

*The Regular Meeting of the 29th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on **Wednesday, November 8, 2017**, at 8:00 p.m., in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.*

MINUTES

President Skigen called the meeting to order at 8:18 p.m.

¹INVOCATION: Delivered by Rabbi Jay TelRav.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Skigen.

²ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Summerville. There were 36 members present and 4 absent (Reps. Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Day, de la Cruz, DeLuca, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Franzetti, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kolenberg, Liebson, McGarry, McMullen, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Okun, Patterson, Pratt, Quinones, Ryan, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky were present; Reps. Adams, Hoch, Jacobson and Mahoney were absent or excused). [See Vote Record 2022](#). Rep. Caterbone left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

VOTING MACHINE STATUS: Confirmed by Clerk of the Board Summerville.

³MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late: Manuel Neyra and the Victims of the Sutherland Springs Church shooting by the 29th Board of Representatives; Rasheed D. Hines by Reps. de la Cruz and Mitchell; Lois Sherer Levine by Reps. Giordano and Zelinsky; Larry Askew by Rep. DePina; Gerald LaBlanc, Benjamin F. Jagodzinski, and Marion L. Marilou Miller by Rep. Giordano; R. Dante Puzzuoli, Ann S. Furnaros, Robert Anthony Bello, James T. DiCarlo, Sr., Phil Schaffer, and Jesus F. Yap, Jr. by Rep. Zelinsky.

Specialist Alexander Missildine, 20, Tyler, Texas; Sergeant La David Johnson, 25, Miami Gardens, Florida; Staff Sergeant Dustin Wright, 29, Lyons, Georgia; Staff Sergeant Bryan Black, 35, Puyallup, Washington; and Staff Sergeant Jeremiah Johnson, 39, Springboro, Ohio.

¹ Video Time Stamp 00:00:35

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³ Video Time Stamp 00:12:57

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. There will be no Steering Committee meeting this month.
2. Next month's Regular Board Meeting will be the Organizational Meeting for the 30th Board, which will be held on Monday, December 4th.
3. The Board office will be closed this Friday, November 10th for Veterans Day and Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th for Thanksgiving.
4. Representative Cerasoli is celebrating a birthday this month.
5. The Veterans Day Parade will be this Sunday, November 12th, at noon. If you are marching, please be at Bedford Street and North Street at 11:15 a.m. Contact the Mayor's office to confirm your attendance.
6. The Holiday Party will be on Thursday, December 7th at 6:30 p.m. at Zody's 19th Hole. Please give the Board office a check for \$48 per person, made out to Robert "Gabe" DeLuca.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE:

Meeting: Tuesday, October 10, 2017
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

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A motion to waive the Steering Committee report was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

⁴APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: Annie Summerville, Co-Chair

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[Report & Video](#)

Anabel Figueroa, Co-Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, October 24, 2017
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Summerville reported that the Appointments Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Summerville and Figueroa; Committee Member Reps. de la Cruz, McGarry, Patterson and Savage. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Caterbone, Cerasoli, and Franzetti.

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| 1. A29.222 | Citation Hearing Officers
Donald Sherer (U) Reappointment
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 12/01/18
09/07/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/26/17 – No Action Taken
10/24/17 – No Action Taken | FAILED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
| 2. A29.225 | Patriotic & Special Events Commission
Mark McGrath (R) Repl. Battinelli
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/1/2018
10/04/017-Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/24/17 – Approved 6-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 3. A29.226 | Patriotic & Special Events Commission
Josephine Q. Carpanzano (U) Repl. Mazzucco
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 12/1/2019
10/04/17-Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/24/17 – Approved 6-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |

A motion to approve Item Nos. 2 and 3 on the Consent Agenda was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded and failed by unanimous voice vote. The Mayor is welcome to resubmit this item.

⁵FISCAL COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Report](#) & [Video](#)

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, October 30, 2017

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Di Costanzo reported that the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo and Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver. Also present were Karen Cammarota, Grants; Dan Colleluori, Recycling; Jay Fountain, Director of OPM; and Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare.

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| 1. F29.563
\$408,659.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Homeland Security Grant Funds for Equipment, Training and Maintenance of Assets to Enhance Preparedness and Response Capabilities of First Responders Throughout Fairfield County. Stamford receives \$50,000 to act as fiduciary agent. (100% grant funded)
10/04/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/12/17 – Approved by Board of Finance
10/30/17 – Approved 10-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 2. F29.564
\$19,212.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Waste Reduction Initiative; Grant from CT DEEP to Increase Recycling Rates Through Additional Signage and Availability Of Compost Containers; Seasonal Recycling Coordinator. (100% Grant funded).
10/04/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/12/17 – Approved by Board of Finance
10/30/17 – Approved 10-0-1 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 3. F29.565
\$86,842.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Settlement agreement for seasonal custodian positions upgraded to full time.
10/04/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/12/17 – Held by Board of Finance
10/30/17 – No Action Taken | NO ACTION
TAKEN |

Secondary Committee: Personnel

A motion to approve Item Nos. 1 and 2 on the Consent Agenda was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

⁶LEGISLATIVE & RULES

COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Report](#) & [Video](#)

Eileen Heaphy, Chair

Elise Coleman, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, October 23, 2017

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Heaphy reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Heaphy, Vice Chair Coleman and Committee Member Reps. Mitchell, Nabel, Okun and Silver. Absent or excused were Reps. Day, Ryan and Zelinsky. Also present were Tilford Cobb, Animal Control Manager; Burt Rosenberg, Law Department; Kevin Murray, Parks & Facilities Manager; Laurie Albano, Recreation Services; Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare; and members of the public Jenny Collucci and Ali Girardi, OPIN.

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| 1. LR29.092 | RESOLUTION and public hearing; Authorizing the acceptance of the conveyance of Cubeta Stadium from the State of CT to the City of Stamford.
09/26/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/24/14 – Approved by Planning Board
10/30/17 – Approved by Board of Finance
10/23/17 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA |
| Secondary Committee: Parks & Recreation | | |
| 2. LR29.093 | RESOLUTION and public hearing; Approving a Lease between Our Lady Star of the Sea Corporation and the City of Stamford for 1170 Shippan Avenue, Stamford, CT.
10/05/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/17/17 – Approved by Planning Board
10/30/17 – Approved by Board of Finance
10/23/17 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0 | APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA
<i>(Reps. Cerasoli, Kolenberg and Ryan abstaining)</i> |
| 3. LR29.091 | REVIEW; Possible Ordinance Restricting Single-Use Plastic Shopping Bags.
09/15/17 – Submitted by Rep. Heaphy
10/23/17 – Report Made | REPORT
MADE |
| 4. LR29.094 | REVIEW; Annual Report of Animal Control Officer of Activities, Practices and Policies of Stamford Animal Control and Care Center as required by Code §111-10.F.
10/10/17 – Submitted by Rep. Heaphy
10/23/17 – Report Made | REPORT
MADE |

A motion to approve Item Nos. 1 and 2 on the Consent Agenda was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

⁷PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

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Susan Nabel, Chair

Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, October 30, 2017

6:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

- and -

Wednesday, November 8, 2017

6:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

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[Report & Video](#)

Chair Nabel reported that the Personnel Committee met on October 30, 2017, as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Nabel and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Okun and Savage. Absent or excused were Reps. DePina and Jacobson. Also

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present were Board of Education Members Geoff Alswanger, Andy George, Jackie Heftman, and David Mannis; Hugh Murphy, Finance Director, and Steven Falcone, HR Director, Stamford Public Schools; Tom Mooney and Melika Forbes, Shipman & Goodwin, LLP. The Committee also met on November 8, 2017, as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Nabel and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, McMullen, Miller, Okun and Savage. Absent or excused were Reps. DePina, Figueroa, and Jacobson. Also present were Board of Education Member Geoff Alswanger; Hugh Murphy, Finance Director, and Steven Falcone, HR Director, Stamford Public Schools.

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| 1. P29.100 | REJECTION; Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Stamford Board of Education and the Stamford Administrative Unit.
10/27/17 – Submitted by Board of Education
10/30/17 – Advisory Opinion of Board of Finance
10/30/17 – Held by Committee
11/08/17 – Failed in Committee 0-5-1 | FAILED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
<i>(Reps. Cerasoli, McMullen and Quinones abstaining)</i> |
| 2. P29.101 | REJECTION; Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Stamford Board of Education and the Stamford Education Association.
10/27/17 – Submitted by Board of Education
10/30/17 – Advisory Opinion of Board of Finance
10/30/17 – Held by Committee
11/08/17 – Failed in Committee 0-5-1 | FAILED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
<i>(Reps. Cerasoli, McMullen and Quinones abstaining)</i> |

A motion to approve Item Nos. 1 and 2 was made, seconded and failed by unanimous voice vote.

⁸LAND USE/URBAN

REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Harry Day, Chair

[Attendance & Votes Report](#) & [Video](#)

Meeting: Wednesday, October 25, 2017
 7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Day reported that the Land Use-Urban Redevelopment Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Day and Committee Member Reps. McGarry, Miller, Okun, Patterson and Summerville. Absent or excused were Reps. Heaphy, Hoch and Ryan. Also present were Rep. de la Cruz and Kathryn Emmett, Corporation Counsel.

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| 1. PS29.079 | APPROVAL; Agreement with Century Protective Services for Security Services for the Government Center.
09/28/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/12/17 – Approved by Board of Finance
10/23/17 – Approved by Committee 3-1-1 | APPROVED BY
MACHINE VOTE
27-0-7 |
| 2 PS29.078 | REVIEW; The effects of feeding wildlife in Stamford neighborhoods.
09/08/17 – Submitted by Reps. Kolenberg and Heaphy
09/12/17 – Held at Steering
10/23/17 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 27-0-7 (Reps. Coleman, Day, de la Cruz, DeLuca, DePina, Di Costanzo, Franzetti, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Liebson, McMullen, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Okun, Patterson, Pratt, Quinones, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Stella, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cerasoli, Coppola, Fedeli, Figueroa, Kolenberg, McGarry and Ryan abstaining.) [See Vote Record 2023.](#)

**PARKS & RECREATION
COMMITTEE:**

**Jim Caterbone, Co-Chair
Carl Franzetti, Co-Chair**

Co-Chair Franzetti reported that there was no meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee and no report.

¹⁰EDUCATION COMMITTEE:
[Attendance](#)
[Report](#) & [Video \(Pt. 1 & Pt. 2\)](#)

Mary Savage, Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, October 18, 2017
6:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Savage reported that the Education Committee met as indicated above. Present were: Chair Savage, and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo and Jacobson. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli, de la Cruz, Kolenberg, Nabel, Quinones and Wallace. There was one Student Advisory Council member present. Also present were Thomas Wuennemann and John Perrotta.

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| 1. E29.054 | REVIEW; Student Advisory Council 2017-18
09/05/17 – Submitted by Rep. Savage
09/18/17 – Report Made and Held
10/18/17 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |
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2. E29.053 REVIEW; Police Department Provisions for **REPORT MADE**
Pedestrian Safety Around Stamford Public Schools
(at 7:00 p.m.).
06/04/17 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz
06/21/17 – Report Made & Held
09/18/17 – Report Made and Held
10/18/17 – Report Made

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:**

**Elaine Mitchell, Chair
Lila Wallace, Vice Chair**

Chair Mitchell reported that there was no meeting of the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee and no report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

**Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Co-Chair
Rodney Pratt, Co-Chair**

Co-Chair Pratt reported that there was no meeting of the Transportation Committee and no report.

STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE:

Rodney Pratt, Chair

Chair Pratt reported that there was no meeting of the State & Commerce Committee and no report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**¹¹STAMFORD WATER
QUALITY COMMITTEE**

[Attendance
Report & Video](#)

**Susan Nabel, Chair
Gail Okun, Vice Chair**
Meeting: Thursday, October 26, 2017
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nabel reported that the Stamford Water Quality Committee met at the above date and time. In attendance were Chair Nabel and Committee Member Reps. Okun, Savage and Silver. Absent or excused was Rep. Day. Also present were Jennifer Calder, Director of Health; and Jim Federici, Lab Director.

¹¹ Video Time Stamp 00:47:18

1. WQ29.009 REVIEW; Testing Numbers, Results and Costs of Stamford Well Water Testing Program. **REPORT MADE**
10/04/17 – Submitted by Rep. Nabel
[10/26/17 – Report Made](#)

**COST SAVINGS &
REVENUE ENHANCEMENT
COMMITTEE**

**Frank Cerasoli, Co-Chair
Keith Silver, Co-Chair**

Co-Chair Cerasoli reported that there was no meeting of the Cost Savings & Revenue Enhancement Committee and no report.

**PERFORMANCE METRICS
COMMITTEE**

**Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair
David Watkins, Co-Chair**

Co-Chair Watkins reported that there was no meeting of the Performance Metrics Committee and no report.

MINUTES

1. [October 2, 2017 Regular Board Meeting](#) **APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

President Skigen adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.

This meeting is on [video](#).