

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 9, 1993

7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Correspondence
3. Consent Agenda
 - a. Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to Date
 - b. Note for the Record Financial Reports of the Visiting Nurse Association, Wallingford Public Library and Senior Citizen Center
 - c. Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved to Date
 - d. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#116-138) Totaling \$4,713.53 - Tax Collector
 - e. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$2,000 from Contingency Reserve for Emergency Acct. #001-8050-800-3190 to Charter Revision Commission Part-Time Secretary Acct. #1140-100-1350 as Requested by Councilor Geno J. Zandri, Jr.
 - f. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$500 from Meetings & Expenses Acct. #001-1300-600-6600 to Part Time Wages Acct. #001-1300-100-1350 - Mayor's Office
 - g. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$530 from Contingency Reserve for Emergency Acct. #001-8050-800-3190 to Seminars and Dues Acct. #001-3010-700-7990 - Department of Health
 - h. Consider and Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the First Supplemental Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Wallingford For Sharing the Cost of a Traffic Control Signal to be Located at Route 150, Route 15 and Colonial Lane and to Allow for a Refund of \$6,970 from the State as an Adjustment to the Town's Share of the Cost - Mayor's Office
 - i. Consider and Approve Authorizing the Establishment of an Expendable Trust Fund to be Entitled, "Town of Wallingford Dog Pound Expendable Trust Fund" and to Authorize the Mayor to Approve Use of the Funds by the Dog Warden in Accordance with Authorized Purposes for the Fund - Comptroller's Office

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4. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda
5. Consider and Approve the Following Appointments/Re-Appointments:
 - a. Appointment of Alfred J. Namnoum, Jr. to the Position of Commissioner on the Planning and Zoning Commission for a Term of Five (5) Years to Expire 1/8/98
 - b. Re-Appointment of Patricia Carruthers to the Position of Commissioner on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Term of Five (5) Years to Expire 1/8/98
 - c. Re-Appointment of Jeffrey Somers to the Position of Alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Term of Three (3) Years to Expire 1/8/96
6. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the 1/28/93 Special Town Council Meeting
7. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD - 7:30 P.M.
8. Report Out by the School Additions Building Committee
9. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Purchase of Uniforms for the Lyman Hall High School Band and Colorguard as Requested by Councilor Susan S. Duryea
10. Discussion on the Mayor's Moratorium on Out of State Travel as Requested by Councilor Albert E. Killen
11. Consider and Approve Forming a Charter Revision Committee Consisting of Nine (9) Members to be Appointed by the Town Council and Two (2) Members to be Appointed by the Mayor, Names of Which Must be Submitted by the February 9, 1993 Town Council Meeting as Requested by Councilor Geno J. Zandri, Jr.

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7:00 P.M.

A meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held on Tuesday, February 9, 1993 in the Robert Earley Auditorium of the Wallingford Town Hall and called to Order at 7:04 P.M. by Chairperson Iris F. Papale. All Councilors answered present to the Roll Called by Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall with the exception of Mr. Solinsky who was attending a business appointment. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Comptroller Thomas A. Myers were also present. Town Attorney Janis M. Small arrived at 7:05 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

ITEM #3 Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty to Place the Following Items on the Consent Agenda to be Voted Upon by One Unanimous Vote of the Council, seconded by Mr. Killen:

ITEM #3b Note for the Record Financial Reports of the Visiting Nurse Association, Wallingford Public Library and Senior Citizen Center

ITEM #3c Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved to Date

ITEM #3d Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#116-138) Totaling \$4,713.53
- Tax Collector

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #4 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

ITEM #3a Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to Date

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Killen, no; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #3e Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$2,000 from Contingency Reserve for Emergency Acct. #001-8050-800-3190 to Charter Revision Commission Part-Time Secretary Acct. #1140-100-1350 as Requested by Councilor Geno J. Zandri, Jr.

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

This item was removed from the Consent Agenda due to Mr. Killen's position of voting in the negative on transfers.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Holmes, Killen and Parisi, no; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

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ITEM #3f Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$500 from Meetings and Expenses Acct. #001-1300-600-6600 to Part Time Wages Acct. #001-13000-100-1350 - Mayor's Office

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Killen, no; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #3g Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$530 from Contingency Reserve for Emergency Acct. #001-8050-800-3190 to Seminars and Dues Acct. #001-3010-700-7990 - Department of Health

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Holmes supported the approval of funding for the seminar due to the fact that it is being held in state.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Duryea and Killen, no; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #3h Consider and Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the First Supplemental Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Wallingford for Sharing the Cost of a Traffic Control Signal to be Located at Route 150, Route 15 and Colonial Lane and to Allow for a Refund of \$6,970 from the State as an Adjustment to the Town's Share of the Cost - Mayor's Office

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Killen, no; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #3i Consider and Approve Authorizing the Establishment of an Expendable Fund to be Entitled, "Town of Wallingford Dog Pound Expendable Trust Fund" and to Authorize the Mayor to Approve the Use of Funds by the Dog Warden in Accordance with Authorized Purposes for the Fund - Comptroller

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen was not comfortable with the proposal before the Council stating that the Charter gives specific powers to the Council, and only to the Council, to accept gifts of any kind. He felt that interpretation of that section of the Charter cannot be manipulated in one instance simply because of the way things have been done in the past.

There was much debate over whether or not to make the monies received available to the Dog Warden, pending Mayoral approval, to purchase supplies and/or services needed to operate the facility. Ms. Giannotti, Dog Warden, felt that the process of waiting for a Council meeting for approval would interfere with the smooth operation of the pound.

Mr. Doherty amended the motion to Amend Item #7 of the Procedure to Read, "The Dog Warden with the approval of the Town Council will be able to use these funds for the purposes stated in No. 2", seconded

by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Holmes to Approve the Amended Motion, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE ON THE AMENDED MOTION: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #5a Consider and Approve the Appointment of Alfred J. Namnoum, Jr. to the Position of Commissioner on the Planning and Zoning Commission for a Term of Five (5) Years to Expire 1/8/98

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #5b Consider and Approve the Re-Appointment of Patricia Carruthers to the Position of Commissioner on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Term of Five (5) Years to Expire 1/8/98

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #5c Consider and Approve the Re-Appointment of Jeffrey Somers to the Position of Alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Term of Three (3) Years to Expire 1/8/96

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #6 Approve and Accept the Minutes of the 1/28/93 Special Town Council Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Killen and Parisi, passed; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Peter Wasilewski, High Hill Road felt that since the Council oversees the expenditure of all funds and if the town were to be sued the Council has to approve the expenditure of those funds paid out, then the Council should watch very closely the operation of the town government and the actions of its department heads, specifically the Planning and Zoning Department.

His issue was with the fact that Linda Bush, Town Planner had rendered an interpretation of Town Attorney Janis Small's memo to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Decisions should not be based on how someone interprets the Town Attorney's letter. We have a Department of Law providing interpretations. He was in disagreement with the action on the part of the Planning and Zoning Commission to review and propose changes to the P&Z rules and regulations simply because the Town lost a lawsuit due to them.

Ms. Papale stated that Mrs. Duryea and Mr. Solinsky are on the Planning and Zoning Liaison Committee and perhaps they can keep the Council informed on this issue.

Mrs. Duryea stated that she has been unable to attend the meetings due to her involvement on the Simpson School Study Committee but she will look into it.

Attorney Small responded that the P&Z Commission, prior to Mr. Wasilewski's appeal, had decided based upon some confusion as to what they adopted. They will re-hear the entire issue of the adoption of that regulation over again in March. Atty. Small's office will prepare the legal notice for that meeting. She will further elaborate on her comments that she had given which she agreed some were misinterpreted, and she plans on attending that meeting. Mr. Wasilewski's attorney has been made aware of this information as well.

Mr. Philip Wright, Sr., 160 Cedar Street asked Ms. Papale if she recalled her response when he asked, some meetings ago, if the cameras could be turned off when he was speaking?

Ms. Papale responded that she did not recall her response.

Mr. Wright stated that she responded, yes. He then proceeded to ask that the cameras be turned off.

Atty. Small stated that it was entirely up to the Council to decide whether or not the cameras were to be turned off or stay on.

The Council decided unanimously that the meeting is a public meeting and that the cameras were to remain on throughout a meeting unless an Executive Session is called.

Mr. Wright asked what his recourse was if he did not want his issue televised?

Mr. Killen responded that he can address the Council in the form of correspondence.

Mr. Frank Wasilewski, 57 N. Orchard Street advised Mr. Wright to stay on television so that everyone in town knows what is going on. He felt that Mr. Wright brings a lot to the Council meetings and contributes a great deal to the town.

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ITEM #8 Report Out by the School Additions Building Committee

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty to Hear the Discussion, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Don Harwood, Chairman and Roger Rivers, Committee member were present to report out.

Mr. Harwood was pleased with the make-up of the committee. Members have brought diversity and knowledge spanning many areas of expertise which proves to be a tremendous asset to committee.

Two sub-committees have been formed, one is an architect specification sub-committee with Jon Walworth as Chairman and the other is the Timeline sub-committee of which Ed Mik is Chairman. Administrative meetings were held to enhance the committee's working knowledge of administrative and operational issues and guidelines for the town as well as to develop the best network of town officials for the committee to work with. The committee has met with the Comptroller, Purchasing Agent, Mayor, Superintendent of Schools and Town Clerk. Terry Douville is the interim Secretary for the committee. Budget projections will be submitted for F.Y. 1993-94 for the secretarial services. The committee meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at Sheehan High School in the Board of Education conference rooms. A schedule of meetings are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

The committee toured the schools on January 30, 1993 for the purpose of gaining a better understanding of the impact this project will have on each school. The needs, physical plant and topography were the items of consideration. Some potential problems have been identified, i.e., the portable classrooms may be in the ideal spots for the expansions. The committee also visited Yalesville School to observe a rapidly deteriorating condition of the structure. The committee's concerns for the building were expressed to the Mayor's Office.

At this point in time the committee will begin developing specifications for an architect. Contacts have been made to obtain guidelines to work from. Professional affiliations such as the American Institute of Architects have been contacted for information as well. Dr. Cirasuolo will be contacting the State Board of Education and surrounding communities that have on-going or recent building projects for their input and to compare specifications. The sub-committees will collate that information and bring it forth to the committee. The target date for draft specifications is March 4, 1993.

Roger Rivers stated for clarification that the Board of Education has submitted the project to the State of Connecticut. Those papers submitted specify what we are seeking, what has been approved by the Town Council, etc. That will be given to the architect for a full picture of the project. Once the architect is hired and the Council assigns the charge to the committee to study the options presented, it will make final recommendations to the Council at that time.

Mayor Dickinson stated that this allows, at the very minimum, pricing of various segments of the what has been requested so that ultimately the funding ordinance will determine exactly what is to be constructed.

Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road asked the Council to be unbiased and take the taxpayers of Wallingford into consideration in this matter.

Mr. Myers, Comptroller, asked if the committee has a timeline in mind for when they expect to have an architect on board? Projects of this nature a funded by bond appropriation. It is approximately a two month process to obtain a bond authorization in place or an appropriation of money. The committee needs to have knowledge of when they expect to have the architect hired. They have to know when the funding to execute a contract has to be in place by.

Mr. Harwood responded that the sub-committee has been created to study the timelines which the committee must meet. That committee will be meeting on Thursday evening. He will insure that there is communication with the Comptroller's Office on the part of that sub-committee.

Mr. Zandri asked if there is a problem with getting the bonding ordinance into place at this time so that there will not be a waiting period.

Mr. Myers explained that the town would have to come up with a dollar amount.

Mr. Zandri responded that getting bond authorization for approximately \$1 million does not mean that we will bond that entire amount. The proposed cost of the project is \$13 million. It would seem logical that we will spend at least that amount on some phase of the project. Therefore we can begin to get this project off the ground by bonding for \$1 million, or what ever figure Mr. Myers feels comfortable with, so that the mechanism is in place for the committee to hire an architect when ready to do so. He did not feel it would interfere with the bidding process at all. It is not solely bonded for the architectural services but for the entire project. This does not tip our hand as to what the town is willing to pay for the project.

Mr. Myers agreed but this is not the normal procedure that the town follows.

Mr. Holmes asked if the bidding process will be used for the architect or will the committee seek an R.F.P. (request for proposal)?

Mr. Harwood responded that, in meeting with the Mayor, Comptroller and committee, it was decided that they would follow the professional procurement policy of the town that is currently in place (bidding process).

Frank Wasilewski, 57 N. Orchard Street reminded the Mayor that he stated that there would be no new projects this year. He then asked the Mayor, "What do you think about this project, do we need it or

not?

Mayor Dickinson responded, I don't remember saying no major projects, I have said that this project has to be resolved. The need for the school classrooms is the principle project facing the town and that has to be resolved prior to moving on to anything else of a major nature. I believe there is a need for classroom space based upon what information we have received. I am not necessarily of an opinion that all of what has been asked for is affordable. A decision will have to be made regarding what size of the project is ultimately funded by the town. There is another issue waiting in the wings and that is whether there will be any effect on the State's reimbursement policies as a result of the Governor's regionalization statements. I am a little concerned about what effects there may be on the State Education Department's reimbursement on education projects with that issue of the Sheff v. O'Niell case. That has to be watched.

Mr. Wasilewski felt that the committee should have some direction from the Council as to whether or not to shoot for the entire project or just a portion of it. This will make the job for the committee a lot easier. He reminded everyone to consider the added costs associated with the additions, i.e., principals, staff, maintenance, equipment, etc. Those costs will remain with us each and every year plus additional raises every year. How far do we go?

Mr. Rogers felt that Mr. Wasilewski was ahead of the committee. It is not their charge to determine the amount of money spent and how many additions are constructed.

Mr. Holmes agreed with Mr. Wasilewski's concerns with regards to the associated costs. The decision will ultimately be the Council's.

Ms. Papale thanked Mr. Harwood and Mr. Rivers for their report to the Council. No action was taken.

ITEM #9 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Purchase of Uniforms for the Lyman Hall High School Band and Colorguard as Requested by Councilor Susan S. Duryea.

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mrs. Duryea read correspondence into the record from Mr. Ruotolo, Principal of Lyman Hall High School and Richard Sansoucy, Director of Bands at Lyman Hall High School (appendix I).

The present band uniforms were introduced over thirty-five years ago. Although some replacement uniforms have been purchased since that time, many of the present uniforms are discolored and falling apart from age and use. Small numbers of uniforms of the present style could be purchased each year but would cost considerably more than purchasing a large quantity at one time.

Apparently the requests for new uniforms have been denied four times by the Board of Education. Mrs. Duryea took it upon herself to bring this request forward to the Council in the hopes of gaining

enough support from her fellow Councilors to approve the purchase.

Many Councilors as well as public felt that the Board of Education should be responsible for purchasing the uniforms for the children. If uniforms are purchased for one school they must be purchased for all. The Board of Education concludes its fiscal year with a large surplus that could accommodate the purchases. It is not the responsibility of the Council to allocate additional dollars to do so. If the Council were to vote in favor of this purchase it would be voting against a budgetary decision on the part of the Board of Education. Perhaps a local civic organization would be willing to hold a fund raiser of some sort for the cause.

The majority of the public who spoke on this item were in agreement that the band was in need of uniforms, however, felt that it is the Board of Education's responsibility to purchase them.

Motion was amended by Mr. Zandri for the Council to Make Recommendation to the Mayor that \$26,000 of Funds Received from the Sale of Land to be Used to Purchase Uniforms for Lyman Hall High School, seconded by Mrs. Duryea.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; Duryea, Killen and Zandri, aye; all others, no; motion failed.

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty to Waive Rule V of the Town Council Meeting Procedures for the Purpose of Discussing Repairs to Heating Problems at the Town Hall, seconded by Mrs. Duryea.

VOTE: McDermott and Solinsky were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty to Waive the Bidding Process so that the Air Controls Corporation can Perform Repairs in the Amount of \$5,100 as Submitted in a Report to the Town Council by Henry McCully Director of Public Works, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Henry McCully, Director of Public Works explained that our current contractor, Air Controls of Southington, has two and one-half years left on a maintenance contract with the town. They have made some extensive repairs and have been unable to correct the heating problems in the summer and winter in the Assessor's Office and the Health Department. Air Controls proposed to Mr. Deak in August of 1992 that the size of the ductwork be increased in order to correct the problem. The unit is sufficient but the ductwork is not. Two other proposals were solicited from contractors who were familiar with the building, R.C. Marra and Mechanical Maintenance Corp. Both R.C. Marra and Mechanical Maintenance Corp. proposed separate units for the Assessor's and Health Offices. Mr. McCully recommended that the current contractor be given the work since they are the most familiar with the system. He stated that the proposal guarantees that the \$5,000 will correct the problems in the Assessor's area. The contractor will also be on sight for the next two and one-half years which guarantees that they back up their own work. The employees of the Assessor's Office have suffered for a long time.

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this problem can be rectified for once and for all.

Mr. Zandri asked if he was understanding this correctly. He stated that the project that will solve the heating and air conditioning problem in the town hall is the one submitted by Air Controls, which is to increase the ductwork at a cost of \$5,000.

Mr. McCully responded, that is correct.

Mr. Holmes asked what it means by the contractor guaranteeing his work? Will he return the money if the problems are not corrected? Or will he perform work beyond the scope of the proposal to correct the problem?

Mr. McCully responded that if the ductwork is complete and the results we are seeking are not obtained, then the contractor will not be paid.

Mr. Killen pointed out that the Judge of Probate's Office is experiencing a problem and Kathryn Wall, Town Clerk stated that she has had to purchase space heaters for her offices due to the lack of heat.

Mayor Dickinson stated that the Assessor's Office should be addressed first and then we will go from there. To a certain extent you have to live with a variation in temperature. Every large building has its unique problems. Where other problems become critical we will deal with them.

A fifteen minute recess was declared by the Chair.

ITEM #10 Discussion on the Mayor's Moratorium on Out of State Travel as Requested by Councilor Albert E. Killen

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty to Hear Discussion, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen stated that this moratorium was imposed in the past and he recalled at least once that the P.U.C. had violated the terms of it and with the recent issue raised over the Board of Education's travel he asked if the moratorium was imposed across the board to all department heads? Are they told that they cannot request money for out of state travel and, therefore, no department head will appear before the Council to ask for it? If so we will never know if they have a valid argument to attend a seminar.

Mayor Dickinson responded that, as a general rule, out of state travel is not approved. That does not mean that no one ever goes anywhere. You are aware that Tom Dooley attended an out of state conference where he received a national award. There was another instance where a department head attended a seminar because they were on the program as a guest speaker. There are departments that are required to take a certain number of courses for continued licensure such as the Building Department. The Police Department, on occasion, has to attend training seminars only offered out of

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state. In addition, there is the American Public Power Association seminars. They have a lobbying meeting in Washington, D.C. where everyone meets with the congressional delegation of the state in which they have their operation. If it pertains to a special licensure or training, something of a justifiable nature, the Mayor has approved. In most cases, there is not.

Mr. Killen argued the point that all department heads who find it necessary to attend seminars are to request the dollars in the budget and present it to the Mayor. The Mayor then has the prerogative to approve or deny funds. That request is then forwarded to the Council for approval or denial. In other words, the request for seminar dues are not to be eliminated totally from the budget, the Mayor is to give his approval or disapproval and forward it to the Council. He is not to discourage them from even coming forward with their requests. He asked for the right of the Council to see the requests as they come in.

Mayor Dickinson disagreed, stating that the department heads are supervised by and responsible to the Mayor. He must set guidelines as to what he wants to see in terms of spending. The spending package is then approved or disapproved by the Council. The day to day responsibility on the administrative side is with the Mayor's Office.

The public, in general, felt that the out of state travel has to be looked at very closely, especially with the Board of Education.

Mr. Zandri stated it is unfair to single out the Board of Education when it is happening in general government.

Mr. Edward Bradley, 2 Hampton Trail agreed. He began collecting copies of travel vouchers when he was on the Council and the same nonsense is going on in general government as well. It is a matter of favoritism.

Mr. Doherty explained that he attended a Board of Education Meeting several years ago when a different Chairperson was on board and discussion centered around the out of state seminars. While being discussed a certain Board member stated that they attend all the seminars at various times during the day.

He went on to say that at that point the Chairman of the Board of Education asked that Board member, "You attend all the meetings? You actually attend all the meetings? I don't. If there is a meeting late in the afternoon then, maybe I'll attend. Otherwise I don't attend them". Mr. Doherty stated that that is why people have the perception that they do about the Board of Education. Anyone attending that meeting would have rightfully drawn that perception.

ITEM #11 Consider and Approve Forming a Charter Revision Committee Consisting of Nine (9) Members to be Appointed by the Town Council and Two (2) Members to be Appointed by the Mayor, Names of Which Must be Submitted by the February 9, 1993 Town Council Meeting as Requested by Council Geno J. Zandri, Jr.

Motion was made by Mr. Doherty to Approve the Following Members to the Charter Revision Committee:

Robert Beaumont	David Juliano
Edward Bradley	Gerald Labriola
Dwayne Braithwaite	Dennie Lewis
Richard Gee	Frederick Monahan, Jr.
Jonathan Gilchrist	Thomas Reynolds

Liz Verna

Seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Motion was amended by Mr. Doherty to Appoint Mr. Edward Bradley as the Temporary Chairman Until the Committee Meets to Appoint a Permanent Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

Motion was made by Mr. McDermott to Adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Solinsky was absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

Meeting recorded and transcribed by:

Kathryn F. Milano
 Kathryn F. Milano, Town Council Secretary

Approved by:

Iris F. Papale
 Iris F. Papale, Chairperson

March 9, 1993
 Date

Kathryn J. Wall
 Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk

March 9, 1993
 Date

Appendix I



LYMAN HALL HIGH SCHOOL
Wallingford, Connecticut 06492

Telephone 294-5350

February 2, 1993

Mrs. Susan Duryea
Wallingford Town Council
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Susan,

On behalf of the students and staff, thank you for your concern and interest in Lyman Hall's request for new band uniforms. The present Lyman Hall band uniforms were first introduced over 35 years ago. Although some replacement uniforms have been purchased since that time, many of the present uniforms are discolored and quite literally falling apart from age and use, making them unusable. Even with our present enrollment it is difficult to find a decent uniform for each player. With the anticipated growth in enrollment, our uniform needs may exceed the supply of usable uniforms as early as next year.

Although we could purchase small numbers of uniforms of the present style each year to meet our needs, the cost per uniform would be considerably more than if a full set was purchased. Since almost all of our present uniforms are in such poor condition, we would, in a short amount of time, be purchasing a full set at a substantially higher cost.

In addition to the cost savings, a new uniform would greatly improve the overall look of the group and therefore dramatically enhance the very important visual aspect of every performance. These uniforms would further increase the sense of pride that each member feels in the group.

The Lyman Hall Band represents the town of Wallingford at numerous performances each year. Performances over the past two years have included: Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, Mass.; Columbus Day Parade, New Haven (Second Place); Columbus Parade, Wallingford; Memorial Day Parade, Wallingford; Music in Motion Marching Band Competition, Cheshire (First Place Class II); Music in the Parks Festival, Hershey, PA. (Superior Rating & Overall Champion); Half-time Shows at Lyman Hall and annual concerts at Lyman Hall. New uniforms will allow us to match visually, the excellence we strive for musically in every performance.

Sincerely,


Anthony Ruotolo
Principal


Richard Sansoucy
Director of Bands
Lyman Hall High School