

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JULY 11, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.
LINCOLN CENTER HEARING ROOM
ONE MEETING AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor Moran, Deputy Mayor Hackett, Secretary Kissmann, Directors Devanney, Eckbreth, Galligan, Gates, Jones and Nye

ALSO: General Manager Scott Shanley, Town Attorney Ryan Barry and Director of Administrative Services, Dede Moore.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board went into Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss Personnel and adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Present were Mayor Moran, Deputy Mayor Hackett, Secretary Kissmann, Directors Devanney, Eckbreth, Galligan, Gates, Jones and Nye, and General Manager Shanley. Dede Moore, Director of Administrative Services, was asked to join the executive session at 6:30 p.m. and left at 6:35 p.m. No votes were taken.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. All in attendance participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mayor Moran.

2. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS.

A. Manchester Fire – Rescue – EMS – Governor’s Award

Mayor Moran asked Secretary Kissmann, as former Assistant Deputy Chief and Fire Marshall, to join him at the podium to present the CT EMS Governor’s Award to Fire Chief Dave Billings. This award was established to recognize and commend an EMS organization, whether career or volunteer in structure, that has enhanced the understanding and support of the EMS System through their public service, community education and contributions to their town. At the State Capitol on Monday, May 22, 2017 the award was presented to Manchester Fire-Rescue-EMS for their high performing and highly respected EMS service in Connecticut. Mayor Moran congratulated Chief Billings and all the members of the fire department on this prestigious award. He is very proud of the daily work of our Fire Departments.

Chief Billings stated he was very pleased and proud to accept this award. The citizens of Manchester are provided with superior EMS services, made possible by the support of the Board of Directors and General Manager. It is also made possible under the watchful eye of Battalion Chief Josh Beaulieu, EMS Director, and certainly by the fine men and women who deliver excellent service to our community every day. Thank you all.

3. OPENING OF THE MEETING TO ELECTORS OR TAXPAYERS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON ANY SUBJECT WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. (Sign-up sheet available 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting)

Tom Stringfellow, 183 Hillstown Road, congratulated the Fire Department on this prestigious award. He then talked about the car thefts in town and indicated thieves can now override security systems. He wondered if MCC has a safety list for students and visitors. He stated MCC now has a food pantry and clothing closet for their students and faculty in need. There was a recent article in Reader's Digest written by Retired General Colin Powell and his wife, Alma, "Plead to America's Adults", regarding the importance of adults in a young person's life. In September CPTV will air a Ken Burns' documentary on the Vietnam War.

Charles Crocini, 15 Frances Drive, would like to see a change in the current water main ordinance, for non-profits. The current ordinance calls for separate water mains to be brought in from the street rather than having a separate meter put in for irrigation systems. He is asking that non-profits be allowed to tap off their existing water main and not have to bring in a separate main from the street, to allow them to use their irrigation system. Water consumption is augmented by the cost of the sewer system costs. Last year, St. James' water bill was over \$6K. He would like the Board of Directors to consider a change to the ordinance for non-profits, to allow separate meters be placed on the existing mains.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.

A. Actions, June 6, 2017 – Regular Meeting

Jones/Nye

Nine Voted in Favor

B. Minutes, June 6, 2017 – Regular Meeting

Galligan/Hackett

Nine Voted in Favor

C. Minutes, June 20, 2017 – Special Meeting

Attorney Barry noted that he was also present at the June 20, 2017 Special Meeting though his name was not noted in the minutes.

Nye/Jones

Eight Voted in Favor
(Director Devanney abstained)

D. Minutes, June 27, 2017 – Policy Briefing Meeting

Galligan/Devanney

Seven Voted in Favor
(Directors Jones and Nye abstained)

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

Mayor Moran noted this year is MARC Inc.'s 65th anniversary, and in honor of this MARC plans to perform 65 acts of kindness throughout the year. Yesterday, some of the individuals served by MARC washed a fire apparatus and a police cruiser. Mike Robinson, known as the "voice of MARC", was named Honorary Mayor for the day. Mike said he loves this community and will keep Manchester safe for the day, which he did a great job at. It was a special day for Mike Robinson and an equally special day for Manchester. A segment was taped by *Better Connecticut* which will air in the near future. Mayor Moran asked for a public round of applause for Mike. This was a community event that we can all be proud of.

6. REPORTS

A. Manager's Report

1. Motor Vehicle Break-ins Update

General Manager Shanley stated there was a request for an update regarding motor vehicle break-ins in town, which will be presented by Chief Marc Montminy and Captain Chris Davis.

Chief Montminy indicated their presentation will provide information on car thefts, thefts from motor vehicles and theft of automotive parts, three different crimes according to the FBI.

Captain Davis stated thefts from motor vehicles, often called “car shopping”, is a crime typically committed by juvenile age individuals. He noted most vehicles that are “broken into” are not locked. The unlocked vehicles are searched for items of value such as cash, cell phones, GPS devices, etc. Many times these cases are not reported to the police, so it is difficult to get an accurate number. Many times it is one or two groups that victimize many different neighborhoods. The reported cases are analyzed on a monthly basis, looking for patterns. This type of crime is very difficult to preplan or deploy resources to because it is so sporadic. Best enforcement efforts are with the officer on patrol who sees suspicious activity or when a call is received from a citizen.

Chief Montminy stated the map on the presentation indicates what neighborhoods are hit hardest by these crimes, and include Squire Village and Pine Street Apartments. Car thefts are up 35% compared to this time last year. The Manchester Police Department was able to identify a 17-year old individual who was part of a group of youths stealing vehicles in Connecticut and Massachusetts. Manchester police officers and detectives called a meeting together with other towns victimized by this group of car thieves and helped track down and arrest the thieves.

Captain Davis explained that during the first few months of 2017 there was a spike of tire and rim thefts. Theft from motor vehicles and car thefts are often intertwined if the thief discovers a spare key in the vehicle. The theft of tires and rims is typically not done by juvenile offenders but is a more professional operation. In the first few months of 2017, there was a spike of tire and rim thefts throughout the region and the state, and in March there were 9 vehicles victimized, but it has trailed off since then. Most of this activity occurred in apartment complexes and car dealerships. The Manchester Police Department has worked with property management to improve security and surveillance, and did some meet and greets with apartment residents.

He then talked about social media concerns with an increase in the posting of crime information on social media. This can be good to help educate people about what's going on but this information is not always accurate and is not always reported to the police. Posting this information can give the public a false sense that crime is out of control. A small percentage of individuals are committing the majority of our crime, which can be misleading.

The Manchester Police Department will continue to analyze vehicle crime data on a monthly basis to try to detect crime patterns and deploy resources in an efficient manner to combat these crimes.

General Manager Shanley reminded the public that posting these incidences on social media does not constitute reporting it to the Manchester Police Department.

Chief Montminy indicated that cash stolen out of an unlocked vehicle often goes unnoticed, and unreported. Stolen items include expensive sunglasses, GPS devices and cash. They may get one report for every 10 vehicles that thieves go into.

Director Nye stated that in her case one of her neighbors saw her car dome light on and noted the thieves had some type of remote device used to unlock her car. She asked if that is seen often.

Chief Montminy stated they have not seen any suspects with high tech remote devices to unlock cars. On occasion they have seen filed down keys for certain vehicle models. It has become known in the criminal element that in certain vehicle models if the key is filed down it will open every model of that vehicle. When searching a suspect, the police look to see what type of keys they have on them.

Mayor Moran thanked Captain Davis for his efforts and the great job he does on social media sites.

Director Jones asked if the Police Department makes a referral to the Youth Services Bureau or other town resources for families, in addition to a referral to juvenile court.

Captain Davis indicated that first time juvenile offenders are referred to the Youth Services Bureau. After the first offense, they are referred to the court for adjudication.

Vice Chair Hackett appreciates the Police Department following social media pages to look for trends. She asked if there is anything specific citizens can do to make the information more valuable to the Police Department. She also asked how to recap this information for the citizens. She emphasized locking vehicles, reporting concerns and keeping your house lit at night.

Captain Davis filters through the information presented on social media in search of valuable information. He emphasized that residents should report the information to the police department. He recommended residents lock vehicles, use alarms and be aware of their surroundings. Buckland Mall puts out reminder signs to lock cars and not leave valuables visible in vehicles.

Chief Montminy stated they periodically put out public notices with reminders. Last year, the mall let the Manchester Police Department put informational flyers on cars where they noticed valuable items within the vehicle, reminding them to lock their vehicles and keep valuables out of sight. Manchester Police have also met with several of the larger property owners to get improved lighting and security in their parking areas. There are other initiatives being done behind the scenes.

Mayor Moran indicated that someone got into his son's car the night it was left on the road, whereas if it were in the driveway the flood light would have come on.

Director Eckbreth stated information sharing on social media can be helpful. Some people post about the advanced technology and cameras set up outside their homes which are available today at a reasonable price and provide very good images. It is important that we stay vigilant and protect our property.

Secretary Kissmann asked if car dealer thefts have decreased.

Chief Montminy stated individuals who steal cars, or wheels and rims off cars, are often times doing it on a larger scale where someone sends them out looking for specific parts or cars. It's a different type of criminal. It is cyclical in nature. An area will get hit, someone will get caught and then a different area will get hit. Since March, only 3 cars have been stolen in Manchester, but that could change quickly.

Director Galligan asked if we had insight into this type of activity at MCC where there are a large number of cars. He asked how the meet and greets at the apartment complexes were received by the public and how well they were attended.

Chief Montminy stated MCC has their own Police Department. Fewer issues are seen there because they have 24 hour security. Some of the bigger residential communities with large parking lots provide a huge opportunity because of the number of vehicles that are there.

Captain Davis said some of the apartment complex meet and greets were better attended than others. This was the first step to try to break down some cultural barriers, to allow the public to get to know us as people and have them feel more comfortable in contacting the police should they need to. There were about 10-15 people at each meet and greet; hopefully that number will grow and it will have a positive impact.

Vice Chair Hackett commended the Police Department for the swift action they took in reaching out to other towns to try to get all towns working together. That collaboration and cooperation is so important.

Mayor Moran talked about the bigger issue of repeat offenders and asked what we are teaching our youth if they continue to get away with it. The victims often feel they did something wrong because they left their car doors unlocked. He thanked Captain Davis and Chief Montminy for their report and for their continued good work.

2. Connecticut's New FDA Food Code

General Manager Shanley indicated the State Legislature recently passed a new law which will require food service inspections to meet FDA requirements. Jeff Catlett, Director of Health, and Mary Roche-Cronin, Human Services Director, foresaw this and have been taking steps toward compliance with the new requirements. While annual food service inspections are not currently required, we should be very proud that in Manchester all food establishments are inspected every year.

Mr. Catlett indicated the State Legislature adopted Senate Bill 901 which is the adoption of the FDA food code, a national food code. Connecticut food inspection regulations were implemented in 1982 and 35 years later there is very little change, whereas the FDA food code is updated every 2 years. Because the State is implementing this code, we will now receive changes every 2 years.

Effective October 2017, the new code will be implemented with changes including the classification of restaurants and variances, with full code implementation in July of 2018. This will give us a year to prepare our staff and our restaurants for this change. The main difference is that the FDA code is a scientifically-based, evidence-based code.

Under the FDA food code, inspection frequency will decrease but the length of the visits will increase. The first inspections will be treated as more of an educational session rather than an inspection, to give each restaurant the opportunity to understand the changes. Differences in the FDA food code include temperatures, food preparation, and partial cooking and undercooking pork and poultry using special processes. All restaurants must have a certified food manager who will be required to renew their certification every 5 years. There is also a new inspection form, which is easier to understand and in electronic format. All our inspectors currently have tablets to do the inspections. The inspections will be more risk-factor focused, noting violations that directly lead to food-borne illness. Restaurants will be allowed to immediately correct any violations while the inspector is on-site. The advantages of the FDA food code adoption are uniformity in the industry, regular updates and standardized training, including on-line training for inspectors.

Manchester has been very proactive in the implementation of the code. In 2013, we participated in the FDA voluntary retail food standards in a risk factor study and have started implementing changes. We incorporated the FDA food standards into our department performance measures since 2013. Since July of 2015, Mr. Catlett has been on the FDA Code Advisory Committee in Connecticut allowing for up-to-date information sharing and policy development. Earlier this year, Manchester volunteered to be a pilot test site for implementation of the FDA food code. Our inspectors will be some of the first in the State of Connecticut to be certified with the new food code. Manchester may be asked to be a training site as well. We will begin by providing town restaurants with required educational material within a few months. We also plan to hold public health training forums for owners and employees. We plan to make the transition as smooth as possible for our 300 food service establishments in Manchester.

Director Gates is impressed that Manchester is so far ahead of the new standards. It is also good to hear that all our establishments have been inspected within the last year. The restaurants should be happy with the immediate corrective action allowed under the new code, so they will not have to be shut down until the problem is corrected. He asked if food vendors/trucks and school cafeterias are included in this new standard.

Mr. Catlett responded that food vendors/trucks are included and there is a separate section of the code that applies directly to food vendors. The new code also extends to our non-profit temporary events. Food vendors will be invited to the forums as well. School cafeterias, daycares and hospital food services are included and will actually be inspected more frequently under the new FDA code. When the inspectors go out, they will review the new FDA food code and what the changes are. Restaurants should be happy with the immediate correction allowed under the new code.

Director Jones also complimented Manchester for being progressive on this. She asked if the public had access to the information found during inspections.

Mr. Catlett stated all inspections are public record. A patron can call or stop by the Health Department to view the report. At this point, there is no central database to view this information, but the State of Connecticut is working to develop this.

Mayor Moran recently came across a sign on the door of a restaurant indicating it had been shut down by the Health Department. It is important for the consumer to know why it was shut down.

Director Devanney has noted a significant difference between the Manchester Health Department and the health department in other towns with respect to the grocery business. The inspection walk-through is an active discussion and is very informative for the business. He asked what additional information would be noted on the new forms.

Mr. Catlett stated the new form has “in or out of violation” boxes to check off and a box for “corrected on-site”, which will be a great tool for the inspectors. The public will be able to view all inspection documentation.

Mayor Moran said often times the inspectors are viewed as the bad guy but are really trying to help the businesses. He asked how many inspectors are employed by the Town.

Mr. Catlett responded there are two inspectors, who split the restaurants and are able to build a good rapport with the business owners. There is also a Chief Inspector who oversees the program and does plan review inspections.

Secretary Kissmann stated the universal codes should be beneficial to the business owners, for when they are opening another business at a new location. For years, the food industry was missing standardized training so having this is certainly a positive move.

Vice Chair Hackett appreciates the consultative approach that is taken. It is apparent that our Health Department wants all businesses to be successful. She asked if the training is statutorily required and asked if there are any changes that will benefit food allergy sufferers.

Mr. Catlett and his staff wanted the establishments to get the information directly from the Health Department to ensure all businesses get the same information, which should make the program more successful. Food safety training is required and offered by national training centers. The training forums are not required but are recommended. They will also follow up with an informational packet during licensing with a link to the new code. The code discusses the 7 main food allergies, with some training required by restaurants during the inspections regarding this.

7. PRESENTATION OF BID WAIVER REQUESTS.

There were none.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS (formally advertised).

8A. Appropriations to Special Projects as follows:

1. Recreation Department Special Activities Fund..... \$1,500
to be funded by a donation from the Manchester Art Association to install murals at Charter Oak Park toward the restoration which is gratefully acknowledged and accepted.
2. Cruisin’ on Main Street Subcommittee \$12,209
for distribution to 2017 mini-grant applicants.
3. Special Grants – Flu Supplies \$1,978
to be financed by reimbursement for returned flu vaccine purchased in FY17.
4. Police Donations Revenue Account – Youth Services Program \$500
to be funded by donations from Kerriane Quigley and Linda and David Kingsbury which are gratefully acknowledged and accepted.

5. Manchester Animal Control.....\$1,000
to be financed by a donation from North Eastern Connecticut Animal Rescue from the recent rabies clinic which is gratefully acknowledged and accepted.
6. Library Donation Trust Fund Account\$6,000
to be financed by a donation to supplement the REAdy for Grade Summer Program which is gratefully acknowledged and accepted.
7. Library Donation Trust Fund Account\$798
to be financed by a donation to purchase books, programs and materials which are gratefully acknowledged and accepted.
8. Automated Trash Collection Account (LR728).....\$860,000
to be financed by a transfer from Sanitation Fund undesignated fund balance for the cost of planned replacement of automated trash carts.
9. Memorial Tree Program.....\$1,370
to be financed by donations which are gratefully acknowledged and accepted.
10. Fire Capital Reserves\$85,000
for HVAC upgrades and Records Management System software, to be funded by a transfer from the Fire fund balance.

Mayor Moran asked for an explanation of Item 8A8.

General Manager Shanley stated \$860K is the amount that it will cost to replace all 14-year old 95 gallon tipper barrels for trash in town with new 65 gallon containers, expected to take place in the Spring of 2018. We are setting aside the money now to lock in the price, as the price of these containers is driven by the price of oil which is currently favorable. The recycling containers will remain as they are.

He also explained that item 10 includes items in the capital budget for Fire this year. Unlike the general fund where the capital budget is non-recurring where it rolls into the next year, this doesn't happen in the Fire Fund. We are reappropriating the funds.

Mayor Moran opened the floor for public comment at this time. There being no public comment, the Mayor opened the floor for Board Members' comments.

Director Gates asked for clarification on item 8A1, who is doing the murals at Charter Oak Park, and when and where they are being placed.

General Manager Shanley indicated there is currently one completed mural on the north side of the racquetball court. There will also be a mural placed on the side of the old warming hut by the water pumping plant, one facing toward Charter Oak, and a mural on the side of the bathroom building facing the creek.

B. Appropriations to Education Special Projects as follows:

1. Increase to YWCA Partnership - FY 16-18\$25,000
to be financed by a grant from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving for the YWCA Hartford Region to purchase the educational services of Manchester Adult Ed and Continuing Education.
2. Increase to MRA Out-of-Town Tuition (FY 16/17)\$263,791
to be financed by a projected increase in tuition, bringing the total appropriation to \$1,363,791.

Mayor Moran opened the floor for public comment at this time. There being no public comment, the Mayor opened the floor for Board Members' comments. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing on the above item.

C. Appropriation to Capital Improvement Reserve as follows:

1. Buckland Street at Buckland Hills Drive Improvements..... \$836,250
for traffic signal replacement and safety improvements to be funded
by a state grant under the Local Accident Reduction Program.

Mayor Moran opened the floor for public comment at this time. There being no public comment, the Mayor opened the floor for Board Members' comments. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing on the above item.

- D. Appropriation to Whiton Library Improvements – Capital Outlay \$30,300
to replace the exterior sign and purchase furniture and technology improvements
to be funded by Whiton Library Fund.

Mayor Moran opened the floor for public comment at this time. There being no public comment, the Mayor opened the floor for Board Members' comments. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing on the above item.

- E. 1. Adoption of the Community Development Block Grant Annual
Action Plan for Year 27 (October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018).
2. Appropriation to Community Development Block Grant Program
Year 27 (October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018)..... \$529,074

General Manager Shanley explained that this is the last action of the Board, which adopts the actions that were amended at the last meeting. This is the Board members' final vote on the year 2017.

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- F. Resolution to appropriate \$2,400,000 to capital accounts for the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget for the purpose of paying the costs of Water Distribution System and Sewer System Improvements and authorize the issuance of temporary notes in an amount not to exceed \$2,400,000, or so much as may be necessary after deducting grants to be received for the projects.

General Manager Shanley stated that each year during the budget process the Board authorizes specific note projects and those projects, as approved, result in temporary notes. This authorizes follow through on that.

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- G. Resolution to appropriate \$13,000,000 to capital accounts for the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget for the purpose of paying the costs of reconstruction and repair of various town roads, roadside elements and sidewalks, repairs and improvements to town and school parking lots, repairs to Union Pond Dam and the dredging of and improvements to Center Springs Pond, and authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of the town or notes in anticipation of such bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13,000,000 to finance said appropriation.

General Manager Shanley explained this action would authorize a referendum question in November for \$13M as amended by the Board of Directors at their last meeting, for repair of roads and sidewalks, an initial payment for Union Pond Dam and an additional payment for Center Springs Pond. Explanatory text will be sent to the Secretary of State's office at the beginning of September for inclusion on the November ballot. Jeff LaMalva, Town Engineer, is here to answer any questions about these projects.

Mayor Moran opened the floor for public comment at this time. There being no public comment, the Mayor opened the floor for Board Members' comments. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing on the above item.

- H. Approval of an ordinance regulating the trimming or removal of trees on private property by public utility companies. A copy of the ordinance may be seen in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours. [Tabled from meeting of June 6, 2017]

ADOPTED – Motion to remove item 8H from the table.

Nye/Galligan

Nine Voted in Favor

9. CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 8F and 8H added)

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by public utility companies. A copy of the ordinance may be seen in the Town Clerk's
Office during normal business hours. [Tabled from meeting of June 6, 2017]
- 12A. Appropriation to Special Projects (under \$500) as follows:
 - 1. Hockanum River Linear Park Special Grant Account..... \$350
to be funded by donations in memory of Doug Smith which are gratefully
acknowledged and accepted.
 - 2. Manchester, CT HOPE Initiative \$92
to be financed by donations from Rosemary Senyk to honor Patty Kanute (\$50)
and Dylan Ward and Muhammad Ahmad (\$42) which are gratefully
acknowledged and accepted.
 - 3. Police Donations Revenue Account - Manchester Police Explorer Post..... \$15
to be funded by dues.
- B. Acceptance of resignation of Ed Peterson (D) from the Building Committee with a term
expiring November 2018.
- D. Acceptance of resignation of Richard Cormier (D) from the Building Committee with a
term expiring November 2019.
- F. Acceptance of resignation of Richard Cormier (D) from the Redevelopment Agency
with a term expiring November 2020.

10. ACTION ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC HEARING.

8G. Resolution to appropriate \$13,000,000 to capital accounts for the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget for the purpose of paying the costs of reconstruction and repair of various town roads, roadside elements and sidewalks, repairs and improvements to town and school parking lots, repairs to Union Pond Dam and the dredging of and improvements to Center Springs Pond, and authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of the town or notes in anticipation of such bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13,000,000 to finance said appropriation.

Mayor Moran opened the floor for public comment at this time. There being no public comment, the Mayor opened the floor for Board Members' comments.

Vice Chair Hackett indicated the list of roads to receive repair through this referendum has been in the works for some time and includes the road she resides on. Therefore, she would like to abstain from this vote.

Mayor Moran stated the referendum amount was decreased from \$18M to \$13M. The roads and parking lots to be repaired on this referendum have been delayed many times before, so he is hoping to get this referendum passed.

There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing on the above item.

Galligan/Nye

Eight Voted in Favor
(Vice Chair Hackett abstained)

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

A. Appointment of a member to the Building Committee with a term expiring November 2017 to fill the vacancy left by A. R. Meek (R).

APPOINTED – Motion to appoint Les Stewart (U), 46 Woodstock Drive to the Building Committee with a term expiring November 2017 to fill the vacancy left by A.R. Meek (R).

Eckbreth/Nye

Nine Voted in Favor

12. NEW BUSINESS.

C. Appointment of a member to the Building Committee with a term expiring November 2018 to fill the vacancy left by Ed Peterson (D).

APPOINTED – Motion to appoint Lisa O'Neill (D), 109 Autumn Street, to the Building Committee with a term expiring November 2018 to fill the vacancy left by Ed Peterson (D).

Gates/Galligan

Nine Voted in Favor

E. **TABLED** - Appointment of a member to the Building Committee with a term expiring November 2019 to fill the vacancy left by Richard Cormier (D).

Gates/Eckbreth

Nine Voted in Favor

G. **TABLED** - Appointment of a member to the Redevelopment Agency with a term expiring November 2020 to fill the vacancy left by Richard Cormier (D).

Gates/Eckbreth

Nine Voted in Favor

13. COMMENT AND DISCUSSION BY BOARD MEMBERS ON ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA OR OF GENERAL CONCERN.

Director Nye noted she has seen vehicles other than police and fire vehicles with transponders on them, to allow them to go through lights. She has received reports from some residents and has personally seen Greater Hartford Transit District buses travel through intersections at a high rate of speed at red lights. This is a grave danger. She doesn't understand the need for buses to have transponders and would like to have someone look into this. She asked if we could pass an ordinance to disallow this.

Mayor Moran has received several complaints from residents about the lack of visibility due to tall grass at exit ramps. He asked General Manager Shanley to look into both these issues.

He thanked the Fourth of July Committee for their hard work. He reminded residents that the grand re-opening of Charter Oak Park will be held on July 26th at noon. He stated there are many Town-wide events throughout the summer, and recommended looking at the Town website for details.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting was adjourned until the August 8, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln Center Hearing Room.

Galligan/Hackett

Nine Voted in Favor

Adjournment: 8:50 p.m.

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APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Secretary, Manchester Board of Directors