MAY 8, 2001

<u>6:30 P.M.</u>

<u>AGENDA</u>

Blessing

- 1. Pleage of Allegiance and Roll Call
- 2. Correspondence
- 3. Consider and Approve Acceptance of \$21,000 Reimbursement of Funds From Jubilee 2000 Committee
- 4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#334-364) Totaling \$9,547.94 Tax Collector
 - b. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the April 10, 2001 Town Council Meeting
 - c. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the April 17, 2001 Public Hearing On the F.Y. 2001-2002 Budget of the Town of Wallingford
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 - e. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$600 from Regular Salaries & Wages #001-5010-101-1000 to Overtime Account #001-5010-101-1400 Town Engineer
 - f. Consider and Approve an Appropriation of Funds in the Amount of \$1,093 to Revenue-Town Clerk #1010-020-2030 and to Town Clerk-Restoration of Old Records #6030-999-9912 Town Clerk
 - g. Consider and Approve an Appropriation of Funds in the Amount of \$5,000 to Young Astronaut Club Special Fund- Revenue #226-1040-700-7010 and to Project Expenses #226-9001-600-6500 – Youth and Social Services
 - h. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$5,000—\$1,305 from Asphalt/Concrete Saw #001-5015-999-9163, \$629 from Auto Lifts #001-5015-999-9167, and \$3,066 from Four Wheel Drive Pickup Truck #001-5015-999-9923 to Materials and Supplies #001-5015-401-4100-Public Works

- SET A PUBLIC HEARING for May 22, 2001 at 7:45 p.m. to Approve a List Of Municipal Projects and Corresponding Resolution to be Submitted To the State of Connecticut Under the Neighborhood Assistance Program – Grants Administrator
- j. SET A PUBLIC HEARING for May 22, 2001 at 8:00 p.m. to Consider and Act on the Following Proposed Ordinance: An Ordinance Appropriating \$3,325,000 For the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Various Municipal Capital Improvements 2001-2002 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$3,325,000 Bonds of the Town To Meet Said Appropriation and Pending the Issuance Thereof the Making of Temporary Borrowings for Such Purpose
- k. Consider and Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Make Application to the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health for Funding Through the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant in the Amount of \$7,232 Health Director
- 5. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda
- 6. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD
- 7. Consider and Approve Adopting the F.Y. 2001-2002 Budgets of the Town Of Wallingford and Setting a Rate of Tax for F.Y. 2001-2002
- 8. Discussion and Action Regarding a Bid Waiver for the Development of Town of Wallingford Internet Web Page-Grants Administrator
- *9. Report Out and Possible Action on the Status of Simpson School requested By Councilors Rys and Farrell
- 10. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$800 from Health Insurance #001-8035-800-8300 to Overtime #001-1110-1400 Council Chairman Parisi
- 11. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes Pertaining to the Purchase, Sale and/or Leasing of Real Estate-Mayor
- 12. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes Pertaining to the Appointment, Employment, Performance, Evaluation, Health or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee-Council Chairman Parisi

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ADDENDUM

- 4. Consent Agenda
 - SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 22, 2001 at 8:30 p.m. to Consider and Approve a Blight Ordinance – Councilor Knight
 - m. SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 22, 2001 at 8:45 p.m. to Consider and Approve an Amendment to Section 198–15 of the Code of the Town of Wallingford having to do with "Obstruction of sidewalks; removal of snow and ice; violations and penalties" –Councilor Knight
- 13. Consider and Approve an Amendment to Towing Regulation 9A of Chapter 207 of the Code—Councilor Knight

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MAY 8, 2001

6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held on Tuesday, May 8, 2001 in the Robert Earley Auditorium of the Wallingford Town Hall and called to order by Chairman Parisi at 6:35 P.M. Answering present to the Roll called by Town Clerk Rosemary A. Rascati were Councilors Brodinsky, Centner, Farrell, Knight, Papale, Parisi, Rys, Vumbaco & Zappala. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Asst. Town Attorney Gerald Farrell, Sr., and Comptroller Thomas A. Myers were also present. Town Attorney Janis Small arrived at 8:40 P.M.

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of the blessing.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

ITEM #2 Correspondence

Chairman Parisi mentioned the Public Service Awards that were awarded by a new program of the Secretary of the State's Office to honor citizens who served their city or town in an appointed, elected or volunteer position for 25 or more years. The recipients were nominated by either the Town Clerk, Mayor or First Selectmen. The following were awarded the Public Service Award: Walter Dubar, Robert Bovini, John Carroll, William Celata, Kenneth Creed, Joseph DaCunto, Rosario DiNoia, Albert Killen, Iris Papale, Robert Parisi, Peter Fresina, Dr. Andrew Fritz, David Gessert, Raymond Knowles, Alexander Kovacs, Dr. David McGaughey, Dr. Robert Mullin and Timothy Sweeney.

ITEM #3 Consider and Approve Acceptance of \$21,000 Reimbursement of Funds From Jubilee 2000 Committee

Mr. Rys read a letter from Jerry Farrell to Mayor Dickinson. It stated that the Town budgeted funds to the Jubilee 2000 Committee for a millennium celebration. The committee was originally established under chairmanship of the late Johanna Manfrieda Fishbein. Due to the outstanding fundraising efforts from the Jubilee Committee and Parade Committee they were able to

raise enough money to sponsor the millennium events. The committee is pleased to present the town with a check for \$21,000.

Mr. Farrell commented that part of the reason the committee was able to return the money to the town is because of the volunteer efforts.

Mr. Raymond Bartell, Treasurer of the committee presented the check to the Mayor.

ITEM #4 Consent Agenda

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Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Approve Consent Agenda a-m, as presented, seconded by Mr. Farrell.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Bernadette Renda, 753 N. Main Street Ext., asked Mr. Parisi if he knew anything about the tractor trailers coming down N. Main Street turning onto Beaumont Road?

Mr. Parisi replied, that from what he has been told, at this point it is difficult to make any changes. The Police Dept. informed him that there are censors under the road that would have to be moved and also if they hold the traffic back to far it would create a problem.

Mrs. Renda stated that before the pool opens this summer something has to be done because it is going to be dangerous.

Mayor Dickinson stated that it could be reviewed. He did not know of anyway that we can prevent trucks from using that road.

Phil Wright, Sr., 160 Cedar Street asked how much money will it cost to repair the Muddy River Bridge on Scard Road?

Mayor Dickinson stated that he has not recently looked at the figures. Engineering would have a good idea of what the costs would be.

Robert Sheehan, 11 Cooper Avenue stated that there is sidewalk work on the intersection of Elm and Christian Streets. He asked if Engineering was there for inspection or did they contribute money or time into that effort?

Mayor Dickinson stated that the Town is installing the sidewalks.

Mr. Sheehan asked why was the Town Engineer over there?

Mayor Dickinson replied because the Engineering Department is in charge of putting sidewalks in.

Mr. Sheehan asked if that was Choate property?

Mayor Dickinson stated that the sidewalks are being installed in the public right of way not on Choate property. They are school safety sidewalks for pedestrians.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place stated that he has heard that people are worried about wildlife are starting to penetrate their backyards. He asked why the Town has not rounded up all the coyotes and wildlife and transported them back to the wild areas where they belong?

Mr. Parisi asked if he knew where this was happening?

Mr. Melillo answered that they are on New Cheshire Road, bordering Cheshire and Wallingford.

Mr. Parisi asked the Mayor if there were any programs for the coyotes?

Mayor Dickinson answered, none that he was aware of.

Jack Agosta, 505 Church Street, Yalesville asked if the Town of Wallingford allowed cigarette machines in businesses?

Mr. Parisi answered, yes.

Mr. Agosta asked if there was a way to stop that with a Town ordinance?

Mr. Parisi stated, that the Town of Orange passed an ordinance.

Asst. Town Attorney Farrell stated, that the actions of the Town of Orange were sustained as far as restricting vending machines.

Mr. Agosta stated that we should consider doing that here. He also asked about doing an ordinance restricting gun sales in Town.

Mr. Sheehan stated he read an article about Cytec kicking the Little League out of their fields. He hopes that we have little league fields to replace what we are losing. He stated we should use some of the land we own and parks that exist.

Mr. Parisi stated that there will be some efforts put forth.

Mr. Melillo stated that people feel the Town Council has set a bad example buy giving yourselves to much of a raise. He stated that in effect it is about a 300% increase in wages.

Mr. Parisi stated that the raise is in next years budget for whoever gets elected. Whoever is elected will benefit from that raise. That raise is more than earned by the Councilors that are sitting here right now and all of us may not get it. He stated they do an awful lot of work for a marginal amount of money. We are not in this for money, we are happy to serve, but we have to move forward with the times.

Mr. Agosta asked about the progress of the street sweeping in Town? He stated that the center of town should be done first.

Mr. Parisi answered, they are out there working.

Mayor Dickinson stated that the policy is to do different areas with a different order each year. They try to change it around so that everyone gets a benefit of being first.

Mr. Melillo asked about the computer system at the Police Dept.?

Mayor Dickinson answered, contact is being maintained with SNET and are hopeful to work things out.

The Public Question and Answer Period was closed at this time.

ITEM #7 Consider and Approve Adopting the F.Y. 2001-2002 Budgets of the Town of Wallingford and Setting a Rate of Tax for F.Y. 2001-2002

(see specific budget motions on pages that follow)

L	Mr. Rys
	MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET OF \$103,197,866 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2001.
	Mr. Farrell seconded the motion.
	VOTE: Brodinsky & Vumbaco, no; all others aye.
	Motion Passed
IL.	Mr. Rys
	MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE BUDGET OF \$103,197,866 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2001.
	Mr. Centner seconded the motion.
	VOTE: Brodinsky & Vumbaco, no; all others aye.
	Motion Passed
II.	Mr. Rys
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MOVED: ESTABLISH THE PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2001 AT 26.5 MILLS.

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES IN EXCESS OF \$100 SHALL BE MADE IN TWO INSTALLMENTS. THE FIRST OF WHICH IS DUE JULY 1, 2001, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2001. THE SECOND INSTALLMENT SHALL BE DUE JANUARY 1, 2002, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2002. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES OF \$100 OR LESS SHALL BE PAID IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 2001 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2001 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144.

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE MADE IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 2001 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2001 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144A. DELINQUENT MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE PAID ONLY IN CASH OR BY CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-146.

PROPERTY TAXES IN AN AMOUNT OF LESS THAN FIVE DOLLARS SHALL BE WAIVED.

CHECKS IN PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES WHICH HAVE BEEN RETURNED BY THE BANK SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FIFTEEN DOLLOR (15.00) HANDLING FEE.

Mr	Cent	ner	نبسيب	وبسيميوه	\$	econded	the m	otion.
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VOTE: Brodinsky & Vumbaco, no; all others aye.

Motion Passed

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IV.	Mr.	Rys	
AV.	IVII.	RyS	

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGETS OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2001 AS HEREIN STATED:

Electric Enterprise Fund

Non-Operating Expenses

Working Capital: Sources of Funds

Net Income (Loss)

Uses of Funds

Operating Revenues	\$ <u>41,573,785</u>
Operating Expenses	44,268,718
Operating Income (Loss)	(_2,694,933)
Non-Operating Revenue	<u> 1,558,970</u>
Non-Operating Expenses	370,583
Net Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers In (Out)	(1,506,546)
Operating Transfers In (Out)	1,669,995
Net Income (Loss)	3,176,541
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	3,744,369
Uses of Funds	3,744,369
Water Enterprise Fund	
Operating Revenues	5,766.640
Operating Expenses	4,680,223
Operating Income (Loss)	1,086,417
Non-Operating Revenue	353,312

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	Sewer Enterprise Fund	•
	Operating Revenues	4,159,987
	Operating Expenses	5,116,522
	Operating Income (Loss)	(<u>956.535</u>)
	Non-Operating Revenue	667,141
	Non-Operating Expenses	375,781
•	Net Income (Loss)	(665,175)
	Working Capital: Sources of Funds	1,821,350
	Uses of Funds	1.821,350
	Mr. Farrell seconded the motion.	
	VOTE: Brodinsky & Vumbaco, no; all others,	aye.
	Motion Passed	
٧.	Mr. Rys	
٠	MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE CAPITAL AND NON-RECEXPENDITURES FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING THE AMOUNT OF \$2,973,483 REVENUES AND \$2,973,483 E. Mr. Knight seconded the motion.	IG JULY 1, 2001 IN
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	VOTE: Brodinsky & Vumbaco, no; all others, Motion Passed	aye.
VI.	Mr. Rys	
	MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCA TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGIN AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.	TION OF THE NING JULY 1, 2001
	Mr. Farrell seconded the motion.	
	VOTE: All ayes.	
	Motion Passed	
VII.	Mr. Rys	
ŧ	MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WALLING FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2001 AS ATTACHED HE A PART HEREOF.	FORD FOR THE RETO AND MADE
	Mr. Centner seconded the motion.	
	VOTE: All ayes.	,

	SPECIAL FUNOS	BOARD OF	EDUCATION	- SUMMARY				
	YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2002							
	FY 9,65-66 ACTUAL	1-01-01 ACTUAL	2000-01 APPROVED	2001-02 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCE		
TITLE II (Energower Med) & Sciences	21,560	6,000	22.038	22.033	22.080	•		
Espenditue	21,953	4,000	22,030	22,035	22,033			
TITLE IV (Drun Free Schools)								
Ravenus Espervillare	20,644 20,644	18,600 7,200	28,644 28,644	23,640 23,640	28,648 28,648			
VOCATIONAL ED (PERIONS)								
Asvenus Expensiture	58,906 68,986	16,000 4,120	46,261 46,861	48,861 46,881	45,861 45,861			
AGULT ED TUTTON	,				•			
Reman	102,057	70,752	190,600	110,000	118,960			
Expenditure	190,588	40,129	108,600	116,625	116,328			
ACULT BASIC EDUCATION	181,116	181,796	157,001	187.801	197,991			
Espenditure	161,116	88,825	197,661	187,201	167,591			
ACUAT ED ACTIVITY	•							
Aurena Espendino	449 270	•	1,000 1,000	1,909 1,909	1,000 1,000			
FAMILY LITERACY			-		•			
Revenue	47,006	96,000	47,846	46,80R	48,802			
Espanditum	47,886	28,576	47,346	46,800	46,602			
PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL	35,435	28,000	47.D14	47.214	47,014			
Espenditue	36,436	15,429	47,914	47,914	47,014			
DEA - PARIT B								
Revenue	417,821	200,000	477,900	806,670	806,470			
Expenditure	417,821	221,006	477,800	808,670	606,570			
PRE-SCHOOL HANDICAPPED Revenue	, 36,618	18,000	30,618	30,540	39,546			
Espenditue	36,613	•	36,613	30,940	38,049			
O-AG EQUIPMENT								
Recent Specition	28,321 22,321	•	390,160 500,160	•	•			
MEDE SERVICES								
Pension	48,847	38,465	56,800	48,000	62,000			
Expenditues	45,023	24,186	62,009	42,000	82,000			
DULT ED-ON COMMON GROUND		4.000	·	, ,				
Propositions	•	3,000 477	5,748 5,748	8,746 8,746	8,748 8,748			
CHOOL WIRING				•	-			
Revenue Separature	•	•	176,724 175,724	176,724 1 76, 724	176,724 176,724			
LAGGER SCHOOL			•	- 90 ma 4	,	•		
Agreeman Superadhay	\$1,460 \$1,071	36,503 36,503	\$1,406 \$1,409	\$10,4663 50,4663	38,499			
AGNET SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION	- Contract (- 01-000	\$0,486	26,460			
Reverses Expenditus	65,000 65,000	41,405	88,800	86,800	82,800	i		
CHE/EMENT GRANT	86,000	41,400	AR,800	80,903	20,99 0			
Revenue .	30,221	6,825	4,005	6,000	5,232			
Speniture	36,221	2,161	8,896	4,000	6,883			
CHOOL TO CARREET GRANT	46,230	54,715		**	***			
Espenditue	46,238	4,845	6 8,421	68,421 68,421	69,421 69,421			
PENCHOICE								
Revenue Expensiture	178,330 178,330	•	274,000 274,000	274,000	274,000 274,000			
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	YEA	R ENDING J	UNE 30, 2002		•	,
	FY 6-30-00	1-31-01	2000-01	2001-02	MAYOR	COUNCIL
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	APPROVED	REQUEST	APPROVED	APPROVE
<u>cow</u>		•				
Florence	58,062	47,989	64,010	68,550	68,560	
Expenditure	53,062	31,171	64,010	68,560	68,650	
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Revenue	4,687	•	4,783	4,783	4,783	1
Expenditure	4,557	•	4,783	4,783	4,783	÷
SE (DCYS)	·					
Revenue	233,851	17,524	255,730	270,257	270,257	
Expenditue	233,661	159,528	266,730	270,257	270,257	
OUNCIL ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE			•		•	
Revenue	25,588	7,605	22,797	20,875	20,675	
Spenditus	18,255	255	22,797	20,675	20,575	
RRA (SERVICE CONTRACT GRANT)						
Flevenue	12,607	23,525	31,500	57,500	57,500	
Expenditure	12,907	18,942	31,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	
OWN AID ROAD				•		
Revenue	213,128	. 166,346	529,023	530,695	530,693	
Espanditure	213,128	296,095	329,023	530,693	330,693	
RUG ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM						
ROSENFORCEMENT PROGRAM	21.875	•	40,000	44,000	44,000	
Electronist tra	21,575	•	40,000	44,000	44,000	
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CAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	****		298.587	291,583	291,563	
Revenue	259,125	240,173	296.587	291,563	291,563	
Expanditure	239,125	A74, 174		40.,		
OCIP ADDITIONAL ENTITLEMENT	•	196,296	198,296	•	•	
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EALS ON WHEELS	18,000	198,295	196,296	- - 15,000	15,000	
EALS ON WHEELS Revenue	18,000 12,339	•	196,295	15,000 15,000	15,000 15,000	
EALS ON WHEELS	18,000 12,339	198,295	196,296 17,146	15,000		
EALS ON WHEELS Revenue	· ·	196,295 6,732 3,274	196,296 17,146 17,146	15,000 15,000	16,000 .	
EALS ON WHEELS Revenue Expenditure	12,339 570,467	196,295 5,732 3,274 280,020	196,296 17,146 17,146 512,213	15,000 15,000 550,000	15,000 · 550,000	
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VIII. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THREE COPIES OF THE FINALIZED BUDGET. TWO TO BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND ONE TO BE PLACED ON FILE IN THE WALLINGFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Mr. Knight seconded the motion.

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

With regards to motion I to Adopt the Total General Fund Revenue Budget

of \$103,197,866 for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2001, the following comments were made by Councilors, the Mayor and public:

Mr. Vumbaco stated he is not in favor of this budget as presented and will vote no on everyone one of the motions. He believes personally that there is enough room in this budget to absorb the proposed increase of 6/10 of a mill. In comparing the budget numbers with the audited financial statements that come out of the year, we have historically over estimated our expenditures by 1.92 %. We have historically under estimated our revenues by 2.9 %. If you take those numbers and apply it to the revenue section and the expenditure section in this current budget this equates to approximately \$4.9 million. The \$4.9 million could well absorb the 6/10 of a mill increase. He stated he does not believe in the reserve of \$3.6 million for the 2001 reevaluation. I do not feel it is right to tax the citizens now which is the case by reserving the fund balance and not using any that reserve to offset the tax increases for a potential or unknown increase in the future. If a tax increase is warranted because of reevaluation than that issue should be dealt with and addressed at that appropriate time, not now. Both these issue are a tantamount to over taxation, as well as budgeting for a surplus. It would be nice to have a surplus. Wallingford average household income is below the state average. We should not over tax them now for the sake of building a surplus or for covering a reevaluation reserve that we do not know is even going to happen. He respectfully submits he will vote no on all these motions.

Mr. Brodinsky stated that when he studied the budget numbers he sees that the Mayor is asking the Council to vote on a deficit budget. In order to balance the budget we have to go into our savings account by about \$4 million. We have to take \$4 million and plug it into revenues in order to balance the budget. If we did that 2 years in a row are bond rating would go down. If we did that 4 years in a row we would be out of money. So why would any Councilor vote for a budget that predicts that we have to go into our savings account by \$4 million. He stated he thinks that this budget will pass because the Town Council, in his opinion does not take seriously those numbers. He does not think that they believe that we will have to draw down on our savings account. They have good reason to disbelieve the budget predictions because those predictions have been made in the past and have never come true. We set the bar to high when it comes to expenses. We over estimate what it is going to cost us to run the Town. When we estimate revenues we set the bar to low. It is fairly easy to jump over that

bar and end up with more revenues than we predicted. When errors in forecasting are combined, a very large number which the administration calls a budget balance is created. The budget balance has been a useful tool for the administration. He does not believe forecasting like that is a wise course. The 6/10 of a mill tax increase is done to be conservative. His personal view is that it defames the true principals of being conservative. He does not think that there are any councilors that want us to go into the whole by \$4 million. In 1995 the prediction was we would have to go into our savings account by \$2.8 million. We had a small operating loss, we did have to drawn down about \$82,000. In 1996 we said we would have to go into our reserves by \$2.2 million and we did not have to touch a penny. In 1997 the forecast said that we would have to go into our reserves by \$2.3 million and we did not have to touch a penny. In 1998 the prediction was that we would have to go into our reserves by \$3.4 and did not have to touch a penny. In 1999 the budget said we would have to go into our reserve by \$3.7 and we had a \$16,000 operating loss so we had to draw down by that amount. In 2000 we said we would have to draw down \$3.6 million and we did not have to touch a penny. Estimates this year we would have to draw down \$1.4 million. From 1995 to 2001 the un-designated portion of our reserves has grown from \$9 million to \$15 million. During this time there has been 4 tax increases, one tax reduction and 2 years were there was no tax increase. The issue is how do I know that a tax increase is necessary. If you take the position that the town never has enough money than any tax increase will fly. He stated that based on the data he has he does not think the necessity has been demonstrated. The historical analysis indicates we say we need the money but as it turns out we don't. He stated that he does not have a convincing reason for a tax increase. The town is in good shape and we have over \$14 million in the reserves. He stated that part of this is a philosophy of government and tax policy.

Mayor Dickinson stated that in the past it is based upon a multiple year view of the needs of the community. We used the same approach this year as we have every year. He believes the town is in good condition because we've been consistent in applying the same principals. We do not have \$14 million in reserves and this budget reduces that significantly. We have projects coming up; reevaluation. It is our responsibility to manage the assets of the community and prepare for reevaluation knowing it will have an impact. He believes that is the proper approach. The school project is a big item coming up. We could say we won't prepare for that and when it happens and see what occurs. We haven't used that approach and does not think we should

begin now. The budget responsibly addresses the communities need and urges you to favorable act upon it.

Mr. Brodinsky stated that when he represented the reserves he was going on the audit from this year and also going on Mr. Myers estimate that it looked like we would end up with roughly \$.5 million operating surplus. He added the numbers from the audit to Mr. Myers estimate and came up with that number.

Mr. Melillo stated that senior citizens in this town are having a tough time surviving. With the reevaluation, what happens is big industry and big business get their properties depreciated. So their taxes go down and the homeowner gets socked with appreciation. So we have to raise the taxes with the homeowner. He stated the Town Council and the Mayor should get together and give a big tax break to the people who deserve it and not big industry and big business. He stated he is against this the way it is.

Mr. Agosta stated that we had \$108 increase last year and a \$65 increase this year. It looks like we are going down hill, we have no extras. We have no improvement in services. The reason why are budget goes up is because of the schools. We could have a better town and we are not getting that because we can't afford it. We will have a \$500 increase in our taxes within about 4 or 5 years and that is what we should be concerned with.

Frank Wasilewski, 57 N. Orchard Street, stated that he agreed with the 2 councilors on the end. He could never get through to anyone and even had meetings with Mayor on the budget. You say you are going to set a tax rate here. You have to remember this Mayor has been in office and we have had 2 reevaluations and our taxes did go up. Forget about the mill rate, it is what you pay in taxes every year. Since the Mayor has been in office my taxes have doubled.

Mr. Parisi stated so has his taxes, but your property value doubles too.

Mr. Wasilewski stated that try to sell your property what you think it is worth. You have to understand today with the fuel prices going up everybody's expenses are going up. The one thing that goes up every year are salaries and benefits. Somewhere there has to be a ceiling. He stated that he would like to hear from other councilors.

This brought to a close discussion pertaining to the first motion made on

adopting the budget.

With regards to the motion to Adopt the Budgets of the Divisions of the Department of Public Utilities for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2001, the following comments were made by Councilors, the Mayor and the public.

Mr. Brodinsky asked, under the Electric Enterprise Fund, Net Income (Loss) if it should be a \$3.1 million loss?

Mr. Myers replied yes, the number should be bracketed (loss).

Mr. Wasilewski stated that he is reluctant to approve the utility budget as stated with the losses that they have in the budget. He does not know how they can operate with a loss of \$3.1 million. But in the budget book it says their loss is \$2.6 million. How did they get to \$2.6 million?

Mr. Myers answered, that the accounting formula that is followed for enterprise operations where are rates are structured to make a profit, measure income 2 ways. There is operating income or loss and that is taking into consideration, operating revenues less operating expenses. Beyond the operating income or loss you have to account for other revenues and other expenditures that are not operating in nature. That produces the net income or loss.

Mr. Wasilewski asked, that if they didn't give the rate reduction when they did in the middle of the year we wouldn't have this loss right now?

Mr. Myers answered, probably not. But the loss in the enterprise fund is being financed by retained earnings (reserves).

Mr. Agosta asked, if the council got back the fuel costs?

Mr. Vumbaco replied yes from the Police, Fire and Public works.

Mr. Melillo asked, with the revenues that we have contracted with Penn Power & Light station, have those figures been factored in?

Mayor Dickinson answered, that the Electric Division has taken into account the lease payment on the land. The lease is around \$500,000 a year. The

budget for the Electric Division is over \$40 million. The power project is not bringing revenue sufficient to change to Electric Divisions operations in a financial sense.

Mr. Melillo asked, if they had \$17 million in returned earnings?

Mayor Dickinson answered, somewhere around \$17 million. He stated that around \$3 million is slated to be used against this budget in order to offset losses. That was a rate decrease. The rates are not bringing in the amount of money necessary to pay bills so money is take from reserves.

Mr. Melillo stated that big business should be given a electrical rate hike.

Mayor Dickinson replied, that we should be fair to all rate payers.

Mr. Agosta asked, when do we start collecting taxes from PPL&G?

Mr. Myers answered, when the plant is completed and assessed. When the plant is under construction we collect partial taxes. We will collect full taxes when the plant is completed.

Ms. Papale stated that it is very important that the town continue to provide a high level of services to the Wallingford taxpayers. She spoke with some of the major departments and wanted to make sure their budgets had enough to continue providing the high level of services. If they have the money they need than we can take care of Wallingford and also look towards future years, 2003-2004, as we are going under reevaluation. We could be effected by higher costs to purchase electricity. There are many things we have to think about for the future and we have to prepare for the future. She believes this budget was done looking in the future years for the town of Wallingford and not just for this year. There was a concept that the people involved in the budget had to look ahead. The people of Wallingford will realize that this small increase will be better for their children and grandchildren. We are looking for what is going to happen down the line.

Mr. Knight stated that he worked up a series of spreadsheets comparing budgets for the last 10 or 11 years. He would like to address some comments that we were not being provided enough services. In the last 6 years, the Law Department has increased by 21%, the Finance Department by 25%, the Health Department by 92%, Social Services contributions by

66%, Recreation by 50%, and these are after 6 years of inflation are factored in. The fact is we face inflation every year and it clouds the actual numbers of most town budgets. The actual increase in gross dollars is much higher than that. I just read you the net increase after inflation. We can not budget for one year. We have to budget for multiply years. He spoke with Tom Myers and asked him about fund balances and how they are applied from year to year and how revenue projections are made. Property taxes are the only fixed firm figure that we can rely on. It is the only one we truly control. We don't control licenses and permits. We don't control so many of the other revenue streams that come into the town because they dependent and fluctuate with the amount of economic activity in the state and town. This state has the single most hostile business environment in the country. We have high taxes. Our industrial base is slipping away year by year. We have seen increases for the last 6 years in our grand list. If you factor in inflation our grand list has slipped by 2% and that is going to continue. If we are conservative and we don't spend money that we haven't made yet this town will remain successful. We share company with some very unusual communities, such as Darien, Westport, Redding, West Hartford. We share the identical credit rating and the only reason we do is because we budget conservatively. The financial houses that rate us as a town and rate us as a managed municipality rate us very high along with these other community that find it so much easier to go to their residents and raise taxes. We are not making errors in forecasting as has been said in this meeting. We are budgeting conservatively and we use a good deal of the cash fund balance every year. Another statistic you should consider is in the last 6 years if you factor in inflation are taxes have decreased. I am very proud of this budget and proud of the way this town has been managed.

Mr. Rys stated that he agreed with the philosophy of the administration and finance department in creating this budget. There are examples on the outside world of communities that don't budget the way we budget and they got in trouble. We have added \$5.5 million to the Board of Education. We have increased fire protection. We are getting new ambulances and safety equipment. Public Works is getting new vehicles. We have increased our services. We have good planning. The planning is done by this administration and is done along with our comptroller who does an excellent job looking over the budget. In order to get rid of the 6/10 of a mill increase you would need to come up with about with about \$1.2 million in decreases. Do we want to touch savings? It has worked for us and people say why fix something if it is not broken. Lets not fix something because it isn't broken.

It operates and it works. It has been a success to this community and that is why I supported this budget.

Mr. Parisi stated the budgeting is a philosophy and the philosophy is projected by the Mayor. Only the future will tell us who is right and who is wrong tonight. As it stands right now we are all right but we won't know right away. The Mayor prepares the budget and gives it to the council. The council reviews it and they make a decision. He commends everyone here because they spoke honestly and passionately for what they believe in. I endorsed the Mayor and the Comptroller for the work they have done. Like my colleges to my right we have enjoyed success over the last several years. I believe it is to the conservative approach that we have adopted. I have not seen anything through the budget process to make me change my feelings. I believe we are on the right path and support this budget and probably would support next years budget. I like the philosophy that is being projected. It is to the future and considering what has to be done and planning for it now.

ITEM #8 Discussion and Action Regarding a Bid Waiver for the Development of Town of Wallingford Internet Web Page - Grants Administrator

A letter from Don Roe to the Mayor stated the town has received 5 bids. The town is accepting the lowest price of the 5 bids received.

A motion was made by Mr. Rys, seconded by Mr. Farrell.

Mr. Vumbaco asked if we have 5 bids and they are the lowest why are we going for a waiver? Why aren't we just accepting the lowest bid and going forward?

Don Roe, Grants Administrator answered, we have received 5 bids but in evaluating the bids none of them were deemed responsive. They were either in excess of the budgeted funds or did not meet bidding requirements or bid specifications. Normally if we were earlier in the fiscal year what a department would do is go back out and re-bid it. But we are in the final quarter. The course of action that will still have the project completed in time is were we would waive the bid.

Mr. Vumbaco asked, are we accepting a less than satisfactory project?

Mr. Roe replied, my bid document required vendors to have done two governmental web sites. All of them have done extensive web site development.

Mr. Brodinsky asked, what will the web site look like?

Mr. Roe answered, that it is not designed yet but we have a basic outline of what it would include. It will cover basic community information and departmental information. There will be a home page about municipal government.

Mr. Farrell stated that he will feel comfortable awarding this bid to Exposure.com. They were the company that developed the current Wlfd. CT.com web site. They have developed a number of web sites for non-profit groups.

Mr. Melillo asked, why is this needed? He stated that a lot of business have been invaded and peoples privacy has been invaded. He would like to avoid the internet.

Mayor Dickinson stated this will be a stand alone site. It will not allow access to other government information and will be not be interactive like many ways you may find elsewhere on the internet. We are going to try to keep costs low. Basic information can be received. There will be phone numbers and addresses to contact departments. This is a place to get information but you will not be able to get all the information.

Mr. Melillo asked, is there any possibility that the average citizen can have their privacy invaded? Like when the police department had their private lives exposed.

Mayor Dickinson answered, there will be no private information accessible from our site. No government records will be accessible from this site. There is no way to go to any other repository of town information from this site.

Mr. Rys asked, if this was going to be strictly informational? Are there going to be any links to an email address.

Mr. Roe replied, he does not anticipate any email service through this. It is part of a standard package for web sites. We did not provide for that in our specs. We are not a part of the town's computer network system.

Tim Dineen, 120 South Cherry Street, commented that he is one of the owners of Exposure.com. We have worked with several community organizations in Wallingford as well as governmental agencies in town. We have built hundreds of web sites that are similar to this one.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM #9 Report Out and Possible Action on the Status of Simpson School requested by Councilors Rys and Farrell

Mr. Rys stated that this a follow up on our concerns on Simpson School plans.

Mr. Farrell stated that the Mayor was going to get figures on demolition and figures on how the zoning in that area would effect rebuilding rather than reusing the structures.

Mayor Dickinson stated that with regard to demolition the cost is supplied by Henry McCully, Director of Public works. Those costs are approximately \$140,000 and high of \$209,000. The abatement for asbestos are estimated at \$57,000.

Mr. Rys asked, if the demolition was of the newer section of the building and leaving up the front section?

Mayor Dickinson answered, this is the total demolition. The Town Planner indicated that there were several scenarios. One would be creating 2 building lots and leave the building at the front. The one she felt was best would be use for housing. Under the town's apartment regulations it would supply 38 or 39 units. That is what would be best suited for that area.

Tape malfunctions

Comments were made by councilors Farrell, Zappala and Parisi also the Mayor. Mr. Farrell asked about a bill from Senator McDermott. Mayor Dickinson indicated that he was not aware of anything yet. Mr. Zappala stated the building should be used for elderly housing. Mr. Parisi

commented that a park concept would be a small sitting area.

Tape Continues

Mr. Parisi stated that he thinks we should have elderly housing and that we all probably agree.

Mr. Knight stated he does not know why we are in such a rush for proposals when we have an opportunity in Hartford. It would seem to undermined any efforts to get this legislation through the state legislator when we are ready to sell it.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the money being talked about at the state level was for the Housing Authority not the Town of Wallingford. The Housing Authority can be a participant in this process. I doubt we will receiving results prior to when the session ends. We are going to have to give time for people to develop proposals and take a look at it. If we receive proposals in July they will know whether or not they have received money. They will either be a participant or not. All we are saying is the property is available for someone. If I am hearing what everyone is saying, lets see what can be done in creating housing for elderly. The Housing Authority will be a part of that or not. It may depend upon whether the state provides money. This may provide more incentive for the state to come up with money because we have indicated that this is the direction we want to go. We would like to see it turned into elderly housing. They could use it up there and say we don't know whether the town is going to sell it or not.

Mr. Parisi stated that we have been waiting about 3 years for this funding resolution.

Mayor Dickinson stated we have been delaying this for a quite a while because of the Housing Authority's interest in having an effort to have housing occur. There may be other developers interested in dealing with the housing issue.

Mr. Parisi stated we could restrict what they do.

Mayor Dickinson replied the condition could be the sale by the town and it would be contingent upon it being developed for elderly housing.

Ms. Papale stated she thinks it would be an ideal location for seniors. It does not matter right now whether it is done by a private person or the Housing Authority. I feel it would be a perfect place for seniors. I don't care if there is a large park or a small park as long as there is housing there for seniors. I am hoping that we can send feelers out to the public to see if people are interested in putting up housing for seniors. We should get on the phone with or Senators and check out everything. She asked the Mayor if we got any reply from Senator McDermott?

Mayor Dickinson replied, that we have contacted several offices and have not received any sure view of what the potential is on any legislation.

Mr. Farrell stated to move it along, could we ask the Mayor to draft a request for proposal for us to look?

Mayor Dickinson replied, he thinks we already have one that we can alter to condition it to elderly housing for the next meeting.

Mrs. Renda asked if there was a time that Savage Commons were going to build congregate housing and were they waiting for some of that area? Would that go through the Housing Authority or through Savage Commons? Couldn't you contact them and see if they were still interested in some of that property to do something for the elderly there?

Mayor Dickinson answered, the Housing Authority area for congregate housing is on property they are already managing. It is part of Savage Commons. The funding for the congregate disappeared and were not able to proceed with that part of the project. The Simpson School area is completely separate. That would be a new area that the Housing Authority has expressed interest in but have not been able to put together a proposal to implement a housing project.

Mr. Melillo asked what is the relationship between Wallingford, the Housing Authority and the State of Connecticut?

Mayor Dickinson replied, the Wallingford Housing Authority is an agency of the State of Connecticut. The Wallingford Housing Authority follows rules and regulations developed by the State of Connecticut. The town of Wallingford is the locality in which the Wallingford Housing Authority is located. There are relationships that deal with payments in lieu of taxes and

other operating issues.

Mr. Melillo, asked that if the Housing Authority is in this project, will Wallingford have much control?

Mayor Dickinson answered, we do no operate or run residential developments such as the Wallingford Housing Authority. It does provide an opportunity for residents in town to live in town in units provided by the Housing Authority. The Housing Authority must also offer units to people who are not town residents. In general the Town of Wallingford does not offer living units to any parties. We do not have an arm of government that provides apartments or homes to private citizens.

Mr. Melillo stated that we should put this piece of property on the market.

ITEM #10 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$800 from Health Insurance #001-8035-800-8300 to Overtime #001-1110-1400 - Council Chairman Parisi

Ms. Papale asked how does overtime and flex time work? Is this for 4 weeks?

Mr. Parisi replied, yes. In the future there will be a closer over sight on the scheduling of hours and time. I'm sure it can be worked out a little easier and better with less strain and stress on the budget.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

WAIVER OF RULE V Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Waive Rule V of the Town Council Procedures for the Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the amount \$3,900 from Health Insurance #001-8035-8008 to Regular Salaries & Wages #001-2020-101-1000 - Animal Control Officer, seconded by Mr. Farrell.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Parisi stated that one of the employees has taken ill. This is to augment that.

Mayor Dickinson stated there is an emergency serious illness.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM #13 Consider and Approve an Amendment to Towing Regulation 9A of Chapter 207 of the Code - Councilor Knight

Mr. Knight stated that the point of amending these regulations is to bring the fees that the tower would receive more in line with what the state allows. When the regulation was first adopted the Police Chief took the position the local towers should not receive the highest compensation allowed by the state statute that governs this activity. He (Police Chief) has suggested we adjust our regulations and key them to what the state has. The state had increased the fees some time ago and we have not followed suit. This regulation allows that we will have fees set at 75% of the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles storage rate. It is a pass through because you get it all back from the people that get towed. That is the purpose of the regulation.

Mr. Vumbaco asked at what percentage are we doing now?

Mr. Knight replied, it is around 75%.

Mr. Vumbaco asked what is his (Police Chief) reluctance to going to the state number like most towns?

Mr. Knight answered, it is excessive. He (Police Chief) has an unwritten and unofficial agreement from the towers that they would accept such a figure and still provide the storage and the towing.

Mr. Parisi, asked aren't most of the towing situations from out of town cars for storage problems?

Mayor Dickinson replied that this would usually arise in snowstorm situations.

Mr. Parisi stated that we should remember that most of them are not within town. In a lot of case the people abandon the vehicles and the tower is stuck with them and don't get paid either. I don't see us being frivolous here when we increase this on behalf of the towers.

Mr. Brodinsky asked if anyone could give an example of what it would cost under the new regulation as compared to the old regulation, if a car was illegally towed to a garage in town?

Mr. Knight replied, he did not have those figures.

Mr. Brodinsky stated he would like to know what the new towing charge will be before he votes on it. If that means I have to abstain I will. I don't know what I am voting for if I don't have the costs involved.

Mayor Dickinson replied, that it is a fee approved by the state. We do not allow the full fee, the state approves the fee. This allows 75% of that to be charged. Our initial fee is based upon the state fees. The state fees have gone up and ours have not, hence complaints about unwillingness to tow because it is not cost effective to provide that service.

Mr. Brodinsky stated there have been situations were we have not taken the states lead from time to time. But I would still like know what the costs are.

Mr. Zappala stated he is on the ordinance committee and did vote against it. The costs were pretty high. I think I'm going to vote no because 75% is to high.

Mr. Brodinsky made a motion to Table Item #13, seconded by Mr. Vumbaco.

VOTE ON THE TABLE: Brodinsky, Papale, Vumbaco, Zappala, aye; all others; no; motion failed.

VOTE ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION: Brodinsky & Vumbaco, abstained; Papale & Zappala, no; all others aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM # 11 Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes Pertaining to the Purchase, Sale and/or Leasing of Real Estate - Mayor

ITEM #12 Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes Pertaining to the Appointment, Employment, Performance, Evaluation, Health or Dismissal of a Public Official or Employee - Council Chairman Parisi

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Enter Into Executive Sessions Listed above, seconded by Mr. Centner.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

The Council entered executive session at 9:04 p.m.

Present in Executive Session for Item #11 were all Councilors, Mayor Dickinson and Atty. Small.

Present in Executive Session for Item #12 were all Councilors and Mayor Dickinson.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Exit executive session, seconded by Mr. Farrell.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

The Council exited executive session at 9:35 p.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Farrell to Adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Centner.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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