TOWN OF HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
March 30, 2020

A special meeting of the Legislative Council was held on Monday, March 30, 2020. This meeting was held electronically, via Zoom, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Council President. The Clerk took the roll followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mick McGarry Dominique Baez
                             Harry Gagliardi Justin Farmer
                             Marjorie Bonadies Valerie Horsley
                             Mike Colaiacovo Brad Macdowall
                             Austin Cesare Betty Wetmore
                             Kristin Dolan Kathleen Schomaker

MEMBERS ABSENT: Athena Gary; Berita Rowe-Lewis

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Patrick Donnelly, Deputy Chief of Staff; Finance Director, Curtis Eatman; Steve Mednick, Counsel for Council

PRESIDING: Mick McGarry, President

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION: There were no speakers. Mr. Farmer read an email sent in from Mr. Raymond Borrelli about ADA issues.

AGENDA:

1. Suspension of Rules to consider resolution authorized by Executive Orders #7B, 7C and & I, during the pendency of the Public Health and Civil Preparedness Emergency declared by the Governor on March 10, 2020
   -- Moved by Mr. Gagliardi, seconded by Ms. Horsley and approved unanimously.

2. Resolution pertaining to a modified calendar for the FY 2020-2021 General and Capital Fund Budgets authorized by Executive Orders #7B, 7C and 7I
   -- Moved by Mr. Gagliardi, seconded by Ms. Schomaker. DISCUSSION: Mr. Gagliardi asked if the capital was included with the budget and Mr. McGarry said yes. Mr. Gagliardi then asked shouldn’t the operating budget be added. Mr. Mednick told Mr. Galiardi it is and both are included in the title.

Mr. Farmer asked when they were going to start the budget work. Mr. McGarry said he still had to put together dates but they would receive the Mayor’s Budget Presentation on April 6th, after that tentative
Mr. Farmer asked if it was possible to leave a land line message for the community about the budget process. Mr. Donnelly said he could look into it with I.T. and see if there were any vendors who might do this.

A roll call vote was taken and the item passed unanimously.

Mr. Gagliardi asked if they would be getting hard copies of the Mayor’s budget. Mr. Donnelly said yes. Mr. Gagliardi mentioned how the police used to sometimes deliver them and suggested they might be available to drop them off.

Ms. Bonadies said they requested 3 years of historical actuals and asked if that would be honored. Mr. Eatman said yes, it’s being gathered and they will get it to them shortly.

There being no further business, Mr. McGarry requested a motion to adjourn. Moved by Ms. Clouse, seconded by Mr. Cesare and Ms. Horsley and approved with 2 opposed (Macdowall) (Farmer)
The meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM

*NOTE: (As Mr. McGarry requested and received a motion to adjourn public viewer Mr. George Levinson mentioned there was a misunderstanding resulting in his missing the public input session. Mr. McGarry offered to stay upon adjournment to listen to him and said he’s sure some other members would do the same.)

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta,
Clerk of the Council