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The regular meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 in the Board of Education Auditorium, 129 Church Street at 7:32 p.m. Present: Mayor Caggiano; Council Members Howe, Olsen, Panioto, Rosengren, Thibeault, and Tyler.

1. OPENING CEREMONIES

In lieu of this agenda item a celebration for John E. Smith's retirement was held during the preceding Joint Meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MAY 9, 2023

On motion of Council Member Olsen and seconded by Council Member Rosengren, it was unanimously voted: To approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on May 9, 2023.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.**4. PRESENTATION BY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION; APPROVAL OF THE INSTALLATION OF A MARKER AT THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS TORY'S DEN, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR ACTING MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS**

Communication received from the Bristol Water and Sewer Department.

The Regent of the Katherine Gaylord Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution gave a brief overview of the sign and the area where it would be placed. Grant money received by the local chapter of DAR will fund the project.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the installation of a marker at the property known as Tory's Den and to authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute any necessary documents.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council members reported on committees, activities, and events.

6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded by Council Member Rosengren, it was unanimously voted: To adopt seven matters as part of the Consent Calendar.

a. New Hire Report For May 2023

Communication received from the Human Resources Department.

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As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To place on file the New Hire Report for the month of May, 2023.

b. Motor Vehicle and Real Estate Tax Refunds In the Amount Of \$4,931.49

Request presented from the Tax Collector.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the Tax Refunds as follows –

Motor Vehicle	\$ 2,873.61
Real Estate	+ <u>2,057.88</u>
Total	\$ 4,931.49

c. Inland Wetlands permit to stabilize the stone retaining wall located in Rockwell Park

Communication received from Public Works Director Rogozinski regarding stabilizing the retaining wall along the Pequabuck River (East of Pedestrian Bridge) at Rockwell Park.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute any and all documents associated with an Inland Wetlands permit to stabilize the stone retaining wall located in Rockwell Park (east of the pedestrian bridge).

d. Change orders for D'Amato+Downes Joint Venture as recommended by the Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict Arts Magnet School Committee

Recommendation received from the Board of Education's Operations and Facilities Manager regarding change orders for D'Amato+Downes Joint Venture totaling \$10,620.19.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the change orders for D'Amato+Downes Joint Venture totaling \$10,620.19 as recommended by the Chair of the Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict Arts Magnet School Committee and to take any action necessary.

e. Contract amendment with Quisenberry, Arcari & Malik, LLC

Communication received from the Board of Education's Operations and Facilities Manager regarding a change to the Quisenberry, Arcari & Malik contract in the amount of \$46,981.00.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve a contract amendment with Quisenberry,

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Arcari & Malik, LLC for additional technology services in the amount of \$46,981.00 and to take any action necessary.

f. \$22,000 Connecticut Youth Services Association Juvenile Review Board Support and Enhancement grant for 2023-2024

Communication received from Deputy Superintendent of Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services regarding the submission of the \$22,000 Connecticut Youth Services Association Juvenile Review Board Support and Enhancement grant for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the submission of the \$22,000 Connecticut Youth Services Association Juvenile Review Board grant for the 2023-2024 fiscal year by the Parks, Recreation, Youth & Community Services Department.

g. Request for reports from the Planning Commission for City owned properties on Hope St., Kern Park, and East St.

Request received from Corporation Counsel for reports under Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-24 on the following City owned properties: 30 Hope St., Map 30, Lot 9; Kern Park, Map 49, Lot 8-3; and East Street.

As part of the Consent Calendar adoption and on motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To request the Planning Commission, at its June 26, 2023 meeting for Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-24 reports for the following City owned properties: 30 Hope Street, Map 30, Lot 9 for the purpose of constructing a municipal parking structure; Kern Park, Map 49, Lot 8-3 for miscellaneous improvements, inter alia, remove tennis court and replace with lawn and garden, remove fencing, remove hazardous trees along trails, add educational signs, improve/repair areas of trail; East Street to repair East Street Bridge at Memorial Boulevard.

7. Reports and Committee Reports

a. Salary Committee

Recommendation of Salary Committee to add the position of Code Enforcement/Building Inspector to the Building Department.

Council Member Thibeault spoke about the goal being to have citizens comply with the Code. Council Member Panioto questioned the salary.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Panioto, it was unanimously voted: To approve an additional position of Code Enforcement/Building Inspector in the Building Department, and to refer to Board of Finance for funding.

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8. Old Business – None.

9. New Business

a. Application and acceptance, if granted, for FY23 U.S. Dept. of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant for a total of \$55,080

Communication received from the Bristol Police Department.

Chief Gould explained that bulletproof vests have a five-year life cycle and that they are replaced in the department on a rotating basis.

On motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded by Council Member Olsen, it was unanimously voted: To authorize the Bristol Police Department, and accept, if granted, the FY23 U.S. Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant for a total of \$55,080; the local match is \$24,540 or 50% of the grant total; and to authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to execute any documents necessary.

10. Resignations

The following resignations were presented:

Aileen Abrams, Zoning Commission

Kathy Burness, APRN, Bristol Burlington Health District

Makayla Cervantes, Youth Commission

Amy Cutter, ESSER/ARP

Jennifer Labriola, ESSER/ARP

Andrew Collins and Gregory Klimek were removed from the Transportation Commission due to an imbalance of minority representation on the commission.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To accept the resignations and send letters of thanks.

11. Appointments

The following appointments were presented:

COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Tracy Dragon Beland – Reappointment - term to 6/2026

Confirming motion by Council Member Howe.

Motion passed in voice vote.

Gloria Ewings – Reappointment - term to 6/2026

Confirming motion by Council Member Howe.

Motion passed in voice vote.

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Andrew Collins – Appointment – term to 6/2026.
Replaced Gregory Klimek.
Confirming motion by Council Member Olsen.
Motion passed in voice vote.

BOARD OF FINANCE

Mark Peterson – Appointment – term to 6/2027
Replaced John E. Smith.
Confirming motion by Council Member Thibeault.
Motion passed in voice vote.

Jonathan Mace – Reappointment – term to 6/2027
Confirming motion by Council Member Howe.
Motion passed in voice vote.

ZONING COMMISSION

Thomas Marra – Reappointment – term to 6/2026
Confirming motion by Council Member Tyler.
Motion passed in voice vote.

Richard Goodwin – Appointment as regular member – term to 6/2026
Replaced Louise Provenzano.
Confirming motion by Council Member Tyler.
Motion passed in voice vote.

John Lafreniere – Appointment as alternate member – term to 6/2026
Replaced Richard Goodwin.
Confirming motion by Council Member Tyler.
Motion passed in voice vote.

Michael Deroehn – Appointment as alternate member – term to 12/2025
Replaced Aileen Abrams.
Confirming motion by Council Member Tyler.
Motion passed in voice vote.

FAIR RENT COMMISSION

Mary Alford – Appointment - alternate member, representing, “Tenants,” - term to 5/2024.
Confirming motion by Council Member Thibeault.
Motion passed in voice vote.

Ryan Carrier – Appointment – alternate member, representing, “Landlords,” – term to 5/2025.
Confirming motion by Council Member Thibeault.
Motion passed in voice vote.

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VITAL STATISTICS – SUBREGISTRARS

Ronald F. Duhaime & Chris Duhaime – Appointment – term to 11/2026
Funk Funeral Home
Confirming motion by Council Member Thibeault.
Motion passed in voice vote.

Eric Granados – Appointment – term to 11/2026
O'Brien Funeral Home
Confirming motion by Council Member Thibeault.
Motion passed in voice vote.

12. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A REQUEST BY CT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A PERMANENT EASEMENT OF 480 SQ. FT. ALONG THE NORTHERLY BORDER OF MEMORIAL BOULEVARD AT EAST STREET, AND A 984 SQ. FT. TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT ALONG THE NORTHERLY BORDER OF MEMORIAL BOULEVARD AT EAST STREET TO FACILITATE BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION OVER THE PEQUABUCK RIVER

Communication received from Corporation Counsel.

On motion of Council Member Howe and seconded by Council Member Thibeault, it was unanimously voted: That the City of Bristol grant two easements in favor of the CT Department of Transportation for the purpose of the replacement of bridge number 04487 at East Street and Memorial Boulevard; one permanent easement of 480 square feet, more or less, located at the northeasterly corner of the intersection of East Street and Memorial Boulevard, and a temporary construction easement of 984 square feet, more or less, located on the easterly side of East Street which shall be extinguished upon completion of the project. It was further voted that the Mayor or Acting Mayor be authorized to execute any documents required to convey and memorialize these easements; and that the matter of the permanent 480 square foot easement located on the easterly side of East Street be referred to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation pursuant to Connecticut General Statute 8-24.

13. RESOLUTION REGARDING THE EDGEWOOD SCHOOL TARGETED ALTERATIONS PROJECT AT EDGEWOOD SCHOOL, 345 MIX STREET

Recommendation received from the Bristol Board of Education.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Tyler, it was unanimously voted: To waive the reading of the Resolution.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Olsen, it was unanimously voted: To approve the following resolution for the Edgewood School Targeted Alterations Project –

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RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council approves the Education Specifications for the Edgewood School Targeted Alterations Project at Edgewood School, 345 Mix Street, Bristol, CT.

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council authorizes the Bristol Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject a grant for the Edgewood School Targeted Alterations Project at Edgewood School, 345 Mix Street, Bristol, CT.

RESOLVED, that the Edgewood School Targeted Alterations Project Committee is hereby established as the building committee with regard to the Edgewood School Targeted Alterations Project at Edgewood School, 345 Mix Street, Bristol, CT.

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council hereby authorizes at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Edgewood School Targeted Alterations Project at Edgewood School, 345 Mix Street, Bristol, CT.

A roll call vote was taken.

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Council Member Howe		
“ ”	Olsen	
“ ”	Panioto	
“ “	Rosengren	
“ ”	Thibeault	
“ ”	Tyler	
	Mayor Caggiano	

RESOLUTION ADOPTED: *YES – 7; NO – 0; ABSTAIN – 0.*

14. RESOLUTION REGARDING THE BRISTOL CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CULINARY ARTS PROGRAM ALTERATION AT BRISTOL CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, 480 WOLCOTT STREET

Recommendation received from the Bristol Board of Education.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Olsen, it was unanimously voted: To waive the reading of the Resolution.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Howe, it was unanimously voted: To approve the following resolution for the Bristol Central High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration –

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council approves the Education Specifications for the Bristol Central High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Central High School, 480 Wolcott Street, Bristol, CT

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RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council authorizes the Bristol Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject a grant for the Bristol Central High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Central High School, 480 Wolcott Street, Bristol, CT

RESOLVED, that the Bristol Board of Education Operations Committee is hereby established as the building committee with regard to the Bristol Central High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Central High School, 480 Wolcott Street, Bristol, CT

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council hereby authorizes at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Bristol Central High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Central High School, 480 Wolcott Street, Bristol, CT.

A roll call vote was taken.

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Council Member Howe		
“ ” Olsen		
“ ” Panioto		
“ “ Rosengren		
“ ” Thibeault		
“ ” Tyler		
Mayor Caggiano		

RESOLUTION ADOPTED: *YES – 7; NO – 0; ABSTAIN – 0.*

15. RESOLUTION REGARDING THE BRISTOL EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL CULINARY ARTS PROGRAM ALTERATION AT BRISTOL EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL, 632 KING STREET

Recommendation received from the Bristol Board of Education.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Olsen, it was unanimously voted: To waive the reading of the Resolution.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Panioto, it was unanimously voted: To approve the following resolution for the Bristol Eastern High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration –

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council approves the Education Specifications for the Bristol Eastern High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Eastern High School, 632 King Street, Bristol, CT

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council authorizes the Bristol Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject a

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grant for the Bristol Eastern High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Eastern High School, 632 King Street, Bristol, CT

RESOLVED, that the Bristol Board of Education Operations Committee is hereby established as the building committee with regard to the Bristol Eastern High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Eastern High School, 632 King Street, Bristol, CT

RESOLVED, that the City of Bristol City Council hereby authorizes at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Bristol Eastern High School Culinary Arts Program Alteration at Bristol Eastern High School, 632 King Street, Bristol, CT.

A roll call vote was taken.

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Council Member Howe		
“ ”	Olsen	
“ ”	Panioto	
“ “	Rosengren	
“ ”	Thibeault	
“ ”	Tyler	
	Mayor Caggiano	

RESOLUTION ADOPTED: *YES – 7; NO – 0; ABSTAIN – 0.*

16. AWARD CONTRACT 2P23-051B CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW NORTHEAST MIDDLE SCHOOL

Recommendation received from the Operations and Facilities Manager of Bristol Public Schools.

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Howe, it was unanimously voted: To approve Contract 2P23-051B Construction Manager At Risk for construction of the new Northeast Middle School to D’Amato+Downes Joint Venture in the amount of \$4,727,008.63.

17. AUTHORIZATION AND EXECUTION OF THE DILLINGER EXPANDED YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU DATA SHARING AGREEMENT

Communication received from Deputy Superintendent of Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services.

On motion of Council Member Olsen and seconded by Council Member Howe, it was unanimously voted: To authorize the Mayor or Acting Mayor to sign the Dillinger Expanded Youth Service Bureau Data Sharing Agreement, and to execute any and all documents related to this agreement.

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18. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS TO REVIEW JAQUOI BELIN VS. CITY OF BRISTOL, WC #: 601095746; AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL #1338, NUTMEG INDEPENDENT LABOR UNIONS; AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE BRISTOL POLICE UNION; AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL #773, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS

At 8:17 p.m. on motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Rosengren, it was unanimously voted: To convene into Executive Sessions to review Jaquoi Belin vs. City of Bristol, WC #: 601095746; a labor agreement between the City and Local #1338, Nutmeg Independent Labor Unions; a labor agreement between the City and the Bristol Police Union; and a labor agreement between the City and Local #773, International Association of Firefighters.

Present to discuss the matter of Jaquoi Belin vs. City of Bristol, WC #601095746: Mayor Caggiano; Council Members Howe, Olsen, Panioto, Rosengren, Thibeault, and Tyler; Corporation Counsel Krawiecki; Assistant Corporation Counsels Conlin, Steeg, and Matney; and outside Counsel Nicole Fluckiger.

Present to review labor agreements between the City of Bristol and Local #1338, Nutmeg Independent Labor Unions; the City and the Bristol Police Union; and the City and Local #773, International Association of Firefighters: Mayor Caggiano; Council Members Howe, Olsen, Panioto, Rosengren, Thibeault, and Tyler; Corporation Counsel Krawiecki; Assistant Corporation Counsels Conlin, Steeg, and Matney; and Human Resources Director Penney.

Discussion was held. No votes were taken.

At 9:00 p.m., on motion of Council Member Rosengren and seconded by Council Member Panioto, it was unanimously voted: To reconvene into Public Session.

Jaquoi Belin vs. City of Bristol, WC #: 601095746:

On motion of Council Member Tyler and seconded by Council Member Olsen, it was unanimously voted: To enter into a Full and Final Settlement and for any and all workers' compensation claims filed by Jaquoi Belin for the total amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000). The dates of these claims are as follows, but not limited to: April 30, 2014, January 3, 2015, September 18, 2016, March 15, 2017, September 19, 2017, September 9, 2020, December 8, 2021, March 14, 2022, June 16, 2022. It was further moved that the Mayor, Acting Mayor, Corporation Counsel, or Assistant Corporation Counsel be authorized to execute the Full and Final Settlement.

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REVIEW AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL #1338, NUTMEG INDEPENDENT LABOR UNIONS

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Panioto, it was unanimously voted: To approve a three-year labor agreement between the City of Bristol

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and Local #1338, Nutmeg Independent Labor Unions, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025, and to refer to the Board of Finance.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REVIEW AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE BRISTOL POLICE UNION

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Tyler, it was unanimously voted: To approve a four-year labor agreement between the City of Bristol and the Bristol Police Union, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027, and to refer to the Board of Finance.

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REVIEW AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL #773, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS

On motion of Council Member Thibeault and seconded by Council Member Rosengren, it was unanimously voted: To approve a one-year labor agreement extension between the City of Bristol and Local #773, International Association of Firefighters, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, and to refer to the Board of Finance.

22. OTHER BUSINESS - None.

23. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:03 p.m., on motion of Council Member Olsen and seconded by Council Member Howe, it was unanimously voted: To adjourn.

ATTEST: _____

**Erica Cabiya
Town & City Clerk**