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## REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

**MARCH 26, 2014**

Mayor Erin E. Stewart called the Regular Meeting of the Common Council to order on Wednesday, the 26th day of March 2014 at 7:37 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, Salvio, Pabon, Giantonio, Smedley, Salerno, Naples, and Bielinski.

The invocation was given by City Clerk, Mark H. Bernacki: O God, our Heavenly Father, as the earth once again starts to warm, we rejoice in this season of spring. We give thanks that each day grows longer in light and that we have been liberated from the grip of a cold and long winter. We ask this in Thy name. Amen.

The pledge to the flag was led by Merrill Gay.

Ald. Giantonio was granted a point of personal privilege and thanked Bill DeMaio and Matt Schofield who run the elementary school basketball programs, and he also noted that he attended the excellent New Britain High School production of Shrek and urged everyone to attend future productions presented by the school.

Ald. Trueworthy was also granted a point of personal privilege and announced that there has been a dramatic turn around in the condition of Rhona Cohen O'Brien, wife of former Mayor Timothy O'Brien and thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers.

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 26, 2014, seconded by Ald. Collins. So voted.

Ald. Bielinski moved to amend the Agenda by withdrawing #9, by substituting 32656-1(11), and by adding 32675(13) and moving it to the front. Motion seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor.

Ald. Bielinski moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor. Approved March 27, 2014 by Erin E. Stewart, Mayor.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### CITY CLERK

#### **32663 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

- Arroyo, Maria
- Figueroa, Angel
- Martin, Alan James by Atty. Steven L. Katz

Mark H. Bernacki  
City Clerk

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**OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**32664 RE: JOHN ROSTKOWSKI 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:

Please be advised that Summary Judgment has been ordered in favor of the City of New Britain by the United States District Court Honorable Judge Stefan R. Underhill on March 11, 2014 in the above captioned matter. On July 19, 2013, the Office of Corporation Counsel filed a Motion for Summary Judgment requesting judgment in its favor alleging that the plaintiff could not demonstrate a prima facie case for disability discrimination under the American Disability Act and in addition, the Defendant, City of New Britain, had a legitimate nondiscriminatory reason for not hiring the Plaintiff. The Honorable Court agreed that the plaintiff had failed to make a sufficient showing on an essential element of his case with respect to which he had the burden of proof at trial and summary judgment was appropriate. Specifically, the Court had ruled that the plaintiff could not demonstrate that the hiring authority regarded him as having a disability and that the City of New Britain's legitimate nondiscriminatory reason was a pretext for perceived disability discrimination.

Irena J. Urbaniak  
City Attorney

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

**32665 RE: NEW LADDER TRUCK FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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. 3761 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the purchase of a New Ladder Truck for the New Britain Fire Department. The New Ladder Truck will replace a Ladder Truck that the Fire Department has been utilizing since 1982. A portion of the funding, twenty percent (20%), for the purchase for this New Ladder Truck was approved by the Common Council at their June 27, 2013 meeting and the remainder of the funding is from a Federal Grant. The funding has been setup within the City's Capital Equipment Fund Account Number, 0041200114-57021, Fire Truck, Ladder 1.

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 twenty-four (24) Fire Truck Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Fire Truck 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 Clerk's Office.

The bid was reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Fire Department Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Smeal Fire Apparatus Company's bid that they submitted met all of the bid specifications for the New Ladder Truck. Smeal Fire Apparatus Company also has a Federal Government's GSA Contract Award, GS-30F-010BA for Fire Apparatuses. The bid price submitted by Smeal Fire Apparatus Company was per their Federal Government contract price for the New Ladder Truck. Therefore the Fire Chief is recommending the bid be awarded to Smeal Fire Apparatus Company who submitted the only bid and met all of the bid specifications. The Fire Chief is also recommending that only \$33,676.00 of the equipment be purchased so that the total cost meets the budget amount for the New Ladder Truck.

**RESOLVED:** That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to enter into a contract and issue a Purchase Order to Smeal Fire Apparatus Company, Snyder, NE, for the purchase of a New Ladder

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Truck for the New Britain Fire Department for \$1,214,000.00 per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3761.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**32666 RE: EMERGENCY PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF TREES FOR  
PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.**

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, emergency purchase order was authorized by the Mayor and issued to the vendor listed below on March 7, 2014

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Winfield Nursery, Inc. West Suffield, CT.	Trees	\$12,000.00

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, Parks and Recreation Division, for the purchase of approximately seventy-four (74) Cherry, Elm, Walnut, Maple, Redbud, Sweetgum and Golden Chain trees. The trees will be planted throughout the City. A tree canopy study was conducted by the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency. The study results showed that more trees were needed to be planted within the City. The Parks and Recreation Division will be reimbursed for the purchase of these trees from a grant that the City received from the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency after the study was conducted. The grant will expire on July 1, 2014. The City's Arborist contacted several nurseries regarding the purchase of both the different sizes and the different types of trees that fulfills the grant's requirements. Because of this reason, time, sizes and variety of trees required, the Parks and Recreation Division needed to place the tree order immediately so that the trees could be reserved, delivered and planted by June 30, 2014 before the grant expired. Funding for the purchase of the trees came from the Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Division's, account number, 001419002-5336, Forestry, other Purchase Services.

Jack Pieper  
Purchasing Agent

**TAX DEPARTMENT**

**32667 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

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## COMMITTEE ON LICENSES

### **32651-1 RE: SACRED HEART CHURCH ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL "ODPUST".**

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 Licenses, held a meeting on Monday, March 24, 2014, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers, voted to adopt and to refer back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation the following:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be hereby authorized to issue to the Sacred Heart Church Annual Parish Festival "Odpust" said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for Friday, June 27, 2014, and Saturday, June 28, 2014, for the purpose of conducting their annual parish festival "Odpust" on the Sacred Heart grounds, Broad Street and Gold Street.

Alderman Adam Platosz  
Chair

### **32652-1 RE: DOZYNKI FESTIVAL**

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 Licenses, held a meeting on Monday, March 24, 2014, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers, voted to adopt and to refer back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation the following:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be hereby authorized to issue to the Polish Council of Greater New Britain said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for Saturday, August 23, 2014, and Sunday, August 24, 2014, for the purpose of conducting their annual "Dozynki" festival at the Polish Falcon "Polanka" Field on Farmington Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut.

Alderman Adam Platosz  
Chair

### **32653-1 RE: PULASKI CLUB BAZAAR/CARNIVAL**

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 Licenses, held a meeting on Monday, March 24, 2014, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers, voted to adopt and to refer back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation the following:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be hereby authorized to issue to the Pulaski Club, Inc. said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for Friday, April 25, 2014, Saturday, April 26, 2014, from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm, and Sunday, April 27, 2014, from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm, for the purpose of conducting a bazaar/carnival in the Pulaski Club, Inc. parking lot at 89 Grove Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

Alderman Adam Platosz  
Chair

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

**PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**32637-1 RE: TREE OVERHANG/VISIBILITY IMPAIRMENT - INTERSECTION OF ROOSEVELT  
STREET AND EDGEWOOD AVENUE**

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

In response to the City Council's petition #32637, the Arborist and tree crew went to the intersection of Roosevelt Street and Edgewood Avenue and removed two Maple Trees and lifted up the canopy of an Oak Tree to increase the visibility of this intersection. There is additional shrubbery that is located on private property.

Furthermore, The Department of Public Works did an on-site inspection in regards to the complaint and found that there is a row of arborvitae along the south property line of #133 Roosevelt Street that prevents a driver stopped at the intersection from seeing oncoming traffic and is a safety issue. The Department of Public Works had issued a notice on March 4, 2014 to the property owner that they must abate the safety hazard in accordance to Sec. 21-5 of the City of New Britain Code of Ordinance.

Matthew Cannata  
Chairman, Parks and Recreation Commission

Ald. Salerno moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Giantonio. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**32637-2 RE: TREE OVERHANG/VISIBILITY IMPAIRMENT - INTERSECTION OF ROOSEVELT  
STREET AND EDGEWOOD AVENUE**

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

The Department of Public Works did an on-site inspection in regards to the complaint and found that there is a row of arborvitae along the south property line of #133 Roosevelt Street that prevents a driver stopped at the intersection from seeing oncoming traffic and is a safety issue. The Department of Public Works had issued a notice on March 4, 2014 to the property owner that they must abate the safety hazard in accordance to Sec. 21-5 of the City of New Britain Code of Ordinance.

Mark E. Moriarty, Director

Ald. Salerno moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Giantonio. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION**

**32675 RE: MERRILL GAY APPOINTED TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO FILL VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF ARAM AYALON**

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; there is a vacancy on the Board of Education due to the resignation of Aram Ayalon; and

Whereas; pursuant to the Charter of the City of New Britain, 3-2 (f) (2), the Common Council is vested with the authority to fill the vacancy of a member on the Board of Education; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED; that the following individual be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board of Education.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Merrill Gay (D)	27 Brady Avenue, New Britain, CT 06052	03/26/14 – 11/10/2015

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
Mayor Pro Tem

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved March 26, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

Ald. Trueworthy moved to suspend the rules in order to have Mr. Gay sworn in. City Clerk, Mark H. Bernacki administered the oath of office to Mr. Gay.

**RESOLUTIONS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE**

**32651-2 RE: SACRED HEART CHURCH “ODPUST” FESTIVAL**

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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to issue to the Sacred Heart Church said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for Friday, June 27, 2014, and Saturday, June 28, 2014, for the purpose of conducting their annual parish festival “Odpust” on the Sacred Heart Church grounds, Broad Street and Gold Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

Alderman David DeFronzo

Ald. Defronzo moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Platosz. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32652-2 RE: DOZYNKI FESTIVAL**

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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to issue to the Polish Council of Greater New Britain, said licenses as may be issued under

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Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for Saturday, August 23, 2014, and Sunday, August 24, 2014, for the purpose of conducting the Annual "Dozynki" Festival at the Polish Falcon "Polanka" Field on Farmington Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut.

Alderman David DeFronzo

Ald. DeFronzo moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Platosz. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32653-2 RE: PULASKI CLUB BAZAAR/CARNIVAL**

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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to issue to the Pulaski Club, Inc., said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for Friday, April 25, 2014, Saturday, April 26, 2014, from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm, and Sunday, April 27, 2014, from 12:00 pm until 6:00 pm, for the purpose of conducting a bazaar/carnival in the Pulaski Club parking lot at 89 Grove Street, New Britain, Connecticut. The organization is also requesting that the police department allow the closure of Grove Street between Broad Street and Orange Street to vehicular traffic during the times of the bazaar/carnival.

Alderman David DeFronzo

Ald. DeFronzo moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**NEW BUSINESS  
RESOLUTIONS**

**32668 RE: FY 14 LOCIP BUDGET TRANSFER**

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 Fiscal Year 2014 State LOCIP allocation amounted to \$959,272,

Whereas, on June 6, 2013 the Council approved Resolution #32253-5 and the entire allocation of the FY 14 LOCIP entitlement to the City of New Britain to fund the South Main Street Corridor project,

Whereas, the City's roadways and monuments are in need of repair and rather than add to the debt burden of the City, it would be most prudent to fund these projects with the LOCIP funding,

Therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the FY 2014 LOCIP budget be transferred as follows:

	<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>Change</u>
South Main St Corridor	2131500114-52078	\$959,272	\$ 50,000	(\$909,272)
War Memorial Repair	2131500114-52079	\$ 0	\$250,000	\$250,000
Streets	2131500114-52080	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$659,272</u>	<u>\$659,272</u>
		\$959,272	\$959,272	\$0

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
Alderwoman Suzanne Bielinski

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Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32669 RE: APRIL 2014 – FAIR HOUSING MONTH**

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:

Purpose: Proclaiming and promoting the month of April 12 Fair Housing Month.

Whereas; April 11, 2014, marks the 46th Anniversary of the enactment of the passage of Civil Rights Act of 1968, which was meant as a follow-up to the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The 1968 act expanded on previous acts and prohibited discrimination concerning the sale, rental and financing of housing based on race, religion, national origin, sex, (and as amended) handicap and familial status. Title VIII of the Act is also known as the Fair Housing Act (of1968); and

Whereas; each year the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and communities and organizations across the country recognize Fair Housing Month by hosting an array of activities that enhance the community's awareness of their fair housing rights and highlight the national commitment to end housing discrimination; and

Whereas; the City of New Britain is committed to reinforcing the Federal Fair Housing Act, supporting the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities efforts, recognizing that the federal housing laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the rights of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and

Whereas; the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities of the City of New Britain shall consider any and all complaints of housing discrimination violations and shall refer the same to the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that Mayor Erin E. Stewart and the Common Council of the City of New Britain do hereby declare April 2014 as a month to celebrate and honor all efforts which guarantee the rights of people's choice to live free of discriminatory housing practices and proclaim this month as: "Fair Housing Month in the City of New Britain".

Alderwoman Tonilynn Collins

Ald. Collins moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32479-1 RE: INCREASING PURCHASE ORDER FOR ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES – URBAN ENGINEERS**

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 Report of Finance Department, Item no. 32479, for on-call engineering services was approved by the Common Council on September 25, 2013; and

Whereas, the purpose of this Report was to issue an assignment to Urban Engineers for Temporary Engineering Services and provide consulting staff to the Public Works Department, Engineering Division; and

Whereas, the Engineering Division continues to operate at a reduced staff level due to illness and retirement of some of its employees and needs a qualified engineer to continue assisting with the design of existing projects in order to meet the schedule of existing grants; and

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Whereas, The Public Works Department would like to increase the existing Purchase Order to Urban Engineers in the amount of \$37,400 to continue providing this temporary engineering service; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Purchasing Agent to increase Purchase Order P0021388 in the amount of \$37,400 to Urban Engineers for Temporary Engineering Services.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.  
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski  
Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez  
Alderman Don Naples

Ald. Carozzi moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Sanchez. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32670 RE: POPE JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC SCHOOL BAZAAR/CARNIVAL**

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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to issue to the Pope John Paul II Catholic School, said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22, of the Code of Ordinances for the period of June 19-21, 2014, for the purpose of conducting a bazaar/carnival on the Pope John Paul II Catholic School grounds, 221 Farmington Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut.

Alderman David DeFronzo  
Alderman Don Naples  
Alderman Robert Smedley

Ald. DeFronzo moved to accept and refer to the License Committee, seconded by Ald. Platosz. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32671 RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SEC. 19-130 OF THE ORDINANCES – LAND USE APPLICATION FEES**

*Proposed Amendment on File in the Town Clerk's Office*

Ald. Salerno moved to accept and refer to the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing, Seconded by Ald. Pabon. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32673 RE: APRIL 2014 DESIGNATED AS “AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH”**

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; Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and autism are both general terms for a group of complex disorders of brain development. These disorders are characterized, in varying degrees, by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication and repetitive behaviors. They include autistic disorder, Rett syndrome, childhood disintegrative disorder, pervasive developmental disorder - not otherwise specified (PDD-NOS) and Asperger syndrome; and

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Whereas; did you know the following facts about autism; and

- Autism now affects 1 in 88 children and 1 in 54 boys
- Autism prevalence figures are growing
- Autism is the fastest-growing serious developmental disability in the U.S.
- Autism costs a family \$60,000 a year on average
- Autism receives less than 5% of the research funding of many less prevalent childhood diseases
- Boys are nearly five times more likely than girls to have autism
- There is no medical detection or cure for autism

Whereas; the Seventh Annual World Autism Awareness Day is April 2, 2014. Every year, autism organizations around the world celebrate the day with unique fundraising and awareness-raising events; and

Whereas; the Autism Society has been celebrating National Autism Awareness Month since the 1970s. The United States recognizes April as a special opportunity for everyone to educate the public about autism and issues within the autism community; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED; by the Common Council and Mayor of the City of New Britain, recognize that April is designated as "Autism Awareness Month".

Alderman Adam Platosz

Ald. Platosz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Magnuszewski. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32656-1 RE: CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP ON THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE – GAFFNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

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 Code of Ordinances Section 2-306 as amended in August 2007 now has one School Building Committee rather than a committee for each project; however, the State Department of Education requires that the City still designate a committee for each project; now,

Whereas, Resolution 32656, which was accepted and adopted on March 12, 2014, requires amendment due to membership change,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Building Committee designated as the following members, be appointed and also serve as the School Building Committee for the Gaffney Elementary School Construction Projects.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
1. Ms. Sheila Smith, Chair (D)	300 Steele Street, New Britain, CT 06052
2. Mr. Peter Smulski (D)	47 Oakwood Drive, New Britain, CT 06052
3. Mr. Timothy Stewart (R)	60 Wightman Road, New Britain, CT 06052
4. Mrs. Frances Wolski (D)	22 Kenwood Drive, New Britain, CT 06052
5. Mr. Carmen D'Agostino (D)	99 Forest Street, New Britain, CT 06052
6. Mr. Robert Pleines (D)	2162 Stanley Street, New Britain, CT 06053
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Ex Officio [Per Code of Ordinance Section 2-306 (d)]  
Kelt Cooper, Superintendent of Schools or Designee

City and Board of Education Liaisons  
Alderman Adam Platosz (D), Common Council Liaison, Ex Officio

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Alderman Daniel Salerno (D), Common Council Liaison, Ex Officio  
Alderman Robert Smedley (R), Common Council Liaison, Ex Officio  
Sharon Beloin-Saavedra (D), Board of Education Liaison, Ex Officio

Alderman Michael Trueworthy  
Council President

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

**32674 RE: BUDGET APPROPRIATION – POLICE DEPARTMENT – COPS HIRING RECOVERING GRANT**

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 Federal government has funding available under the COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP) Grant, and,

Whereas, these funds are to be used to pay wages and a portion of benefits for seven (7) Police Officers for three (3) years, with no requirement for a cash match from the City and

Whereas, the City's obligation will be to keep the Police officer staffing level for the three year term of the grant and one additional year based on city funding, and no supplanting is allowed by federal law, and

Whereas, these funds, in the amount of \$2,018,324, will be used as set forth in the budget listed below, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the budget be amended for the COPS Hiring grant in the sum of \$2,018,324, as follows:

Revenue:

268211148-4223	Federal Grant	\$ 2,018,324
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Expenditures:

268211148-5121	Full Time Salaries	\$ 1,227,261
268211148-5235	Employee Benefits	<u>\$ 791,063</u>
		\$ 2,018,324

Ald. Suzanne Bielinski - Police Liaison  
Ald. Carlo Carlozzi, Jr. - Police Liaison  
Ald. Wilfredo Pabon - Police Liaison  
Ald. Emmanuel Sanchez - Police Liaison  
Ald. Robert Smedley - Police Liaison

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted. Approved March 27, 2014 by Mayor Erin E. Stewart.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Trueworthy moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Giantonio. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

ATTEST: Mark H. Bernacki, City Clerk