

II. Approval of Minutes (Attachment A)

The minutes of the Council meeting held on April 7, 2014 were reviewed. A motion was made by Mayor Harkins and seconded by First Selectman Vavrek. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Communications and Announcements (Attachment B)

1. FY 2014-2015 Work Program Status/ Financial Report (Attachment B-1)

Mr. Bidolli explained that the Greater Bridgeport Regional Council (GBRC) has received a grant for \$900,000 for EPA cleanup work to be spent on Bridgeport and Stratford. The GBRC has received a fiber optics grant; the office is currently using DSL. Municipalities and COGs were able to apply for the grant. Fiber optics will help the GIS program and improve emergency management. The GBRC is acting on the approval of the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) which is the source of transportation funds. There needs to be a close watch of reserves in the coming months because there can be a three or four month lag before the first payment.

First Selectman Dunsby had a question about line items and if it could be spent any way or if it would be transferred. Mr. Bidolli explained that typically line items transfer and all line items have been preapproved within other funding agency budgets.

2. Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan/ UI Tree Trimming Practices

Mr. Bidolli went over the current projects

- TOD – 20% complete

- POCD – Kickoff meeting June 9th. CEOs were asked to forward the email to their Planning and Zoning

- Natural Hazard Mitigation – Waiting for approval from FEMA

- Brownfield – finished up by July

There was a UI Tree Trimming information session on May 27th in Fairfield. The GBRC voted to approve a resolution for a moratorium, but there has been new legislation. Regarding local plans First Selectman Vavrek and Monroe have a plan through CL&P. Mr. Bidolli is concerned that the GBRC's resolution from the last meeting will not be effective with the new legislation. Mayor Harkins suggested that Mr. Bidolli put it on hold. Based on the discussion a letter was not sent. Towns are pursuing their own local agreements, and Bridgeport is happy with what has been achieved.

First Selectman Tetreau joined the call at 2:13.

First Selectman Tetreau is worried about what will happen with State roads, stumps will be left and there will be no funds to replant the trees. 25,000 trees will be impacted.

Mr. Bidolli mentioned that Mayor Finch was happy and that 2:1 trees are replanted in Bridgeport.

First Selectman Tetreau noted that the 2:1 solution has not been presented to Fairfield but that would solve the problem.

Mayor Finch joined the call at 2: 22.

IV. Action Items (Attachment C)

1. FY2015 Unified Planning Work Program – Authorizing Resolution (Attachment C-1)

A motion was made by First Selectman Tetreau and seconded by First Selectman Vavrek to approve the Authorizing Execution of Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The motion passed unanimously.

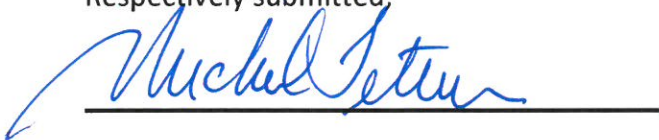
VI. Executive Session

At 2:23, a motion was made by First Selectman Vavrek and seconded by First Selectman Tetreau to go into Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously. At 2:50, a motion was made by Mayor Harkins and seconded by First Selectman Tetreau to end the Executive Session.

VII. Adjourn

Having no further business, Mayor Harkins made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by First Selectman Tetreau. The meeting adjourned at 2:51 pm.

Respectively submitted,



Michael Tetreau, First Selectman
GBRC Secretary