

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

**MARCH 28,2012**

Mayor Timothy E. O'Brien called the Regular Meeting of the Common Council to order on Wednesday, the 28th day of March 2012 at 7:34 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

Ald. Collins was absent due to recent surgery.

City Clerk, Peter J. Denuzze, gave the invocation: O God, our Heavenly Father, bless this Common Council in their deliberations. We especially bless and pray for Fred Menditto, who died on March 24, 2012, and thank him for his many years of dedicated service as Tax Collector, Alderman and Commission Chairman. We ask this in Thy name. Amen.

Captain James Wardwell led the pledge to the flag.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Fred Menditto, former Tax Collector who died on Wed. March 24th. Mayor O'Brien said Mr. Menditto was dedicated to his job and to this community and will be greatly missed.

The Council stood at ease while Mayor O'Brien read and presented a proclamation to Sgt. Tracey Baden, an eighteen-year veteran of the New Britain Police Department. Sgt. Baden has been awarded "Officer of the Year" by the Connecticut Association of Women Police.

Ald. Bielinski moved to amend the agenda by substituting 31712-1(J), by adding 31807(5) and moving it to the front of the resolutions. Seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor.

### **PETITIONS**

**31808           ALD. BROWN FOR REPAIRING POTHoles AND FROST HEAVES ON PUTNAM STREET AND TALCOTT STREET IN THE VICINITY OF SMALLEY ACADEMY SCHOOL. REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.**

Ald. Bielinski moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor. Approved March 29, 2012 by Timothy E. O'Brien, Mayor.

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## CONSENT AGENA

### CITY CLERK

#### 31794 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

- Camden, Doris P.
- Zarow, Elzbieta

Peter J. Denuzze  
City Clerk

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

#### 31795 RE: LINE ITEM TRANSFERS 03/07/2012 THRU 03/20/2012

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 March 20, 2012

13. Department:	Registrar of Voters - Republican
From:	001104002-5436 (Equipment, Maintenance & Repairs)
To:	001104002-5810 (Dues, Fees & Memberships)
Amount:	\$800.00
Brief Description:	Funds needed for staff attendance at annual ROVAC Spring Convention

Robert Curry  
Finance Director

### PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

#### 31796 RE: ONE (1) SOLAR-POWERED WATER CIRCULATOR 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:

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-541 a purchase order has been requested by the Parks and Recreation Department for the purchase of one (1) Solar-Powered Water Circulator.

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<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
SolarBee, Inc. Dickinson, ND.	SB10000U80 Solar Powered Water Circulator	1	\$34,980.00

The Park and Recreation Department has requested the purchase of a new solar power Water Circulator. The Water Circulator is needed to control harmful algae in the Stanley Quarter Park Pond. This new Solar Water Circulator will circulate water at a higher rate per minute than the two (2) present Solar Power Water Circulators. The two (2) existing Solar Power Water Circulators will be utilized at other City Park ponds. The manufacturer of these Solar-Powered Water Circulators is a sole source provider. A review of the SolarBee, Inc website indicates purchasing of these Solar Water Circulators is available directly from SolarBee, Inc. Their website also indicates that SolarBee, Inc has a government patent on this unique Solar Powered Water Circulator. The Purchasing Agent has been in direct phone contact with the company to verify this information and has confirming documentation. Bid solicitation for the purchase of this Solar Powered Water Circulator would not be beneficial to the City when no other company can provide a bid for this Solar Powered Water Circulator. The funding for this purchase 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 and is available in the Park and Recreation Department's account number, JL#0041900111-56122, Pond Algae Control Devices.

Resolved: that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order to SolarBee, Inc of Dickinson, ND for the purchase of one (1) Solar-Powered Water Circulator at a quoted price of \$34,980.00.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31797 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING, DESKTOP COMPUTERS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS 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 Public Safety Telecommunications Department for the following under the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Hewlett Packard Omaha, NE.	HP Computers	8	\$977.04	\$7,816.32

Public Safety Telecommunications Department has requested the purchase of eight (8) small form factor Desktop Computers utilizing the State of Connecticut's Contract Award #11PSX0247. These personal computers will be in the LOCUTION Fire Station Alerting System which will replace a twenty (20) year old system. The new Fire Station Alerting System requires dedicated computers but shares digital connectivity. The net result is that two (2) phone lines for each Fire Station can be eliminated providing cost savings. The system will also be expanded to cover the New Britain Emergency Medical Services headquarters. One personal computer is being acquired as a spare unit. Each system includes the operating system and a multi-year warranty. The cost of the Desktop Computers is being paid from a grant from the United States Department of Justice (earmark) for technology improvements awarded to the City. The Public Telecommunications Department requested that the expense for this purchase be taken from their account number 257213101-5740, Federal Grant, other Miscellaneous Equipment.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$7,816.32 to Hewlett Packard of Omaha, NE for the purchase of eight (8) new HP Desk Top Computers utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #11PSX0247.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

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**31798 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING, REPAIRS TO A 2004 STERLING DUMP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS 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 Public Works Department for the following under the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Camerota Truck Parts Enfield, CT.	Remanufactured Transfer Case	\$10,810.42

The Public Works Department requested a purchase order for a Remanufactured Transfer Case for their 2004 Sterling 4x6 Dump Truck utilizing the State of Connecticut's contact Award 10PSX0044. During the last snow storm the Dump Truck was being utilized to plow and sand City streets the four wheel drive transfer case failed and the Dump Truck became inoperative. The Public Works Department had it towed to Camerota Truck Parts. Camerota Truck Parts is the only supplier of parts and also has a State of Connecticut contract to make transmission and other repairs for their cars and heavy duty trucks. This fact has been verified by the Purchasing Agent. This Dump truck needs to be repaired so it is operational again. The cost of making the needed repairs was more than the cost of installing a Remanufactured Transfer Case. Funds are available within the Public Works Department's account number, 001315006-5660 Vehicle Damage and Equipment Supplies.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$10,810.42 to Camerota Truck Parts of Enfield, CT for the purchase and installation of a Remanufactured Transfer Case for their 2004 Sterling Dump Truck utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #10PSX0044.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31799 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING, UNDERCOVER SURVEILLANCE RECORDER 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:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Law Enforcement Association, Inc Raleigh, NC.	Undercover Surveillance Recorder	\$5,590.00

The New Britain Police Department requested a purchase order for the purchase of a new Undercover Surveillance Recorder utilizing the Federal Government's contract award GS-07F-0048H. This new Undercover Surveillance Recorder will help the Police Department to investigate illegal activities making the City of New Britain a safer place to live. The money to pay for this Undercover Surveillance Recorder was obtained from a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Project Safe Neighborhoods. The Police Department Administration requested that the expense for this purchase be taken from their account number, 217211137-5740, Project Safe Neighborhoods, Equipment.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$5,590.00 to Law Enforcement Association Inc of Raleigh, NC for the purchase of a new Undercover Surveillance Recorder for the New Britain Police Department utilizing the Federal Government's GSA Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #GS-07F-0048H.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

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**31800 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING, NETWORK SERVICES FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 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 for the following under the State of Connecticut Cooperative purchasing plan for the Information Technology Department.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Mercury Group Stratford, CT.	Network Services	36 Hours	\$100.00
		Total Price	\$3,600.00

The Information Technology Department requested a purchase order from the Mercury Group to provide miscellaneous Networking Services, Network Drops for PC's and Copiers and support of the New Fleet Software system utilizing the Connecticut's Contract award 05ITZ0022MA. The Mercury Group has provided Network Services to Information Technology Department in the past and is very familiar with the City's IT system. Funding is available for this purchase within the Information Technology Department's Account Number, 001107006-5434, Maintenance Contracts.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$3,600.00 to Mercury Group of Stratford, CT for Network Services for the Information Technology Department, utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #05ITZ0022MA.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**31801 RE: ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES RENEWABLE ENERGY, LIGHTING AND HVAC EFFICIENCY STUDY – 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:

The following on-call engineering project has been requisitioned following the award by the Common Council for on-call engineering contracts, Bid #3620, approved at its Regular Meeting of October 26, 2011.

Project Name: Renewable Energy, Lighting and HVAC Efficiency Study  
Vendor: CDM Smith  
Amount: \$50,000.00  
Line Items: 93035000103-5843 Water Operation Expense, Fuel/Power Pumping  
Requested By: Water Department

Scope: CDM Smith will conduct a study of the electrical usage at the Shuttle Meadow Water Treatment Plant and Raw Water Pump and Distribution Stations. Their study will identify energy-savings opportunities for the Water Department to utilize solar panels, wind turbines, water source heat pumps or hydroelectric turbines and generators. CDM Smith will prepare a report summarizing their evaluation and recommendations on the type of renewable energy systems which will provide the largest energy savings to the City to be utilized at each location. The report will include the cost, savings and the pay back terms of the renewable energy systems. CDM Smith will research and document available grants, loans, rebates and production incentives for the recommended systems. Once the type of renewable energy system has been approved by the Water Department, CDM Smith will contact third party financing entities to determine their interest in constructing, owning and operating the renewable energy systems under a long-term power purchase agreement with the City. Aquarion Water Company also had this energy cost savings study conducted and has installed a solar system at their water treatment facility in Shelton CT. This on-call engineering service and its potential cost

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savings was presented to the Water Commission at their March 14, 2012 meeting. At this meeting they approved the Director of the Water Department's recommendation to let CDM Smith conduct a study of the electrical usage for the Water Department.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

### **31550-2 RE: PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY MARKINGS PAINTED ON THE CORNER OF CHAPMAN AND LINDEN STREETS**

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

Pedestrian Walkway Markings were painted on the corners of Chapman Street and Linden Street by Public Works Traffic Division on Thursday, March 15, 2012.

Mark E. Moriarty,  
Director Public Works

## **TAX DEPARTMENT**

### **31802 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, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENTS**

### **BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

#### **31792-1 RE: ALLOWING PARKING ON THE WEST SIDE OF MAIN ST. BETWEEN COLUMBUS BLVD. AND EAST MAIN STREET**

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

The Traffic Bureau supervisor conducted a review of the area and found that parking is currently prohibited on both sides of Main Street. Parking was previously available in the municipal metered parking lot and that lot is now a construction zone for the busway. Retail establishments on the west side of Main are bordered to the north by the CT Route 72 overpass and to the south by active railway tracks. Directly in front of the businesses is a fire hydrant. The distance between the fire hydrant and the overpass is approximately 30 feet. This space could accommodate 3-4 cars between the hydrant and the overpass on the west side of Main Street.

The Public Works Director has no opposition to cars parking on the west side between the hydrant and the overpass, temporarily during construction. It is recommended that on-street parking be allowed on the west side of Main Street between the hydrant and the CT Route 72 overpass.

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The Board voted to accept this request to allow parking on the west side of Main Street between the hydrant and the overpass, between Columbus Boulevard and East Main Street to support the retail establishments in the area. Furthermore, parking signs shall be posted restricting parking to one hour and allowed only between 8AM to 8PM.

Jack W. Ferguson II  
Clerk of the Board

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Hermanowski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

## **REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION/REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE**

### **31712-1 RE: RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS TO COMMON COUNCIL**

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

The Reapportionment Commission/Redistricting Committee hereby reports that it has come up with the following recommendations and suggestions to the Common Council:

1. The committee has agreed on the following:
  - a. The number of Wards shall remain at 5
  - b. To avoid possible conflicts in polling locations based on odd and even years, the wards lines and Polling Location lines shall be contiguous with the those Established by the State of Connecticut Re-Districting Commission for House and Senate Districts.
  - c. Polling District lines should be moved to be accessible and with the least disruption as possible to allow for voting access.
  - d. Ward shall be within the allowable Census Data and state statute provisions, or approximately 14,500 persons within each ward
  - e. Neighborhoods, NRZ's, and locally recognized neighborhoods should be recognized as such and, to the greatest extent possible, should be represented by ward. Using the map previously marked "B", the Committee has determined the following:
    - i. Ward One (1): Shall be comprised of, generally speaking the "West End" Southern and Southwestern Portion of the City.
    - ii. Ward Two (2): Shall be comprised of, generally speaking, the "East Side" of the City.
    - iii. Ward Three (3): Shall be comprised of, generally speaking, The Center city District, including Mount Pleasant housing complex and the North/Oak section of the City.
    - iv. Ward Four (4): Shall be comprised of, generally speaking, the Broad Street area, CCSU and the "Belvedere" section of the city.
    - v. Ward Five (5): Shall be comprised of, generally speaking, the 22nd Assembly district as established by the State of Connecticut and other areas as necessary to comprise appropriate to create a district that conforms to the population requirements.
2. Voting Districts.
  - a. The committee did not come to resolution on the exact number of polling locations and voting lines. There was general agreement to attempt to find areas where voting districts could be merged to save money. Being mindful of the fact that voter

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convenience, accessibility, and the least disruption as possible, there is the agreement that the Senior Voting Districts located in Ward 3, currently named 5, "5a", and "5b" remain, but that every effort be made to consolidate other voting districts into two per Ward, for a total of 12 voting Districts.

Respectfully  
The Reapportionment  
Commission/Redistricting Committee

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept, seconded by Ald. Hermanowski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**RESOLUTIONS**

**31807 RE: BUDGET AMENDMENT – MEMORIAL DAY PARADE – 2012 - \$15,000**

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: Every year the City of New Britain has a Memorial Day Parade and money is budgeted in the Veteran’s Affairs Department to fund this festivity. In the FY 12, due to the current economic situation of the City, the Board of Finance & Taxation recommended that this line item not be funded. This resolution is to fund the FY 12 Memorial Day Parade for the City of New Britain.

Whereas, the Veteran’s Affair Department at the City of New Britain is responsible for making all the arrangements for the Memorial Day Parade. This department is requesting \$15,000 in order to pay for the Memorial Day Parade bands and entertainment.

Whereas, there are monies available for this purpose since the Parks & Recreation Interest from Trust Funds, has currently exceeded its FY 12 budgeted amount by more than \$15,000.

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

Increase Revenue:			
001420001-4565	Recreation Programs – Interest from Trust Funds	\$	15,000
Increase Expenditures:			
001523004-5440	Veteran’s Affairs – Rentals/Supplies Equipment	\$	15,000

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
Mayor Pro-Tempor

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

**31803 RE: APRIL 2012 – FAIR HOUSING MONTH – 44<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE FAIR HOUSING ENACTMENT**

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; April 11, 2012 is Fair Housing Month and marks the 44th anniversary of the passage of the U.S. Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended; and



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WHEREAS;the *Fair Housing Act* makes it illegal to discriminate in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings and other related housing transactions based on race,color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, or familial status, and encourages fair housing opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS;the principle of Fair Housing is not only national law and national policy, but a fundamental human concept and right for all individuals to recognize that complete success in the goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the commitment of educating and bringing awareness to the community; and

WHEREAS;the City of New Britain is committed to addressing discrimination in our community, endorsing programs that educate the public about the rights to equal housing opportunities; supporting the efforts of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, which host an array of activities that enhance the public's awareness of their rights, highlighting the national commitment to end housing discrimination; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: that the Common Council and Mayor Timothy E.O'Brien of the City of New Britain does hereby designate April 2012 as Fair Housing Month, and that the City of New Britain recognizes and acknowledges the principles of fair housing opportunity for all citizens; not only for Fair Housing Month but throughout the year.

Alderman Tonilynn Collins  
Alderman Rha-Sheen Brown  
Alderman David DeFronzo  
Alderman Roy Centeno

Ald. Brown moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. DeFronzo. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

**31804 RE: BUS LIVABILITY INITIATIVE GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$3.2 MILLION**

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, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is soliciting project proposals for Bus Livability Initiative projects to be funded under FY 2012 Discretionary Funding Opportunities for Bus and Bus Facilities Programs;

WHEREAS, \$125 million is available nationwide for these projects, and the funding will be awarded on a competitive basis according to project selection criteria procedures developed by the FTA;

Whereas, the City of New Britain Department of Public Works is seeking to make an application to the FTA for the implementation of a "Complete Streets" strategy to connect the New Britain-Hartford Bus Station on Main Street to the downtown area, complete the streetscape connection over Route 72 to East Main Street, and formalize a local bus station area, "Central Station", on Bank Street;

WHEREAS, this project will connect on-going projects funded by the Transit Oriented Development Pilot Program, Transportation, Community and System Preservation funding, and the Connecticut Transportation Enhancement Program;

WHEREAS, with Federal and Local funds, the total project award for the Bus Livability Initiative in the downtown area is estimated at \$4.2 million;

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works is preparing an FTA Bus Livability Grant Application for \$3.2 million;

WHEREAS, if awarded the grant, the City of New Britain is responsible for providing a minimum 20 percent match for project related costs; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED; that it is in the best interest of the City of New Britain for the Department of Public Works to submit an FTA Bus Livability Initiative Grant Application for \$3.2 million; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED; that should funding for the Bus Livability Initiative be approved, the City will provide the match as required by funding guidelines.

- Alderman Michael Treworthy
- Alderwoman Suzanne Bielinski
- Alderman Wilfredo Pabon
- Alderwoman Tonilynn Collins
- Alderwoman Eva Magnuszewski
- Alderman Jamie Giantonio
- Alderman Adam Platosz
- Alderwoman Shirley Black
- Alderman Rha-Sheen Brown
- Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.
- Alderman Roy Centeno
- Alderman David DeFronzo
- Alderman J. Tobias Freeman
- Alderman Larry Hermanowski
- Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez

Ald. Magnuszewski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Pabon. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

**31805 RE: PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS GRANT - \$7,889 – POLICE DEPT.**

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, the U. S. Department of Justice (USDOJ), has funding available under their Project Safe Neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, these funds are to be used to assist in the investigation of crimes involving firearms and any gang activity, and

WHEREAS, these funds, in the amount of \$7,889, are to be used to purchase covert police surveillance equipment, and require no cash match from the City. The period of the grant is from March 16, 2012 through March 31, 2012, and

WHEREAS, that Mayor Timothy O'Brien be authorized to execute all grant documents with the U. S. Department of Justice on behalf of the City of New Britain for the Project Safe Neighborhoods, in the sum of \$7,889, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that a sum of \$7,889 be appropriated within the special revenue account structure as follows:

Revenue:		
217211137-4223	Revenue – Federal	\$7,889
Expenditures:		
217211137-5740	Equipment	\$7,889

- Ald. Suzanne Bielinski - Police Liaison
- Ald. Carlo Carlozzi, Jr. - Police Liaison
- Ald. Roy Centeno - Police Liaison
- Ald. Lawrence Hermanowski- Police Liaison
- Ald. Wilfredo Pabon - Police Liaison
- Ald. Emmanuel Sanchez - Police Liaison

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Pabon. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

**31806 RE: NBHS 2012 ALL NIGHT SUBSTANCE FREE GRADUATION PARTY**

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: Once a year the New Britain High School does an All Night Substance Free Graduation Party at the New Britain High School on the night of graduation. Every year the City of New Britain contributes \$3,500 to the NBHS PTO for this specific purpose. In the FY 12, due to the current economic situation of the City, the Board of Finance & Taxation recommended that this line item not be funded. This resolution is to fund the FY 12 annual contribution to the NBHS All Night Substance Free Graduation Party.

Whereas, the City's contribution of \$3,500 would be combined with all the various fundraising efforts to provide food, entertainment, and prizes to the high school graduates in attendance. All chaperones and supervisors are volunteers so the City's contribution would directly benefit the 2012 New Britain High School graduates.

Whereas, there are monies available for this purpose since the Parks & Recreation Interest from Trust Funds, has currently exceeded its FY 12 budgeted amount by more than \$3,500.

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

Increase Revenue:			
001420001-4565	Recreation Programs – Interest from Trust Funds	\$	3,500
Increase Expenditures:			
001417001-5804	Cultural Organizations – NBHS Graduation	\$	3,500

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
Mayor Pro-Tempore  
Alderman David A. DeFronzo  
Alderman Roy Centeno  
Alderman Emmanuel R. Sanchez

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. DeFronzo. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 29th day of March 2012.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. DeFronzo moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk