

The East Haven Town Council held its Regularly Scheduled Meeting January 8, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. or immediately following certain scheduled public hearing at the East Haven Community Center, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven in order to transact the following:

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:48 p.m.

Roll call – 15 Present

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Thompson asked for a moment of silence on behalf of the men and women who serve in the armed forces.

Paul Hongo, Jr., addressed the council on behalf of Mayor Capone Almon regarding the recent activities of her office.

Councilman McKay moved to accept the minutes from the two (2) previous meetings.

Councilman Parlato seconded the motion.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk indicated no correspondence submitted.

#### **Item #1**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved that per the recommendation of the Tax Collector, the following tax refunds are hereby approved:

- a. Ralph Street, 124 Estelle Road, East Haven, Connecticut in the amount of \$1,132.50 due to a Veterans Exemption.
- b. Beth Graham/CAB East, LLC in the amount of \$796.16
- c. Beth Graham, a credit in the amount of \$1,273.70 for a Jaguar.

BE IT RESOLVED that per the recommendation of the Tax Collector, the following tax bill is hereby being removed from the tax list:

- a. George Stavrou in the amount of \$2,208.12.

Councilman McKay seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman McKay requested a Republican Caucus at 7:58 p.m.

Member included are Councilpersons; Anania, Massaro, Parlato, and McKay.

The members came out of Republican Caucous at 8:03 p.m.

**Item #2**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING \$210,000.00 TO POLICE DEPARTMENT OVERTIME, AND GAS AND FUEL ACCOUNTS FROM VARIOUS POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS” is hereby approved.

Councilman McKay seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item #3**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING \$113,725.00 TO VEHICLE SUPPLIES AND OVERTIME WAGES FROM VARIOUS FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS” is hereby approved.

Councilman Badamo seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item #4**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERING \$81,300.00 TO VARIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE ACCOUNTS FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE REGULAR SALARIES, BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE AND MOTOR OIL ACCOUNTS” is hereby approved.

Councilman Toothe seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item #5**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved that in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter of the Town of East Haven, Samuel Giglio is hereby appointed as a member of the Board of Selectman for a term to expire November 14, 2009.

Councilman Riolino seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Item #6**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved that in accordance with the provision of the Town Charter of the Town of East Haven, Noreen Campbell Parlato is hereby appointed as a member of the Board of Selectman for a term to expire November 14, 2009.

Councilman McKay seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – 14 in favor. None opposed. One (1) abstention (Parlato).

Motion carried.

#### **Item #7**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved, that in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter of the Town of East Haven, Albert Fucci is hereby appointed as a member of the Board of Selectman for a term to expire November 14, 2009.

Councilman Albis seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Item #8**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved, that in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter of the Town of East Haven, Rev. Karen Johnson is hereby appointed to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Gilbert Wilkes on the Board of Ethics for a term to expire February 1, 2009.

Councilman Riolino seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Item #9**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved, that the Town Council of the Town of East Haven requests that Mayor April Capone Almon, assist it in the creation of a

Clean Energy Task Force to define a strategy for the Town to meet a goal of twenty (20%) percent clean, renewable energy by 2010.

Councilwoman Donahue seconded the motion.

Chairman Thompson recognized Sarah Morrill, Community Development Coordinator, who explained that this is to launch a campaign to commit by 2010 with 100 resident to participate in the program. They already have 32 residences sign up.

Councilman Toothe asked if anyone could take part.

Ms. Morrill stated it is open to those who pay an electric bill, even if they rent.

Chairman Thompson asked where the residents could get information.

Ms. Morrill indicated that the information is online and through her office as well or by call the utility. She further stated that there are different sources of renewable energy which can make the municipality eligible for a solar plan for one of its buildings or to change the lighting accompanied with timers.

Councilman Riolino indicated that the homeowner is responsible for signing up and the money goes into a fund that will be matched by the state.

Councilman McKay asked if this is only for UI customers.

Ms. Morrill indicated that it is for CL&P customers as well.

No public comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

## **Item #10**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved, that Douglas F. Jackson, Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director East Haven requests that Mayor April Capone Almon, be authorized to act on behalf of the Town of East Haven in the signing of documents relating to the Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS). This will enable Mayor Capone Almon to sign off on Memoranda of Understanding and the like with DEMHS.

Councilwoman Donahue seconded the motion.

Chairman Thompson recognized Sarah Morrill Community Development Coordinator, who is working with Chief Jackson. The town is a Project Impact town appointed FEMA and the homes along Cosey Beach Avenue are eligible to be raised above the flood zone. One (1) homeowner is going forward with the raising of the home therefore, the town must ask for an extension on the program that had lapsed.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Item #11**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved, that the Town Council acting as the Legislative Body of the Town of East Haven endorses the Regional Performance Incentive Program Proposal entitled: “*Regional Solid Waste Disposal Beyond Resource Recovery, 20 year Contracts expiring within the next three years in most of the South Central Connecticut Regional Council of Governments*” referenced in Section 8 of Public Act 07-239 (An Act Concerning Responsible Growth) and further authorizes Mayor April Capone Almon to execute such attendant documents as may be required.

Councilman Arpino seconded the motion.

No public comment.

No council comment.

Roll call vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Item #12**

Vice Chairman DePalma made the following motion: be it resolved , that the Town Council acting as the Legislative Body of the Town of East Haven endorses the Regional Performance Incentive Program proposal entitled: “*A South Central Connecticut Regional Website Portal: A One Stop Service for marketing, Economic and Business Development in the South Central Region*” referenced in Section 8 of Public Act 07-239-(An Act Concerning Responsible Growth) and further authorizes Mayor April Capone Almon to execute such attendant documents as may be required.

Councilwoman Badamo seconded the motion.

Chairman Thompson recognized Board of Finance Member Dr. Charles Schlegel who stated that this is a really good program which will upgrade the town’s website at no cost to the town through COG. It is a benefit to the town.

Councilmen Riolino and Cofrancesco asked if this website promotes only East Haven or a combination of town.

Dr. Schlegel indicated it is for all the member towns.

Councilman McKay moved to adjourn.

Councilman Albis seconded the motion.

Voice vote – all in favor. None opposed. No abstentions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta A. DeLuca  
Temporary Council Clerk