TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council Chambers

May 12, 2015

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was called to order at 6:35 P.M. The Opening Prayer was given by Reverend Margaret Jay, First Congregational Church of Wallingford. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were: Chairman Vincent Cervoni and Councilors Craig Fishbein, Tom Laffin, John Letourneau, Christine Mansfield, Larry Russo and John Sullivan. Councilors Robert F. Parisi and Vincent F. Testa, Jr. were not at the meeting. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Town Attorney G. E Farrell, Sr. and Comptroller James Bowes were also at the meeting.

Chairman Cervoni noted changes to the April 22, Minutes that July 11, 2015 should be the fireworks display date. On tonight's agenda Item 3g. the donation should be \$766, and the header should state May 12, 2015. A Consent Agenda Addendum, 3x., has been added for the Appointment of Debra Phillips as a full member of the Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission. He reported that Councilors Parisi and Testa notified him before the meeting that they would be unable to attend the meeting.

3. Consent Agenda

- **3a.** Consider and Approve Tax Refunds totaling \$40,217.40 (#757-773) Acct. #1001001-41020 Tax Collector
- **3b.** Consider and Approve "Real Estate & 2010 Grand List Suspense List" Tax Collector
- **3c.** Consider and Approve a Transfer in the Amount of \$300 to Overtime Acct # 10040100-51400 from Regular Salaries & Wages Acct #10040100-51000 Youth and Social Services
- **3d.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund* and Appropriation in the Amount of \$300 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3e.** Consider and Approve an Appropriation in the Amount of \$35 for *STEM Academy Special Fund* Registration fee to Donations-Fees Acct. # 2264002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct. # 22640150-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3f.** Consider and Approve an Appropriation in the Amount of \$1,225 for *STEM Academy Special Fund* Registration fee to Revenue Acct. # 2264002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct. # 22640150-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3g.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund –Relay for Life* and Appropriation in the Amount of \$300 \$766 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3h.** Acceptance of donation from Wallingford Dog Lovers Association for fencing valued at \$17,303 Parks & Recreation

3i. Acceptance of Donation from Evonik Corporation and Appropriation in the Amount of \$1,500 for *Miscellaneous Grants & Donations Fund #250* to Revenue Acct # 2504002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 25040050-58830-TBD

- Health Director

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- **3j.** Acceptance of Donation from Evonik Corporation and Appropriation in the Amount of \$1,000 for *Miscellaneous Grants & Donations Fund #250* to Revenue Evonik-Police Acct # 2502002-47152 and to Expenditures Evonik-Police Acct # 25020050-58830-TBD Police Chief
- **3k.** Acceptance of Donation from Evonik Corporation and Appropriation in the Amount of \$1,000 for *Miscellaneous Grants & Donations Fund #250* to Revenue Evonik-Fire Acct # 2502002-47152 and to Expenditures Evonik-Fire Acct # Fund 250-TBD Fire Department
- 31. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the Amount of \$6,500 from Regular Salaries & Wages Acct # 50020155-51000 to Other Pay Acct # 50020155-51900 \$2,500 and to Wage Differentials Acct # 50020155-51450 \$4,000 Fire Department
- **3m.** Consider and Approve a Transfer in the Amount of \$3,600 from Contingency General Acct # 10019000-58820 to Fire-Vehicle & Property Deductible Acct # 10020150-55970 Fire Department
- 3n. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the Amount of \$44,000 from Contingency-Accrued Expenses Acct # 10019000-58820 to Fire-Regular Wages Acct # 10020150-51000 \$7,000 and to Fire-Replacement Pay Acct # 10020150-51500 \$34,000 and to Fire-Other Pay Acct # 10020150-51900 \$3,000

 Fire Department
- **30.** Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$500 from Continuing Education Acct # 10010700-55700 to Meetings, Dues & Seminars Acct # 10010700-58810 Town Planner
- **3p.** Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$8,000 from Chemicals Acct # 431-00641 to Maintenance of Pumping Equipment Acct # 431-00633 Water Division
- 3q. Consider and Approve authorizing the Mayor to sign DOT "Waiver of Compensation and Appraisal" form for Town-owned property that is required for Interchange Improvements to CT Route 15, Hall Avenue and River Road Engineering
- **3r.** Approve Minutes of Special Town Council Budget Public Hearing Meeting of April 21, 2015.
- **3s.** Approve Minutes of Special Town Council Budget Meeting of April 22, 2015.
- **3t.** Approve Minutes of Special Town Council Budget Meeting of April 23, 2015.
- **3u.** Approve Minutes of Special Town Council Budget Meeting of April 27, 2015.

- **3v.** Approve Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting of April 28, 2015.
- **3w.** Consider and Approve the Appointment of Armand Menard as a full member to the Planning and Zoning Commission beginning immediately to fulfill an unexpired term which ends January 8, 2017 Chairman Vincent Cervoni

CONSENT AGENDA ADDENDUM

3x. Consider and Approve the Appointment of Debra Phillips as a full member of the Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission beginning immediately to fulfill an unexpired term which ends March 1, 2017 – Chairman Vincent Cervoni

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA 3a to 3w AND ADDENDUM ITEM 3x. WITH CHANGES AS ANNOUNCED.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECOND: LETOURNEAU

VOTE: 7-AYE; 2-ABSENT (PARISI AND TESTA)

4. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

NONE

5. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Paul Chiardullo, Bayberry Lane, spoke several times regarding help for homeowners who are in a financial crisis and what is the town doing about it; big issues and we are stuck in a process; and finally about the fire station that is being built.

Mr. Rasmussen, 28 Jonathan Road, in referring to a book called <u>MIND SET</u> said that the town needs an activity based budget not a general ledger budget. Using the Parks and Recreation Department, he listed examples.

Robert Gross, 114 Long Hill Road, also spoke several times and asked how the fire house is being paid for; perfect bonding projects; Ashlar Village not paying taxes; and how will the Council save money. He brought up TPA and how the town needs to begin looking around. Times are tough and there are ways to save money. He asked that 35 Oliver Creek be looked at. He wants to see the Council save money during the year. He listed some of his ideas that included going out to bis.

Resident, Pilgrim's Harbor, reported that more than one time on his way home from work in late hours, he has been closely followed by the Police.

6. Consider and Approve revised agreement for the purchase of 75 Tyler Mill Road
– Law Department

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF 75 TYLER MILL ROAD.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECOND BY: LETOURNEAU

Attorney Farrell, Sr. reviewed the revisions with the Town Council. He said that a section on personal property had been added that the property owner will use reasonable efforts to get third parties to remove things and is offering a credit of \$1,250 because there is a boat that belongs to a relative and has been stored on the property. There have also been some

Wallingford Town Hall, 45 South Main Street

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amendments to the proposed contract dealing with environmental issues. He said that they went through what the town expects on that before, the town certainly intends to make sure that the town is not stuck with an unforeseen environmental problem. He continued saying that if it turns out that is there is something there, he would come back to the Council because he said he spotted a hope that if it's not something very serious that we would still go ahead and buy it. He said as Councilor Fishbein pointed out that the topography flows towards the Muddy River. He said if something is going on with that property that is detrimental we certainly would probably, if it isn't too expensive, solve it ourselves once we are the owners. He said that he doesn't think that there is anything new in the agreement, just some different deadlines.

Councilor Fishbein thanked Attorney Farrell, Sr. for being open to hearing the observations of the Council. Attorney Farrell, Sr. thanked the Council for their well-founded comments and suggestions on the agreement. He said that they were good points. Councilor Sullivan asked about the testing date for the property. Attorney Farrell, Sr., referring to the agreement said no later than May 12, 2015.

Paul Chiardullo, 2 Bayberry Drive, said that this is a terrible decision and is willy-nilly to come to the residents and take money from their pockets again.

Chairman Cervoni said that the Council has talked about this purchase, and all of the Council agrees that this is an enhancement to one of the finest pieces of open space in Wallingford. He said that members of the public have come forward and spoken quite favorably of it. He reported that at a prior meeting the Council approved bonding on this item.

Mary Heffernon, Chairwoman, Conservation Commission, 168 East Side Drive, pointed that this is not just a building that is being purchased and it not just a piece of property that is being purchased. It is in the heart of one thousand (1,000) acres of prime open space, and the town has waited a long time for this. She expressed her fear of someone buying this property and misusing it to the detriment of the wildlife on the Preserve as well as the Preserve itself. She described this as a beautiful piece of property that we treasure and take good care of.

Chairman Cervoni added that this purchase also means that we will no longer need to maintain services, including snow-plowing and the road could be closed in the winter.

Gina Morgenstein, South Main Street, stated that she is in favor of this purchase.

Mr. Rasmussen and Mayor Dickinson talked about the configuration of various roads in the area of the Preserve, including Tamarac Swamp Road.

There were no further comments from the public or from the Council.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: YES MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2- ABSENT MOTION PASSED.

7. Conduct a Public Hearing to be held at 6:30 P.M. on May 12, 2015 in connection with an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,263,498 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS 2015-2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$3,263,498 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Chairman Cervoni convened the Public Hearing at 7:14 P.M. for the \$3,263,498 appropriation and bond authorization for the 2015-2016 Capital Improvement Program bond ordinance, which is the subject of this public hearing, is available to the public and may be obtained at this meeting from the Town Clerk.

Councilor Laffin moved, and the motion was seconded by Councilor Fishbein, to read the Title and Section One of the ordinance as proposed in its entirety and to waive the reading of the remainder of the ordinance, incorporating its full text into the minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: YES MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2- ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA) MOTION PASSED.

Chairman Cervoni read the Title and Section One into the record.

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,263,498 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS 2015-2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$3,263,498 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Section 1. The sum of \$3,263,498 is appropriated for the planning, acquisition and construction of municipal capital improvements 2015-2016 consisting of: (i) Athletic Field/Park Improvements: West Side Memorial Park, Moran Middle School, Dag Hammarskjold Middle School, and Doolittle lights; (ii) Town Wide Paving Program: Broadview, Clearview, Blue Hills, Parkview, Ryan, Hanover, Pent Highway, Yale, Partridge, Franks, East Main (Durham to center) and Northrop Road; (iii) Wall St. Bridge; (iv) Northfield Road Bridge; (v) Town wide sidewalk installation, replacement and repair; (vi) Sidewalks/Brick repair; (vii) Pat Wall Field parking improvements, and for appurtenances, equipment and services related thereto, or for so much thereof or such additional improvements as may be accomplished within such appropriation, including administrative, advertising, printing, legal and financing costs to the extent paid therefrom. Said appropriation shall be in addition to all prior appropriations for said purpose and inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid, as set forth in the Capital Improvement Plan 2015-2016, as amended.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Robert Gross, Long Hill Road, asked where does the Electric Division money go? James Bowes, Comptroller, responded that it part of the revenue stream to fund these projects which were just read by the Chairman, and the total of the projects in \$3.2 million. Mr. Gross was interested in how much we receive from the Electric Division. In lieu of taxes. Mr. Bowes said \$1.8 million. Mr. Gross asked are not going to spend that money from the Electric Division. Mr. Bowes said that we are anticipating a \$1.4 million Federal grant for the Northfield Road Bridge. Mr. Gross asked if that was going to cover pretty much all of these projects. Mr. Bowes indicated that it would. Mr. Gross asked why he was going through the motions to bond. Mr. Bowes said every single project has been listed in the budget book since April 1st. Mr. Bowes continued stating that for the ten years that he has known Mr. Gross He has answered this same question. Every budget meeting has the Capital Improvements bonding. He said the town goes through the motion for two reasons 1) It's an authoritative process, which the ordinance calls for 2) It allows the town to keep the projects open without lapsing until the projects are completed and 3) To give the town flexibility if the town chooses to bond decides to bond all or some of these projects if the need arose. Mr. Bowes said he gave the same answer last year and the year before. Mr. Gross said he must be forgetting. Mayor Dickinson said that there is one more reason is that the grants that are received require the town to spend the money and the grant is reimbursement grant so the town needs the authorization to be able to sign the contract to go ahead with it. The town has to have access to the funds before the federal or state authorities will provide us with the money. The town has to spend before it can be reimbursed. He said the town has bonded once in the last ten years.

Gina Morgenstein asked where the money goes once the town is reimbursed. Mr. Bowes said the Capital and Non-recurring Capital Projects Fund. She asked if this means the 'rainy –day fund. Mr. Bowes said no, that would be what they refer to as the Fund Balance. Mr. Bowes stated that it's a different bookkeeping fund, the Cap and Non-Recurring Fund, you spend \$1.4 million, and we receive in reimbursement \$1.4 million. Where does that show up in the next budget process, Mrs. Morgenstein asked. Mr. Bowes responded that this Ordinance is authorized to start July 1; it's part of the budget document that the Council will later be adopting. They adopt a Cap & Non-Recurring budget that is separate from the other budgets, such as the General Fund budget. The projects can begin July 1 of this year. Mrs. Morgenstein insisted that when we get the money back, and if we want to see the trail of the money, where will it show up in the 2015-2016 year budget. Or is it showing up in some part of the ledger for next year's budget. Mr. Bowes said it won't show up in next year's budget because it isn't a budgeted revenue. It would be in our audited financial statements.

Paul Chiardullo, in understanding the bonding that may be spent in 2015-2016, said the process is strange because we don't know if we are actually going to bond. If the town does bond, it says that the \$3.272 million, page 83, Cap & Non-Recurring Fund, it will sit there and flow into another account. He said he never received a response to an email he sent and restated that he has said it puts constraints on us that should be looked at.

Robert Gross asked if the \$3.2 million is in the \$150 million budget. Mr. Bowes said that it is not; it's a different bookkeeping fund altogether. Mr. Gross went over use of funds \$4 million from CRRA for the Firehouse; \$3.2 million General Funds that will be done off-book; \$7 million of the budget is off-budget. He corrected the \$150 million to \$155 million so you really have a budget of \$162 million and if you figure out the percentages, the Government portion is higher than it is now because you will be adding \$7 million to that. There are certain taxpayers in town that only pay the Government portion of the tax as we discussed with Ashlar Village. He said essentially, they are not paying taxes on the percentage of that \$7 million to the General fund. He asked, "Why?"

Mayor Dickinson responded that you don't develop fiscal policy around what taxpayers should be paying what amount of money. He said fiscal policy is a much broader question and it involves a lot more necessity for consistency and attention to a direction for the overall financial direction of the town, than to determine whether it is a commercial, industrial, a non-profit or whomever should have some minor increase in that tax bill. The Mayor said that we will not play that game. Mr. Gross said the \$7 million falls, then, into the abyss. How can you not put the \$7 million into the budget.

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Mayor Dickinson recounted the history of the Capital & Non-Recurring budget going back to the 1960s. He said that it is a very long-term, successful method of providing capital funds that are authorized by state statute. He said that every community in the state could have such a fund if they chose. Wallingford set this up a long time ago and were very wise in the way they thought through the matter. With regard to the accounting, the accounting legitimacy of this, he points to the Town's auditors reports that consistently awarded the Finance Department accolades of excellence over many years in their reporting. The credit rating agencies find the town worthy of a triple AAA credit which is based upon what out audit shows where the Town meets the GAP accounting standards. We are recognized by outside experts who give us for the management of the Town's assets. There are sheets in the budget that show all kinds of money on special revenue funds all of which are adopted as part of this budget. There is nothing here that is not known. This is a process and a procedure that is consistent over a long period of time. Mr. Gross wanted to continue with his argument.

Mr. Bowes stated again that large project infrastructure items are not part of the General Fund.

Paul Chiardullo again said that he had made recommendations regarding Ordinance 61 to the Council.

Mrs. Morgenstein summarized the discussion as she heard it.

Laurence Morgenstein, South Main Street said he is looking for transparency and understanding and in getting straight answers. He asked if the Council even cares. He said he wonders if the Council even understands I, whether they are really going through this item by item. "Do you really know what's going on here, "he asked.

Dianne Saunders, Northford Road, said that she is on a fixed income and is also a CPA. She said that her hat is off to Jim Bowes for what he does, especially with GASB. It is a deep, regulatory system; there are statutes; there are accounting standards both governmental and GAP. She said that this is a specialty, like a brain surgeon. We have to elect people to lead us who can keep us on the right path, get the right auditor every year and keep Mr. Bowes in the job. She said that she has confidence in that and is happy to pay her taxes and to live here. She said to pay a visit to the OPM site and see what other town municipal audit reports look like compared to the Wallingford Report. It is regulatory to have five separate funds and that Mr. Bowe has no choice in the matter. She said that the General Fund is for taxation for general, ongoing operations only.

Mr. Gross and Mr. Chiardullo restated their positions. Mayor Dickinson said that he will not fall prey to the borrowing of funds when they should be paid for in cash.

Chairman Cervoni spoke to Ashlar Village, which, he said, comes up every year at this time of year. Mr. Bowes said it has to do with the functionality of the enterprise.

Chairman Cervoni closed the Public Hearing at 7:49 P.M.

Councilor Laffin moved, and the motion was seconded by Councilor Letourneau, that the ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,263,498 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS 2015-2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$3,263,498 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, a copy of which is attached hereto, be adopted.

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Councilor Fishbein responded to comments made with regard to the Council and the budget and that the Council doesn't know what they are doing up here. He said that he personally spends a week going through the budget book, page by page, highlighting and tabbing. He reviewed with the Comptroller, who concurred with what Councilor Fishbein stated from the budget revenue pages. Councilor Fishbein said -Revenue Line from Electric at \$1.8 million; and then Cap and Non-Recurring budget expenses over and above \$1.8 million; and the over and above is about \$1.4 million. The other \$1.4 million is on another page. He talked about 'off budget'. It's in the book and certainly the public knows.

Mr. Bowes gave a summary of the history of the governmental accounting practices and principals. The Mayor explained the sidewalk repair system. Councilor Fishbein said he was disappointed that he didn't see LHHS track and field. Dr. Menzo, Superintendent said bids open on Friday for 8-lane and artificial turf and the goal is to come to one of the next two Council meetings.

Councilor Sullivan acknowledged all of the hard-work that his colleagues on the Council have put forth. He invited all those people who criticize to step forward and run for office.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: YES MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2- ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA) MOTION PASSED.

Chairman Cervoni said the Ordinance is adopted.

8.

ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 FOR THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015

I. MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET OF \$155,730,507 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

COMMENTARY: BY COUNCILORS FISHBEIN, LAFFIN, SULLIVAN,

LETOURNEAU, MANSFIELD, RUSSO AND CHAIRMAN CERVONI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

II. MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE BUDGET OF \$155,730,507 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA) MOTION PASSED.

III. MOTION WAS MADE TO ESTABLISH THE PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AT 27.47 MILLS.

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES IN EXCESS OF \$100 SHALL BE MADE IN TWO INSTALLMENTS. THE FIRST OF WHICH IS DUE JULY 1, 2015, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 3, 2015. THE SECOND INSTALLMENT SHALL BE DUE JANUARY 1, 2016, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2016. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES OF \$100 OR LESS SHALL BE PAID IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 2015 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 3, 2015 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144.

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE MADE IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 2015 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 3, 2015 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144A. DELINQUENT MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE PAID ONLY IN CASH OR BY CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-146.

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

CHECKS IN PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES WHICH HAVE BEEN RETURNED BY THE BANK SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A THIRTY DOLLAR (\$30.00) FEE.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA) MOTION PASSED.

IV. MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE BUDGETS OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AS HEREIN STATED:

Electric Enterprise Fund		
Operating Revenues	\$ <u>73,284,346</u>	
Operating Expenses	<u>72,194,536</u>	
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>1,089,810</u>	
Non-Operating Revenue	<u>1,803,691</u>	
Non-Operating Expenses	<u>148,294</u>	
Net Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers In (Out)	<u>2,745,207</u>	
Operating Transfers (Out)	(<u>1,872,498</u>)	
Net Income (Loss)	<u>872,709</u>	
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	<u>4,448,871</u>	
Working Capital: Use of Funds	4,448,871	
Re-appropriation of Prior Years Capital Items	<u>251,103</u>	
Water Enterprise Fund		
Operating Revenues	\$ <u>7,562,560</u>	
Operating Expenses	<u>7,372,114</u>	
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>190,446</u>	
Non-Operating Revenue	<u>189,525</u>	
Non-Operating Expenses	<u>116,900</u>	
Net Income (Loss)	<u>263,071</u>	
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	<u>2,821,662</u>	
Working Capital: Use of Funds	2,821,662	
Re-appropriation of Prior Years Capital Items	<u>-0-</u>	
Sewer Enterprise Fund		
Operating Revenues	\$ <u>6,807,300</u>	
Operating Expenses	<u>8,373,091</u>	
Operating Income (Loss)	(<u>1,565,791</u>)	
Non-Operating Revenue	<u>377,564</u>	
Non-Operating Expenses	<u>23,500</u>	
Net Income (Loss)	(<u>1,211,727</u>)	
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	<u>1,919,100</u>	
Working Capital: Use of Funds	<u>1,919,100</u>	
Re-appropriation of Prior Years Capital Items	<u>- 0 -</u>	

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MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

V. MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURES FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,263,498 REVENUES AND \$3,263,498 EXPENDITURES.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: YES MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

VI. MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE AMBULANCE TRANSPORT ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNINING JULY 1, 2015 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,165,831 REVENUES AND \$2,165,831 EXPENDITURES AND \$193,000 CAPITAL BUDGET.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

VII. MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

VIII. MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 1- NAY (FISHBEIN); 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

IX. MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS (IN-FORCE)
RESERVE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 IN THE
AMOUNT OF REVENUES \$2,154,736 AND \$2,154,736 EXPENDITURES.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: YES MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

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

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE:

FISHBEIN: YES MANSFIELD: YES SULLIVAN: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: ABSENT TESTA: ABSENT LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2 ABSENT (PARISI & TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

9. Executive Session pursuant to §1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property – Mayor

WITHDRAWN

10. Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-225(f) and §1-200(b)(B) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to the pending foreclosure matter of the Town of Wallingford v. Kyle Wassel, et al - Law Department

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MADE BY: LAFFIN SECOND BY: LETOURNEU

VOTE: 7-AYE; 2-ABSENT (PARISI AND TESTA)

MOTION PASSED. THE COUNCIL ENTERED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:40 P.M.

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MADE BY: LAFFIN SECOND BY: LETOURNEU

VOTE: 7-AYE; 2-ABSENT (PARISI AND TESTA)

MOTION PASSED. THE COUNCIL CAME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

ATTENDANCE AT EXECUTIVE SESSION: SEVEN (7) COUNCILORS; COUNCILORS PARISI & TESTA WERE ABSENT; MAYOR DICKINSON AND TOWN ATTORNEY G.E. FARRELL, SR.

11. Motion to Consider and Authorize taking action on the pending foreclosure matter of the Town of Wallingford v. Kyle Wassel, et al as discussed in Executive Session – Law Department.

MOTION WAS MADE TO TAKE ACTION ON THE PENDING FORECLOSURE MATTER OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD V. KYLE WASSEL, ET AL AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MADE BY: LAFFIN SECOND BY: FISHBEIN

VOTE: 7-AYE; 2-ABSENT (PARISI AND TESTA)

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR FISHBEIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR RUSSO

VOTE: 7-AYE; 2-ABSENT (PARISI AND TESTA) MOTION PASSED.

The Council adjourned the meeting at 8:53 P.M.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Sandra Weekes Secretary to the Town Council Meeting digitally recorded.	
Chairman Vincent Cervoni	Date
Town Clerk, ¹ Barbara Thompson	Date