

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM  
March 7, 2018  
MINUTES

Present: First Selectman Christine Goupil: Selectmen Carol Walter, Phillip Sengle and Tim Guerra

Absent: Jack Scherban

Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

**VISITORS**

No visitors wished to speak at this time.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –FEBRUARY 28, 2018**

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve the minutes from February 28, 2018. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Guerra to appoint James Connolly (G) to the Historic District Commission for a term until June 30, 2022. The motion was unanimously approved.

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to appoint Madeleine Leveille (G) to the Human Services Advisory Board for a term until June 30, 2020. The motion was unanimously approved.

**FINALIZE LEASE PURCHASE OF NEW EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC WORKS**

The department has \$200,000 that was already approved in FY17/18 budget for the purchase of a heavy duty dump truck. In July 2017, the Board of Selectmen approved the lease/purchase of a hook lift truck with attachments for \$206,945 instead of the heavy duty dump truck. The department felt that the hook lift truck is a multi-use truck that would be used year round as opposed to another dump truck with only one purpose. At the time the department went out to bid but all bids were rejected. Neff is asking the board to allow them to move forward with the state bid. Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve using the state bid for the lease/purchase of a hook lift truck for an amount not to exceed \$206,000 and send to the Board of Finance. The motion was unanimously approved.

**INDIAN RIVER SHELLFISH ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AND CONSENT TO CONVERSION**

Indian River Shellfish Company is changing from and LLP to and LLC. Indian River Shellfish acknowledges that it's proposed name change will not in any way affect its current MOU agreement with the town in regards to the Unilever Oyster Rehabilitation Project. Walter made a motion, seconded by Guerra to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Indian River Shellfish Acknowledgement of and Consent to Conversion from an LLP to and LLC. The motion was unanimously approved.

**SELECTMEN'S REPORTS**

Reported by Sengle

- Inland Wetlands Commission Public Hearing on the Shoreline Rail & Recycling Application was held last night at The Morgan School. It was originally scheduled to take place at the Town Hall

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but was moved to The Morgan School because of the large turnout that was expected. The public hearing was continued to April 3, 2018.

Reported by Walter

- The Board of Selectmen scheduled a joint meeting for tonight with the Board of Finance and Water Pollution Control Commission to discuss the future planning of WPCC. The meeting will take place weather permitted.

Reported by Guerra

- Economic Development Commission meeting for this month was changed from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday.

Report by Christine

- State budget update
- CCM held a legislative meeting this week. A copy of CCM report will be attached to the minutes.
- Goupil is in the process of drafting a technology MOU with the school to determine shared services.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to go into executive session at 8:20 am and invite Peter Neff, Mike Neff, Todd Hajak and Mary Schettino. The motion was unanimously approved. The board came out of executive session at 8:50 am. Sengle made a motion, seconded by Guerra to appoint Mike Neff as the Interim Emergency Management Director. The motion was unanimously approved.

**ADJOURN**

Water made a motion, seconded by Guerra and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino



Connecticut Conference  
of Municipalities  
CCM LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Item 2.

This is a list of selected bills being tracked by CCM. For additional information on these or other bills,

Please visit CCM's Legislative Action [www.ccm-ct.org](http://www.ccm-ct.org).

Bill #	Bill Title	Staff	Current Status
<b>HB 5043</b>	<b>AN ACT PROMOTING A FAIR, CIVIL AND HARASSMENT-FREE WORKPLACE.</b>	Dan Giungi Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Labor and Public Employees Committee  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0308
<b>HB 5046</b>	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS.</b>	Michael Muszynski Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Transportation Committee  Last Act.: 02/08 REF. TO JOINT COMM. ON TRA
<b>HB 5083</b>	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING THE FULL FUNDING OF SPECIAL EDUCATION.</b>	Dan Giungi Michael Muszynski	Curr. Loc.: Education Committee  Last Act.: 02/14 REF. TO JOINT COMM. ON ED

**FUNDING OF SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
Would require the state to fully fund special education.



Bill #	Bill Title	Staff	Current Status
HB 5171	<p><b>AN ACT PROHIBITING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH FROM MAKING RESCISSIONS OR OTHER REDUCTIONS TO THE EDUCATION COST SHARING GRANT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR.</b></p>	<p>Dan Giungi Michael Muszynski</p>	<p>Curr. Loc.: Education Committee</p>
<p>Last Act.: 02/22 PUBLIC HEARING 0226</p>			
<p><b><u>PROHIBITING ECS RESCISSIONS OR REDUCTIONS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR</u></b></p>			
<p>Would prohibit the executive branch from making rescissions or reductions to ECS during the fiscal year.</p>			
HB 5180	<p><b>AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPRAISAL OF CERTAIN RENTAL INCOME-PRODUCING REAL PROPERTY.</b></p>	<p>Donna Hanzzy Zach McKeown</p>	<p>Curr. Loc.: Planning and Development Committee</p>
<p>Last Act.: 02/22 PUBLIC HEARING 0226</p>			
<p><b><u>ASSESSMENT OF INCOME PRODUCING REAL PROPERTY</u></b></p>			
<p>Would prohibit towns from using the income approach in appraising certain rental income producing real property.</p>			
<p>The income approach is a universal approach to determining a rental property's true and actual market value, nationally and internationally. It is widely regarded as an accurate and fair method of appraisal and considered an industry standard.</p>			
HB 5184	<p><b>AN ACT PERMITTING THE AMENDMENT OF MUNICIPAL CHARTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MODIFYING BUDGET ADOPTION DATES.</b></p>	<p>Donna Hanzzy Zach McKeown</p>	<p>Curr. Loc.: Planning and Development Committee</p>
<p>Last Act.: 03/01 PUBLIC HEARING 0305</p>			
<p><b><u>MUNICIPAL CHARTERS AND BUDGET ADOPTION DATES</u></b></p>			
<p>Would permit the amendment of municipal charters for the purpose of modifying budget adoption dates.</p>			

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<b>HB 5188</b>	<b>AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON THE USE OF RECYCLED TIRE RUBBER AT MUNICIPAL AND PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS.</b>	Randy Collins Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Committee on Children
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Last Act.: 03/02 FILED WITH LCO

**MORATORIUM ON THE USE OF RECYCLED TIRE RUBBER AT MUNICIPAL AND PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS**  
 Establishes a moratorium on the installation of crumb rubber on municipal playgrounds and playgrounds under the jurisdiction of local or regional boards of education.

<b>HB 5198</b>	<b>AN ACT REQUIRING STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES AND UTILITIES TO ADOPT A HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IMPACT ANALYSIS.</b>	Donna Hanzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Housing Committee
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Last Act.: 02/23 PUBLIC HEARING 0301

**HOUSING IMPACT ANALYSIS**

Would require, municipalities, among other entities, as part of their affordable housing plan prepared every five years, to produce a housing affordability impact analysis of the municipality's local land use and other regulations, ordinances and requirements that impact the cost of housing within the municipality.

This requirement will increase costs and require additional resources by municipalities to produce the impact analysis, which provides no direct benefit to advancing affordable housing

Bill #

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**HB 5217** AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT ATHLETES WITH SYMPTOMS OF SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST.

Michael Muszynski  
Zach McKeown

Curr. Loc.: Public Health Committee

Last Act.: 03/01 PUBLIC HEARING 0305

**STUDENT ATHLETES WITH SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST SYMPTOMS**

Would require any interscholastic coach to remove a student athlete from their activity if they exhibit signs or symptoms consistent with cardiac arrest.

While well intended, the symptoms listed are ambiguous and may be consistent with general exhaustion from the activity. As well, would expose the coach and municipality to added liability.

**HB 5261** AN ACT CONCERNING FEES CHARGED BY MUNICIPALITIES UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

Michael Muszynski

Curr. Loc.: Government Administration and Elections Committee

Last Act.: 02/28 PUBLIC HEARING 0305

**COLLECTION OF FEES CHARGED BY MUNICIPALITIES UNDER FOI**

Would (1) allow towns to charge a fee to when providing electronic FOI requests, and (2) establish a mechanism to allow municipalities to charge a higher fee for FOI requests that will be used for commercial purposes (i.e. "Data-mining").

**HB 5282** AN ACT CONCERNING THE TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE HUMANE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS IN MUNICIPAL AND REGIONAL SHELTERS.

Donna Hamzy  
Zach McKeown

Curr. Loc.: Planning and Development Committee

Last Act.: 03/01 PUBLIC HEARING 0305

**TASK FORCE ON THE HUMANE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS**

Would re-establish the Task Force on the Humane Treatment of Animals in Municipal and Regional Shelters.

Bill #	Bill Title	Staff	Current Status
HB 5285	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORITY FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO EXTEND THEIR BUDGET ADOPTION PROCESSES.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Planning and Development Committee  Last Act.: 03/01 PUBLIC HEARING 0305
<b>HB 5312</b>	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES REGARDING THE MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTES.</b>	Michael Muszynski Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Transportation Committee  Last Act.: 03/01 PUBLIC HEARING 0305
<b>HB 5362</b>	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION OF MUNICIPAL POUNDS AND SHELTERS.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Environment Committee  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0309
<b>HB 5362</b>	<b><u>MUNICIPAL POUNDS AND SHELTERS</u></b> Would require municipal pounds and shelters to register with the Department of Agriculture and follow the same sanitation and animal treatment standards as other registered facilities.		



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HB 5381	<b>AN ACT IMPOSING A SURCHARGE ON CERTAIN PERSONAL RISK INSURANCE POLICIES TO FUND REGIONAL FIRE SCHOOLS' OPERATING BUDGETS AND CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER TRAINING COSTS.</b>	Dan Giungi Michael Muszynski	Curr. Loc.: Insurance and Real Estate Committee  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0306
HB 5387	<b><u>FUNDING FIRE SCHOOLS</u></b> This bill would establish a surcharge on certain personal risk insurance policies to fund regional fire schools.	Dan Giungi Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Labor and Public Employees Committee  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0308
HB 5388	<b><u>PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE</u></b> Would create a paid family medical leave system.	Dan Giungi Michael Muszynski	Curr. Loc.: Labor and Public Employees Committee  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0308
	<b><u>MINIMUM WAGE</u></b> This bill would increase the minimum wage to \$15 by 2021.		

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HB 5399	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX, WATER AND SEWER LIENS.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Banking Committee
			Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0306
	<b><u>ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX, WATER AND SEWER LIENS</u></b>		
	Would, among other things, require that the assignment of all liens be limited to liens exceeding three thousand dollars or totaling three years of unpaid liens, and (2) provide that the assignment of liens on or after July 1, 2019 be invalid and unenforceable unless memorialized in a contract executed by the municipality and the assignee in writing.		
SB 1	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING EARNED FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE.</b>	Dan Giungi Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Labor and Public Employees Committee
			Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0308
	<b><u>PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE</u></b>		
	Would create and implement a paid family medical leave system.		
SB 8	<b>AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING EDUCATION.</b>	Dan Giungi Michael Muszynski	Curr. Loc.: Education Committee
			Last Act.: 02/22 PUBLIC HEARING 0226
	<b><u>REDUCING ECS</u></b>		
	Would implement part of the Governors budget by annualizing most recent holdbacks to ECS and eliminating ECS for towns with a high property tax base.		

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SB 10	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING REVENUE ITEMS TO IMPLEMENT THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET.</b>	Brian O'Connor Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee  Last Act.: 02/26 PUBLIC HEARING 0302
SB 11	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING CONNECTICUT'S RESPONSE TO FEDERAL TAX REFORM.</b>	Brian O'Connor Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee  Last Act.: 02/26 PUBLIC HEARING 0302
SB 12	<b>AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER PURPOSES.</b>	Brian O'Connor Randy Collins	Curr. Loc.: Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee  Last Act.: 02/26 PUBLIC HEARING 0302
	<u><b>AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER PURPOSES</b></u> Among other things would 1) authorize \$116 million in bonding for the Hartford XL Center; and authorizes \$60 million for grant-in-aid to municipalities.		

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SB 182	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL TAX APPEALS AND CONTINGENCY AGREEMENTS.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Planning and Development Committee  Last Act.: 02/22 PUBLIC HEARING 0226
SB 199	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING.</b>	Dan Giungi Donna Hamzy Michael Muszynski	Curr. Loc.: Insurance and Real Estate Committee  Last Act.: 02/23 PUBLIC HEARING 0227
SB 201	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING MANDATED HEALTH BENEFIT REVIEW.</b>	Dan Giungi Donna Hamzy	Curr. Loc.: Insurance and Real Estate Committee  Last Act.: 02/23 PUBLIC HEARING 0227
SB 199	<b>MANDATED BENEFIT REVIEW</b>	Would allow the Insurance and Real Estate Committee to request the Commissioner of the Department of Insurance to conduct a cost and quality review of up to five mandated health benefits during a regular session.	

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SB 278	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS TRAINING AND SUICIDE PREVENTION FOR POLICE OFFICERS.</b>	Dan Giungi Michael Muszynski	Curr. Loc.: Public Safety and Security Committee  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0306
	<u><b>MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING FOR POLICE OFFICERS</b></u> Would, among other things, (1) prevent a municipality from discharging, discriminating or disciplining against a first responder that seeks mental health services, (2) establish protocols in which a police officer is allowed leave when dealing with PTSD, (3) each police department is responsible for developing policies on police officers dealing with mental health issues, (4) police departments would need to report, and DESPP would need to create, a database of police officers that have committed suicide.		
SB 316	<b>AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CHILD CARE FACILITY NEIGHBOR RELATIONS TASK FORCE.</b>	Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Committee on Children  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0306
	<u><b>ESTABLISHING A CHILD CARE FACILITY NEIGHBOR RELATIONS TASK FORCE</b></u> Would establish a task force to study strategies for the improvement of relationships between residents of child care facilities and residents of municipalities in which facilities are located. CCM would be represented on the task force.		
SB 321	<b>AN ACT STABILIZING WORKING FAMILIES BY LIMITING "ON CALL" SHIFT SCHEDULING.</b>	Randy Collins Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Committee on Children  Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0306
	<u><b>STABILIZING WORKING FAMILIES BY LIMITING "ON CALL" SHIFT SCHEDULING</b></u> Would require an employer to provide at least 24 hours' notice to an employee of such employee's shift.		

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SB 334	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL AND STATE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF ELECTRICITY, NATURAL GAS, RENEWABLE ENERGY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE AND OTHER ENERGY-RELATED PRODUCTS BY NONPROFIT ENERGY BUYING CONSORTIA.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Energy and Technology Committee
<u><b>COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT</b></u>			
Would allow for the creation of a non-profit consortia to bypass local and state bidding requirements for the procurement of electricity, natural gas, renewable energy, telecommunications service and any other energy-related products.			
SB 336	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY SHARED SOLAR.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr.
<u><b>COMMUNITY SHARED SOLAR</b></u>			
Would establish a state-wide community shared solar program.			
SB 345	<b>AN ACT CONCERNING CLIMATE CHANGE EDUCATION IN CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS.</b>	Donna Hamzy Zach McKeown	Curr. Loc.: Environment Committee
<u><b>CLIMATE CHANGE CURRICULUM</b></u>			
Would require the teaching of climate change in Connecticut schools that is consistent with the Next Generation Science Standards adopted by the State Board of Education. The bill requires that the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection be available to each local and regional board of education for the development of such curriculum.			
Last Act.: 03/01 REF. TO JOINT COMM. ON ENV			

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SB 364 AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING. Dan Giungi  
Michael Muszynski

Curr. Loc.: Education Committee  
Last Act.: 03/02 PUBLIC HEARING 0308

**EXCESS COST THRESHOLD**

Would lower the excess cost threshold from 4.5 times to 2 times the average per pupil educational costs.

