a Dome Style Tension Fabric Structure, Quonset Hut, for the Water Department. The funding for this purchase is within the Water Department's Capital Account, number, 9303501100-5897, Capital Improvements, Miscellaneous.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to ten (10) structural building companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the structural building companies on the mailing list who indicated that they could not respond to the bid request. The Responses received are on file in the Town Clerks Office.

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Water Department Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Therefore the Director of the Water Department is recommending the bid be awarded to Mathes Development LLC of Canton, CT who submitted the lowest bid and met all of the bid specifications. The bid results were presented to the Water Commission at their January 10, 2012 meeting. At this meeting they approved the Director of the Water Department's recommendation for the purchase of the Dome Style Tension Fabric Structure, Quonset Hut, from Mathes Development LLC of Canton, CT.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with and issue a Purchase Order for \$24,797.00 to Mathes Development LLC of Canton, CT for the Purchase of a Dome Style Tension Fabric Structure, Quonset Hut, for the New Britain Water Department per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3633.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31722 RE: SOCCER FIELD RENOVATIONS AT WILLOW BROOK AND STANLEY QUARTER PARKS FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

Public Bid No. 3648 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the Soccer Field Renovations at Willow Brook and Stanley Quarter Parks for the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding for the Soccer Field Renovations is available in the Parks and Recreation Department's LOCIP account numbers, 2131900112-52066, Willow Brook Park Renovations and 2131900112-52067, Stanley Quarter Park Renovations.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to nine (9) Construction Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Construction Companies on the mailing list who indicated that they could not respond to the bid request. The Responses received are on file in the Town Clerks Office.

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Parks and Recreation Department's Administration, the City's On-call Engineering Company associated with this project and the Purchasing Agent. The City's On-Call Engineering Company conducted reference checks for all bidders and it was determined that pursuant to section 2-578 of the City Code of Ordinances that the lowest bidder was not the best qualified to perform the services in the bid. The second lowest bidder, Liberty Landscapes, LLC, was determined to be the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the requirements set forth in section 2-578 of the City Code of Ordinances. Therefore the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department is recommending the bid be awarded to Liberty Landscapes, LLC of South Windsor, CT who submitted the lowest responsible bid and met all of the bid specifications.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a Purchase Order for \$207,300.00 and enter into a contract with Liberty Landscapes, LLC of South Windsor, CT for the Soccer Field Renovations at Willow Brook and Stanley Quarter Parks for the Parks and Recreation Department per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3648.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31723 RE: GRANDSTAND BACKREST REPLACEMENT AT VETERANS STADIUM FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

Public Bid No. 3636 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the Grandstand Backrest Replacement at Veterans Stadium for the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding for this purchase of the Grandstand Backrest Replacement at Veterans is available in the Parks and Recreation Department's LOCIP account number, 2131900112-52034, Veterans Stadium Bleachers.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to ten(10) Grandstand Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Grandstand Companies on the mailing list who indicated that they could not respond to the bid request. The Responses received are on file in the Town Clerks Office.

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Parks and Recreation Department's Administration, the City's On-call Engineering Company associated with this project and the Purchasing Agent. Therefore the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department is recommending the bid be awarded to Southern Bleacher Company, Inc of Graham, TX who was the lowest responsible bidder and met all of the bid specifications.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a Purchase Order for \$135,220.00 and enter into a contract with Southern Bleacher Company, Inc of Graham, TX for the Grandstand Backrest Replacement at Veterans Stadium for the Parks and Recreation Department per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3636.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**21724 RE: BARIATRIC PATIENT COT LOADING RAMP SYSTEM FOR THE NEW BRITAIN EMS**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-531 a purchase order was requested by the New Britain EMS for the purchase of a Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System for their new ambulance.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Transafe Systems Plainview, NY.	Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System	\$6,820.00

The New Britain EMS has requested the purchase of Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System for their new ambulance that they will be taking delivery of in February. This Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System is for the new ambulance, purchased per Bid 3574, that was approved by the Common Council at their July 13, 2011 meeting, Resolution #31494. Bid #3574 was for the ambulance only and not for the needed equipment. However this Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System was included in the price of a new fully equipped ambulance that was approved by the Common Council at their October 13, 2010 meeting, Resolution # 31127-2, Appropriation and Bond Authorization for the purchase of various Capital Equipment, Fully Equipment Additional Ambulance. Transafe Systems is the manufacturer of this Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System. Transafe Systems has no dealers. The Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System must be purchased from them directly. This fact has been verified by the Purchasing Agent. Bid solicitation for the purchase of the Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System would not be beneficial to

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the City. Funding for this purchase is available within in the New Britain EMS account number, JL#0048100311-56141, Fully Equipment Additional Ambulance.

RESOLVED: The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$6,820.00 to Transafe Systems of Plainview, NY for the purchase of a Bariatric Patient Cot Loading Ramp System for the new ambulance for the New Britain EMS.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31725 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING 3 COMPUTERS FOR NEW AMBULANCE FOR THE NEW BRITAIN EMS**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), a purchase order was requested for the following under the Federal Government's Cooperative Purchasing Plan for the New Britain EMS.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Telrepc Wallingford, CT.	Panasonic CF 19 Ruggedized Computers	3	\$3,050.00
Total:			\$9,150.00

The New Britain EMS requested a purchase order for the purchase of three new Panasonic CF19 Ruggedized Toughbook Computers for their new ambulance utilizing the Federal Government's GSA Contract Award # GS-35F-0143R. Three (3) computers are necessary in the ambulance with two (2) computers to facilitate timely completion of patient care records. The third computer is limited to communications with the 9-1-1 communication center. The computers are for the new ambulance, purchased per Bid 3574, that was approved by the Common Council at their July 13, 2011 meeting, Resolution #31494. The Bid was for the ambulance only and not for the needed patient care equipment .The New Britain EMS will take delivery of the new ambulance in February. This purchase was included in the price of a new fully equipped ambulance that was approved by the Common Council at their October 13, 2010 meeting, Resolution # 31127-2, Appropriation and Bond Authorization for the purchase of various Capital Equipment. Funds are available within the New Britain EMS's account number, JL#0048100311-56141, Fully Equipment Additional Ambulance.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$9,150.00 to Telrepc of Wallingford, CT for the purchase of three (3) new Panasonic CF19 Ruggedized Computers for the new ambulance for the New Britain EMS utilizing the Federal Government's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #GS-35F-0143R.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31727 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – PATIENT CARE EQUIPMENT FOR NEW AMBULANCE FOR EMS**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 purchase orders were requested by the New Britain EMS for the following under the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan:

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<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Physico Control Redmond, WA.	Cardiac Monitoring System and Auto CPR Device	\$47,987.65
WPCS International Windsor, CT.	Radios, Mounting Kits, Antenna and installation	\$2,590.35
Boundtree Medical Dublin, OH.	Auto Ventilator, Oxygen Delivery System and Stretchers with Accessories	\$30,282.60
	Total:	\$80,860.60

The New Britain EMS requested purchase orders for cardiac monitors, radios, computers, stretchers and other patient care equipment that is required by the State Department of Health to be in an ambulance utilizing the State of Connecticut's contact Award 8PSX0157, 10PSX0316, 07PSX0164. This patient care equipment is for the new ambulance, purchased per Bid 3574, that was approved by the Common Council at their July 13, 2011 meeting, Resolution #31494. The Bid was for the ambulance only and not for the needed patient care equipment. The New Britain EMS will take delivery of the new ambulance in February. These purchases were included in the price of a new fully equipped ambulance that was approved by the Common Council at their October 13, 2010 meeting, Resolution # 31127-2, Appropriation and Bond Authorization for the purchase of various Capital Equipment. Funds are available within the New Britain EMS's account number, JL#0048100311-56141, Fully Equipment Additional Ambulance.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue purchase orders for \$47,987.65 to Physico Control of Redmond, WA, for Cardiac Monitoring Systems and Auto CPR Device, for \$2,590.35 to WPCS International of Windsor, CT, for Radios, Mounting Kits, Antenna and Installation and \$30,282.60 to Boundtree Medical for Auto Ventilator, Oxygen Delivery System, and Stretchers with accessories for the new ambulance for the New Britain EMS utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Awards #08PSX0157, #10PSX0316 and 07PSX0164.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

**31728 RE: FIVE APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES: MICHAEL T. KOCH, JOAN PINA, JESSICA ANGELO-JULIEN, LESLIE JACOBS, CORA BRADLEY**

To the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

I hereby appoint the following individual(s) to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for the term(s) as specified:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Michael T. Koch (R)	13 Harding Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Joan Pina, Chair (D)	130 City Avenue	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Jessica Angelo-Julien (D)	167 Reservoir Road	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Leslie Jacobs (R)	45 Park Place	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Cora Bradley (D)	50 Bassett Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13

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**31729 RE: 6 APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION ON THE ARTS: ANN SPITZEL-PILLA, FRANK BRADLEY, CATHERINE JURKIEWICZ, MICHAEL PLATOSZ, MICHAEL L. BROCHU, GEORGE ROSADO**

To the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

I hereby appoint the following individual(s) to the Commission on the Arts for the term(s) as specified:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Ann Spitzel-Pilla	717 Shuttle Meadow Ave.	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Frank Bradley	188 Vance Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Catherine Jurkiewicz, Chair	83 Royal Oak Road	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Michael Platosz	37 Olive Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Michael L. Brochu	296 Stanley Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
George Rosado	43 Holmes Avenue	1/1/12 – 12/31/13

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### **TAX DEPARTMENT**

**31731 RE: TAX ABATEMENTS, CORRECTIONS AND REFUNDS**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

The Collector of Taxes has referred a list of tax abatements, corrections and refunds. Acceptance and adoption is respectfully recommended.

Cheryl S. Blogoslawski  
Tax Collector

### **REPORTS OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSINS AND DEPARTMENTS**

### **OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

**31730 RE: RECOMMENDING FIVE INDIVIDUALS TO BE APPOINTED TO THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE: ANN SPEYER, JUAN VERDU, JANE ROWE, TONY CANE, CLARENCE E. WOODS**

To the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

I hereby recommend the following individual(s) to the School Building Committee for the term(s) as specified:

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Ann Speyer (D)	13 Audubon Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Juan Verdu (D)	19 Pond View Road	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Jane Rowe (D)	90 Streamside Lane	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Tony Cane (R)	110 Brook Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
Clarence E. Woods (R)	324 Barbour Road	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
*Sheila a. Smith (D)	300 Steele Street	1/1/12 – 12/31/13
*Frances B. Wolski (D)	22 Kenwood Drive	1/1/12 – 12/31/13

\*Amendment

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Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. Ald. Trueworthy moved to amend by adding the names "Sheila A. Smith (D) 300 Steele Street" and "Frances B. Wolski (D) 22 Kenwood Drive", seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. REPORT ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AS AMENDED. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 31st day of January 2012.

## NEW BUSINESS

### RESOLUTIONS

#### **31732 RE: BUDGET TRANSFER - \$75,000 CORPORATION COUNSEL – OUTSIDE LEGAL SERVICES**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Overview: City of New Britain hires outside legal services contracted by Corporation Counsel for legal matters, environmental issues and civil litigation due to conflict.

Whereas, Corporation Counsel is currently using Halloran Sage to work on the Willow Street Park Project and the Smart Park Project; which is currently at \$47,175.

Whereas, Corporation Counsel is also utilizing Howd and Ludorf for the representation of John Carlone in the Resparto litigation matter; which is currently at \$4,512 and the City is also in the process of retaining Howd and Ludorf for the representation of Anthony Paventi in the police discrimination lawsuits.

Whereas, Corporation Counsel believes that \$75,000 is sufficient to cover all costs and expenses pertaining to FY 11-12 outside legal services; and

Whereas, the FY 2011-2012 General Fund Contingency includes monies within its account to cover the requested \$75,000 in Corporation Counsel Legal Services,

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that monies be transferred within the FY 2011-2012 General Fund Budget for this purpose as follows:

From:		
001625101-5871	Contingency	\$ 75,000
To:		
001109001-5332	Corporation Counsel – Legal Services	\$ 75,000

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.

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Ald. Carlozzi moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Sanchez. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 31st. day of January 2012.

**31733 RE: THE TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF THE CORBIN HEIGHTS PROPERTY – PARCEL A3 TO THE HOSPITAL FOR SPECIAL CARE AND FOR THE RELEASE OF THE HOUSING USE RESTRICTION**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2002, the Housing Authority of the City of New Britain adopted a report titled "Master Plan of Development Pinnacle Heights Pinnacle Heights Extension Corbin Heights New Britain, Connecticut" prepared by Ferrero Hixon Associates, LLC, dated March 2002, as amended (the "Master Plan");

WHEREAS, the Master Plan provided that a portion of the Corbin Heights property identified in the Master Plan as Parcel A3 (the "Parcel") would be transferred to the Hospital for Special Care (the "Hospital"); and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut General Assembly, by Public Act 03-6, as amended by Public Act 04-2, authorized, among other things, the transfer of the Parcel to a developer designated by the City of New Britain for non-housing uses pursuant to an approved land use and disposition plan subject to certain conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Corbin Heights property, including the Parcel, is to be transferred by the current owner, CPS Properties, Inc. ("CPS"), a subsidiary of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, to Corbin Pinnacle, LLC ("CP,LLC"), or to an affiliate thereof, in connection with the redevelopment of the Corbin Heights property (the "Redevelopment"); and

WHEREAS, CP,LLC and the Hospital have agreed to terms for a proposed transfer of the Parcel to the Hospital following completion of the Redevelopment as set forth in that certain Letter of Intent dated October 25, 2011; and

WHEREAS, by a letter to CPS dated October 6, 2011, the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development has indicated the steps required by the relevant Public Acts in order to facilitate the transfer of the Parcel, which includes, among other things, the City of New Britain formally designating the Hospital as the developer of the Parcel for non-housing use; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2011, the New Britain Local Planning Committee approved the proposed terms for the transfer of the Parcel from CP,LLC to the Hospital upon completion of the Redevelopment and recommended that the City of New Britain designate the Hospital as developer of the Parcel; and

WHEREAS, the Parcel is currently subject to a deed restriction contained in a deed from the City of New Britain to the Housing Authority of New Britain dated September 29, 1948 and recorded in Volume 330 at Page 72 of the New Britain land records, which limits the use of the property to moderate rental housing (the "Housing Use Restriction"); and

WHEREAS, acquisition, development and use of the Parcel by the Hospital in a manner consistent with its mission is consistent with economic development plans for the Parcel and is in the best interest of the City of New Britain; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Hospital for Special Care is hereby designated as the developer of the Parcel for non-housing purposes consistent with its mission, as contemplated by, and for the purposes of, Section 36 of Connecticut Public Act 03-6 as amended by Public Act 04-2.

RESOLVED, That the City of New Britain shall release the Housing Use Restriction.

RESOLVED, That, Timothy E. O'Brien Jr., Mayor, be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of New Britain any documents or other instruments necessary or desirable in order to effect the foregoing resolutions, including a release of the Housing Use Restriction with respect to the Parcel.

Alderman David DeFronzo  
Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.

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Ald. Carlozzi moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Defronzo. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 31st. day of January 2012.

**31734 RE: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER NEW BRITAIN – YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES \$2,500**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolution Summary:

New Britain Youth and Family Services, the City's Youth Service Bureau and designated municipal agent for youth, has received a letter of award and check for grant funds totaling \$2,500 from the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain, Bombaci Family Fund. These funds are for the specific purpose to "provide some holiday cheer to children and families in need". Due to the late date of receipt of said funds (12/23/11), the monies will be used for Easter and other future holiday periods for families in need of food or other items.

Resolution Purpose:

This resolution authorizes Mayor Timothy O'Brien to sign the Grant Acceptance letter between New Britain Youth and Family Services and the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain. It also places the funds into the agency's fees and donations account for discretionary use in accordance with the terms of the agreement letter.

WHEREAS, New Britain Youth and Services has received notification of award of funds in the amount of \$2,500 from the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain; and

WHEREAS, the City requires signature of the Mayor to execute agreements and contracts; and

WHEREAS, the grant is specifically to "provide some holiday cheer to children and families in need;" and

WHEREAS, the New Britain Youth & Family Services maintains a fees and donations account for such purposes: therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Mayor Timothy O'Brien is hereby authorized to sign the aforementioned Grant Acceptance in the amount of \$2,500; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said funds are placed into the established revenue and expenditure accounts as follows:

Revenue Account #: 298536101-4421  
Expenditure Account #: 298536101-5835

Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez  
Alderman Rha-Sheen Brown  
Alderman J. Tobias Freeman

Ald. Brown moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Sanchez. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 31st. day of January 2012.

**31735 RE: BUDGET TRANSFER – COPORATION COUNSEL – PURCHASE OF FORECLOSED PROPERTY – 24 WASHINGTON STREET**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Overview: City of New Britain attends foreclosure sales to ensure that the City's interest in any outstanding debts of water, sewer, and taxes is protected. A recent foreclosure sale auction was held on a property at 24 Washington Street.

Whereas, at the recent foreclosure sale auction on 24 Washington Street, Corporation Counsel was the only bidder; the total cost incurred for the City to purchase this foreclosed property was \$11,006 which includes legal services rendered, and

Whereas, the City intends to market their property promptly after acquisition in order to recover all costs and expenses; and

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Whereas, there is \$0 available in the FY 2011-2012 Corporation Counsel Legal Services budget, the \$11,006 will be split three ways between water, sewer, and taxes; and

Whereas, the FY 2011-2012 Water Fund Professional Services account (9303500107-5331) has monies available within its account to cover one-third of the purchase price, and

Whereas, the FY 2011-2012 General Fund Contingency includes monies within its account to cover one-third of the purchase price,

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that monies be transferred within the FY 2011-2012 General Fund Budget for this purpose as follows:

From:			
001625101-5871	Contingency	\$	3,669
To:			
001109001-5525	Corporation Counsel – Foreclosed Properties	\$	3,669

Whereas, the FY 2011-2012 Sewer Fund Employee Medical Benefits account has monies available within its account due to unfilled vacancies to cover one-third of the purchase price,

Therefore, Be It Further Resolved, that monies be transferred within the FY 2011-2012 Sewer Fund Budget for this purpose as follows:

From:			
208315101-5237	Employee Medical Benefits	\$	3,669
To:			
208315101-5332	Legal Services	\$	3,669

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
President ProTem

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 31st. day of January 2012.

**31736 RE: SUPPORT FOR CCRPA RPI GRANT REQUEST – REGIONAL GIS PROJECT**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Whereas, along with Bristol, Berlin, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth and Southington; the City of New Britain is a member town of the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency (CCRPA); and

Whereas, CCRPA's mission is to plan and promote regional policies that enhance the vitality, accessibility, and quality of life in our communities; and

Whereas, one of the most valuable services regional planning agencies provide their member municipalities involves providing support on grant applications including applying for competitive grants projects that provide benefit for municipalities within the region; and

Whereas, CCRPA is submitting a Regional Performance Incentive (RPI) grant request to the State of Connecticut to establish a regional GIS website that will provide digital parcel mapping and make this information publicly available which will provide basic querying and measurement tools through an interactive web application; and

Whereas, the services provided to the member municipalities on the Regional GIS website will be performed at no cost to the member towns and cities, and the City can opt out of this project at any time without penalty; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the City of New Britain supports CCRPA in their Regional Performance incentive (RPI) grant request to the State of Connecticut for the Regional GIS project.

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Alderman Wilfredo Pabon  
Alderman Tonilynn Collins  
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski  
Ald. Emmanuel Sanchez  
Ald. Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.

Ald. Collins moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 31st. day of January 2012.

Ald. Bielinski was granted a point of personal privilege and proudly announced that Avery's Beverages of New Britain will be on the History Channel Show "Modern Marvels" on Monday, January 30, 2012 at 10 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Trueworthy moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk

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