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Discussed forthcoming ordinances to be presented by Ordinance Committee.

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Meeting adjourned.

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7:30 p.m.

- (1) Roll call and pledge of allegiance to flag.
- (2) Public question and answer period.
- (3) REPORT ON NOTE SALE, requested by Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.
- (4) Consider appointment of Janet Budzinack and Romeo P. Dorsey to Community Lake Study Committee.
- (5) Consider and approve two transfers for Youth Service Bureau:
 - (a) \$100 from Office Supplies, \$85 from Social Security and \$500 from Alcohol and Drug Program, a total of \$685 to Community Service Worker.
 - (b) \$648 from Coordinator and \$95 from Social Security a total of \$743 to Program Costs.
- (6) Consider and approve merit increases for Richard J. Piekarski, effective 7/1/87, F/Y amount \$1,271
Salvatore Sandillo, effective 7/1/87, F/Y amount \$1,210
- (7) PUBLIC HEARING 7:45 p.m. on SUMMARY LIST OF NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.
- (8) PUBLIC HEARING 8:00 p.m. on AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$800,000 FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, 1987-1988, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO DEFRAY SAID APPROPRIATION.
- (9) Consider and approve budget amendment and transfers requested by Raymond A. Denison for Water & Sewer Divisions:
 - (a) Budget amendment of \$33,300 INCREASE Interest in STP III Bonds \$33,300 INCREASE in Interest on Long Term Debt-STP III
 - (b) Transfer of \$900 from Employees Pension & Benefits to Interest on Long Term Debt P.H. P/S
 - (c) Transfer of \$3,200 from Chemical Expense to Interest on Long Term Debt
- (10) DISCUSSION with Public Utilities Commission regarding West View Hills, requested by Councilman Albert E. Killen.
- (11) Consider changing two (2) MAINTAINER II POSITIONS to two (2) MAINTAINER I POSITIONS, requested by Steven L. Deak.
- (12) Consider and approve three transfers requested by Steven L. Deak:
 - (a) \$3,000 from General Wages & \$4,710 from Central Garage Wages \$3,000 to Retirement Sick Leave & \$4,710 to Retirement Sick Leave
 - (12) (b) \$2,000 from Municipal Building 350 Center Street Utilities to Parks Utilities
 - (c) \$ 450 from Maintenance of Building to Utilities
- (13) Discussion and consideration of approval of site changes for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, requested by Council Chairman David A. Gessert.

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- (15) Consider and approve four transfers requested by Fire Chief:
- (a) \$1,000 from General Wage to Part Time Help
 - (b) \$2,700 from General Wage to Overtime
 - (c) \$1,500 from General Wage to Vacation Replacement
 - (d) \$2,000 from General Wage to Sick Replacement
- (16) Allocation of funds to Parker Farms School - \$422,000 from Contingency to various line items to be assigned by the Town Council (BACKUP FORTHCOMING).
- (17) Consider resolution approving Second Supplemental Agreement between State of Connecticut and the Town of Wallingford relative to improvements to the Ward Street grade crossing, requested by Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr.
- (18) Consider and approve change of classification from CLERK TYPIST II to CLERK TYPIST I - Town Clerk's Office (BACKUP FORTHCOMING).

ADDENDUM: Transfer of \$165 to Hazardous Waste Removal Contract.
(19) Consider acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes of May 26, 1987.

RULE V WAIVED:

Discussed Electric Division moving expenses.

Discussed ordinances forthcoming by the Ordinance Committee.

Town Council Meeting

June 9, 1987

7:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held in Council Chambers, called to order at 7:36 p.m. by Chairman David A. Gessert. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Rosemary A. Rascati were Council Members Bergamini, Gouveia, Killen, Papale, Polanski, Rys and Gessert. Council Members Adams and Holmes arrived after the roll was called. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., First Assistant Town Attorney Adam Mantzaris and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

Public question and answer period.

Mr. Wayne Braithwaite, 26 Kingsland Avenue, asked the Council if they were aware that the Masonic agreement violates section 4.08 of the Sewer Ordinance, by giving them a 50% discount for connection charges. The Ordinance states that all costs and expenses be borne by the owner. The cost is \$171,000 in discounted savings. What does the Council plan to do and if the answer is nothing, what can a private citizen do, to get the town to obey the Ordinances it adopts? Attorney Mantzaris explained that if the town had lost that case, we really would be in violation and we would not collect a dime. This was not something done by the officials of the town without a court action. The settlement recommended by the court was voted on by the Town Council. Mr. Braithwaite argued that this is a violation of the Ordinance. Mayor Dickinson asked if this was an Ordinance or a Regulation and Mr. Braithwaite explained that it is a Regulation and added that it is a Sewer Ordinance in the sense that you sent it to DEP, as being a Sewer Ordinance and you stated that this would be upheld. Mayor Dickinson explained that there is a big difference between an Ordinance and a Regulation in the Public Utilities area. The connection charges are not tied to construction in the Sewer Plant. That Regulation is for amounts for properties that are not directly next to a sewer contract project.

The connection charges cover areas that benefit by sewer placement, but are not assessed. It is not an Ordinance, it is a Regulation dealing with properties that are not assessed as part of a sewer construction program. Mr. Braithwaite added that if he builds a house, he has to pay it and asked why everyone is not given a 50% discount. Mayor Dickinson explained that that was part of the whole negotiation regarding resolving taxes and other matters of disagreement. Any regulation is something that can be waived. An Ordinance cannot be waived. Mr. Braithwaite added that he had a letter signed by Mayor Dickinson to DEP stating that this was a Sewer Ordinance and Mayor Dickinson explained that federal regulations probably use the term Ordinance to cover anything and everything concerning policies within the utilities area. As far as town government, it is not an Ordinance. An Ordinance is something that goes to public hearing and is part of the Ordinance structure implemented by the Town Council. That has not been implemented by the Town Council, it is a utility policy. 471

Mrs. Bergamini asked Mr. Braithwaite when this letter was sent and Mr. Braithwaite replied, 1985, and added that the Mayor stated that we would submit a Sewer Ordinance based on this model Sewer Ordinance. This was adopted by the town. Mrs. Bergamini explained that Ashlar Village came before Planning and Zoning long before that and added that Ashlar Village was not an isolated thing like a home. If you go back into the Planning and Zoning minutes, and attend the meetings, you will note that this went on back and forth, they did not want to do what we wanted them to do, they finally backed down. You can check with Mr. John Costello, Town Engineer, that they did not want to put the roads in as wide as we wanted them. We made them put in town roads. There was also a water tower where they allowed us to use it (several years back), so that we would have enough pressure on the other side of their location. All of this was part of a whole contract. It wasn't just an isolated thing about sewer connections. Ashlar Village had to come before Planning and Zoning several times and they took us to court because we would not adhere and we won. You are taking an isolated item but you do not know what we got in return for giving up that 50%. Mr. Braithwaite added that he does know because he read the agreement but added that as Mr. Killen said, we may have given up the land around Community Lake.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the connection charges are meant as a way of raising funds for properties not assessed. Those connection charges go into a separate account and they are used for sewer improvements but it is not anything dealing with rates that the regulations require, the uniform and support and the operation and construction of the plant. Connection and assessment charges are a different part of the policies and regulations of the utilities.

Mr. Braithwaite added that he plans on checking with EPA to find out why the sewer ordinance, that was submitted at the same time as the user fee system which affects the West View Hills people, why this does not have the same validity, which is in the same grant area (grant #10 of stage 3), that says we have to have on these, adopted and enforce it and we are selectively ignoring it.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road asked if the problem that they are having with the water on the west side of town, would have been taken care of if they had put up that water tank that is in the stages of being put there and when is it going to be put there? Mr. Gessert explained that the tank that they were proposing was behind Strathmore Woods, which would have raised the water pressure in that area but, they ended up with problems with that. The people that were going to be near it did not want it located where it was going to be located and then it went back into negotiations on trying to find another location on it. Mayor Dickinson added that as far as he knows, they are still planning to put it there. There were discussions and a variety of alternatives were looked at but, it was finally concluded that there was no other place that would serve. Mr. Killen added that it was part of the agreement with that development that there was going to be a pumping station there. I was told, the last time I called that as of July 1st, it would be completed. I was told that in the interim that anything happened, I would hear and I picked up today's paper and read that it will not be ready by July 1st. I put in a call and received no return call, which is an example of what I am getting from PUC. I think it is about time that the PUC decided that they are dealing with people and I am very sick of it. (APPLAUSE). I think that some resignations should be on the table pretty damn soon, because we

are getting nothing from them and I don't normally call for resignations because it is a strong word and I am very much disturbed with the performance of some of the people and what disturbs me even more is, take a look at the book and see what we are paying for that type of performance. We get more from the people up here for peanuts than we do from these people on a full time basis.

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Mr. Gessert pointed out that he received a letter that evening from the PUC regarding item #10, which was to have been a discussion with the PUC regarding West View Hills and it states that Mr. Nunn was not aware of this request until Monday and did have a prior commitment and will not be here. He did say that he would be happy to arrange an appropriate time with the Council to discuss this subject and I will contact Mr. Nunn to set up another meeting. Mr. Killen added that there was no reason why 2 out of 3 of the Commissioners could not have been there this evening.

Mr. Edward Musso commented that he was at the Board of Education's meeting last evening and they are giving money out like the state is giving out million dollar lottery. They are giving thousand dollar bonuses to 5 administrators for extra duty and then they gave the Superintendent a bonus of \$3,000 because they said that he was only getting a 7% increase. I'm sure that the person would have started if he got only 7%, when nationwide it is under 5%. When someone is out sick, they just fill in and that is what they are supposed to do. They got \$2 billion dollars more this year than they did last year and they were having trouble trying to find \$12,000 to put into a security alarm system for Soldan's albatrose. If they had to, they would leave a corner off the building, rather than cut someone's pay for that \$12,000. That is the only place that they cut.

Mr. Michael Shriver, 100 East Side Drive commented that he has been following the situation with West View Hills and he has people in his neighborhood raising arms about the whole thing, who does the PUC report for or work for? Why do they think that they can act the way that they did? Mr. Gessert explained that he cannot answer the way that they think but they are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Town Council. The Council has legislative oversight of the PUC and basically, they report to the Mayor. Mrs. Bergamini added that the Council has the power to over-ride any decision that they make within 15 days of the decision, with 7 votes from the Council. Mr. Killen pointed out that his problem has been that he has not been able to find any minutes where they did it. I couldn't find any minutes where they did it so I could not over-ride the minutes. Mr. Gessert added that the meeting between the Council and the PUC will be posted, for the public.

Mr. Gouveia commented that it seems that some of the members of the Council seem to be puzzled regarding a statement that was made earlier regarding Ashlar Village, that the settlement was recommended by a Judge and Attorney Mantzaris explained that he was not involved in the lawsuit.

ITEM 3. REPORT ON NOTE SALE, requested by Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.

Mr. Myers explained that as the Council is aware, I reported to the members in correspondence in mid May, that we would be going to market for some short term securities. Normally, we come before you with a written report of the results of the issuance of securities. We do not have that report available for you tonight, but we will make sure each Council Member receives a written report within the next day or two. We issued 2 short term notes today. There were 7 bidders on each note and the amount, market wise, is relatively small. But, the first note, in the amount of \$500,000 is issued from the period of June 19th to July 17th and the bids were as follows:

	<u>Rate</u>
Union Trust	4.50
Connecticut National Bank	3.59
United Bank and Trust	4.25
Connecticut Bank and Trust	4.19
State Street Bank & Trust of Boston	4.87

The low bid, and the bid was awarded to Connecticut National Bank at 3.59, with an \$8.00 premium. Mr. Killen asked what the length of time was and Mr. Myers explained that it is 28 days. The reason that this is such a short period of time is that is the second phase of the landfill closure. We are paying that off in cash with funds provided in the 1987-1988 budget, so no bonding will occur. The second note is the first issuance of debt on the Parker Farms School. This note is dated June 19th and will mature December 15th of 1987. It is in the amount of \$625,000 and represents expenditures on the project through April 30th. The actual expenditures on the Parker Farms project through April 30th were approximately \$629,000 and we issued debt for \$625,000 and again, it is short term debt, approximately 6 months. The low bid again, was Connecticut National Bank at a rate of 4.06. The high bid was State Street Bank of Boston at 4.67. You will receive a written report in the next day or two. At this point, I would like Attorney Fasi to give you a brief update as to the ramifications of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and in his presentation he will briefly touch upon how we put together Wallingford's financing package to reduce the neg. implications of the Act.

Attorney Fasi explained that the Town's borrowing is governed by rules that are contained in the Federal Tax Code and Regulations that are pursuant to the code. Those rules, now require that the town pay back, to the Federal Government, money that it earns as a result of borrowing money, which is called rebate, and that is a new provision in the tax code. The manner in which the rebate is calculated, requires that communities that have made a rebate, pay back to the Federal Government, more money than they make from borrowing money. Towns make money from borrowing money because you borrow at a tax exempt rate, which would cost the 5%, you can reinvest that money at 6%, so you make 1% on the money that you borrow. There are limits and guidelines within which you can do that. What the Tax Reform Act of 1986 did, among other things, was to require you to pay back that 1%, plus a little extra so that, if you are in a situation where you have to rebate to the Federal Government you are in affect, being taxed by the Federal Government for borrowing money. There is a lawsuit that has recently been filed that is challenging that this is unconstitutional. That is the major problem with the Tax Reform Act, is the rebate provision because, if you are subject to it, it is in effect, a tax. The second problem with the rebate provision, is that it is very expensive to determine how much you have to pay back to the Federal Government. You have to pay accountants, auditors, lawyers and frequently, it is more expensive to determine how much you have to pay back, than the amount that you ultimately have to pay back. That is based on the experience of some issuers that have so far been subject to it. Those are the two reasons why every community, including Wallingford, wants to avoid rebate. What we have done in Wallingford, in order to avoid rebate, is to borrow money, on the basis of expenses incurred in connection with capital projects that have already been expended. When a project is proceeding, the bills for that project, are paid from the General Fund. We then keep track of the amount of money that is being paid, and we borrow enough money to pay back the General Fund. So, at no time are we investing bond proceeds in such a manner as to earn money. We are simply borrowing bond anticipation note proceeds to pay back the General Fund. This requires us to keep an ongoing oversight of all capital projects and the amount of cash that they are consuming and to periodically go back to the market place with borrowings to replenish the General Fund. What we think we have done, is develop a scheme where we will go to the market place every 60 days, and pay back the General Fund anywhere from \$600,000 to \$1 million dollars every 60 days. The market place is going to get used to Wallingford doing this and see that we have a strategy, that we are consistant in what we do, that we are not going to be subject to the rebate requirements and I think that this is going to be a very good reflection on the town. The borrowing that we had today, is a first in that series. The planning for this started back in the Spring of 1986, when this act first came into affect in one of it's many forms. What we did, in 1986, was sell approximately \$18 million dollars in bonds, so that we could clean out as much as we could to capital projects, and bonding projects of the town so we would not have to deal with these problems for as many projects as we would have to if we did not sell those bonds.

Mr. Myers added that this is the first sale of a series and I think that what you will see, on the next series, 60 days from now, you will us issuing more money for Parker Farms, the 1987-1988 landfill closure, the 1987-1988 capital improvements, possibly some short term financing for Robert Earley. What it is, is it is a cash flow technique, cash management. Wallingford is very fortunate to be in the financial situation to use this type of a system to avoid the serious consequences of the Tax Reform Act. 474

Mr. Killen pointed out that the Council has not been a part of the concept up to this point and we are just getting an explanation of how it is coming about and we have a capital non-recurring fund in place. The funding of it leaves a lot to be desired and that part of it can be done away with but, under the new system now, I would have to take a look at it and make sure that there are times that the Council is not deprived to take certain funds and do what they want with it because, if funds are going to be piled over to the extent that the demand comes from notes that we are not aware of, there is no money left for this Council to decide we will take it from here here and here. We are being told that this is the plan of the town and you are stuck with it.

Mr. Myers explained that the one exception is that in no case, does the use of cash, represent an appropriation of funds. It is simply a use of cash and not an appropriation. The money would always be available. The only way that funds can be appropriated, is by the Town Council so whether we use the physical cash, the fact that the physical cash had been used and then was replaced by bond and note proceeds, it is still available for appropriation by the Town Council. Attorney Fasi added that we are replenishing monies that were forward from the General Fund and then paying them back with bond proceeds. Money is not disappearing, it is simply flowing like a waterwheel.

Mr. Killen added that he wants to be kept informed on what is being done with the dollars in town.

Mr. Myers added that this is in no way an appropriation of funds, it is simply a use of cash. If we do not have cash in the bank, but we show that we have \$4 million dollars available, that \$4 million dollars is available for appropriation. They are two separate and distinct technical areas.

Attorney Fasi added that the Ordinances that we adopt that authorize borrowing, contained in the last section of section 6, which authorizes the Comptroller to advance funds from the General Fund for this very purpose and that is a section that we put into the Ordinance in order to try to live with the Tax Reform Act in the least expensive way possible.

Mr. Killen pointed out that the part he finds hard to deal with is the so called surplus funds. We are given to understand that when we adopt a budget, X number of dollars and coming in on one side and they are going to be going out on the other side and we are trying to take every penny that is not tied up and earn interest on it and we account for that interest. If we are going to earn \$500,000 in interest, we are going to use that to offset something on the other side so, there should be very little excess surplus cash flowing around here.

ITEM 4. Consider appointment of Ms. Janet Budzinack and Mr. Romeo P. Dorsey to Community Lake Study Committee, moved by Mr. Killen and seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

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

Mr. Gessert pointed out that Mr. Adams phoned him and stated that he would be late because of a personal commitment.

ITEM 5. Consider and approve two transfers for Youth Service Bureau.

5(a). Mr. Holmes moved the transfer of \$100 from Office Supplies, \$85 from Social Security and \$500 from Alcohol and Drug Program, a total of \$685 to Community Service Worker, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

5 (b). Mrs. Bergamini moved the transfer of \$648 from Coordinator and \$95 from Social Security a total of \$743 to Program Costs, seconded by Mr. Rys. 475

Referring to item 5 (a), Mr. Edward Musso stated that he does not feel that they should have another community service worker and added that everyday you pick up the paper and see kids that are picked up for drugs, etc. and the courts let them go. There is no one to make them do what they should be doing and teach them a lesson or hang them or something or other. I think we should eliminate all of this kid stuff until the Judges start sentencing. Mr. Gessert explained that Mr. Musso's comment means that the Judges should be a little bit harsher, and he agrees with that part of it, not the hanging part.

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

Mrs. Marty Barracato-Camire explained that they had a large concert for middle school kids and this group came with a message and they played a lot of songs that the kids liked, but they stopped half way through and talked about how there had been an incident about a girl being forced, through peer pressure, to get drunk and from drinking too much she died and the kids were so much into the group, they listened to what they had to say and it was very successful. We gave out balloons to all of the young kids, when they had the sidewalk show and we had volunteers from the middle school who did that, so they will become more aware of what is going on in town. We also had a theater group come and talk to kids about drinking and peer pressure. All of the programs that we are doing are geared at the middle schools because we feel that this is when kids begin to experiment and if we can hit a few, it is worth it.

ITEM 6. Consider and approve merit increases for:
Richard J. Piekarski, effective 7/1/87, F/Y amount \$1,271, moved by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

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

Salvatore Sandillo, effective 7/1/87, F/Y amount \$1,210, moved by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Killen.

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

ITEM 7. PUBLIC HEARING on SUMMARY LIST OF NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Mr. Walter Gafney from the Connecticut Brain Injury Association, explained that brain injury is becoming the number one killer and injurer of people who are 34 years old and younger. Our main office is in Rocky Hill and we have support from around the state, one being Gaylord Hospital and we hope you can vote favorably on these so we can send them on to the Department of Revenue Services. If these projects are approved, it allows us to go to business and industry and see if we can solicit funds and then the business gets a tax credit.

Mr. Gessert pointed out that the town will not be paying for these, it will be the businesses.

Mrs. Bergamini read and moved the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 82-469, the State of Connecticut has provided tax incentives for Connecticut businesses that donate to Community programs under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, it is required under Public Act 82-469 that any municipality desiring to obtain benefits under the provisions of this Act shall, after holding

at least one public hearing and after approval of the legislative bodies, submit to the Commissioner of Revenue Services a list of programs eligible for investment by business firms under the provisions of this Act; and

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WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the best interest that the Town of Wallingford submit such a list to the State of Connecticut.

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

1. That after holding a public hearing on the list required under Section 2 of Public Act 82-469, the Town Council of the Town of Wallingford hereby approves the attached list entitled: Summary List of Neighborhood Assistance Programs, May 26, 1987.
2. That the Mayor of the Town of Wallingford is hereby authorized and directed to submit to the Commissioner of Revenue Services the approved list of programs eligible for investment by business firms and to provide such additional information; to execute such other documents as may be required by the Commissioner; to accept on behalf of the Town any funds available for those municipal programs on the list; to execute any amendments, recisions, and revisions thereto; and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Wallingford.

Certified a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town of Wallingford as a meeting of its Town Council on _____, and which has not been rescinded or modified in any way whatsoever.

(Date)

(Clerk)

seconded by Mrs. Papale.

SUMMARY LIST OF NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

May 26, 1987

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Respite Care for Elderly and Handicapped	Family Service Asso. of Central CT., Inc.	\$20,000
Counseling for Wlfd. at Risk Teenagers	Family Service Asso. of Central CT., Inc.	\$ 5,000
Home Care Services-No Care-takers available	Visiting Nurse Asso. of Central CT., Inc.	\$ 5,000
Respite Care Program	Visiting Nurse Asso. Of Central CT., Inc.	\$12,000
Hospice - Extended Hours Program	Visiting Nurse Asso. of Central CT., Inc.	\$ 5,000
Community Services & Day Care Expansion	Young Women's Christian Association	\$200,000
Employment Training	Young Womens Christian Association	\$ 10,000
RID'S Calendars	RID - Remove Intoxicated Drivers	\$ 2,000

Glass insulation for activity Room	Wallingford Family YMCA	\$ 1,485. ⁷
Seed money for Infant/Toddler Day care Center	Wallingford Family YMCA	\$ 10,000
Gymnastic Equipment: Uneven Parallel Bar	Wallingford Family YMCA	\$ 1,635
Fitness Testing Electronic Ergometer	Wallingford Family YMCA	\$ 955
Meriden-Wlfd. Battered Women's Shelter - Second Stage Housing Program	Meriden-Wallingford Chrysler, Inc.	\$ 13,234
Meriden-Wlfd. Battered Women's Shelter - Equipment	Meriden-Wallingford Chrysler, Inc.	1,000

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<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Project Mobile	CT. Traumatic Brain Injury Association. Wlfd. Satellite Support Group	\$3,000
Caring for Care-Givers	CT. Traumatic Brain Injury Asso. Wlfd. Satellite Support Group	\$500.00
PEP - Peer Education Program	CT. Traumatic Brain Injury Asso. Wlfd. Satellite Support Group	\$1,000
TAP - Training Area Professionals	CT. Traumatic Brain Injury Asso. - WLFD Satellite Support Group	\$2,000
Scholarships for Summer Camp	CT. Traumatic Brain Injury Asso. Wlfd Satellite Support Group	\$5,000
Project Inform	CT. Traumatic Brain Injury Asso., Wlfd. Satellite Support Group	\$20,000
Outreach Counseling for Central CT., Inc.	Child Guidance Clinic for Central CT., Inc.	\$ 8,000
Outdoor Education - Ropes Course	Quinnipiac Council, Boy Scouts of America	\$3,000
Scout Equipment Loan Bank	Quinnipiac Council, Boy Scouts of America	\$4,000
Dining Hall Equipment	Quinnipiac Council, Boy Scouts of America	\$1,600
Training Adult Volunteers in Scouting	Quinnipiac Council, Inc. Boys Scouts of America	\$8,825
Drug Awareness: "Drugs - A deadly Game"	Quinnipiac Council, Inc. Boys Scouts of America	\$4,200
Vocat. Oriented Rehab. Services for Psychiatrically Disabled: a) Prevoc. and Functional Skills Training Pro. b) Trans. Serv.	Community Provider Consortium, Inc	\$21,000

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Easter Seal Rehab. Center of Central CT. - Expansion/Modernization project	Easter Seal Rehabilitation of Central CT	\$280,000

Refurbishing	Boys & Girls Club of Wallingford	\$ 29,075	478
Sexual Abuse Treatment Program	Coordinated Crisis Intervention Program of the Child Guidance Clinic	\$ 30,700	

Previous Approved Multi-Year Project

Development of a realistic Clinical Rehabilitative Environment	Gaylord Hospital	\$140,000
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VOTE: All ayes with the exception of Mr. Adams who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

ITEM 8. PUBLIC HEARING on AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$800,000 FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, 1987-1988, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO DEFRAY SAID APPROPRIATION.

Mrs. Bergamini read and moved the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$800,000) FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, 1987-1988, 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 Eight Hundred Thousand (\$800,000) Dollars is hereby appropriated for municipal capital improvements, 1987-1988 in the Town of Wallingford, all as hereinafter set forth, including design costs, engineering fees, administration expenses, costs of marketing temporary notes pending the sale of bonds, legal expenses and all other expenses incidental to said projects.

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Roadway Reconstruction

East Main Street Christian to Grieb	\$325,000
Ward Street Traffic Signal	95,000
North Airline Road East Center to Williams	380,000
Total	<u>\$800,000</u>

The amount set opposite each project shall be reserved for that project, except that in the event an unexpended balance remains after the completion of such project or it is determined that the

amount appropriated will not be necessary to complete the project, the unexpended or excess funds may be transferred to another project listed in the ordinance by resolution passed by the Town Council.

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II.

To meet said appropriation, not more than Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000) of bonds, notes or other obligations 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

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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.

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 Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000), 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.

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V.

The Mayor and the Comptroller are authorized pursuant to C.G.S. §7-369b to make representations and agreements for the benefit of

the holders of any bonds, notes, or other obligations which are necessary or appropriate to ensure the exemption from federal taxation of the interest on the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized herein, including the full faith and credit pledge of the Town to rebate to the federal government such sums as are required to be rebated to it if tax exempt obligations are issued pursuant to this resolution.

VI.

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

seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Gessert suggested that the money which will be used for East Main Street, should be used to pave South Main Street because it is a disaster area. Mayor Dickinson explained that the plans have been finished for the area, not to Grieb but to Stevens. Mrs. Bergamini asked if this case was in court and Attorney Mantzaris replied that we won that case. Mayor Dickinson added that in terms of design, the portion between Stevens and Grieb, is not the design. From Christian up to Stevens, the job was in my office last week with the plans and has been designed and we will look to implement. We appropriated approximately \$1.2 million, and the bids went out on the entire project and came in at \$1.6 million or \$1.9 million, so it was redesigned again, which is this new design that has come in for Stevens Street and the redesign has to occur on the other portion, which is the subject of the lawsuit. I would expect that there would be work done out there this summer.

Mr. Gessert added that we appropriate money in anticipation that somebody is getting paid a good salary and a full time job, is going to get something done, and nothing happens. Mayor Dickinson added that a lot has been done. Mr. Gessert pointed out that North Airline Road has been talked about since Mrs. Bergamini began on the Council, and added that if these people cannot get the job done, we should get someone else, who can do the job.

The Comptroller suggested that a couple of changes be made in section VI for flexibility. In the second line of section VI, change General Fund and substituting the phrase available cash and in the third line, striking out the phrase , the General Fund and substituting the phrase, such cash. As amended, the Ordinance would provide greater flexibility.

Mr. Myers added that he would look to keep this financing strictly within the Capital and Non-Recurring Fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to amend section VI of the Ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

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

Mr. Myers pointed out that the funds can only be transferred after a project is completed so, the money would have to stay within these three projects and you would have to have a certification from the Town engineer that a project is completed.

VOTE: All ayes with the exception of Mr. Adams who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried. (Original motion)

ITEM 9. Consider and approve budget amendment and transfers requested by Raymond A. Denison for Water & Sewer Divisions.

Mr. Myers explained that when the Water and Sewer prepared their budget 1986-1987, we were in the midst of planning our last bond issue, at which time we bonded the MacKenzie Dam, the Pond Hill Pump Station and \$10 million dollars for the Sewer Treatment Plant. Their budget was prepared on a cash basis. We need to put these entries on our books to bring the interest on the bonds into the accrued state. This is just a transition that occurred between budget planning and the actual sale of funds.

9 (a). Mr. Rys moved the Budget Amendment of \$33,300 INCREASE Interest in STP III Bonds, \$33,300 INCREASE in Interest on Long Term Debt - STP III, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini. 481

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

9 (b). Mr. Rys moved the transfer of \$900 from Employees Pension & Benefits to Interest on Long Term Debt P.H. P/S, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

VOTE: All ayes with the exception of Mr. Holmes who voted no and Mr. Adams who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

9 (c). Mr. Rys moved the transfer of \$3,200 from Chemical Expense to Interest on Long Term Debt, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

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

ITEM 10. Discussion with PUC regarding West View Hills - WITHDRAWN

Mr. David Doherty, 6 Reynolds Drive, asked if the Town Council is going to allow the PUC to pursue an appeal on the FOI decision or are they going to give them some instructions as to just restructuring their minutes as the FOI decision suggested and save the taxpayers of this town, including myself, the money?

Mr. Gessert commented that he does not know if the Council claims to take a position on that.

Mr. Gouveia explained that at this point, he does not believe that the FOI has rendered a decision. At this point, I think it was just a recommendation. We still do not know what the final decision will be.

Mayor Dickinson added that he will recommend that there be an appeal, because it cuts across many subjects other than this one. That potentially would mean, anyone with a negligent suit against the town, could come in in an open session, request information regarding that suit and the facets of the case that the town would have and obtain that information and jeopardize the ability of the Town of Wallingford to defend itself. That is a very dangerous precedent and my opinion would have to be that we exhaust all legal remedies.

Mr. Gessert pointed out that ITEM 10 will be taken up at a later date when a meeting can be scheduled with the PUC.

ITEM 11. Consider changing two (2) MAINTAINER II POSITIONS to two (2) MAINTAINER I POSITIONS, requested by Steven L. Deak, Public Works, moved by Mr. Rys and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Gessert asked Mr. Deak if any summer people have been hired and Mr. Deak replied that they are just starting to hire summer people but there are not too many applicants. Mr. Killen asked what the rate of pay was and Mr. Deak answered, \$3.37, which is the minimum wage, for a 40 hour week.

Mr. Gessert commented that if the wage was increased, there might be more applicants.

VOTE: All ayes with the exception of Mrs. Bergamini and Mr. Adams who were not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

ITEM 12. Consider and approve three transfers requested by Steven L. Deak, Public Works.

12 (a) Mr. Rys moved the transfer of \$3,000 from General Wages & \$4,710 from Central Garage Wages to \$3,000 to Retirement Sick Leave & \$4,710 to Retirement Sick Leave, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

Mr. Polanski asked Mr. Deak why the money was being taken out of the wage account for this employee and Mr. Deak explained that this employee has to be paid his vacation time, which is coming from his regular salary.

Mr. Musso asked why so much money is needed for retirement sick leaves and Mr. Gessert explained that when someone retires, and they have sick leave that was not used, they are entitled to that number of sick days of sick leave that they have not used and they are also entitled to accumulated vacation. Mr. Gessert added that this employee was a very dedicated worker. 482

VOTE: All ayes with the exception of Mrs. Bergamini who passed and Mr. Adams who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

ITEM 12(b). Mr. Rys moved a transfer of \$2,000 from Municipal Building 350 Center Street Utilities to Parks Utilities, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Deak explained that this transfer will not only cover electricity, but also includes water and sewer charges. Mr. Holmes asked who was responsible for turning lights off at Pat Wall Field and Mr. Deak explained that the coaches are and Mrs. Papale checked with people on Elm Street and an incident where children had turned field lights on because of a broken lock have stopped.

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

ITEM 12(c). Mr. Rys moved a transfer of \$450 from Maintenance of Building to Utilities, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Polanski asked why this was coming out of Mr. Deak's budget since Parker Farms Committee has money in their budget (\$1,200) for utilities and Mr. Deak explained that the building is under his jurisdiction. Mr. Gessert said Mr. Deak could pay the bill and then send the bill to the committee.

VOTE: Council Members Bergamini, Gouveia, Holmes, Papale and Rys voted aye; Killen, Polanski and Gessert voted no; motion duly carried.

ITEM 13. Mr. Rys moved discussion and consideration of approval of site changes for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Garlick met with Mayor Dickinson, representatives from the Electric Division, Public Works and the Recreation Department on May 29, 1987 and the department heads concurred with the plans and designs presented which are all aimed at safety for visitors to the memorial. Selection of paving material will be discussed at a meeting tomorrow and if concrete is determined to be the least slippery, it may be selected. Mr. Killen asked if the lighting plans will be implemented and Mr. Garlick said low intensity lights were proposed and the decision will be left to the Council. Mr. Killen does not want to detract from the park since it was donated for park purposes. Mrs. Bergamini asked how many lights were being proposed and Mr. Garlick said three very low amperage bulbs with a lock-down stainless steel fixture to keep vandalism down to a minimum. Mr. Garlick commented that the outpouring of love and affection that the town and citizens showed toward the veterans is a very special thing and they are appreciative to the whole town.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road does not feel that this memorial should have any more glamor to it than any other monument.

Mayor Dickinson felt that it was important for the minutes to reflect that there is no cost to the Town of Wallingford other than the outgoing cost of electricity which is estimated at \$7.00 per month.

Mrs. Bergamini asked what is being voted upon and Mr. Gessert explained the vote will allow them to put in a sidewalk around the monument and a side walk extending to the east side to connect to the sidewalk and lights.

Mr. Holmes felt that if any other veterans asked the Council for help such as the Vietnam Veterans have, the Council would be happy to help them. Mr. Gessert knows that the Council will be asked to move the bronze plaques over to Robert Earley when it is occupied as the new town hall.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Garlick added that companies who donated to the memorial will be asked to submit bids for this work.

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ITEM (14) WITHDRAWN.

ITEM 15(a). Mr. Rys moved a transfer of \$1,000 from General Wage to Part Time Help, Fire Department, seconded by Mr. Polanski.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 15(b). Mrs. Bergamini moved a transfer of \$2,700 from the General Wage account, Fire Department, to Overtime, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Killen pointed out that this year's overtime has nearly doubled from last year and Chief McElfish explained that there are more incidents now which require the use of overtime.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 15(c). Mr. Rys moved a transfer of \$1,500 from General Wage to Vacation Replacement, Fire Department, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 15(d). Mr. Holmes moved the transfer of \$2,000 from General Wage to Sick Replacement, Fire Department, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 16. Mr. Holmes moved the allocation of \$422,000 from Contingency to various line items as detailed on pages 19 and 20 of these minutes to Parker Farms School, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Myers felt that the Council is voting upon the following items:	
Miscellaneous Project Expenses	\$ 34,000
Interior Work and Finishes	32,000
Contingency	62,000
Site Work	294,000
	<u>\$422,000</u>

Mr. Myers explained that the Council approved an ordinance appropriating an additional \$422,000 and that money was placed in contingency and the ordinance stipulates that the Town Council has line by line control and a transfer must be presented to the Council.

Mr. Killen asked if anyone has compared this with their last figures.

VOTE: Adams, Bergamini and Gessert passed; Polanski voted no; Gouveia, Holmes, Killen, Papale and Rys voted aye; motion duly carried.

Date: May 5, 1987

To: Town Council Members *< TOM MYERS >*

From: Robert E. Devine, Parker Farms Renovation Committee

The following revised expense projections are provided to assist in determining the future funding needs to complete the renovation of Parker Farms School.

<u>Expense Item</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
UNT	:	<u>MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT EXPENSES</u>	
UNT NUMBER	:	<u>1386760200</u>	
ECTED EXPENSES	:	<u>APRIL 1, 1987 UNTIL COMPLETION</u>	

On Site Supervision	25 (Weeks)	\$1,200	\$ 30,000
Secretarial Service	24 (Weeks)	\$ 65	\$ 1,560
Telephone Service	6 (Months)	\$ 175	\$ 1,050
Utilities	5 (Months)	\$ 250	\$ 1,200
On Site Cleanup	-	\$8,000	\$ 8,000
Graffiti Removal	-	\$5,000	\$ 5,000
Miscellaneous	-	\$1,500	\$ 3,500
Total Projected	:		\$ 50,310
Present Balance	:		(\$ 16,573)
Additional Funding Required	:		\$ 33,737

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ACCOUNT : INTERIOR WORK AND FINISHES
ACCOUNT NUMBER : 1386765600
PROJECTED EXPENSES : APRIL 20, 1987 UNTIL COMPLETION

Chalk and Tack Boards	26	Varies	\$ 7,500
Fire Extinguishers	12	Varies	\$ 484
Furniture (Estimate)	N/A	Varies	\$ 35,000
Gym Floor	:		\$ 19,555
Library Rug	:		\$ 1,515
Credit (Gym Floor Change)	:		(\$ 2,800)
Total Projected	:		\$ 61,254
Present Balance	:		(\$ 29,872)
Additional Funding Required	:		\$ 31,382

<u>Expense Item</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>	
ACCOUNT	:	<u>CONTINGENCY</u>		
ACCOUNT NUMBER	:	<u>1386780700</u>		
PROJECTED EXPENSES	:	<u>APRIL 20, 1987 UNTIL COMPLETION</u>		
Job Changes	-	-	\$ 95,000	
Unanticipated Expenses	-	-	\$ 20,000	
Total Projected	:		\$115,000	
Present Balance	:		(\$ 36,119)	
Present Balance (Mechanical/Electrical)	:		(\$ 17,185)	
Additional Funding Required	:		\$ 61,696	
ACCOUNT	:	<u>SITE WORK</u>		
ACCOUNT NUMBER	:	<u>1386765500</u>		
PROJECTED EXPENSES	:	<u>JUNE 1, 1987 UNTIL COMPLETION</u>		
Site Work (Primary)	-	-	\$293,991 (A)	
Reduce to 4" Base	-	-	(\$ 17,500)	
Adjusted Cost	-	-	\$276,491 (B)	
Site Work* (Alternate)	-	-	\$243,267 (C)	
Reduce to 4" Base	-	-	(\$ 15,000)	
Adjusted Cost	-	-	\$228,267 (D)	
			(A) (B) (C) (D)	
Total Projected	\$293,991	\$276,491	\$243,267	\$228,267
Present Balance	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Additional Funding Required	\$293,991	\$276,491	\$243,267	\$228,267

Modified Site Work bid Eliminating Paving in Rear of Building

Synopsis: The following represents a compilation of the projected additional funding which will be required to complete the project using various site work options.

ALLOCATION OF ORD # 347 (AMENDMENT)

Funding Options

<u>Line Item</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>(A)</u>	<u>(B)</u>	<u>(C)</u>	<u>(D)</u>
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Miscellaneous Project Expenses	1386760200	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,000
Interior Work and Finishes	1386765600	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000
Contingency	1386780700	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000
Site Work	1386765500	\$294,000	\$277,000	\$244,000	\$229,000
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FUNDING		\$422,000	\$405,000	\$372,000	\$357,000

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ITEM 17. Mrs. Bergamini read and moved adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Papale:

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLVED: That the Town Council of the Town of Wallingford hereby approves the second supplemental agreement to original agreement dated February 28, 1979 between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Wallingford for railroad-highway grade crossing improvements on Ward Street, State Project 148-110, Federal Project No. RRP-4148(3) and authorizes William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor of the Town of Wallingford to execute said supplemental agreement on behalf of the Town of Wallingford.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 18. Mr. Rys moved to approve change of classification from Clerk Typist II to Clerk Typist I, Town Clerk's Office, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Gouveia asked why a Clerk Typist I was not requested originally and Mrs. Rascati said she did not give it any thought at the time and there is a list available for Clerk Typists II but Mr. Gouveia has a problem with creating a position for a specific person.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ADDENDUM: Mr. Gouveia introduced Laurie Manke and commented that she was instrumental in achieving the goal with hazardous waste collection. Mr. Gouveia explained that there was a leaking drum after the waste was all collected and the material had to be transferred to another drum and there are two items which do not appear on the original list--a five gallon and a thirty gallon empty barrel for a charge of \$190. Mr. Gouveia has a problem with paying this \$190 since he felt if the collector were able to dispose of the oil when it was received, there would not have been a problem with the leak and to charge \$150 for a 5 gallon container when the charge was \$200 for a 55 gallon container seems quite a bit and there was a \$40 charge to fill an empty 30 gallon drum in a plastic bag and Laurie will call the contractor tomorrow to see if he will remove this from the list and the Purchasing Agent agreed that this should be done. Mr. Gouveia felt that the \$165 should be approved to close the books and this matter will be approved tomorrow.

Mr. Gessert asked the total price of the job and Mr. Gouveia noted it was \$28,915, including the \$190 to the hauler.

Mr. Myers preferred not to have the transfer approved until the \$190 is settled and he will make sure the appropriate steps are taken in the Accounting Office so there is no problem with the funding. Laurie Manke felt that rusty drums should not have been accepted in the first place and the liquid should have been put in their own drums to begin with.

Mr. Gouveia has a concern with paying \$150 for a 5 gallon bucket when the charge was \$250 for a 55 gallon drum. Mr. Gouveia recommended approving the transfer and having this matter followed up by Laurie and the Purchasing Agent to see if the \$190 will be removed from the bill, a matter of principle. 486

Mr. Gouveia moved the transfer of \$165 from Reserve for Emergency to Hazardous Waste Removal Contract, seconded by Mrs. Bergamini.

VOTE: Mr. Killen voted no; all other Council Members voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Gessert expressed the appreciation of the Town Council to Laurie Manke for all her efforts that day and many other days for an excellent job.

Mr. Polanski moved acceptance of the Town Council Meeting Minutes of May 26, 1987; seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Mr. Killen passed; all other Council Members voted aye; motion duly carried.

Rule V waived: Mr. Killen moved to waive Rule V to discuss a letter received from Mr. Raymond Smith, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen commented that Mr. Smith is making a pitch now for the money to cover the moving expenses and the Council rejected the waiver of bid and Mr. Killen wanted the Council's opinion about the moving expenses since he received a copy of Mr. Smith's letter with the agenda packet and in Saturday's paper there was an article about moving expenses. Mr. Killen called the Purchasing Agent's office on Monday and discovered that this pertained to the Electric Division employee and this was being put out to bid now. Mr. Killen reminded the Council that they have oversight should this be approved later on and he is looking for the reason the Council rejected the waiving of bid and wondered if they were rejecting the concept of paying moving expenses.

Mr. Gessert polled the Council and Mr. Polanski stated he is against moving expenses. Mr. Holmes voted to approve it based on the fact that the deal was made on behalf of the Town of Wallingford and he did not feel that in good faith it should be reneged on. Mr. Rys voted against this because he does not want to see a precedent set for the future. Mrs. Bergamini voted for it and then did some checking and found that moving is very expensive and it is difficult to get people and she feels that this is a way of life--unfortunate, but apparently it is needed. Mrs. Bergamini would have preferred a discussion before a commitment is made and in this particular case, she feels this should be approved.

Mr. Gessert felt that with a limited pool of applicants, if you must bring someone from New Hampshire who is in demand, you must be flexible and smart enough to pay \$2,500 for moving expenses to get the right person for the right job and he feels this makes sense.

Mrs. Papale voted against the moving expenses at the time and later spoke to two of the PUC Commissioners and it was told to Mrs. Papale that if the expenses were under \$2,000, the Council probably would not even have known about it in the first place. Mrs. Papale feels that the Council should be made aware of these situations in the beginning.

Mr. Gouveia mentioned that according to the letter, this has been done in the past and he asked where the money came from since it is not indicated in their budget. Mr. Gouveia feels that in this case, where they really need a person, maybe the only way to get the person is to pay the moving expenses and he still thinks that the way things are done leaves a lot to be desired.

Mr. Adams reluctantly went along with this but he felt that the gentleman made the agreement in good faith and it is owed to him to honor the agreement but in the future, this is not a good precedent and it must be made aware to all town departments that something like this is not a bargaining tool and it must be presented to the Council first and in a special situation, it is something to be considered and the best way to spend the town's money will be determined.

Mr. Killen's argument is if every department offers this alternative since we are not just hiring in the PUC but we are hiring all over town and the problem is that it is not a line by line item and the point is if they can offer one incentive, they can offer another incentive. Mr. Gessert disagreed and felt that if it were job related, sometimes a company car is offered and sometimes a headhunter must be used. If someone were available from Kansas City for the Water & Sewer Division and it cost \$5,000 to hire that person, Mr. Gessert would vote for it tonight. Mr. Killen pointed out that there is nothing in the budget for moving expenses and this is the type of planning that goes on and he has a problem with the fact that they find dollars all over the lot to cover that particular item. Mr. Killen noted that under "Miscellaneous--income side" there is \$45,000 of income and under "Miscellaneous--expenses" there is a total of \$183,000 and \$20,000 more under the Capital Budget--Miscellaneous and you wonder why they have money for these particular things and yet it is said they have to be very fine tuned when they come to the Council with their budget. Mr. Killen feels that they have been pulling the wool over the Council's eyes for years and the Council looks like a bunch of damned fools and this outfit makes the Board of Education look like a bunch of saints. Mayor Dickinson feels that the basic cause of misunderstanding is a different accounting system--they produce their revenue and have a different accounting system. Mr. Gessert pointed out that the Town Clerk's Office produces revenue.

Mr. Killen has always been rankled by the statement by the Electric Division, "This is what we are giving you." They have captive customers out there and they feel they are a separate entity and bringing in big bucks.

Mayor Dickinson felt that you shouldn't get hung up on attitudes because if we all did that, you would never get anything accomplished. Mr. Killen realizes that his attitude toward them is showing but he felt that time should be taken to go back through the PUC minutes which do not contain a summary and an example is the 1987 minutes where Mr. Killen has tried to find where it was discussed about the hiring of this man and he can't find it and even Mr. Smith's letter doesn't say that the PUC moved to do such a thing and it cannot be found in the record. Again, Mr. Killen is asking if these things are being done in the manner in which they are supposed to be done. Mayor Dickinson explained that the Council does not approve every individual expense item for every purchase. Once an item is approved in the budget, the departments and Purchasing Office can go ahead and utilize that money for the purpose for which the account is set up and in the same way, each expenditure is not approved by the PUC but broad policy issues are.

Mrs. Bergamini asked if the Council is going to provide any direction, according to Mr. Smith's letter, and Mr. Killen said it has gone out to bid.

Mr. Killen mentioned that there was a meeting of the Ordinance Committee and three or four ordinances will possibly be coming before the Council. Mr. Gessert mentioned the problem with dogs without leashes and Mr. Killen will check this out.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

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Approved David A. Gessert
David A. Gessert, Chairman
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