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7:30 p.m.

- (1) Roll call and pledge of allegiance to flag.
 - (2) Public question and answer period.
Waived Rule V/accepted Mr. Diana's resignation/appointed Frank C. Adams, Jr.
 - (3) 7:45 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) FOR THE RENOVATION AND CONVERSION OF ROBERT EARLEY SCHOOL TO MUNICIPAL OFFICES AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND TEMPORARY NOTES TO DEFRAY SAID APPROPRIATION.
 - (4) Consider appointment of Thomas F. Flynn, III as Alternate to The Planning and Zoning Commission, commencing January 8, 1987 and ending on January 8, 1992.
 - (5) Introduction of Mr. Scott Heyl, Downtown Manager, and consideration of request of Wallingford Beautification Committee to rent office space at 37 North Main Street.
 - (6) Consider request of Linda A. Bush, Town Planner, to appoint Mary Conant as alternate to South Central Regional Planning Commission.
 - (7) Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,720 from Street Lighting to Maintenance of Building 701 Center Street, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.
 - (8) Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,000 from Street Lighting to Maintenance of Buildings-Parks, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.
 - (9) Consider and approve a transfer of \$2,505 from Street Lighting to Replace Roof-Carriage House-Robert Earley School, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.
 - (10) Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,500 from Street Lighting to Meal Allowance, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.
- Addenda--consider and approve two transfers for Public Works Department.

- (11) Consider and approve two transfers requested by Donald W. Roe:
 - (a) \$636 from Workmen's Compensation (Youth Service Bureau-General Revenue Sharing) to Director (Youth Service Bureau-General Revenue Sharing).
 - (b) \$889 from Planner - Part-Time (General Revenue Sharing-Program Planning) to Program Administrator (General Revenue Sharing-Program Planning).
- (12) Consider adoption of resolution for a Social Services Block Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$16,500, requested by Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr.
- (13) Consider transfer of funds within the itemized amount in the ordinance appropriating \$2,575,000 for the renovation of Parker Farms School.
- (14) Consider acceptance of proposed easement at corner of Cook Hill Road and Broadview Circle, requested by Gerald E. Farrell, Assistant Town Attorney.
- (15) Consider a budget amendment of \$300,000 from Retained Earnings as follows: \$105,000 to Underground Conduit & Ducts and \$195,000 to Underground Conductors & Devices, requested by Charles F. Walters, Electric Division.
- (16) Consider approval of job description for ASSISTANT WATER SYSTEM SUPERINTENDENT, requested by Stanley A. Seadale, Personnel Director.
- (17) Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,200 from Longevity to Advertising, requested by Stanley A. Seadale, Personnel Director.
- (18) Consider and approve a transfer of \$4,000 from Contingency to Assistant Personnel Director Salary to fund the position for May and June, requested by Stanley A. Seadale, Personnel Director.
- (19) Consider and approve an appropriation of \$4,733 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance to Capital, requested by Joseph J. Bevan, Chief of Police.
- (20) Consider purchase of fire apparatus consisting of two new pumpers and refurbishing of ladder trucks, requested by Fire Chief Jack K. McElfish.
- (21) Consider appropriation of \$500 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to Office Supplies and an appropriation of \$6,500 from Unappropriated Balance to Computerized Indexing, requested by Rosemary A. Rascati, Town Clerk.
- (22) Consider and approve an appropriation of \$7,500 from Unappropriated Fund Balance as follows: \$2,400 to Overtime, \$2,700 to Part-Time Wages and \$2,400 to Professional Services, requested by Rosemary A. Rascati, Town Clerk

and

RESCIND ACTION taken at January 13, 1987 Town Council Meeting approving an appropriation of \$7,500 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance as follows: \$5,100 to Part-Time Wages and \$2,400 to Professional Services (page 33 of 1/13/87 minutes).

- (23) Accept Town Council Meeting Minutes dated January 27, 1987.

ADDENDA

Accept Town Council Meeting Minutes dated February 3, 1987.

Consider and approve a transfer of \$8,500 from Street Lighting to Sand Account, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.

Consider and approve a transfer of \$7,000 from Street Lighting to Salt Account, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.

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7:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held in Council Chambers, called to order at 7:42 p.m. by Chairman David A. Gessert. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Rosemary A. Rascati were Council Members Bergamini, Gessert, Gouveia, Holmes, Killen, Papale, Polanski and Rys. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Town Attorney Vincent T. McManus, Jr. and Comptroller Thomas A. Myers. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

Public question and answer period.

Mr. Ed Bradley, 2 Hampton Trail is concerned about the article in the Record Journal pertaining to American Cyanamid sealing their dump site vs. removing the waste and a followup article containing Mr. Bradley's rendition and comments on what he felt was a valid way of doing it. Mr. Bradley wanted to bring to the Council's attention an article back in 1984 that appeared in the Record-Journal and how American Cyanamid agreed to clean up the waste dump and what was reached at that time between American Cyanamid, DEP and the Attorney General's Office was a nine point plan to clean up the dump. Some of the steps which were included at that time was a clean up plan and removing the solid waste site. Mr. Bradley's problem is that what transpired in 1984 and what is transpiring today is a total change of events. Mr. Bradley cannot understand why, today, an agreement has been reached to encapsulate the site. Mr. Bradley feels that it has been proven that some of the contaminants from that site run into the Quinnipiac River, the underground water supply, and DEP has traced it that the ground water runs to the south and east into Wharton Brook.

Mr. Bradley also commented that the State Department of Health conducted a study on the levels of contaminants down at that site back in 1984 and what they found were concentrations of toxic wastes which range from 1,000 parts per billion to 52,000,000 parts per billion. A small comparison was provided--an acceptable level of mercury in your drinking water is two parts per billion which is equivalent to two croutons in a 500 pound salad; 52,000,000 parts per billion, nota true comparison, not a fair comparison, but it is like a tractor-trailer in your cereal and it's devastating. Mr. Bradley quoted from Commissioner Cox's statement, "The waste resulting from normal industrial processes at Cyanamid's plastic complex on South Cherry Street could result in imminent and substantial damage to the environment or for public health if allowed to remain exposed and untreated." Mr. Bradley does not know what involvement the Council had in the decision which was reached or what input the Mayor has had in this process but he can relate this to North Haven where the State wants to do the same thing at Upjohn and it is being fought tooth and nail there.

Mr. Bradley asked if the town has had any input into the process at the State Capitol or has this just been a mutual agreement between DEP and the Attorney General's Office and American Cyanamid?

Mr. Gessert replied that, to the best of his knowledge, the Council has not been involved in the process and the agencies mentioned, DEP, Attorney General's Office and American Cyanamid have been involved. Mayor Dickinson mentioned that it is the State Attorney's Office, not the Attorney General's Office and the Mayor's Office has not been involved with any contact other than he was told that they have come up with a settlement--it's a criminal matter so they would not call anyone other than the prosecutors. Mr. Bradley asked if the Mayor felt that the Town of Wallingford should have a say on a matter like this, allowing this waste to sit there vs. being removed, and to have some input into the decision making. Mayor Dickinson assumes that DEP is satisfied that this is an environmentally safe way of handling the materials that are there and certainly the Town of Wallingford has no expertise to second guess the state since they have the oversight on hazardous waste sites. Mayor Dickinson indicated that the town can request a copy of the analysis done by the state and insure that they have looked

at all appropriate aspects but he felt that a consultant would have to be hired to be able to second guess what DEP has come up with because the town does not employ anyone with that kind of expertise and even if the town did, they would still be under the state's jurisdiction; there is no legal jurisdiction as far as the Town of Wallingford since it is private property and a subject matter that the DEP has exclusive jurisdiction over under state statute. 108

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road felt that the population growth in Wallingford will be along Route 68, High Hill Road area and he felt it would be more sensible to add on to the Rock Hill School, then add on to Highland School. There is a proposal to add on to three schools and the state will reimburse the town 73% which includes updating the buildings to meet fire and safety codes. He felt these schools should be added on to and cut down on the bus expense or increase the size of the classes or get portable classrooms. Mr. Musso also felt that the Board of Education is adding too many programs and they are hoodwinking all the way through and he asked the Council not to be taken like that again. He felt that Parker Farms School is not needed now.

Mr. Jim Williams, 517 Pilgrim's Harbor added to Ed Bradley's feelings of the sealing of the dump at American Cyanamid and he agrees with Mr. Bradley and he asked why Wallingford is any different than Meriden. Mr. Williams referred to an article regarding what DEP forced three Meriden companies to do and it was to physically remove hazardous contaminated soil, any where from 30 cubic yards, up to 370 cubic yards, all the way up to 1,500 cubic yards, and these are small companies.

Mr. Geno Zandri asked if the Council has received a copy of the contract CRRA has signed and Mayor Dickinson said the Council received a copy of the contract the town signed. Mr. Gouveia felt Mr. Zandri was talking about the Facility Contract which was not signed by the town, the contract between CRRA and the vendors. Mayor Dickinson said that Phil Hamel has been away and he does not know if he has a copy of the contract.

Mrs. Papale moved to waive Rule V for two purposes:

- (1) Accept resignation of Councilman Edward L. Diana and
- (2) To fill vacancy created by Councilman Diana and appoint Mr. Frank C. Adams, Jr.

Mr. Gouveia seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved acceptance of the resignation of Edward L. Diana in accordance with a letter delivered to the Town Clerk, Rosemary A. Rascati, addressed to Chairman David A. Gessert, regarding Mr. Diana's formal resignation from the Wallingford Town Council, effective January 31, 1987, as announced. Mr. Killen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Diana's resignation with Frank C. Adams who was nominated by the Democratic Town Committee. Mr. Adams has been on the Democratic Town Committee for many years, ran in the election last year, came close to winning and he was voted as the Democratic candidate for the Town Council. Mr. Gouveia seconded the motion.

Mr. Gessert felt that Mr. Adams should be respected for his effort in running in the last campaign and he would rather see someone appointed who sought the campaign rather than someone who sought the appointment because of a vacancy.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen moved to waive the two week waiting period for confirmation of Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Adams was sworn in by Rosemary A. Rascati, Town Clerk. (Applause!)
Mr. Gessert extended congratulations to Councilman Frank C. Adams, Jr.

ITEM 3. Public hearing at 7:45 p.m. on

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AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$2,500,000 FOR THE RENOVATION AND CONVERSION OF ROBERT EARLEY SCHOOL TO MUNICIPAL OFFICES AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO DEFRAY SAID APPROPRIATION.

Mrs. Bergamini read and moved adoption of the above ordinance which appears on pages four, five and six:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$2,500,000 FOR THE RENOVATION AND CONVERSION OF ROBERT EARLEY SCHOOL TO MUNICIPAL OFFICES AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO DEFRAY SAID APPROPRIATION.

Be it Enacted by the Town Council in Session:

I.

The sum of not more than Two Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$2,500,000) Dollars is hereby appropriated for expenses incurred in the renovation and conversion of Robert Earley School to municipal offices, including payments pursuant to contracts entered into for the renovation, legal fees, administration expenses, and all necessary and appropriate costs associated therewith.

II.

To meet said appropriation, not more than Two Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$2,500,000) Dollars of bonds of the Town of Wallingford may be issued pursuant to Chapter XV of the Town Charter, as amended, and Section 7-369 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended.

III.

The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer, or any two of them, are hereby authorized to sell the bonds, either all at one time, or from time to time, in series, at public sale, either as a separate issue or combined with other authorized but unissued bonds of the Town of Wallingford, at not less than par and accrued interest, an advertisement of which shall be published before the date of sale in The Bond Buyer or other publication or media specializing in municipal finance. They shall determine the rate of interest of such bonds, the amount of each issue of such bonds, their form, their date, the dates of principal and interest payments, the manner of issuing such bonds, by whom and how such bonds shall be signed or countersigned, provisions for redemption prior to maturity and the terms, conditions and prices thereof, and all other particulars of such issue. The Town Treasurer shall deliver the bonds and receive the proceeds thereof. The Connecticut Bank and Trust Company, N.A., of Hartford, Connecticut, shall be the certifying and paying agent. Adinolfi, O'Brien & Hayes, P.C., Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut, shall render an opinion approving the legality of such particular issue. Such bonds shall be general obligations of the Town of Wallingford and notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary the full faith and credit of the Town shall be pledged to the punctual payment of principal and interest of the bonds in accordance with their terms.

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$2,500,000 FOR THE RENOVATION AND CONVERSION OF ROBERT EARLEY SCHOOL TO MUNICIPAL OFFICES AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO DEFRAY SAID APPROPRIATION.

IV.

The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer, or any two of them, are hereby authorized to sell temporary notes of the Town, from time to time, in an amount not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$2,500,000) Dollars, under and pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of bonds hereby authorized, and are authorized to comply with the provisions of Section 7-378a, as amended, and any other legislation regarding the extension of temporary periods whether presently in effect or enacted subsequent

to the passage of this ordinance, if the maturity of such notes shall extend beyond the time permitted by Section 7-378; the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer, or any two of them, are hereby authorized to determine the rate of interest of such notes, determine the amount of each issue of notes, their form, their date, the dates of principal and interest payments, the manner of issuing such notes, and by whom and how such notes shall be signed or countersigned, and all other particulars thereof. Such notes shall be general obligations of the Town of Wallingford and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary the full faith and credit of the Town shall be pledged to the punctual payment of principal and interest of the notes in accordance with their terms.

V.

The Town of Wallingford, acting through its Mayor and Comptroller, may covenant to the holders of the obligations herein authorized that the Town will perform all acts necessary to refund to the United States such sums as may be required by law in order to ensure that the interest on its obligations remains exempt from Federal income taxation. The Comptroller is hereby authorized to establish separate reserve accounts within which to deposit and hold such rebateable yield sums obtained from the issuance of obligations authorized herein and as are defined in H.R. 3838, the Tax Reform Act of 1986, or such other federal legislation requiring such rebate as may be enacted, to timely rebate such sums to the United States, and to perform all acts necessary and appropriate to ensure that the interest on the obligations authorized herein remains exempt from Federal income taxation. The obligation to refund such sums shall be a general obligation of the Town for which its full faith and credit are pledged.

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VI. - THIS SECTION AMENDED ON PAGE 7.

Nothing herein shall prohibit the advancement of expenses by the Comptroller from the general fund for the purposes authorized by this ordinance and the reimbursement of the general fund for such advancement of expenses from the proceeds received from the issuance of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance.

Mr. Holmes seconded adoption of the above ordinance.

Mr. Musso felt this should be adopted right away before any minds are changed.

Mr. Killen wants everyone to understand that this is the overall figure and the Council is not prepared to go out in any particular hurry and this will be done piecemeal with monies that are needed that are not at our beck and call.

Mayor Dickinson felt, with that being said, he will say for the third time, this being a public hearing, that the \$2.5 million is probably not the total figure on the project but it includes only the interior renovation and does not include a communication system, telephone, does not include parking improvements and any number of odds and ends but this is the figure given for interior renovation and may not include something like blinds, draperies, etc. Mayor Dickinson wanted everyone aware that the \$2.5 million does not cover the entire cost of the project.

Mr. Jim Williams asked Mayor Dickinson if he had an idea of what the sundry costs might be and Mayor Dickinson explained that prices are being obtained on phone systems and felt that purchase of additional property for parking must be looked at. The Mayor's concern is that right now, Robert Earley is utilized by at least 40, if not more, vehicles during the day, and you could say that those vehicles shouldn't be there and what it is used for municipal purposes, they will have to park somewhere else but that only passes on the problem and this is a downtown problem. The Mayor looks at this project as a downtown project and in an effort to utilize and revitalize an older building used for good purposes and, hopefully, help the downtown which will not be helped if we take up parking and do not provide adequate parking if we are short.

Mayor Dickinson felt that there will have to be a considerable amount of money for the purchase and structural improvements for parking. The Council has a say in this and at the point the administration comes forward with a proposal, the Council has the duty and responsibility to review that and decide what should be funded and what shouldn't be. At this time, Mayor Dickinson could not say the \$2.5 million will cover the entire project. Mayor Dickinson felt there are avenues to pursue such as multi-level parking, improvements to South Main Street, a widening, a number of things that should be done to address traffic and parking problems. |||

Mayor Dickinson explained that, with that said, if this ordinance should be amended, there will be another public hearing for the amendment and it will not be a case of slipping in dollars and everyone being chagrined later on. Mayor Dickinson felt that the Comptroller is in full agreement and we will not look to spend money on Robert Earley that is not included within the ordinance and Mr. Myers agreed that we cannot since there is no authority and you are limited by the ordinance and this ordinance will be encumbered contractually to the contractor.

Mr. Gessert explained that options will be reviewed by the Council and this will not be like some other projects that double overnight. Mr. Musso disagreed with the Mayor and felt that the phone system should be the only additional item and the furniture at 350 Center Street could be used there. Mr. Musso felt that the Town of Wallingford should not have to provide parking for others. Mr. Gessert explained that with the \$2.5 million, the parking lot will be repaved and relined and it includes that and the exterior and the interior of the building. Mr. Musso felt that the American Legion would let the town have some parking and Mr. Gessert explained that the Mayor is looking at all the options.

Ms. Cynthia Wendt, 2 Wilson Avenue had a question concerning the tax exempt bonds on this and she asked how close the Town of Wallingford is to the \$35 million dollar limit as far as the new tax code is concerned and the tax exemption of these bonds. Mr. Myers believes it is a \$5 million limit per year if you want to avoid complete rebate of arbitrage income to the federal government but the town has not issued any bonds since June of 1986 and the tax law took effect January 1, 1987. Mr. Gessert pointed out that the town has committed to sell 350 Center Street and the building adjacent to it for \$851,000 and it is anticipated that all of those funds will be used to defray the cost of this project and, also, some funds will be taken from current year surplus, an amount to be computed later and, hopefully, a good share of the present surplus will be used for that building so the \$2.5 million will not be bonded but in order to get the project started, there must be a commitment to do that.

Mr. Myers requested that Section VI contain some language change and he asked to change "the general" to "available cash" and "fund" be changed to "funds" and insert "of the town" after the word "funds" and on the third line, remove "the general" and substitute the word "such" and again, make "fund" plural, "funds" and this will allow Mr. Myers some additional flexibility in managing the cash. Mr. Killen asked to have Mr. Myers read Section VI into the record:

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"Nothing herein shall prohibit the advancement of expenses by the Comptroller from available cash funds of the town for the purposes authorized by this ordinance and the reimbursement of such funds for such advancement of expenses from the proceeds received from the issuance of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance."

Mr. Killen moved the amendment of Section VI of the ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried. (Amendment vote)
VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried. (Original ordinance)

Item 4. Mrs. Bergamini moved the appointment of Thomas F. Flynn, III as Alternate to The Planning and Zoning Commission for the term commencing January 8, 1987 and ending on January 8, 1992. Mr. Killen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Gessert asked if the Council wished to waive the waiting period for Mr. Flynn and Mr. Killen said that the rule was put in for a purpose and until such time the Council decides that the purpose no longer exists, the rule should be followed and he will vote against this. 112

Mr. Holmes moved to waive the two week waiting period for Mr. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Adams, Gouveia, Killen and Papale who voted no; motion duly carried.

Mr. Gessert extended congratulations to Mr. Flynn on behalf of the Council and he was sworn in by Town Clerk Rascati. (Applause!)

Mr. Musso asked where Mr. Flynn lived and how long he has been a resident of the Town of Wallingford and Mr. Gessert provided Mr. Musso with Mr. Flynn's resume.

Item 5. Introduction of Scott Heyl, Downtown Manager, and consideration of request of Wallingford Beautification Committee to rent office space at 37 North Main Street.

Mrs. Trzcinski introduced Steve Lazaras, head of the new Wallingford Center, Inc. who in turn introduced Mr. Heyl. Mr. Lazaras explained that he is an architect, a member of the Beautification Committee and Chairman of the newly formed Wallingford Center, Inc. and Lucille Trzcinski is also on the Beautification Committee and on the Board with Scott Heyl. Mr. Lazaras explained that the Board was formed to supervise the efforts of the new Main Street program and the Board consists of members from groups in the community who are concerned about revitalization of the downtown. There is representation from the town Planning Commission, the Historical Society, AWARD, the Chamber of Commerce, the Beautification Committee and, in fact, most of the businesses in town are actively involved in this program. The first order of business is to find appropriate office space and the Board has looked up and down Center Street and Main Street and has decided that the most appropriate office space at at 37 North Main Street and they would like to open the office tomorrow and begin work.

Mr. Lazaras introduced Scott Heyl who was a former member of the greater Holyoke effort to revitalize that town and Wallingford is very proud and pleased to have him since managers with his experience are hard to come by.

Mr. Heyl thanked everyone for being so kind and friendly to him in Wallingford and he is looking forward to working with all of you. He will try to build consensus with all of the resources in the community that have a vital interest in the downtown area. Mr. Heyl felt that a great deal of groundwork has been accomplished to that end already with efforts of Beautification and the Chamber, AWARD and the Town of Wallingford, particularly Donald W. Roe's office.

Mr. Heyl envisions this program becoming a public and private partnership to address the needs of the downtown. The project manager acts as a liaison between all of these various groups who have an interest, acts as a resource person because, most if not all of them, are volunteer operations and people cannot devote their full time and schedule and resources to the effort that needs to be undertaken, a real coordination effort and bridge the effort between the public sector, the Town of Wallingford, and the private section. Mr. Heyl commented that communities are facing more and more cutbacks from both the state level and the federal government and it becomes increasingly more important for the private sector to take the initiative in revitalization efforts, in particular, in older towns across the country. To that end, Mr. Heyl continued, the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Washington, D.C. launched a model program five years ago, The Main Street Program for Revitalization, and that program is now in its fifth year and there are some 220 communities across the United States that have active Main Street Programs and they have had a tremendous amount of success in having someone coordinating, not directing, but coordinating efforts in development and revitalization issues. Mr. Heyl said the program is incremental; it takes the commitment of both the public and private sector and there are no overnight miracles. It is based on a comprehensive approach that involves four major areas:

(1) Organization (organizing various components within the community),

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- (2) **Promotion** (image building and profession direction which is really image development to provide a positive image for the community),
 - (3) **Design** (extremely important component based in historic preservation, utilizing the environment as it is and improving on it and quality that will eventually promote the image of Wallingford) and the final component
 - (4) **Economic restructuring** (or acting as a liaison between the Development Office, development community, retailers or service sector businesses, looking at vacancies, retail retention, recruitment, bringing in the right mix, bring the downtown retail sector to a higher scale than what it has normally been accustomed to and basically acting as an assistant with regard to development issues).

Mr. Heyl explained that the Project Manager must wear a lot of different hats and one can't take it all on themselves so it becomes crucial to have the support of the town and the business community and he feels that Wallingford is already on the right track with the footwork already done.

Mr. Gessert welcomed Mr. Heyl on behalf of the Wallingford Town Council and said they will look forward to results by the end of the week! If they were in a rush, they would look for results by tomorrow. . . Mr. Gessert realizes it will take some time but feels it is well worth the effort and he wanted Mr. Heyl assured that he would have the Council's support in his endeavors. Mr. Gessert hesitates the request to rent space at 37 North Main Street and Mr. Heyl said the rental fee is \$250 per month, including utilities.

Mr. Lazaras explained that office space is being sought which is suitable for their use--space for Scott Heyl to sit and they expect that in a certain amount of time, room will be needed for a secretary and room for a desk, a reasonable sized room, 15 foot square, or so, maybe 15 x 25. They would love to get a room for free but they could not find appropriate space. Mr. Gessert said he has found appropriate space, probably one-half mile from where they want to be--at Simpson School there are a number of vacant office which will accommodate them. Mr. Lazaras said Mr. Heyl must be accessible to the merchants and the people at the center of the community and to move out of the center would be making a big mistake and he feels that at \$250 per month, including utilities, it's awfully attractive--it's the right address, the right image and they will be there for at least three years and in order to do a good job, it must look like they are legitimate and they can't be out of the center of town in a corner somewhere. Mr. Gessert felt that for the price, he would take space at Simpson School but that is up to the Council to decide.

Mrs. Papale commented that in the letter received from Mrs. Bolio, it was mentioned that the rent could be paid with the \$25,000 allotted by the Town Council. Mr. Lazaras said they are not asking for additional money to pay the rent. Mrs. Papale said the Town Council offered \$25,000 and \$250 per month for three years is \$3,000 per year. Mrs. Papale asked what the \$25,000 allotted by the Council was for and Mrs. Trzcinski said they asked for more than that and the first thing Mr. Gessert suggested that should be eliminated were the monies allocated for rent because private space was available and Mrs. Trzcinski said not the entire amount was allocated. Mrs. Trzcinski said that since there are some private monies available through the business community, it is conceivable that this rent could be paid without using any of the \$25,000 allocated by the Town Council, if the Council feels strongly about it.

Mrs. Trzcinski said they feel very strongly that it establish an identity of its own right in the center since there are not a lot of funds to spend initially for copiers, typewriters, secretaries, etc. until the funds are raised to finance these things and with Scott being centrally located, he will have access to these things and one of his jobs is to be in contact with the merchants. The space at the Railroad Station is much too small and she fully concurs that Simpson School is too far out of the way for their purposes.

Mr. Killen asked if the basement of the Railroad Station has been examined since there are two offices there but two larger rooms in addition to the office on the first floor. Mr. Killen

pointed out that the town has as much a need for centralization as the Downtown Project has but Mr. Myers' office is located at 701 Center Street because that was the best that could be done at the time and he is in constant touch with the Mayor. Mr. Lazaras said their goal is to do a top quality job and they don't have to start out by living a less than good office situation since the rent is relatively inexpensive. 114

Mr. Gessert pointed out that it is difficult to raise funds and \$3,000 is sometimes not easy to come up with. Mr. Killen brought up the fact that it was difficult to raise \$2,000 from the Center Street merchants for Christmas decorations.

Mr. Holmes agreed that the Beautification Committee feels very strongly about renting office space and on what they want to accomplish and if the committee feels that this is economically feasible, he will support them.

Mr. Polanski wondered how the people of Wallingford would feel in view of the fact that \$25,000 has been given, there is a place in town which can be used free of charge and yet, the Council will let \$9,000 be spent over a three year period for rent expense. Mr. Polanski continued that the Town Council is responsible to the taxpayers. . .he understands their feeling but asked how you justify the fact that the town has space available and yet we will rent something for which the taxpayers will pay money for?

Mr. Lazaras said they are not a town entity and the Council does not want them to be a town entity and they appreciate the Council's support but in order for this to succeed, they must be successful in raising private sector money. Mr. Lazaras agreed that if the Council does not want them to spend money on rent, they will say okay but they are separate from the town and they can set up the office there and raise other money and use that to pay the rent. They are doing what they think is best for all concerned parties.

Mrs. Trzcinski said they would not have been able to begin this project or hire Scott Heyl without the money given by the Council; therefore, it is owed to the Council to do the very best possible job and since Scott will be marketing himself and the program, he needs a high level of visibility, in a central location.

Mr. Gouveia understands their concerns and asked if they will return to the Council for funds in the future and Mr. Lazaras said they will be back next year and the year after, but not for rent. Mr. Killen asked how the second and third year's rent will be paid and Mr. Lazaras said that the proposal will be funded 50% next year by private money, exactly what the program is about and he hopes that next year, \$3,000 doesn't sound like that much money and the year after, even less. Mr. Heyl has been very good at that and has even gotten national support for programs in Holyoke, continued Mr. Lazaras.

Mr. Adams asked about the possibility of a compromise such as getting set up at Simpson School right now, to be available to merchants, with the bulk of the work done at Simpson School. Mr. Adams continued that after funds have been raised, the committee could return to the Council and present what has been raised and comment on the workability at Simpson School. Mr. Lazaras said that to expect results, they must be 100% committed to this working and not say we will start off over here, another crazy scheme that won't work. He felt space in the Town Hall would be great although he would prefer to be independent from the Town Hall and way out on Center Street isn't right for them. Mr. Gessert said the Vietnam Veterans raised \$80,000 over a year to build a monument and they asked for space which we gave them at Simpson School.

Mr. Killen asked what the purposes of the office might entail that this visibility is needed and Mr. Lazaras preferred to have Scott answer that question.

Mr. Heyl said that non profit development effort from the private sector needs to establish its identity as just that. Mr. Heyl said he will be trying to implement a project in Wallingford on a shoestring budget in year one; year two will be a more substantial budget.

Mr. Heyl said typically, you are looking at an annual budget in the area of \$100,000 to \$200,000 and the office acts as a clearinghouse for developers who are coming into the community, as a promotional

office doing management of the promotions of existing businesses in the community, tapping the resources of the State of Connecticut, 115 working with the small business development centers and assisting smaller businesses in disseminating information, as well as a design center with drawings on the board, schematics for conceptual drawings for storefront rehabilitations, new signs, awnings, beautification efforts, all of which will operate out of this office. It's crucial to have the office in the target area and to have an office in a school building one-half mile from the target area seems to be inappropriate and basically out of the mainstream. If the private sector commitment cannot be generated for this project, the project is doomed to failure and Mr. Heyl asked the Council to give it a chance and a great deal of the operating expenses, including the office, will be paid for out of the private sector and the \$25,000 commitment from the Council is a very important seed for this effort. He preferred not to be located in Town Hall.

Mr. Polanski said private funds are being received now and the taxpayers money will be used for beautification and he would much rather see the funds from the taxpayers used for promotion and have private funds pay for the rent. Mr. Lazaras agreed that this is exactly what they would like to do.

Mr. Killen said the Council is not in favor of their paying rent from the \$25,000 allocated and would prefer that this money come from the private sector. Mrs. Trzcinski wanted the Council to know that the monies for the rent would be taken from the private funds.

The Council thanked everyone for their time.

ITEM 6. Mrs. Bergamini moved appointment of Mary Conant as Alternate to South Central Regional Planning Commission, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Killen asked about the qualifications and Mrs. Bergamini stated that other than Johanna Fishbein, Mary Conant must be the second busiest person in town and Mary Conant, along with Pat Acton, herself, Cle tore the zoning regulations apart and avoided law suits by eliminating mistakes put in those regulations.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 7. Mrs. Bergamini moved a transfer of \$1,720 from Street Lighting to Maintenance of Building-701 Center Street, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mrs. Bergamini asked if the work would be performed by Public Works and Mr. Deak said it went out to bid and he received a price of \$1,720 to wrap the pipes which contain asbestos insulation at Simpson School complex. Mr. Rys asked if the outfit who will perform the work is approved by State DEP since they were involved with a similar situation at Rock Hill School and there is quite a bit of expertise involved with removal because of crumbling and equipment must be used for monitoring. Mr. Deak explained that the problem can be resolved by covering the pipes. Mr. Polanski wanted to find out if the State Statutes which cover asbestos removal or working with asbestos in public schools relate to this public building because there are certain procedures which must be followed. Mr. Polanski would not want to do this and find out that proper state statutes were not followed. Mr. Deak will research this matter. Mr. Polanski requested that Mr. Deak ask for a letter from the proper authority so the Council will have that knowledge.

Mr. Gouveia said that Mr. Yasensky's letter suggested that Public Works would perform the work and Mr. Deak said he has a contractor who will do the job for \$1,720. Mayor Dickinson explained to Mr. Gouveia that Public Works will not be doing this at all.

Mr. Killen asked about the funds available in the Lighting Account and Mr. Deak explained that the costs for lighting were not increased as originally projected.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Messrs. Adams and Rys who were not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

ITEM 8. Mrs. Bergamini moved a transfer of \$1,000 from Street Lighting to Maintenance of Buildings-Parks, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Polanski referred to the vandalism report prepared by Mr. Deak and the cost for broken locks and he asked if a labor charge was

charged to Maintenance of Building and Mr. Deak said if an outside contractor is hired, glass and labor must be paid. Labor charges are not included for repair of locks, etc. and labor is not charged against any particular account but certain men are assigned to certain areas on certain days. 116

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 9. Mr. Holmes moved a transfer of \$2,505 from Street Lighting to Replace Roof-Carriage House-Robert Earley School, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mayor Dickinson wanted everyone aware that this evidences a desire to keep the Carriage House and, in the Mayor's opinion, it should not be eliminate it as a building in town. Final plans have not been made for the Carriage House but mention has been made of using it as a drive-in center to pay taxes, etc.

Mrs. Bergamini mentioned that the bids are much higher than \$2,500 and Mr. Deak said he has \$2,900 already budgeted. Mrs. Bergamini suggested the color be coordinated with Robert Earley School.

Mr. Killen asked if anyone thought about asking Mr. Cooke if he could replace the roof of the Carriage House when doing the Robert Earley roof and perhaps it can be done cheaper than the bid, not within the confines of the money allocated for the renovation. Mr. Gouveia understands Mr. Killen's concerns but on the other hand, you can't ask people to bid and then ask someone else to outbid them. Mr. Killen said the Council still has the right to reject bids. Mr. Polanski felt that the bids can be rejected because they came in over what was budgeted and if someone wants to speak with Mr. Cooke for information, that is out of the Council's hands but he would suggest that this be rebid. Mr. Deak said that if the old roof must be removed, nobody will bid this item. Mrs. Bergamini is concerned about the wide variation in the bids and she wanted to know what the town is getting for \$5,405 and Mr. Deak presented the specifications.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Adams, Gouveia, Killen, Papale and Polanski who voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Deak asked the Council what they wanted him to do and it was suggested that this item go out to bid again.

ITEM 10. Mrs. Bergamini moved a transfer of \$1,500 from Street Lighting to Meal Allowance, Public Works, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Killen said there is still \$3,700 in the Meal Allowance which is unencumbered, less than \$300 expended for seven months. Mr. Deak said the latest report, as of February 6, 1987, \$1,691 has been spent, leaving a balance of \$2,309 and the January bill is \$1,800 and this will be paid tomorrow.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved to waive Rule V to consider two transfer requests for Public Works Department, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved to place item 10(a) in this position, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 10(a). Mrs. Papale moved a transfer of \$8,500 from Street Lighting to Sand, Public Works Department, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Rys asked about the spreading capability of the new sand and Mr. Deak said he could not answer that question but his men are definitely happier with it; the old sand was \$6.75 and the new is \$8.50. Mr. Gouveia asked how difficult it would be to build a shelter for salt and Mr. Deak said only \$100,000 would be required to build a facility but the salt is usually covered for protection.

Mr. Gouveia said that he had complaints that the sidewalk on South Orchard Street along the cemetery had not been shoveled and there

was almost an accident there involving a baby carriage. Mr. Deak felt that it had been done but anyone with a complaint should call his office right away and it will be taken care of and he tries to comply with every complaint immediately and he will certainly look into this matter. (17)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Rys who voted no; motion duly carried.

ITEM 10(b). Mrs. Papale moved a transfer of \$7,000 from Street Lighting to Salt, Public Works, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Polanski asked about the status of the snow plow trucks and Mr. Deak said they should be received in a couple of weeks.

ITEM 11a. Mrs. Bergamini moved the transfer of \$636 from Workmen's Compensation (Youth Service Bureau-General Revenue Sharing) to Director (Youth Service Bureau-General Revenue Sharing), requested by Donald W. Roe. Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

Mr. Myers explained that the Council received a printout of General Revenue Sharing every month and Mr. Killen asked what was expended. Mr. Myers said that this is the adjustment to bring their wages into agreement with the current wage scales which were settled with the latest union contract and Workmen's Compensation is a contribution made to the town.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Messrs. Holmes and Polanski who were not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

ITEM 11b. Mrs. Bergamini moved a transfer of \$889 from Planner-Part-Time (General Revenue Sharing-Program Planning) to Program Administrator (General Revenue Sharing-Program Planning), seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Messrs. Holmes and Polanski who were not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

A brief recess was held at 9:30 p.m.

ITEM 12. Consider resolution for a Social Services Block Grant Program. Mr. Roe explained that back in September, full funding had not been received for the meals programs and the state has offered an increase the the resolution would allow execution of the paperwork to accept that increase.

Mrs. Bergamini read and moved adoption of the following resolution:
CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR A SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (SSBG):

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut is expected to offer the Town of Wallingford program grants under the Social Services Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Wallingford implement programs under the Social Services Block Grant Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD:

1. That it recognized the responsibility for the provision of local grants-in-aid to the extent that they are necessary and required for said program.
2. That the filing of an application by the Town in an amount not to exceed \$16,500 is hereby approved, and that the Mayor of The Town of Wallingford is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application with the Commissioner of Human Resources, and provide such additional information, to execute a Grant Action Request with the State of Connecticut for state financial assistance if such an agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, recisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Wallingford.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

Mayor Dickinson said that Mr. Roe's office deserves some credit on this because Mr. Roe protested and another \$4,000 or \$5,000 was added back in and Mr. Killen wanted to give Don the credit due.

Mr. Killen is bothered by the phrase in the resolution "to execute any amendments, recisions, and revisions thereto" and he feels that this does not make much sense because changes made will not be seen by the Council. Mr. Roe said there is a dollar figure limit and Mr. Killen asked why this format was provided if things can be changed later and he used PAGB as an example and explained that the Council cannot honestly say this happened and this happened, etc.

Mayor Dickinson explained that no legislative body knows the detail of what happens on a administrative level, be it Congress, the General Assembly of the State, or the Town Council. There are a myriad of details that occur every day that affect every line account and even the Mayor does not know all of them; that is up to the department head, on down, as the duties get delegated. You must look at the purpose of the given item and if you don't totally agree with an item, you don't authorize any amendments. The subject matter of the meals program is such that it's hard to imagine that an amendment to this grant would not be used in a way that would not benefit those who need meals. Mr. Roe said that this language must be taken up with the Attorney General since this form did not originate with the Town of Wallingford.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 13. Mr. Holmes moved a transfer of \$215,000 from Site Work to Interior Work and Finishes, Parker Farms School, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Rys asked Mr. Devine to explain the interior work. Mr. Devine explained that the interior work includes all of the things that have not been put out to bid yet.

Mr. Devine explained that in the bids received there is mill work for \$107,000 and explained that that bid was not accepted and is going out again. We have to fund \$200,000 for bids not yet out, plus a re-bid on the mill work.

Mr. Devine explained to Mr. Polanski that they are taking what is left in the site-plans to fund the interior work and we may have to come back for a transfer from contingency to finish funding it.

Mr. Polanski asked Mr. Devine if that would leave him \$260,000 for site-work.

Mr. Devine answered that it would leave them nothing for site work and explained that they took \$100,000 from the site-work with the last transfer for the mechanical contract and left us \$215,000 and now we are cleaning that down to zero. The site-work line item will have nothing in it because we were going to come back to you once we had the bids in and knew what the final figures were going to be for that. The interior work right now, without this transfer has \$19,337 in it (approx.). That is awarding the drapes, toilet partitions, acustical tile, dry wall, the flooring, locker refinishing and the demolation and carpentry work. We started off with \$400,000 in that account. We have \$19,337 left and we are looking to transfer \$215,000 which will give us a figure of \$234,000 in that line item.

Mr. Gouveia asked Mr. Devine if the original estimate for the interior work was for \$400,000 and the second went up to \$700,000?

Mr. Devine responded that it was something in that neighborhood and added that out of the \$2.2 million, we are transferring those funds around to accomodate the bids that will be coming in in the immediate future.

Mr. Gouveia asked Mr. Devine if the \$220,000 bid from Wooding was in this account. Mr. Devine answered that it was in the interior work.

Mrs. Bergamini asked Mr. Devine if Wooding was the only bid and Mr. Devine answered yes.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Devine where he got the account numbers from and Mr. Devine responded that it is on the print-out for Parker Farms.

Mr. Gessert asked Mr. Devine if he was correct to assume that the bids for mechanical and electrical came in \$220,000 more than he anticipated. Mr. Devine agreed with Mr. Gessert. Mr. Gessert also asked if he was correct in what he heard regarding the interior work

and all of the different categories was estimated at \$400,000 and it came in at \$700,000. Mr. Devine commented that it will probably come in at \$700,000. He added that they spent approximately \$381,000 already and have \$200,000 in bids that have to go out and they have approximately \$100,000 for the mill work contract. It looks like it is \$300,000 above the \$400,000. 119

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Devine if the site-work was going to be funded by what was said the other night (special meeting of 2/3/87)?

Mr. Devine responded that they will be coming back to the Council.

Mrs. Bergamini commented that in the five years that she has been on the Council, she has never had a project that has done this. She added that the Council should not be expected to hand out a blank check. How are we going to justify this and where is going to be the final figure?

Mr. Devine commented that a final figure was given.

Mrs. Bergamini pointed out that the way that they are talking now, they are already \$300,000 over. The other night we had a long discussion on the outside site-work and we don't have any money for that.

Mr. Devine explained that he wished there was a cheap way to do this and he could give her an answer.

Mrs. Bergamini apologized to Mr. Devine if she made him feel like she was always putting him on the rack. She added that she believes that the Contractor is at fault.

Mr. Devine added that if you look at the items that we are handling in there, there is nothing in the way of being elaborate. We are doing things because of code, etc. A good part of this will be reimbursable from the State. All of the things that are being done for fire code update, the window walls because of the added insulation, etc., we've been led to believe will be reimbursable. The roof, which will come to \$320,000, will be reimbursable at 62%. The \$85,000 and the \$120,000 that you are paying Wooding and Kaestle Boos will be reimbursable at 63%. The site-work will be a battle. There is substantial recovery in some of these expenditures.

Mr. Gessert commented that there is a lot of frustration regarding the mechanical and electrical coming in high and then the interior work is even farther off in their estimates.

Mr. Devine explained that they are trying to tax some of those bids on a different basis and they are hoping that the estimates were before because we are not making installation part of those bids so it won't require bonding. We are going to be putting them out as direct purchases hoping we will solicit more bids and perhaps get better prices on some of those items.

Mr. Gouveia commented that he does not believe that the community was well served by this architect because when he told you (Mr. Devine) he was going to bring in this project for \$1.5 million and then told you it was going to cost \$3 million, that is the problem.

Mr. Devine explained that the last estimate they received was probably what it was going to be, plus whatever savings they could save out of it.

Mr. Killen commented that the problem is not because of Bob, but because they are so damn frustrated because, knowing that the people who are hired are getting paid darn good dollars and you are not and what they come in with left a lot to be desired which leaves us open to the second part. If they hire people to come in and do that type of work and they can't estimate correctly, what kind of craftsman are they with the rest of the job. That's what bothers me. When you hire someone to do a job, he should be able to tell you what it will cost. If they are going to come forward with a figure, they should come forward with a higher figure and then we could say that we would wait until we get the drawings.

Mr. Killen added that no one figured that they were going to be that far off.

Mr. Gessert added that when you are paying professionals, you expect professional answers. An expert should be within 5 or 10%.

Mayor Dickinson added that if the Committee is that frustrated and looking to terminate a contract, we could always have the Town Attorney look at it. Whether it is a means of terminating a contract with any professional party with whom we've entered into a relationship. Short of that, I am not sure we have a lot of recourse. 120

Mayor Dickinson asked Mr. Devine what the square footage was.

Mr. Devine responded 42,000 square feet and added that that was the figure that was presented from some work done 4 or 5 years ago.

Mr. Polanski asked Mr. Devine if he could come up with a list of exactly what is reimbursable from the State, and what is questionable.

Mr. Devine pointed out that the Construction Manager Contract, Architect, roofing, asbestos removal, will all be reimbursable under 62 or 63%. The sheet rocking that we are doing to fire code the building, which is the largest part of the sheet rocking Contract (approx. \$80,000) is code required. Most of that \$80,000 is for work that has to be done because of code compliance. He added that the debt administration costs will also be reimbursable.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Adams who passed; motion duly carried.

Item 14. Consider acceptance of proposed easement at corner of Cook Hill Road and Broadview Circle.

A motion was made by Mr. Rys to accept the proposed easement at corner of Cook Hill Road and Broadview Circle, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Attorney McManus explained that this is an easement that the Southern New England Telephone Company would like to take at the intersection of Cook Hill Road and Broadview Circle. Mr. McManus added that he recommends it and were told that it absolutely necessary to handle the development that is going on in that area and he urges the Council's authorization on this easement. Their easement requires that do plantings and shrubery. He added that some of the cable has to go underground and he understands that the PUC is in favor of this. Their people have to sign it too.

Mrs. Bergamini asked if when they go underground, will they be going on someone's property?

Attorney McManus answered that the property is ours. This is why they have to get it from us.

Mrs. Bergamini asked who they are paying \$5,000 to. Attorney McManus answered, us. (Town of Wallingford)

Mr. Polanski asked if there have been any complaints with the builders of the other properties.

Attorney McManus answered that he does not know of any and added that it has been approved with the Planning and Zoning people. From what he understands, this is essential to them to maintain the service they have out there. Unless they can get that in, they are going to have to start refusing service unless they can get that on line.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Gessert who did not participate because he is an employee of Southern New England Telephone Company; motion duly carried.

Item 15. Consider a budget amendment of \$300,000 from Retained Earnings as follows: \$105,000 to Underground Conduit & Ducts and \$195,000 to Underground Conductors & Devices, moved by Mrs. Bergamini and seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Killen commented to Mr. Walters that he already has a large Capital Budget for this year and was wondering why some dollars could not be taken out of here, rather than taking it from Retained Earnings.

Mr. Walters responded that with the financial situation that they are in, he does not feel that there is anyplace they can move to to find these funds. He added that they did look at that very carefully.

Mr. Killen added that come budget time, he had better be prepared to tell him what was done and what wasn't done and why.

Mr. Walters agreed with Mr. Killen.

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Mr. Gouveia asked Mr. Walters to explain why he assumed this was to be carried over to the current capitol fund.

Mr. Walters explained that this was what was talked over originally. Since the PUC asked some similar questions, we went back even further and found that this was actually purposely done in that we needed the retained earnings to look at our whole picture this year. The only thing that were carried over were items that were actually committed at the time of the year end and as the memo says, these were not yet in progress. We had first thought that we would be able to carry it over but, as we looked at our financial picture, we found that it should not be carried over and it will hurt.

Mr. Gouveia asked if this was going to deplete their retained earnings.

Mr. Smith responded by saying that he thinks that the retained earnings are somewhere in the range of \$11 or \$12 million dollars but, that is not all cash. The last projection that we have on cash for this fiscal year, if we do not get the refund from CL & P, it will be very close to less than \$1 million dollars. We have money in the bank, but it could get that close.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes ; motion duly carried.

Item 16. Consider approval of job description for Assistant Water System Superintendent.

A motion was made to consider approval of job description for Assistant Water System Superintendent, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

Mrs. Bergamini asked Mr. Mascia if they currently have this position in the Water Dept. and Mr. Mascia answered no.

Mr. Mascia added that this position would be comparable to the Assistant Sewer Superintendent which already exists in the Sewer Division.

Mr. Gessert asked what progress was being made in filling the old positions.

Mr. Mascia responded that they still have a fair number of positions that they are working to fill right now.

Mr. Seadale added that they closed on the Water/Sewer Manager. The test date is set up for that. We've been delayed because of actions on both sides of the fence but, partly because of what has happened down at the Water Division with them putting their attentions into other areas and not so much in filling positions.

Mr. Gessert asked if these were anticipated to be filled by the end of the month or the budget year. Mr. Seadale answered they should be filled by the end of the budget year.

Mr. Mascia added that they have had a heavy turnover. We just had the junior engineer resign, and he left last Friday and we have just now filled the Engineering Aid position. We lost another individual off of the line crew. It has been a constant turnover. We've moved a position from the line crew to fill the Engineering Aid position, so this didn't increase the forces.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Mascia what his position was and Mr. Mascia responded it was Superintendent/Water Division.

Mr. Killen did not agree with the number of supervisors in the Water Division.

Mr. Smith commented that being shorthanded is not going to solve a lot of those problems.

Mr. Killen did not think that having more supervisors for the Water Division will be getting more work done.

Mr. Smith commented that they will be building a new Water Treatment plant and have to make some major commitments to our well supply and distribution system.

Mr. Smith told Mr. Killen that if he thought that they were over-staffed he would welcome a Management Audit Study.

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Mr. Mascia commented that they have approximately 20 operating positions in the Water Division which includes the department meter readers, meter installers, the line crew personnel, the people that do the maintenance on the hydrants and water mains and install service and do construction work, pump station crew, filter plant crew, and a water shed crew. No where in that structure is there a management supervisor, it is me. I am in charge of a 20 man crew and also have the responsibility for all the planning that goes into all of those various functions. Currently, it is bad because of the lack of a general manager. Even under the best of times, I have been tied to the office because of the requirements to put in the time, to organize the work, coordinate with developers, new work, new construction going on. We are lacking a fault line supervisor, there is no foreman position to speak of. The intent with this position, is to provide first line supervision of the operating crews.

Mr. Killen asked how many hours have to be spent in the office for these 20 men to go out there and do their work?

Mr. Mascia commented that in order for a construction crew to go out and install whatever, a new water main or service, it has to be planned. I cannot put down a new water main without any planning. That takes time and ties me to the office. If I am tied to the office, I can't be out there directing the crews or making sure the work is done properly. We need the supervision and that is what this position represents.

Mr. Gessert suggested that Mr. Killen arrange a visit and go down there and find out what is going on or take Mr. Smith's advice and have a study done to find out how well they are doing their work. Before we do that, we should get them up to full staff.

Mr. Polanski asked how Wallingford compares to other towns.

Mr. Mascia answered that we are somewhat less. We are lacking in first line supervision. There are many divisions that are split in half with supervisors below them to do the work. We aren't top-heavy at all, if anything, we are substandard. I feel this position is vital just to get the job done. Right now, I do not think we are getting the job done adequately.

Mr. Seadale added that this is part of the problem, because we are not fully staffed because if we send a list down there, we do not hear for a considerable amount of time. Mr. Mascia does not have the time to do it. He is doing other things.

Mr. Mascia added that he does have to get involved with the office operations, budget and financial processes also. He is also responsible for the day to day functions of the department. He is even involved on the level of seeing that a water meter gets installed on a house.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Killen who voted no; motion duly carried.

Mr. Gessert pointed out that the Mayor mentioned that there was a pump problem with Paug Pond.

Mr. Mascia replied that they have lost the transfer pump from Ulbrich Reservoir to Paug Pond Reservoir. The pump has been pulled as of the end of last week and the indication is that it is not repairable. It has to be replaced. What makes this critical is the timing. We are in much better shape in the reservoir supply than we were the months leading up to this point. We are up to about 84% of capacity. It is misleading because on paper it looks good but that most of that capacity is in McKensie Reservoir and Ulbrich Reservoir which are nearly topped off. The reservoir with the biggest deficit is Paug Pond and the only way we are going to make up that deficit is to transfer the water from the other two reservoirs and we cannot do that without that pump. The time to do the transferring is now, during the winter and early spring, when the water is available. We cannot make it up in the summertime and I think it is critical that we act to replace this pump as quickly as possible. There is a lead time just in getting the pump. It will take four weeks to deliver. If we add to that, the normal bidding procedure, and time to generate specifications for that bid, I think we could be placing ourselves in a bad situation come summer, that we've lost that much time. We are here tonight to advise the Council that this problem exists and that we are going to prepare to receive quotations (at least 3)

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for the next Council Meeting and at that time, I think we are going to be asking for a waive of bid to expedite the replacement of the pump. I have one bid so far (quotation) on the order of \$7,500 to replace the pump. In addition to that, we did the same thing about a year and a half ago to the McKensie pump. There is every indication that the same wear is occurring to that pump today that caused it to fail a year and a half ago. When we replace this Ulbrich pump I would also like to pull the McKensie pump and make some alterations to that and try to save the pump. If we don't do that now, we are going to be faced with a replacement, probably in another year and a half. That's how long the last pump lasted. (3 years) We've identified some problems that we think are causing it. Long range, those pumps need to be relocated. We are in the process of initiating a study to decide the best way to handle the transferring of pumping and maximize the water available from the resevori system. It may involve relocating station or intake and so forth or increasing the size of those pumps. In the intermediate time, we need to replace this capacity. We can't wait for an Engineering Study to tell us how to correct for the problem. We have to get it back on line and get it running again so we aren't in trouble for the summer.

Mr. Gessert asked if anyone had any major difficultly in them seaking quotes from different vendors and then coming back to us for a bid waiver?

Mr. Killen asked if any type of equipment could be leased now that would help them.

Mr. Mascia replied that they will pursue that. It is a fairly large pump. It is a 5 million gallon a day pump so, to find something like that on the shelf would be difficult. If we can get some pumping started in the meantime, we will do that. The best move now, is to move rapidly to get this pump back on line again.

Mr. Rys asked if Mr. Mascia had an approximate price on replacing the pump.

Mr. Mascia responded that approximately (including installing) would come to about \$10,000.

Mr. Rys asked what the general life span was for the pumps and Mr. Mascia replied that the McKensie pump went for about 3 years before it required this most recent pump. The pump before it, which was a much smaller pump in capacity, went for almost 16 years. So, we've gone from a pump that lasted 16 years to 3 years. Most of the problem is attributable to the fact that we significantly increased the capacity of the pumps but, we didn't change the pump station's intakes and screens and so forth so, the pumps are suffering due to this increased capacity.

Mr. Rys asked if the new pumps would last more than 3 years and Mr. Mascia said that they have found some of the reasons that are causing this rapid wear. That is why I would like to go back and make those changes (on the McKensie pump which was changed 1 1/2 years ago) and pull it out now to hopefully extend it's life. If we don't, we may be replacing it total in another 1 1/2 years. I think it will correct the problem.

Mr. Rys asked if this should happen again, would it be worth it to have another pump on hand? Mr. Mascia said that it probably would be worth it to have another pump handy but, we are also looking at changing these pump stations so, I think it depends on the timing and we would have to take any consideration. Maybe when we rebuild these pump stations or increase their capacity, to buy a spare pump would be helpful.

Item 17. Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,200 from Longevity to Advertising.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to approve a transfer of \$1,200 from Longevity to advertising, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Rys commented that at one point \$1,200 was transferred to the Longevity account and Mr. Seadale replied that he did not have the numbers with him and added that they calculate longevity like he calculated for next years budget. If people leave before they get paid the longevity, he cannot figure that out so, that is the kind of thing that happens and makes extra money in there.

Mr. Myers added that the reason it is transferred in was because the longevity benefits changed when the contracts were settled.

When we settled the contracts, we transferred money into longevity but, there is no way of knowing what people are going to be collecting longevity from the time you prepare a budget to the time it is actually paid which is 1 year later because of staff turnover. 124

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Seadale if he was all through paying longevity for the year and Mr. Seadale replied yes.

Mr. Seadale added that they are probably going to need more advertising later on because of the way things are going now.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Gessert who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

Item 18. Consider and approve a transfer of \$4,000 from Contingency to Assistant Personnel Director Salary to fund the position for May and June.

A motion was made by Mr. Rys to approve the transfer of \$4,000 from Contingency to Assistant Personnel Director Salary to fund the position for May and June, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Killen asked if this account was going to have a different heading on it to reflect two separate wages and Mr. Myers replied that it will not reflect two separate wages because they are both management positions so it will be in the 1200 account.

Mrs. Bergamini asked Mr. Myers if this was coming out of our regular Contingency fund and Mr. Myers replied that no, it was put in Contingency during budget workshops.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Gessert who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried

Item 19. Consider and approve an appropriation of \$4,733 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance to Capital, requested by Joseph J. Bevan, Chief of Police.

A motion was made by Mr. Rys to establish the account for Appropriation, seconded by Mr. Killen.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Gessert who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to approve an appropriation of \$4,733 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance to Capital, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Rys read a letter from Joseph J. Bevan, Chief of Police regarding the recent suicide and four aborted attempts during the calendar year 1986, in which he feels that an intercom/sound system should be installed which would complement their closed circuit TV.

Mrs. Papale asked Mr. Bevan, if the sound system was there, would the suicide been aborted?

Mr. Bevan replied that he believes that it would enhance their abilities through sound. Backing up to the Committee, a couple of years ago, we had the option to go with sound and with closed circuit TV. Because of budget restraints, we opted for the closed circuit TV. That is why the wiring is in place now, in anticipation of such a system.

Mrs. Papale added if the person watching the closed circuit TV happened to be out of the room at the time of this tragedy, the sound system would not have made a difference.

Mr. Bevan commented that there are two people in there. There is a dispatcher and a desk officer.

Mrs. Papale asked why this tragedy happened with the closed circuit TV there?

Mr. Killen explained that the sound isn't so much to help us hear what is going on in the cell so much as it is to let someone back at the desk to get in touch with someone closer to the cell.

Mr. Bevan explained that Mr. Killen was not correct and explained that most of the time, there would be someone near the cell block, in the booking area but, that is on a need basis and there may not

be anyone down there at that particular time and this sound is to help enhance our closed circuit TV that we have there already and if there is any unusual sound coming from that cell block, it's going to make that dispatcher look closely again at that TV. 125

Mr. Killen commented that in Mr. Bevan's letter it explains that the two cell substations will be programmed to only call the upstairs control. The other substations will be programmed to call either the masters inside their respective doors or the control room master. The three master stations can call anybody. Mr. Killen added that he got the impression that this was to put people in contact in other areas of the building.

Mr. Bevan agreed stating that this would if someone was down there. He added that this is a complete sound system in and around that general cell block area and booking cell.

Mr. Killen added that the men might be too far away to get down there in time.

Mrs. Bergamini asked why they cannot ring the telephone and get someone down there?

Mr. Killen stated that because of the fact that there is not always someone in the area.

Mrs. Bergamini suggested that a push button on the telephone will do the same thing.

Mr. Killen added that this is being put in for the purpose of notifying them. The closed circuit TV can tell you what is going on in the cell, we already have that. We have to make sure someone can get there.

Mrs. Papale stated that it will be no good if no-one is there and Mr. Killen agreed.

Mrs. Bergamini does not agreed with the sound system.

Mr. Bevan explained to Mrs. Bergamini that it will enhance their closed circuit TV. Any unusual sounds coming from that cell block would alert that person if he was not looking, at that moment, at that closed circuit TV.

Mrs. Bergamini stated that the only sound you will hear, is a man choking and by then it will be too late.

Mr. Bevan said that you can hear them clammering around on the steel benches and any unusual sound, is going to make that person look at that closed circuit TV monitor. It can only enhance our system.

Mr. Polanski commented that this is a lot of money to put in two microphones. I would be against the \$4,733 plus the fact, I don't like going to the same outfit that put in the original system, I think it should go out to bid because with any intercom system, you don't have to have the same people that installed the wires.

Mr. Bevan commented that they did not put the wires in. The wires were put in by an electrical and mechanical contractor, a completely different outfit.

Mrs. Papale asked that if this system was in, could that tragedy have been avoided?

Mr. Bevan said that he could not answer that because he is dealing with a human element. I would hope that this system would enhance what we already have in place.

Mrs. Papale stated that hours were spent in trying to decide what types of video's they were going to put into that office and she thought that by just having that monitor there and having a police-person in that cubbyhole, that something like that could not happen if their eyes were there.

Mr. Bevan replied that they are not constantly looking at that monitor every ten seconds. They can't be.

Mr. Gessert explained the layout of the room and added that a person cannot sit there and run all of that equipment and still sit and watch the monitor constantly. Their eyes are not fixed on that closed circuit TV the whole time.

Mr. Killen commented that what bothers him is the time element. He does not believe that they can get there fast enough. 126

Mr. Gessert agreed with Mr. Killen.

Mr. Bevan agreed that they do not have much time to get there if there is no-one in the booking area.

Mr. Killen believes that this will not help and what they have there is as appropriate as they are going to have.

Mr. Gessert added that he does not want to go back to where they had the cell block next to the dispatcher.

Mr. Killen added that he does not see where this will enhance the system already there.

Mayor Dickinson added that he thinks that when someone is alerted, you can easily make it from upstairs to downstairs if you are in a hurry. (well under two minutes)

Mr. Gessert stated that if you cannot make it under two minutes, you had better leave the force.

Mayor Dickinson added that he has never run the distance but, hopes you can make it down there fairly quickly.

Mr. Killen commented that as soon as they find out that they can make the police run their legs off with every sound, they will be doing it all the time.

Mr. Gessert added that that is why you can look at the closed circuit TV to see what he is doing.

Mr. Gouveia asked Mr. Bevan if anyone else submitted a proposal and Mr. Bevan responded that no one else did.

Mr. Bevan added that they received a proposal from this particular company because, through the Building Committee and the C.F. Wooding Company, this particular company was hired to correct a sound intercom problem we had at the main desk at the records room. We found out at that time that there was quite a bit of problem finding someone with the expertise to do the work.

Mr. Gouveia commented that if we do decide to go ahead with this, he would prefer to get other bids on this.

Mr. Gessert agreed with Mr. Gouveia.

Mr. Musso did not agree with putting in a sound system.

VOTE: (motion to appropriate the money from the Unappropriated Fund Balance)
Unanimous no's with the exception of Mr. Holmes who voted yes; motion did not carry.

Mr. Gessert explained that just for clarification on why people voted no, is that the Council is in favor of providing some sort of solution if we come back with some other proposals or prices.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to have Chief Bevan take this appropriation out to bid, seconded by Mr. Adams

VOTE: Unanimous ayes ; motion duly carried.

Item 20. Consider purchase of fire apparatus consisting of two new pumpers and refurbishing of ladder trucks.

Mr. Gessert suggested that the Council make the motions regarding the transfers after Chief Jack K. McElfish discusses this item and the Council agreed.

Mr. McElfish explained that as discussed recently, this has been an ongoing concern and there was \$100,000 that was appropriated to refurbish, at the time, the 1974 LaFrance Ladder Truck. During the period after the money was approved on the Ladder Truck, we had the air ladder tested in August or Sept. and we found out that it needs to be replaced totally. We put out the specifications and bid to refurbish the ladder truck and they came back. Also, in this

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years budget, \$65,000 was approved in East Wallingfords account to refurbish the 1977 American LaFrance Pumper. At that time (Oct.), I came back to the Council and the Council had the feeling of, instead of spending this kind of money, the bid on the ladder truck was \$156,000 and change and the bid on the pumper was \$84,000 and change, the Council recommended to back and look and find out how much a new vehicle would cost. We prepared specifications, went to different locations for 6 days and came back to the conclusion that we put out the bid, the pumper, and we got an extremely competitive bid from Pierce for a new pumper. I met with the Mayor and asked if he would reconsider and he has approved it to purchase two pumpers, one for Central Fire Station that will replace the 1974 LaFrance and a new pumper for East Wallingford instead of refurbishing the 1977 LaFrance. My feeling is that it is best to go ahead and refurbish the ladder truck at this time because we would be basically getting a brand new ladder. We've looked at ladder trucks that have been refurbished by Pierce, which is my recommendation, which would include a new ladder, a whole new body, new cab, new electrical, new generator, pre piped waterway, things that we don't even have on the existing ladder. The advantage to this is that one- we already have the bids, 2- it can be done effectively and efficiently and 3- it will give us time to see which way the Town is going to grow in the next 5 or 6 years. My recommendation is to go ahead and spend \$175,000 for the ladder truck refurbishing (complete), run this unit as a first run vehicle for 5 or 6 years, come back in 1992 or 1993 and request funding for a new vehicle at that time. This ladder truck would then be used as a second ladder truck and transferred to the East Wallingford Station. The ladder truck that is there (1981 GMC) that we had refurbished 3 years ago now, would then be sold and that money could be used for the purchase of a new ladder truck. Our problem right now is, what type of aerial device do we get? Do we get a standard aerial ladder, do get an aerial vehicle that has a bucket on the end which is a safer vehicle but bigger? There are different pros and cons to the different units. A new aerial ladder truck equipped the way the one that would be refurbished would be around \$325,000. If you got a ladder truck that has a ladder and a bucket on the end, with pre-pipe, it runs around \$425,000. At this time, I don't know what the growth is going to be like in Wallingford. Right now, if you were to ask, I would say let's get a tower ladder and again you are talking \$425,000. The other side of that is that we would still be using the present backup ladder truck which is only 65 foot. It's in good shape and will run for the next 5 or 6 years and is a good investment. At the end of that, that's all we would have is a backup. I realize that this is a hard decision. As far as the pumpers, again, we have always had the problem of not having dependable backup apparatus. There are different ways that we can go. If the funding was available and approved to buy the pumpers at this time, they can be delivered in less than 6 months and they are an extremely good company and a good bid. We do have monies available. There was \$100,000 appropriated from Unappropriated Funds last year for the refurbishing of the ladder truck. \$50,000 was approved from the Local Allocation Funds for refurbishing the ladder truck and there is \$65,000 available for the refurbishing the East Wallingford ladder truck. My recommendation is to get the two new pumpers and the refurbished aerial ladder truck and the total cost is \$449,746 less the amount that we have available which is \$215,000, leaving the amount to be funded at \$234,000.

Mr. McElfish added that the ladder truck was refurbished 3 years ago.

Mr. Gouveia commented that while looking at the backup information that Mr. McElfish gave the Council Members, he is pleased to see that he is looking at projected future needs of the Fire Department but had one concern which is between 1989 and 1992, over a span of four years, you only projected to use \$100,000 and then in 1992, \$400,000. Is there a way that we could stagger these things a little more.

Mr. McElfish commented that the Council and the Comptroller would have to do that. He does not know if there has been a way to put Capital projects aside. He does not know how that works.

Mr. Gouveia commented that this is what the Council needs, the projected needs, the projected needs for the Town for the future. He added that he does not like the fact that we will be jumping into \$400,000 and wished that there was a way to lever that for maintaining the tax rate.

Mr. McElfish stated that he did not know if the Council would be in favor of having a lease-purchase type of arrangement or setting so much money aside each year.

Mr. Gessert commented that down the road, one of the options, if you had to go in a situation where you had to purchase a \$300,000 vehicle, you could budget it over a 2 year period or budget it at one year and have bonds.

Mrs. Bergamini commented that spreading the money out over 3 years would not be a good course to take.

Mr. Gessert commented that Chief McElfish presented a good proposal and the Council does not usually get a long term look to see where the departments are going. He appreciates Mr. Gouveia concern about a \$400,000 hit in one year but added that that is something that the Council should be concerned about when they are sitting there 5 years from now, and look at how those funds at that particular time.

Mr. Gouveia added that they have to look at planning method beyond the next election.

Mr. McElfish added that he talked to the Mayor and the Mayor asked him what his projected future needs were and again, this is only if something out of the ordinary happens. The Council has been very fair. Our tankers are in good shape and our support vehicles are in good shape now. If there is some exotic vehicle that we will need three years from now, I don't know. In the 5 or 6 years that I have been here, I have seen things that they said would never happen.

Mr. Gouveia added that he understands that Mr. McElfish did this based on the information that he has. He asked Mr. McElfish what the life expectancy was on the pumpers.

Mr. McElfish replied that it use to be 15 but now he would say 10 years. 10 years is a first line and then possibly get it refurbished and then I would say eight years after that.

Mr. Gouveia asked Mr. McElfish if there was any trade in value on the pumpers.

Mr. McElfish replied that he did not believe so. You can sell them. East Wallingford's pumper is so rusted so bad, I asked that question of Bell Detroit and they said it was basically worth \$5,000. The only vehicle that we had totally refurbished was the East Wallingford's ladder truck and that was when we had a new cabin chassey, the ladder had a lot of compartments and that vehicle has been a very operational vehicle. Since it has been in service first line (Sept. 1st), it has not missed a call. It doesn't have a lot of the features that some of the other vehicles do, but it is a very dependable piece of equipment. It cost us \$65,000 and if we wanted to sell it tomorrow, we could make a profit on it. As far as the pumpers, we are getting to a point where our fleet is getting old. I never got a call from anyone who said that they did not appreciate the unit coming there.

Mr. Gessert asked if there was any specific question regarding the purchase of two pumpers and the refurbishing of the ladder truck.

Mr. McElfish added that some of the costs there, the Council has had to incur over the years, like radial tires, heavy alternators, etc. things that you cannot see, which make it a very dependable functional vehicle and it does add money onto the price of it.

Mr. Polanski commented that he did not think that the trade-in should be used for rescue equipment (under item 3). There are other brands on the market.

Mr. McElfish commented that they added a Hurst Tool to the unit that was there and when keeping up with the modernization of the rescue equipment, North Farms had updated their equipment and that would be done to our equipment.

Mr. Gessert commented that if they are refurbishing our vehicle, and we say refurbish our American LaFrance Truck, you can't hide that it is an American LaFrance Truck. I agree with you if you if you are putting it out to bid. In this particular case, it is an upgrade of the Hurst Tool that we have.

Mr. McElfish added that all that we are doing is getting an upgraded equipment in addition to. We would get the Hurst Tool and mount it ourselves.

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A motion was made by Mr. Rys to move the appropriation of funds of \$25,856.00 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to Supplemental Funding Refurbish Ladder 1, seconded by Mrs. Papale, and

A motion was made by Mr. Rys to transfer funds of \$65,000 from Refurbish 1977 Pumper, East Wallingford Volunteers, appropriate funds of \$72,345.00 from Unappropriated Fund Balance, East Wallingford Volunteers to New Pumper Account and appropriation of funds of \$137,345.00 from Unappropriated Fund Balance, Fire Department-Regular to New Pumper Account, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

Mr. McElfish added that at the October meeting, they rejected a bid from a ladder truck. We already have the prices and they look good and the Council has approved it. Could I ask that you consider waiving the normal bidding process so we can get this going. This is the company that I would recommend. Their price still holds and they will do the work.

Mr. Gessert asked if they were the low bidder before and Mr. McElfish answered that they were not. Mr. McElfish added that the low bidder has gotten some bad publicity. Mr. McElfish added that he recommends going with Pierce.

A motion was made to Award the Bid of refurbishing the ladder truck to Pierce Manufacturing in the sum of \$175,046.00, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

Mr. McElfish thanked the Council, and added that when these come in we will have a little parade.

Item 21. Consider appropriation of \$500 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to Office Supplies and an appropriation of \$6,500 from Unappropriated Balance to Computerized Indexing, requested by Town Clerk.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergamini to move the appropriation of \$500 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to Office Supplies and move an appropriation of \$6,500 from Unappropriated Balance to Computerized Indexing, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

Item 22. Consider and approve an appropriation of \$7,500 from Unappropriated Fund Balance as follows: \$2,400 to Overtime, \$2,700 to Part-Time Wages and \$2,400 to Professional Services,

and

RESCIND ACTION taken at January 13, 1987 Town Council Meeting approving an appropriation of \$7,500 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance as follows: \$5,100 to Part-Time Wages and \$2,400 to Professional Services (page 33 of 1/13/87 minutes), requested by Town Clerk.

A motion was made by Mr. Rys to rescind the action taken at January 13, 1987 Town Council Meeting approving an appropriation of \$7,500 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance as follows: \$5,100 to Part-Time Wages and \$2,400 to Professional Services, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mayor Dickinson explained that if you pass the first motion, you are automatically rescinding the second one. A motion to reconsider is in a case when the exact subject matter has to be dealt with again

and it failed the first time or passed the first time and you want to reverse it. Here, you are really changing what happened, so that passing the first part of this would automatically rescind the second.

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Mr. Myers commented that he wrote it up wrong.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Bergamini and Adams who passed and Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried

A motion was made by Mr. Rys to appropriate funds of \$7,500 from Unappropriated Fund Balance as follows: \$2,400 to Overtime, \$2,700 to Part-Time Wages and \$2,400 to Professional Services, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

Item 23. Mr. Rys moved acceptance of the Town Council Minutes of January 27, 1987, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Bergamini, Gouveia, and Killen who passed and Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

Item 24. Mr. Rys moved acceptance of the Town Council Minutes of February 3, 1987, Special Meeting, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Gouveia and Killen who passed; motion duly carried.

WAIVED RULE IV to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION moved by Mrs. Bergamini and seconded by Mr. Rys. (requested by Town Attorney)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergamini to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION as requested by the Town Attorney, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

A motion was made to come out of EXECUTIVE SESSION by Mr. Rys, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Polanski to approve the settlement with Cosid which was discussed in EXECUTIVE SESSION, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Gouveia who passed and Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 p.m. by Mr. Rys, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

VOTE: Unanimous no's with the exception of Mr. Holmes who was not present; motion did not carry.

Mrs. Bergamini suggested that the Council go back into EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the problem with Executive Session is that it does concern a personnel problem but, if it is a personnel matter, the individual is suppose to have the chance to request an open session if they desire. There is no indication that this is even on the Agenda and explained that he does not want to get into a problem.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bergamini to WAIVE RULE IV to go back into EXECUTIVE SESSION, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Holmes who was not present; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Killen to come out of EXECUTIVE SESSION,
seconded by Mr. Adams.

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VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Mr. Holmes who was not
present; motion duly carried.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and
the meeting adjourned at 12:04 a.m.

Meeting recorded by:
Susan M. Baron, Council Secretary

Meeting transcribed by:
Susan M. Baron and Delores B. Fetta

Approved: David A. Gessert
David A. Gessert, Chairman

2-24-87
Date

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