Finance and Government Operations Commission Meeting Minutes
Middletown, Connecticut
January 2, 2019
Municipal Building Room 208
5:30 P.M.

Present: Councilman Sebastian Giuliano, Councilwoman Mary Bartolotta, Councilwoman Linda Salafia, Councilman Gerald Daley, Carl Erlacher, David Bauer, Captain John Lozefski, Lisa Santangelo, Joseph Samolis, Officer Michael DeSena

Absent: Councilman Thomas J. Serra

1. Councilwoman Bartolotta called the meeting to order and requested a motion to approve the November 28, 2018 Finance and Government meeting minutes. Councilwoman Salafia motioned to approve, Councilman Giuliano second; unanimously approved.

2. Public Comments on the Agenda – None

3. Items submitted for discussion:

   • Health – Appropriation Request totaling $10,000 for Part-Time Salaries & Wage for part time Administrative Secretary II/Assistant Registrar of Vital Statistics; Appropriation Request totaling $3000 for Overtime for sanitarians and code enforcement officers through June 30; Appropriation Request totaling $4000 for Shelter Grant for long-term relocation costs for displaced Middletown residents
     Health is pulling all 3 appropriation requests - no one is able to attend to support the requests.

   • Registrar – discussion of request for additional funds for Part-Time Permanent Salaries & Wages and General Administrative lines totaling $7500
     Councilman Daley motioned to approve the $7500 in additional funds, Councilman Giuliano seconded; unanimously approved.

   • Police – discussion of bonding for police cruisers not to exceed $375,000; Grant Confirmation totaling $254,734 in Federal funds for Port Security Grant for boat to replace department’s Boston Whaler; Grant Confirmation totaling $38,000 in State funds for JAG Violent Crime Prevention
     Captain Lozefski discussed the purchasing of new police vehicles. Councilman Daley motioned to approve the bonding of $240,000 which should cover six cars, Councilman Giuliano second; unanimously approved. Carl Erlacher suggested changing it to $250,000. Councilwoman Bartolotta motioned to amend the amount to the $250,000; Councilman Giuliano seconded, unanimously approved. Councilman Daley motioned to approve the Grant Confirmation totaling $274,734, Councilman Giuliano second; unanimously approved. Councilman Daley motioned to approve the Grant Confirmation totaling $38,000 in State funds for JAG Violent Crime Prevention, Councilman Giuliano second; unanimously approved.

   • PCD – Appropriation Request totaling $72,000 for a match to purchase the Development Rights of property off of Higby Road, owned by the Chiarevallo Family, in cooperation with CT Farm Trust and State of CT Department of Agriculture; Resolution requesting authorization for the Mayor to sign all documents necessary to execute the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) for Chiarevallo Family property off of Higby Road and, to spend up to $72,000 for City’s portion of PDR
     Joe Samolis discussed the Appropriation request totaling $72,000 for a match to purchase the development rights of property off of Higby Road currently owned by the Chiarevallo family. Suggestions were made to update the language in the Resolution. Joe will contact Linda Reed with changes for the Resolution. Councilman Daley motioned to approve; Councilwoman Salafia second; unanimously approved.

   • CNR – discussion of City’s 5 year Capital Plan

     Discussion only

     • Transfer of Funds/BOE Transfers
     • General Fund Appropriations
     • City’s Investments
     • Tax Collection Recap Report
     • Professional Services Report
4. Other

Monthly Expenditure Summary Report

The next regular meeting is Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 5:30 pm in Room 208

Respectfully
Submitted by,

Tracy Vess on behalf of Carl R. Erlacher