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## REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

**DECEMBER 11, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Erin E. Stewart on Wednesday, the 11th day of December 2013 at 8:22 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

Fifteen members were present at roll call: Ald. Trueworthy, Magnuszewski, Black, Collins, Platosz, Sanchez, Carlozzi, DeFronzo, Centeno, Pabon, Giantonio, Smedley, Salerno, Naples, and Bielinski.

The invocation was given by City Clerk, Mark H. Bernacki: O God our Heavenly Father, this is the time of year when we think about our family, neighbors, friends and people with whom we will share the Christmas and Holiday season. Thank you for these loved ones and please forgive us for the ways we have been less than accepting and loving of each other. Please heal the wounds, divisions and conflicts that stand between us and give us the strength to remember how dearly You love us. We ask this in Thy name. Amen

The pledge to the flag was led by Stacey Rosado.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Capt. Mark McCran, Mark Rosetti, Paul Wooten, and Nelson Mandela.

The Council stood at ease while Mayor Stewart, Bill DeMaio, Director of the Parks and Recreation Dept., and Commissioner Patrick Dorsey presented Benefits are Endless Awards to the following:

Robert Metz - Avery's Soda  
Clifton Forbes  
Polish Falcons – John Rogalewski and Casimir Garbowski  
D. J. Gregory - Walking for Kids Foundation

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt the minutes of the Regular Meetings of August 14, September 11, September 25, October 9, October 23, and November 13, 2013, and the Special Meeting of August 28, 2013. Motion seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted.

Ald. Bielinski moved to amend the agenda by adding 32574(F1), 32573(10), 32575(11) and by substituting 32572(9) and moving it to the front of Resolutions. Motion seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor.

### PETITIONS

- 32577 CHARLOTTE, LLC BY MICHAEL A. CARRIER FOR A CHANGE OF ZONE IN THE VICINITY OF 955-975 FARMINGTON AVE. FROM S-2 (RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO B-3 (SECONDARY BUSINESS). REFERRED TO THE ZONING SUB-COMMITTEE, CITY PLAN COMMISSION AND THE CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT.**
- 32578 ALD. CARLOZZI, SANCHEZ AND GIANTONIO FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCES ADDING NEW SUBSECTIONS PERTAINING TO DEFINITION OF PAWN SHOP AND PROHIBITED USES UNDER SEC. 220. REFERRED TO THE ZONING SUB-COMMITTEE AND CITY PLAN COMMISSION.**
- 32579 ALD. BLACK FOR CLEANING UP OF TRASH AND DEBRIS IN THE VICINITY OF 104 DWIGHT STREET. REFERRED TO THE DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS.**

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**32580 ALD. SALERNO FOR INVESTIGATING VEHICULAR TRAFFIC SPEED AND POSSIBLE HAZARDS IN THE AREA OF BLAKE ROAD AND MCCLINTOCK 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 voted in favor. Approved December 12, 2013 by Erin E. Stewart, Mayor.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**CITY CLERK**

**32556 RE: CLAIMS FOR INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE**

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

**CLAIMANTS NAME**

- Chramcow, Halina

Mark H. Bernacki  
City Clerk

**OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**32557 RE: ANTHONY MORRIS V. CITY OF NEW BRITAIN**

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

RESOLVED, By the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the sum of EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$18,500.00) be paid to ANTHONY MORRIS, and his attorney, JOHN BARBIERI, ESQUIRE and in full settlement of his suit against the City of New Britain now pending in Superior Court, Judicial District of New Britain, at New Britain under Docket No. HHB-CV-12-6017645, as result of an incident which took place on March 2, 2011. The Plaintiff allegedly sustained injuries as a result of falling into a sinkhole in front of the premises known as 145 Winthrop Street, New Britain, CT. Plaintiff sustained injuries to his left wrist, back, left arm and knee. The Plaintiff was rated with a five percent (5%) permanent partial impairment of the left arm. The Plaintiff has two liens for medical costs related to this incident in the amount of \$3020.77 and 7,945.67 which must be resolved as part of this settlement.

This recommendation is made upon the advice of City Attorney Irena J. Urbaniak, after settlement discussions with Judge Abrams with the approval and consent of John King, former Corporation Counsel.

This suit is to be withdrawn by the plaintiff without costs to the City of New Britain and settlement is to be made without admission of any liability.

Irena J. Urbaniak  
City Attorney

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

**32558 RE: GAS BOILER REPLACEMENT AT STANLEY GOLF COURSE CLUB HOUSE – PARKS & REC.**

To Her 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. 3749 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the Gas Boiler Replacement at the Stanley Golf Course Club House for the Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Division. The existing Gas Boiler is forty-four (44) years old and is starting to fail. Parts are becoming hard to find to make the needed repairs. The Gas Boiler provides heat to the Restaurant and Pro Shop at the Golf Course Club House. Funding is available for this purchase within the Public Works Department, Park and Recreation Division's, Stanley Golf Course account number, 201420101-5740, Golf Course, Other Miscellaneous Equipment.

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 thirty-three (33) Heating and Air Conditioning Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Heating and Air Conditioning 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 Public Works Department, Park and Recreation Division's Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Therefore the Deputy Director of the Public Works Department is recommending the bid be awarded to Modern Mechanical Services, Inc of Farmington, CT who submitted the lowest responsible bid and met all of the bid specifications.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to enter into a contract and issue a purchase order for \$40,500.00 to Modern Mechanical Services, Inc of Farmington, CT for the Gas Boiler Replacement at the Stanley Golf Course Club House for the Public Works Division, Park and Recreation Division, per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3749.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**32559 RE: RENEWAL OF COPIER LEASE FOR CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION, MAIL ROOM**

To Her 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 Finance Department for Central Administration's Copier Lease in the Mail Room at City Hall.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pricing</u>
A&A Office Systems Middletown CT.	Lease of a Savin 906EX Copier	\$650.00/month and \$.004 per copy over 50,000 copies monthly

The lease for the copier in the Mailroom at City Hall is about to expire. The copier in the Mailroom has been utilized since November 2008, per bid 3419. The Copier Lease was renewed on October of 2011 when it was approved by the Common Council, Resolution 31612. The copier is still in good working condition. A&A Office Systems has agreed to extend the lease for another year at the current price the City is paying. The price will save the City \$160.00 per month for a total savings of \$1,930.00 over the term of the extended lease instead of leasing a new copier that cost more. The extended lease will also include all maintenance and supplies as the existing contract does. A&A Office Systems is presently providing leases for copiers to many other City Departments. They also have a State of Connecticut contract for copier leases. Funding for this copier lease is available within Finance Department, Central Administration's account number, 001110001-5440, General Fund, Rentals/Supplies Equipment.

Resolved: that the Purchasing Agent is here by authorized to extend the lease agreement for another year and issue a Purchase Order to A&A Office Systems of Middletown, CT for the copier in the Mailroom

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at City Hall at \$650.00 per month with a cost per copy price of \$.004 per copy over 50,000 copies per month.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**32560 RE: EMERGENCY PURCHASE ORDER – HYDRAULIC PLUNGER AND POWER UNIT – ELEVATOR AT BLOGOSLAWSKI PARKING GARAGE**

To Her 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 V, Section 2-606a, an emergency purchase order was authorized by the Mayor and issued to the vendor listed below on November 20, 2013

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Otis Elevator Company East Hartford, CT.	Hydraulic Plunger and Power Unit Replacement on a Passenger Elevator at the Blogoslawski Parking Garage	\$9,225.00

The Purchasing Agent reports that no formal bid solicitation and advertisement as outlined in the Purchasing Ordinances were made for this item. In accordance with Section 2-606b of the City Code of Ordinances, the Purchasing Agent reports:

A Purchase Order was requested by the Public Works Department, Fleet and Facilities Division, for the replacement of a Hydraulic Plunger and Power Unit on a Passenger Elevator at the Blogoslawski Parking Garage. The Elevator's Hydraulic Plunger and Power Unit failed causing it to become inoperative. This has caused an unsafe situation for all persons, pedestrians as well as drivers, utilizing the parking garage. There are persons with disabilities unable to use the elevator and State and Courthouse users that are forced to walk through the garage because of the out of service elevator. This is a safety and liability concern for the City. Because of the importance of having the Elevator operational the Mayor under her executive authority approved a purchase order. Funding for these repairs came from the Public Works Department, Fleet and Facilities Division's account number 001316004-5435, Outside Grounds, Building Grounds Maintenance and Repairs.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**32561 RE: MONUMENT REHABILITATION AT VARIOUS CITY PARKS – PARKS & REC.**

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

Public Bid No. 3753 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for Monument Rehabilitations at Various City Park locations for the Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Division. Funding for this purchase was approved by the Common Council at their June 25, 2013 meeting, Resolution 32378-1, Appropriation and Bond Authorization for the purchase of various Capital Projects and in other various accounts. Funding for the Monument Rehabilitations at Various City Parks is available in the Public Works Department, Park and Recreation Division's account numbers, 0083237801-5454, War Monument Repairs, Construction Contract, 704625102-5251, Property Damage, Park and Recreation, 283420111-5454, Recreation Donations, Construction Accounts and 2131500113-52025 Walnut Hill World War 1 Monument Repairs.

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 twelve

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(12) Restoration Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Restoration 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 Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Division's Administration, the City's On-call Engineering Company associated with this project and the Purchasing Agent. Therefore the Deputy Director of the Public Works Department is recommending the bid be awarded for the base bid and for alternates 1, 2, 3 and 4 to AEGIS Restoration of Belle Mead, NJ 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 \$298,000.00 and enter into a contract with AEGIS Restoration of Belle Mead, NJ for the Monument Rehabilitations at Various City Parks for the Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Division per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3753.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**32574 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING, COPIER LEASE FOR THE COMMON COUNCIL OFFICE**

To Her 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 Common Council Office for the following under the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #012PSX0026:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pricing</u>
A&A Office Systems Middletown, CT.	Lease of a Savin MP6002SP Copier	\$420.75/Month and \$0.004 per copy over 540,000 copies annually

The Common Council Office requested a five (5) year lease of a multifunctional copier that can copy, print, fax, scan, collate, e-mail, staple and three (3) hole punch. The pricing includes all maintenance, repairs, service, toner and supplies excluding paper for 540,000 copies per year. The Common Council Office's existing copier is over ten (10) years old and is not working properly to make copies of reports and other documents needed for the Common Council meetings. Parts for this copier are becoming hard to obtain. The price submitted by A&A Office Systems for the lease of the new copier is the same as the State of Connecticut's Contract, 012PSX0026 that A&A Office Systems has with them. Funding is available for the Copier Lease in the Common Council's account number 001101001-5540, Common Council Office, Postage, copies and Scans.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a Purchase Order and to enter into a five (5) year lease agreement with A&A Office Systems of Middletown, CT for the lease of a new copier for the Common Council Office at \$420.75 per month utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #012PSX0026.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**32515-1 RE: TRAFFIC SITUATION AT HART STREET ENTRANCE TO WALNUT HILL PARK**

To Her 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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In response to the City Council's petition #32515, the New Britain Parks and Recreation Department staff has investigated the traffic situation. The planters have been in the same location for over 30 years and there is a "No Right Turn" sign currently present. No additional action will be needed.

Angelo D'Alfonso, Chairman  
Parks and Recreation Commission

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

### **32369-1 RE: QUEEN STREET SIGN**

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

The Queen Street sign at the corner of Queen Street and Corbin Avenue has been replaced.

Mark E. Moriarty,  
Director Public Works

### **32521-1 RE: OVERGROWN VEGITATION – 413 WEST MAIN STREET – LIBERTY ST. SIDE**

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

Notice was sent to property owner on 10/18/2013 and overgrown bushes have been cleared.

Mark E. Moriarty,  
Director Public Works

## **TAX COLLECTOR**

### **32562 RE: TAX ABATEMENTS, CORRECTIONS AND REFUNDS**

To Her 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

## **CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

### **32563 RE: SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS: CHARLES NADEAU**

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

The Committee on Administration, Finance and Law and the standing claims sub-committee of the Committee on Administration, Finance and Law at a regular meeting held on Wednesday evening, December 4, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 201, City Hall having held public hearings and made investigations of said claims, respectfully begs leave to recommend the following:

- A. RESOLVED; that Charles Nadeau and Paul Catalano, his attorney be given leave to withdraw their claim for personal injuries sustained on April 10, 2012.

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr. , Chair

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**REPORTS OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENTS**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**32445-1 RE: PRICING FOR PINK CARTS**

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

Cascade Solutions: minimum order - for 144 carts (generic or customized)  
96 gallon containers - \$52.75/ea  
64 gallon containers - \$46.25/ea  
One- time charge of \$350 to customize carts with City Seal

Shipping & handling: approximately \$2,000 for a full trailer load\*\*  
approximately \$1,000 for a partial trailer load

Estimated costs:

(522-96 gallon X \$52.75 = \$27,535.50 & \$2,200 + 350 = \$30,085.50)  
(720-64 gallon X \$46.25 = \$33,300.00 & \$2,200 + 350 = \$35,850.00)  
(144-96 gallon X \$52.75 = \$7,596 + \$350 + \$1,000 est. shipping = \$8,946.00)

B & G Sales: no minimum order for generic carts; a minimum order of 500 for customized carts\*  
96 gallon containers - \$59.75/ea  
64 gallon containers - \$53.75  
\*No charge to customize carts with City Seal

\*\*96 gallon containers – full trailer loads - 522 containers  
64 gallon containers – full trailer loads - 720 containers

Distributors do not rent carts. Participating haulers purchase the carts and rent to their customers. CWPM does not participate in cart rental program.

The donation to Breast Cancer Research is \$5.00 per cart

Mark E. Moriarty, Director Public Works

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**32572 RE: THE APPOINTMENT OF STACEY E. ROSADO TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF ERIN E. STEWART**

To Her 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 Common Council is vested with the authority to fill the vacancy of a member on the Board of Education; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

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RESOLVED; that the following individual be appointed to fill vacancy on the Board of Education as created by the resignation of:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Stacey E. Rosado (replacing Erin E. Stewart)	42 Derby Street 06053	12/11/13 – 11/10/15

Alderman Jamie Giantonio

Ald. Giantonio moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted. Approved December 11, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

The Council stood at ease while City Clerk, Mark H. Bernacki administered the oath of office to newly appointed member of the Board of Education, Stacey E. Rosado.

**32564 RE: SEASON'S GREETINGS 2013**

To Her 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; we rejoice with our families during the holiday season and this is the time of year when we reflect on traditional values and what is truly worthwhile in our lives; and

WHEREAS; families and friends gather to reflect on the past year and look forward with hope to the New Year; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Common Council expresses its sincere wish for a Holiday of Peace, Love, Hope, Joy and Happiness and a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous New Year to all the citizens of New Britain.

Alderwoman Suzanne Bielinski  
Majority Leader

Alderwoman Eva Magnuszewski  
Assistant Majority Leader

Alderwoman Shirley Black

Alderman Don Naples

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.

Alderman Wilfredo Pabon  
Minority Leader

Alderman Roy Centeno

Alderwoman Tonilynn Collins  
Assistant Majority Leader

Alderman Adam Platosz  
Assistant Majority Leader

Alderman David DeFronzo

Alderman Daniel M. Salerno



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Alderman Jamie Giantonio  
Assistant Minority Leader

Alderman Emmanuel R. Sanchez

Alderman Robert Smedley

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
Mayor Pro Tempore

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32565 RE: AGREEMENT AUTHORIZATION, WATER INVESTIGATION**

To Her 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 New Britain Board of Water Commissioners has participated for a number of years with the U.S. Department of the Interior in the water resources investigations, including collection and analysis of surface water data at the stream-gaging station located in Burlington; and,

Whereas, the project is jointly funded from Water Dept. and federal funds; for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, funding for the program will be as follows:

New Britain Water Department	\$5,000
U.S. Department of the Interior	\$3,750

And,

Whereas, the Board of Water Commissioners at its November 12, 2013 meeting approved the program agreement; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Water Commissioners is hereby authorized to enter into a joint funding agreement with the U.S. Department of the Interior for the above-stated purpose.

Ald. Adam Platosz  
Common Council Liason -Water Dept.

Ald. Platosz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Collins. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32566 RE: CCSU FACILITY USE AND NON-DISCRIMINATION CERTIFICATE**

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

The City, through its Recreation Division of the Public Works Department, partners with Central Connecticut State University for programs and events held on the CCSU campus, including the Winter Tennis Program held in CCSU's Indoor Sports Bubble

WHEREAS, the Indoor Tennis Program is scheduled to run February-April 2014 and is in it's 21st consecutive year, AND

WHEREAS, the usage fee for the facility is waived by Central Connecticut State University, AND

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WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Department pays supervision charges of \$25 per hour, AND

WHEREAS, 50 youth from New Britain participate in the program, AND

WHEREAS, the Central CT State University Event Management requires a signed facility use agreement in order to authorize use of their rental facility, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the New Britain Common Council authorizes that the Mayor of the City of New Britain, is empowered and authorized to execute contracts and all related agreements on behalf of the City to utilize the Central Connecticut State University Campus Facilities including, but not limited to, the Indoor Sports Bubble, all gymnasiums, pools, athletic fields now and for all future events. AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, That the City of New Britain, hereby adopts as its policy to support the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required to support nondiscrimination under the Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-60(a)(1) and §4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in the State of Connecticut Public Act07-245 and sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142.

Alderman Shirley Black  
Alderman David DeFronzo  
Alderman Jamie Giantonio  
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski  
Alderman Daniel Salerno

Ald. Black moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. DeFronzo. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32567 RE: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE DEPT. OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - \$500,000 – REDEVELOPMENT EFFORTS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA**

To Her 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: Pursuant to Public Act 07-7, sec. 13(f)(14) the State Department of Economic and Community Development is authorized to extend financial assistance for economic development projects and;

WHEREAS: It is desirable and in the public interest that the City of New Britain make an application to the State and to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State for \$500,000 in order to perform planning work focused on redevelopment efforts in the downtown area including the areas around the three CTfastrak transit station sites.

WHEREAS: The City Council is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for the State financial assistance imposed by Public Act 07-7, sec. 13(f)(14);

WHEREAS: The City of New Britain adopts or has adopted as its policy to support the following nondiscrimination agreements and warranties provided in subsection (a)(1) of Connecticut General Statutes sections 4a-60and 4a-60a, respectively, as amended by Public Acts 07-142 and 07-245, and for which purposes the “contractor” is the City of New Britain and “contract” is said Assistance Agreement:

WHEREAS: The City of New Britain agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Assistance Agreement the City of New Britain will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to blindness, unless it is shown by such City of New Britain that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut. The City of New Britain

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further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved.

WHEREAS: The City of New Britain agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Assistance Agreement the City of New Britain will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN THAT:

Erin E. Stewart, Mayor of the City of New Britain, is empowered to file an application for state financial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 and is directed to execute and file such application with the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, decisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the City of New Britain.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of New Britain, at a meeting of the City Council held on December 11, 2013 and which has not been rescinded or modified in any way whatsoever.

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.,  
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski,  
Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez

Ald. Sanchez moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32568 RE: RECEIPT OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM STATE DEPT. OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO PROVIDE BLOOD LEAD SCREENING OF CHILDREN**

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

Program Objective: To accommodate changes to the CT General Statutes related to lead poisoning and prevention that went into effect on January 1, 2009. In response, the Legislature made changes to Public Act 07-02 that include allocated funds for use by local health departments to assist in responding to an anticipated increase in case numbers and to support new lead activities. The new lead activities will include: referrals to medical providers for blood lead screening of children who are at risk for lead, environmental health case-management services for such children, and education for parents of these children.

Local Program Operation Department: Health, under the supervision of the Director.

Resolution Purpose: To approve the receipt of additional funding from the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health through this subcontract with the New Britain Health Department.

WHEREAS; the State Department of Public Health, through this subcontract, has notified the City that funding in the amount of \$35,611 has been awarded to the New Britain Health Department for fiscal year 7/1/13 through 6/30/14.

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WHEREAS; the New Britain Health Department will utilize these funds to provide blood lead screening of children who are at risk for lead poisoning and provide public health case-management services for such children and education to parents of such children, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the amount of \$35,611 be appropriated into the Health Per Capita Fund, Lead Poisoning Prevention and Control Program as follows:

Revenue:		
287522140-4222	State of CT – CADH	\$ 35,611
Expenditure:		
287522140-5124	Part Time Salaries	\$ 28,259
287522140-5231	Fringe Benefit – Medicare	\$ 410
287522140-5337	Training	\$ 500
287522140-5540	Advertising	\$ 500
287522140-5611	Office Supplies	\$ 700
287522140-5657	Educational Materials	\$ 500
287522140-5121	Full Time Salaries – Admin & General	\$ 3,742
287522140-5300	Contractual	<u>\$ 1,000</u>
	Total	\$ 35,611

Alderman Adam Platosz  
Alderman David DeFronzo

Ald. Platosz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. DeFronzo. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32569 RE: CAPITAL WORKFORCE PARTNERS GRANT - \$15,000 – BUDGET AMENDMENT**

To Her 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, Capital Workforce Partners (CWP) has as its mission, to support an effective workforce development system that strategically connects economic development and training resources for the purpose of building and maintaining a strong and vibrant workforce, in the North Central Region of Connecticut, and

Whereas, both CWP and the City of New Britain recognize the future workforce challenges as the following:

Present and future shortages of skilled workers  
Global competition for CT companies, and

Whereas, both parties wish to address these workforce development challenges through the use of the CT Works System,

Whereas, the City of New Britain is authorized to partner with Capital Workforce Partners in order to optimize resident's access to workforce programs in an effort to combat the unemployment rate as well as increase awareness of CWP and CT Works programs to New Britain employers. This program is at no cost to the City of New Britain with CWP paying the City of New Britain \$15,000 for the grant period of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the budget be amended within the FY 2013-2014 General Fund Budget for this purpose as follows:

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<u>Increase:</u>		<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
001105002-4232	Economic Development – Grants/Contributions	\$ 0	\$15,000	\$15,000
Increase:				
001105002-5121	Economic Development FTS	\$ 294,587	\$15,000	\$309,587

Alderman David DeFronzo  
Alderman Jamie Giantonio

Ald. DeFronzo moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Giantonio. Roll Call vote – 15 in favor, 0 opposed. IN FAVOR: Ald. Trueworthy, Magnuszewski, Black, Collins, Platosz, Sanchez, Carlozzi, DeFronzo, Centeno, Pabon, Giantonio, Smedley, Salerno, Naples and Bielinski. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32570 RE: REGIONAL PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

To Her 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, a Regional Performance Incentive Program has been established under Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-124s, as amended by Section 253 of Public Act 13-246, and such program is administered through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Performance Incentive Program provides for financial assistance to regional planning organizations for projects and related planning studies that will benefit member municipalities by helping provide desired or required services and lowering related costs and tax burden by providing those services on a regional basis, and;

WHEREAS, the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency has prepared and plans to submit three applications for funding under the Regional Performance Incentive Program for projects serving the seven member municipalities in our region, including project proposals for the funding of digital orthophotography and GIS data, a study of cost savings through regionalized provision of special education transportation and for collective contracting for the provision of “Cloud- based” services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects would result in potential cost savings and improved services to the City of New Britain and other member towns in these specific categories of municipal functions, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of New Britain does hereby endorse and encourage the Regional Performance Incentive Program proposals referenced above, said proposals being attached, hereto, and made part of this record.

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.

Ald. Carlozzi moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Collins. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32571 RE: ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH TILCON CONNECTICUT, INC. – N.B. POLICE DEPT. FIRING RANGE**

To Her 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, Tilcon Connecticut Inc. has granted the Police Department of the City of New Britain the use of its property located in Plainville, Connecticut for an out-door firing range; and

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WHEREAS, The Police Department has used this property as an out-door firing range since 1986; and

WHEREAS, The Police Department has allowed members of sister law enforcement agencies to utilize this property as a firing range in accordance with Policy Number 1.16; and

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain has agreed to indemnify and hold harmless Tilcon any loss or claim in connection with its use of the firing range; and

WHEREAS, Tilcon Connecticut Inc. has requested that the City of New Britain execute an Access Agreement in connection with the utilization of their property which allows the City to utilize the property from December 1, 2013 through May 1, 2014; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Mayor Erin E. Stewart be and is hereby authorized to execute the Access Agreement with Tilcon Connecticut Inc.

Alderwoman Suzanne Bielinski  
Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.  
Alderman Roy Centeno  
Alderman Wilfredo Pabon  
Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez  
Alderman Robert Smedley

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Pabon. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart

**32573 RE: DONATION AGREEMENT WITH ONABALA, LLC FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF 481 EAST STREET TO THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN**

To Her 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: PURPOSE. Donation agreement for 481 East Street, New Britain.

WHEREAS, ONABALA, LLC is the owner of 481 East Street with a parcel total land area of .4 Acres; and

WHEREAS, ONABALA, LLC has contacted the City of New Britain and offered to donate the real property for future development; and

WHEREAS, The structure on the property has been the subject of a serious fire and there have been several blight violations and a mechanics lien; and

WHEREAS, The Municipal taxes are current; and

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain is committed to new development projects and expanding its Grand List; and

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain wishes to enter into a Donation Agreement; NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, That ERIN E. STEWART, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of New Britain, a Donation Agreement with ONABALA, LLC for the real property known as 481 East Street and to execute all documents necessary for the conveyance of said property in accordance with the terms of said Agreement for the one dollar and other valuable consideration and one half of J.P.

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Maguire Associates, Inc. mechanics lien for emergency fencing, not to exceed the sum of Three Thousand Dollars.

Alderman Adam Platosz  
Alderwoman Tonilynn Collins  
Alderman Daniel Salerno

Ald. Salerno moved to accept and refer to the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing, seconded by Ald. Collins. So voted. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32575 RE: CITY OF NEW BRITAIN TO JOIN THE CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT**

To Her 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 City of New Britain has long been a member of the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Authority (CCRPA); and

WHEREAS, under the upcoming consolidation of regional councils of government, the CCRPA will cease to exist; and

WHEREAS, New Britain is located in the Capitol Region of Hartford County and shares the interests of our immediate neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments has expressed a strong desire that New Britain join its organization; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED; that the City of New Britain joins her neighboring communities in becoming a part of the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) and empowers Erin E. Stewart, Mayor of the City of New Britain, to take the steps necessary to effectuate this decision.

Alderman Michael Trueworthy

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. RESOLUTION ADOPTED with Ald. Naples and Ald. Smedley opposed. Approved December 12, 2013 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Trueworthy moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

ATTEST: Mark H. Bernacki, City Clerk