

ANNUAL BUDGET 1988 - 1989

PUBLIC HEARING

MARK T. SHEEHAN HIGH SCHOOL

7:00 p.m.

April 19, 1988

Chairman Albert E. Killen called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. for the Public Hearing on the 1988-1989 Annual Budget. Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen were present. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller and Adam Mantzaris, Town Attorney.

Mr. Killen thanked the public for attending the meeting and showing their interest. Mr. Killen then turned the meeting over to Mayor Dickinson.

Mayor Dickinson welcomed everyone to the Public Hearing and urged everyone to read his letter in the beginning of the Budget Book which reflects some of his thoughts regarding the budget. He urged everyone to look at the budget not as the 1988-1989 budget, a very important document in itself, but the budget reflects much more in the way of fiscal planning for the community. He explained that the fourth paragraph in his letter mentions a series of projects which the town is undertaking or will be undertaking. The first sentences concern those that they are undertaking. The latter part of the paragraph deals with what they will be undertaking including, handicapped access at \$1,500,000, replacement of school building roofs at \$2,500,000, removal of underground oil tanks at \$500,000, construction of water system improvements at \$20,000,000, treatment of Oak Street wells at \$2,500,000 and an additional \$600,000 plus for other bridge repairs. Those are projects which do not receive funding in this budget but will have to be addressed in the coming year, possibly through borrowing and will impact future budgets. When reviewing a document like this, it is important to look at it as next year's projects but, budgets should also be looked at as funding over increments of at least 5 years. We are fortunate that the town's credit rating was improved but, the necessary capital projects will not go away. We need them and we should have had them before this time. Our plan takes those things into account and also, necessity must deal with the day to day necessities of all of the citizens in town. That includes education, police and fire protection, public works and all of the departments. I urge you to read the letter because it contains many highlights and may give you some insight into what this large document contains. Thank you again for your attendance.

Mr. Killen thanked Mayor Dickinson for his comments.

Mr. Killen announced that Mr. Edward Musso could not attend the Public Hearing but asked if he could have his letter read to the public and the Council. Mr. Killen read Mr. Musso's letter:

Honorable Council Members:

"I am an advocate for the Wallingford taxpayers. Please consider them when you form the budget. I disagree with the Mayor stating that employees' salaries need a tax increase in order to be met. I say, there are too many non-productive employees in all departments, namely, stewards of unions that are spending all of their time gouging the taxpayers. I say, trim employees and the town set the rules that they have to abide by, not the union. With that, we can have a cut in the mill rate. With all the revenue we get from increased industry and commercial businesses, it doesn't mean we've got to add more parasites around our neck.

Spectators are what I call the special interest group supporting their thing and they have always packed a hearing, while the taxpayers are out working 2 jobs and more, trying to keep up with the rising taxes on unnecessary programs. Let's get back to common sense and teach necessities, the 3 R's and an additional one for economy and

have these special interest groups stay home and bring their off-spring up to feel that the world does not owe them a living."

Edward Musso
56 Dibble Edge Road

After introducing the Council Members, Town Clerk, Mayor Dickinson, Thomas Myers and Attorney Mantzaris, Mr. Killen turned the meeting over to the Public Utilities Commission.

Mr. Richard Nunn, Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission, introduced the other members of the PUC and explained that they will be happy to answer any questions from the public.

Mr. Killen turned to page 122, PUC (General Government), there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 134, Electric Division, there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 135, Electric Division, there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 136, Electric Division, there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 137, Electric Division (Capital Budget), there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 138, Water Division (Operating Budget), and Mr. Ben Longo, Ridgeland Avenue, asked what happens with the uncollected funds, such as a company that went out of business that owed quite a bit of money. Mr. Ray Smith explained that the Water and Sewer received their money as part of the settlement and the Electric Division received monies through an insurance policy.

Mr. Killen turned to page 139, Water Division (Operating Budget), there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 140, Water Division (Capital Budget), there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 140-141, Water Division (Five Year Capital Program), there were no questions.

Referring back to page 138, Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road, asked to have line 602-000, Purchase of Water, explained. Mr. Roger Dann explained that there is a small portion of land that they are unable to serve because of its proximity with chlorinated water, and for those accounts, bottled water is supplied, (well water).

Mr. Killen turned to page 142, Sewer Division (Operating Budget), there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to page 143, Sewer Division (Operating Budget), there were no questions.

Mr. Killen turned to pages 144-145, Sewer Division (Capital Budget), there were no questions on these pages.

Mr. Ben Longo commented that he does not believe that there should be such a high sewer use charge, and added that 2/3 of his bill is for the sewer use charge. Mr. Smith explained that the water rates are not reflecting any major changes to the system and the sewer rates are starting to reflect some of the additional costs for the Sewer Treatment Plant. Mr. Smith added that it costs more to treat the sewage which is contaminated than it does to pump water out of the ground. Mr. Longo pointed out that pool water does not go through the sewer and Mr. Smith explained that 75% of the water that goes through the meter, is applied as a sewer use. Mr. Longo added that he believes that there should be some adjustment made. Mr. Nunn added that in order for them to implement a special rate (for someone using a pool), it would cost them more money to set up a procedure, than the refund that they would be giving to the customer who, presumably used that water, not to go into the sewer. It is the policy of the PUC to base water rates on the amount of water consumption.

not opposed to getting the guns, he was concerned with those who have dropped off and haven't turned them back in.

Mr. Fagan pointed out that they have 23 guns and a total of 38 men, and Mr. Frattini added that when someone leaves, the guns are always turned in.

Mr. Parisi asked how much training is involved and Mr. Fagan explained that they have to have 24 hours of classroom and you have to qualify on the range with a score of 240 or above. If you do not qualify, you do not carry. Mr. Parisi added that he is concerned with the proper training and discipline and mental control that is involved with a hand gun. Mr. Fagan explained that prior to being sworn in, there are over 100 hours in their classroom, 40 hours strictly for training on firearms (classroom), then they have to go to the Academy, for 16 hours on the range and 8 or 10 hours with the instructor in the classroom, plus the auxiliary now have to put in 480 hours at the Academy, and after that, requalify with firearms.

Mr. Adams pointed out that the Police Department was buying .357 magnums for \$255 each while the Civil Preparedness was requesting \$320 for each. Mr. Frattini explained that when he called for an estimate on the hand guns, they estimated \$320 each and they will be going up in price.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to put back \$4,500 into line 2090, for hand guns, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Bradley and Doherty voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to approve page 131 as amended, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Michael Staines added that they would like to have the 2 generators because, as of now, when they have an emergency, they will have to rent one, which will cost more to rent than to buy.

VOTE: (as amended) Adams was absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

VETERANS CENTER, page 77

A motion to move page 77 was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Doherty asked how much they receive from the City of Meriden and Mr. John Burns replied half.

VOTE: Adams and Holmes not present for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

VETERANS CENTER, page 172 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 3090.

A motion to move page 172 was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Parisi asked if the part-time position was new and Mr. Burns explained that she has been there about 5 years and this is just a .50¢ an hour raise.

VOTE: Adams and Holmes not present for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

VETERANS CENTER, page 131 - Capital Requests.

A motion to move page 131 was made by Mr. Doherty and seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Mr. Killen asked about the file cabinets and Mr. Burns explained that the cabinets that they have now are falling apart.

VOTE: Holmes not present for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6851-Cont-Wlfd Ctr.

A motion to move page 76 was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Regarding line 6851, Cont-Wlfd Center (\$35,000), Mr. Killen asked Mr. Scott Heyl to explain. Mr. Heyl explained that they have a comprehensive revitalization program that they have undertaken and have met a lot of their objectives during the first year and their goals have been well laid out at this point and established. Downtown revitalization programs can be extremely costly but, Wallingford is going about it in the right fashion, where they have initiated a program where the private sector is taking an initiative to work with the public sector. They would like to see improvements to parking areas, take a look at the sidewalks at Simpson Court and there are more. Their anticipated expenditures come in at about \$75,000 and they have initiated a major fund raising effort. Their Board of Directors has launched the fund raising campaign, with a private sector goal of \$100,000 and they would like to ear-mark those private contributions to brick and mortar projects, as much as possible.

Mr. Zandri asked who makes the final decision as to sidewalk repairs, etc. and Mr. Heyl explained that they would have to come before the Council, he would only make recommendations.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Heyl if he intended to put more brick sidewalks in around town and Mr. Heyl explained that they are looking at paving patterns that would accentuate the major pedestrian-way with a brick strip along the curb.

Mr. Heyl introduced Mr. James E. Gerrity who has a background in planning and he handles all of the graphics for the advertising campaigns.

Mr. Heyl explained that they have put together a Board that can provide necessary services to give them a professional basis from which they can work. They have an Attorney who represents them, a Certified Public Accountant who handles all of their bookkeeping and their books are all now computerized.

Mr. Heyl added that rather than trying to expand and draw a great deal of development to the town, they are trying to take the built resources that they have and make the most of those resources. They are working with the Development Commission as well as the Chamber of Commerce and they are very excited to have an opportunity to have a Wallingford Visitor's Council that they can work with on an on-going basis.

Mr. Holmes asked if there was an ultimate solution to the parking problems and Mr. Heyl stated that he does not think that anyone has come up with the solution for that yet. He added that an extensive survey has been done and it is their analysis that there is not a severe parking problem in the Center Street area. In the area of the Post Office, there is a problem.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6750-Committee on Aging.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 76, line 6750, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Zandri asked why the salaries went from \$24,883 to \$27,000 and Ms. Rogerson explained that the \$24,883 is what the previous Director was budgeted at and the \$27,000 is what she was hired at and that is what the increases were based on.

Mr. Bradley asked about the salary for the Program Coordinator and Ms. Rogerson explained that she was hired at a higher rate of pay. Ms. Erskine added that it is very hard to find competent people and it is very hard to find someone to do a satisfactory job.

Ms. Rogerson added that in hiring herself and the Program Coordinator at those rates, the budget for the previous year, was not affected because there was surplus because those positions were empty for a number of months so, it did not require asking for additional funds.

Regarding educational expenses, Ms. Erskine explained that it is understood that Ms. Rogerson may take 3 courses a year, which will only be taken if they will contribute to her increased competence.

Mr. Parisi asked how many people were on the payroll and Ms. Rogerson replied 10.

Mr. Zandri asked what the insurance covered and Ms. Rogerson explained that it covers general liability, bonding of employees that handle the

finances, property coverage and boiler and machinery and fidelity bonding. The increase in the VNA is strictly because their hourly rates went up. Mr. Zandri then asked about the increase in the bulk mailings (newsletters) and Ms. Rogerson explained that it would decrease, if the Central Service Office at Town Hall could help and it would decrease from \$6,000 to about \$2,000. Ms. Rogerson added that Arlo Office Products donated \$1,000 worth of paper, which will take them through 1 year, and they will supply the paper if Central Services will do the copying.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to approve line 6750 for \$120,849 (-\$4,000 for the newsletter), seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Adams voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen asked Ms. Rogerson to explain the elimination of the Budgeted Fund Balance and Ms. Rogerson explained that the liability insurance was quite a bit over. They have had an addition in the insurance and the liability and also expenses have been running fairly true to the budget and at the point that the budget was done, it did not look like there would be any surplus at all. Mr. Killen pointed out that they have an excess of \$10,000 as of the end of March and Ms. Erskine explained that a large portion of that is unpaid insurance and the audit has not been paid.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6760, Wallingford Committee on Aging Mini Bus.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6760, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Zandri asked what the function of the mini bus was and Ms. Rogerson explained that it provides service for seniors who are not on the public transit line, service downtown shopping, appointments, to the Senior Center or where ever they have to go basically. Ms. Rogerson added that the town is due to receive 2 new vehicles from the Greater New Haven Transit. The vehicles are coming free of charge and the Senior Center will sub-lease from the town. The purpose of the second bus, was to have 2 busses on the road, at the same time in the morning because people are riding the bus for about 1 hour to get downtown to the Senior Center. The other purpose for the second bus, was to provide handicapped service, and a backup in case the bus breaks down. The increase is due to the fact that, when the bus drivers salary is increased, the cost of transportation goes up also. The salary for the bus driver also includes a part-time driver.

Mr. Killen added that he does not think that this service is a necessity. He explained that he does not object to the rides to the Senior Center, but does not feel it necessary to drive them all over town.

Ms. Rogerson pointed out that the old busses will be sold, which will offset their expenses.

VOTE: Killen voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6770, Committee on Aging Meals.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6770, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Ms. Rogerson explained that the elderly nutrition program, has gone through a change in the way they figure how much they are going to request from the town. In the past, they would give a quota system in terms of the number of meals that could be served at their site and as long as we stayed within that number of meals, then, whatever the individuals donated would be enough to cover the cost. If they needed to go over that amount, then the town was asked to subsidize. Until about 1 month ago, none of that money was tapped because the quota was lifted. Now, instead of doing it on a per meal basis, they came up with a fair-share tax, which is spreading it out over the different communities, rather than doing it on a per meal basis. This was done because they were very short on cash.

Ms. Erskine added that Wallingford stands at the top as far as contributions.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen called for a 5 minute recess at 9:20 p.m. The meeting resumed at 9:27 p.m.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6710-Regional Center Retarded Child.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6710, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Parisi and Solinsky absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6730-Meriden-Wallingford Hospital.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move line 6730, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Parisi and Solinsky absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6740-WW11 Veterans Memorial Hospital.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6740, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Parisi and Solinsky absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6780-Assoc for Retarded.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6780, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Solinsky absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6790-Red Cross CPR Program.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6790, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Solinsky absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6810-Fuel Crisis Comm.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6810, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Solinsky absent for vote; Adams passed; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6860-Quin River Watershed Assoc.

NO VOTE- DISCUSSION ONLY

Mayor Dickinson explained that he was not requested to budget any money.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6870-Historic District.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6870, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mayor Dickinson explained that this \$2,000 will be used for the printing of the report, ballots, etc. There will be a lot of printing expenses.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6882, SSBG Food Programs.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6882, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Myers explained that SSBG stands for Social Services Block Grant, and this is money that matches federal money that comes through on the food programs for Meals-On-Wheels.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION, page 76, A/C 3070, line 6883-Literacy Volunteers.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move line 6883, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mayor Dickinson explained that this program was funded in the Spring of last year so, they did submit a request for this budget.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, pages 78 & 79, A/C 4000

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 78 & 79, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Shepardson to explain the telephone request. Mr. Shepardson explained that the breakdown is, \$144 to hook up at Kendricks Park (Summer), plus one months service, then we pay July and August at \$32.00 each, which comes to about \$200.00 and the same way with Doolittle Park. The schools cost about \$300 to hook up, through SNET. It costs \$46.70 a month for Woodhouse Avenue (soccer fields), which comes to \$560 (a year). Pragemann Park also has a phone that is kept on all year-round, and that comes to \$27.42 a month, which comes to \$329 (a year). They are planning to put one out in the Viet-Nam Vets Park this year because there is no phone out there. That will cost approx. \$800. The office phone comes to about \$136 a month and about \$600 for long distance phone calls throughout the year.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Shepardson to explain line 5200, Maint of Equipment. Mr. Shepardson explained that they have a Xerox typewriter which cost \$263 for a maintenance contract. They have a copier which costs \$467. They just bought a computer last year and that is around \$600 for maintenance. They also have record players, radios and a T.V. set, VCR and a video camera, plus some gym equipment and volleyball equipment that needs repair.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Shepardson to explain line 3220, Transportation Youth. Mr. Shepardson explained that they will be taking a number of bus trips with the kids from the playground which will cost about \$75 per bus trip within town, and out of town trips cost about \$150 per trip. Each child pays a \$5 fee which entitles the child to all trips.

Referring to line 6500, Park Beautification Control, Mr. Shepardson explained that this money will be used to plant trees in most of the parks.

Mrs. Papale asked why the money was taken out of line 6790, Babe Ruth, and put into line 6710, Little League-Babe Ruth. Mr. Shepardson explained that these two have always been connected. Last year, you had money transferred from the Yalesville Babe Ruth and when it was transferred, it was made up into a new account.

Mayor Dickinson pointed out that these accounts have always been this way.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move \$1,700 into line 6790-Wallingford Babe Ruth and make line 6710 \$1,700 - Little League-Babe Ruth, with the same bottom line, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Holmes and Killen voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Shepardson what the Center Park Program was and Mr. Shepardson explained that that is for the new downtown green area. They would like to put a couple of concerts down there in the Summer, and in the Winter, they would like to have carriages that people can ride around the town in. He added that this is part of a program with the Wallingford Center. Mr. Zandri stated that he does not agree with this request and feels that the costs are hidden in different departments.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 9030 from \$2,000 to -0-, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Holmes, Papale, Parisi and Killen voted no;
Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Solinsky and Zandri voted yes;
motion duly carried.

Referring to line 6500, Park Beautification Control, Mr. Shepardson explained that you are only getting 10 trees at \$150 each, plus there is the maintenance of putting them in, and added that the parks need to have the trees put in.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to reduce line 6500, Park Beautification from \$3,000 to \$2,000, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Adams, Doherty, Papale and Zandri voted yes;
Bradley, Holmes, Parisi, Solinsky and Killen voted no;
motion did not carry.

Mrs. Papale asked about line 5510, Maint Open Space Property, and Mr. Shepardson explained that this item is a wash item.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept pages 78 & 79 as amended, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 172, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 172, A/C 4000, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Holmes pointed out that there was a lot of money left over in the part-time wages account. Mr. Shepardson explained that they have a part-time secretary and a part-time night supervisor. Some of the money will also be used for umpire fees.

Mr. Killen pointed out that he was concerned about the Ass't Super of Programs (new) salary being placed in contingency.

Mr. Doherty asked how many people in town are interested in the programs offered by the department and Mr. Shepardson replied about 20,000.

Regarding the Assistant Super of Programs (new), Mayor Dickinson explained that the Recreation Department has programs running 7 days a week and it is too much for 1 person to handle.

Mr. Doherty commented that if the town is going to encourage departments to increase their programs, to double their brochure, to service 20,000, they should be staffed properly.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 131, A/C 4000 - Capital

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 131, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Holmes pointed out that under line item , Refurbish Athletic Fields, they requested \$60,000 and the Mayor approved \$24,000 and asked what was going to be done. Mr. Shepardson explained that the \$36,000 was going to be used for Doolittle Park.

Regarding the lights for Harrison Park, Mayor Dickinson explained that he asked Mr. Shepardson to ask the people in the immediate area of the park about the lights and more than 50% of them were opposed to the idea.

Mr. Shepardson asked the Council to consider his request for a pick-up truck and explained that they need it to carry their equipment around.

Mr. Shepardson added that the town vehicle that he drives now, is in very poor condition, and that is the only vehicle that that department has. Mayor Dickinson advised him to call Mr. Deak to collect the vehicle if it is felt that it is not safe to be driving.

VOTE: Holmes voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 80 - Community Pool, A/C 4010

Mr. Joseph Perillo, 5 Grieb Road, pointed out that there is a small section of Grieb Road that does not have city water and is the only section in that area that does not have it, which will make it dangerous in the case of a fire, and asked why. Mr. Robert Beaumont told Mr. Perillo that he should get the other neighbors in the area to petition the PUC, to see about extending the water line, and they will look into that. Mr. Perillo added that these few homeowners will also be paying for the new treatment plant.

Mayor Dickinson explained that this matter is under consideration and a petition has been received.

Mr. Raymond Rys, 96 Pierson Drive, referred to page 187, Electric Division Personnel, and asked why there are five Apprentice Lineman positions listed when there were not 5 listed in last year's budget. Mr. Smith explained that there is no new position, one position was down-graded. Mr. Rys asked if the Chief Collector on page 184 was a new position and Mr. Walter Lee explained that this position has always been there.

Mr. Frank Wasilewski, 57 N. Orchard Street, asked if more money was going to be spent on the boilers this year (page 134) and Mr. Smith explained that they have been working piece-meal on the replacement of furnaces and have not been replacing them totally, and there will be additional expenses over the next few years.

Mr. Killen thanked the members of the PUC and their administration for attending.

Mr. Killen turned to page 124, Board of Education and introduced Mr. Roger Rivers, Chairman of the Board of Education. Mr. Rivers explained that there is a 16% increase over the 1987-1988 budget and explained that most of that increase is due to negotiated contracts with the teachers, administrators and classified employees. In addition, other large required expenditures, such as insurances, pupil transportation and special education, has been rapidly escalating. Four accounts, out of a total of thirty-five, Salaries, Insurance, Transportation and Special Education Tuition, constitute \$24,425,000, or 85% of the total budget. It is our sincere hope, that the Board will be provided with the requested funds, so that it can make a necessary investment in the town's most important resource, its youth. We look to your support in the passing of this budget request.

Mr. A. J. Namnoum, Jr., Finance Chairman, Board of Education explained that the proposed budget for the Wallingford Public Schools System, takes on the philosophy of the current Board of Education into real dollars and cents. Some of the highlights are as follows; improvements to our buildings and grounds and instructional equipment to replace the outdated equipment, (which is an increase of more than 90%). Our curriculum is accredited to our proposal of a developmental kindergarden, a computer curriculum and a health course for the high schools. I feel strongly as a Board Member, that this budget represents a step forward in enhancing the educational opportunities for all the citizens of Wallingford, and we urge you to support this budget without any cuts.

Mr. Killen read pages 124-125, Board of Education, requested \$28,904,062, Mayor approved \$28,502,484.

Mr. Raymond Rys, 96 Pierson Drive suggested that the Board of Education keep an eye on the custodial service for the schools and perhaps, if they are not doing the best job that they can, the town employees could take care of the schools.

Ms. Virginia Viglione, Bernadette Lane, asked why there was a big jump in legal services. Mr. Namnoum, Jr. explained that that is mainly for teacher negotiations and contract negotiations which they will be entering into next year. Ms. Viglione also pointed out the increase in insurance and Mr. Namnoum explained that this is a 20% increase and it is statewide, and they have no control over it.

Mr. Peter Gouveia, 39 Lincoln Drive Ext., suggested to Mr. Killen that he allow $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before the budget workshops for the public to ask questions. Mr. Killen commented that the Council is on a tight schedule for the budget workshops. Mr. Gouveia then asked the Board, which programs they are contemplating eliminating. Mr. Rivers commented that they are not planning to eliminate any. The suggestion

to eliminate 2 Health Teachers, came from the Mayor, along with the Computer Teacher. Mr. Gouveia urged the Board to try to convince the Council to restore some of the funds the Mayor cut. Mr. Gouveia added that he would like to see computer programs in the schools, because he feels that it is not only important to provide computer literacy for the children, but it is also important for the teachers. He added that he would also like to see foreign languages being taught in the middle schools. Regarding the Teacher Enhancement Act, Mr. Gouveia asked how much of that has gone into the town. Mayor Dickinson replied that it was in the neighborhood of \$400,000. Mr. Inglese explained that over three years, it should come to about \$1.13 million dollars and the money for the teaching staff (over 3 years) should come to about \$3.12 million dollars.

Mrs. Roberta Marianella told the Council that she was totally in support of the budget for the Board of Education and she believes that it accomplishes many educational goals that the Board has been working on.

Mr. Lawrence Brancato, Mellor Road, commented that we owe our children some instruction in the use of computers, along with the other subjects, which are considered basic. There are many young people that can benefit from learning to use computers.

Mr. Rivers explained to Mr. Brancato that the Board is committed to this program in their budget, phase I of a three year program.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the cut does not eliminate computer teaching. The cut involves a proposed program in elementary and middle school coordinator, at a cost of \$100,000. He added that he does not feel that the time spent on computers in elementary school, is going to improve the abilities of our elementary school kids to do the work that needs to be done in middle and high school. He believes that there is time enough in the upper grades to learn how to operate, what is basically a technical tool and not a basic subject.

Mr. Michael Staines, 10 Surrento Road, commented that he is in favor of any computer programs in the school system and disagrees with Mayor Dickinson's comments.

Mr. Rivers explained that the \$100,083.00 is made up of \$68,508.00 of equipment and \$31,000 for an instructor.

Mr. Nicolletti added that they will be starting from scratch to build a comprehensive program, and he believes that it is a very viable tool to promote instruction.

Mr. John Marriott, urged the Council not to cut the \$401,578, proposed by the Mayor. As a taxpayer, he is concerned about the possible elimination of 2 teachers (Health Education). If it is approved, he feels that he will pay from his left pocket to the Board of Education and if it is cut, he will pay from his right pocket to the request for additional police, ambulance service and counseling service.

Mr. Longo asked Mr. Rivers why outside services had to be contracted for services such as snow plowing and Mr. Rivers explained that the town, at one time, did provide that service for the Board. However, the Public Works Director indicated that he was unable to perform that any longer with the manpower that he had. So, we had to go back and take care of that ourselves. Grass cutting was the same situation. As far as the custodial service, there is not enough manpower in the town so, we had to go to private contractors.

Mr. Peter Gouveia suggested to the Council that the departments in town should cooperate with one another, for the good of the town. He also added that he believes that there is waste in the budget and it is because the different departments in town do not work together.

Mayor Dickinson explained that they do have meetings where the major departments are together. He added that usually, assigning responsibility should be in accordance with where you have your daily operation.

Mr. Killen turned to page 146, Wallingford Food Service (Cafeteria Fund)
Revenues - requested \$1,362,822, Mayor approved \$1,362,822.
Expenses - requested \$1,326,435, Mayor approved \$1,326,435. (pages 146-147)

Mr. Killen thanked the members of the Board of Education for their comments.

Mr. Killen turned to page 26, Town Council, requested \$56,650, Mayor approved, \$56,650.

Page 27, School Handicapped Renovations, requested \$2,650, Mayor approved \$2,650.

Page 28, Parker Farms Renovation Committee, no funds requested. Mr. Killen explained that the Parker Farms School has been completely redone.

Page 29, Household Hazardous Waste Collection, requested \$32,500, Mayor approved \$32,500.

Page 30, Transit Authority, requested \$33,629, Mayor approved \$33,629. Mr. Killen explained that this is a wash item because the funds come from the state.

Page 31, Board of Selectmen, requested \$750, Mayor approved \$750.

Page 32, Mayor, requested \$194,171, Mayor approved \$195,805.

Mr. John Marriott asked Mayor Dickinson to explain line item 9010 - Labor Relations Negotiator (\$20,000). Mayor Dickinson explained that this is for a Lawyer that represents the town in negotiations.

There were no further questions so Mr. Killen turned to page 33, Program Planning Office, requested \$73,774, Mayor approved \$73,774.

Page 34, Holidays & Celebrations, requested \$20,575, Mayor approved \$20,575.

Page 35, Town Attorney, requested \$196,666, Mayor approved \$173,594.

Mr. Gouveia suggested that the need for a full-time Town Attorney, be looked into.

There were no further questions so Mr. Killen turned to page 36, Audit Contract, requested \$45,200, Mayor approved \$45,200.

Page 37, Board of Tax Review, requested \$4,575, Mayor approved \$4,575.

Page 38, Comptroller, requested \$459,066, Mayor approved \$433,080.

Page 39, Tax Collector, requested \$223,020, Mayor approved \$215,738.

Referring to line item 4080, Postage, in the amount of \$16,800, Mr. Raymond Rys asked Mr. Thomas Myers to explain this large amount. Mr. Myers explained that the town went to the permit system. The permit number will be put on the tax bills, delinquent notices and supplemental motor vehicle bills by the computer, so they will no longer go through the mail machine in the Central Services Office.

There were no further questions, so Mr. Killen turned to page 40, Assessor, requested \$402,342, Mayor approved \$402,342.

Mr. Killen turned to page 127 - Capital Requests, Assessor, line 1430. Mr. Killen explained that this money is for the Re-evaluation Contract-Funding for year 1 of 4; amount requested \$250,000, Mayor approved \$250,000.

Mrs. Papale continued:

Page 41, Purchasing, requested \$100,874, Mayor approved \$100,874.

Page 42, Central Services, requested \$104,175, Mayor approved \$99,220.

Page 43, Library, requested \$952,611, Mayor approved \$942,468.

Mr. Peter Gouveia commented that the Town of Wallingford is very fortunate to have people volunteer their time to keep the library open on Sundays and the \$8,000 that was cut should be put back to allow the library to be open on Sundays.

Mr. Michael Staines agreed with Mr. Gouveia and added that the people working in the library do a wonderful job.

There were no further comments, so Mrs. Papale continued with page 44, Work Study Program, requested \$10,375, Mayor approved \$10,375.

Page 45, Board of Ethics, requested \$200, Mayor approved \$200.00.

Page 46, Personnel and Labor Relations, requested \$177,649, Mayor approved \$177,149.

Mr. John Marriott asked Mr. Stanley Seadale (in terms of staffing), if the Personnel Department is able to maintain a fairly current inventory of personnel for various departments who are in need of vacancies being filled. Mr. Seadale explained that in 1986, they filled 80 positions. In 1987, they filled 120 positions and they are running at least at that rate and they are having the same problems that other communities are having in filling positions. They are in the process of doing a police examination right now, and after the oral testing was completed last week, they are now down to 21 people.

The problems are the labor market and the housing costs in Connecticut. It is really a number of problems. Restaurants and supermarkets are closing because they cannot get the help and they are faced with the same problems.

Mrs. Papale continued:

Page 47, Personnel Pension & Appeals Board, requested \$250, Mayor approved \$250.

Page 48, Risk Management Office, requested \$81,175, Mayor approved \$78,755.

Page 49, Police Administration, requested \$350,742, Mayor approved \$290,877.

Referring to page 153, Personnel Detail, (Police Administration), Mr. Raymond Rys asked what the Administrative Lieutenant will be doing and Chief Bevan explained that the Administrative Lieutenant will be taking over a lot of the loose duties in and around the Police Department. Mr. Rys then asked about the position of Sergeant (Open). Chief Bevan explained that the Sergeant is a Sergeant training, which was recommended in the Police Study.

Mr. Peter Gouveia commented that somewhere on this page, he would like to see a line item for in-service training for cooperative management, which was suggested in the Police Study.

Mrs. Papale continued:

Page 50, Police - Accident Investigation, requested \$204,301, Mayor approved \$193,273.

Page 51, Police - Crime Prevention, requested \$47,561, Mayor approved \$47,242.

A representative from the library, thanked the Police Department for their cooperation with the library this year, especially with crime prevention.

Page 52, Police - Detective & Narcotics, requested \$464,964, Mayor approved \$430,756.

Page 53, Police Patrol, requested \$2,371,708, Mayor approved \$2,200,960.
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Mr. Michael Staines asked Chief Bevan if there was any money in this budget for civil defense capability. Chief Bevan explained that it is not allocated in the budget, but it will be addressed with the Council during the budget workshops. Mr. Staines added that this is a very important system, and it is very important that the radios of the Auxiliary Officers have the capability of talking with the Police Department and hopes that when it comes up before the Council, they will consider this. Mayor Dickinson added that they have just recently obtained a price on this and it is approximately \$8,600. Mayor Dickinson suggested that maybe somewhere in the budget, they will be able to locate \$8,600, and have that accomplished before the end of this fiscal year.

Ms. Repare continued:

Page 55, Police - Records Division, requested \$99,356, Mayor approved \$95,960.

Page 56, Police - Traffic Maintenance, requested \$349,732, Mayor Approved \$217,886.

Page 57, Police - Youth Services, requested \$77,582, Mayor approved \$76,294.

Mr. Raymond Rys referred to page 161, and commented that they have Civilian Dispatchers who are available for the first and second shift in the Police Department. When it comes to the third shift, Police Officers fill that position. Mr. Rys suggested that this be looked into and they will be able to get that additional Police Officer out on the road, during the midnight hours.

Mr. Killen called for a 5 minute recess at 9:42 p.m. The meeting resumed at 9:51 p.m.

Mr. Killen turned to page 58, Dog Pound, requested \$93,914, Mayor approved \$90,414.

Page 59, Ambulance, requested \$48,340, Mayor approved \$48,340.

Page 60, Fire- Regular, requested \$2,346,248, Mayor approved \$2,255,424. & 61

Page 62, Fire - Surgeon, requested \$64,140, Mayor approved \$44,140.

Page 63, Fire - Emergency Center, requested \$33,979, Mayor approved \$31,979.

Page 64, Fire Marshal, requested \$169,378, Mayor approved \$141,428.

Page 65, Fire - East Wallingford-Volunteer, requested \$112,045, Mayor approved \$50,425.

Page 66, Fire - North Farms-Volunteer, requested \$195,100, Mayor approved \$34,900.

Page 67, Fire - Cook Hill-Volunteer, requested \$191,915, Mayor approved \$36,265.

Mr. Michael Staines pointed out that the Wallingford Volunteers have been very cooperative with Civil Defense and it is appreciated.

Page 68, Fire - Yalesville-Volunteer, requested \$105,180, Mayor approved \$37,130.

Mr. Peter Gouveia pointed out that all four Volunteer Departments requested new pumpers, and asked why they were eliminated. Mayor Dickinson explained that in 1987, they purchased 2 new pumpers and the ladder truck has just been refurbished, at a total cost of more than \$400,000. In the past 4 years, we have purchased or refurbished 6 fire trucks and purchased 2 ambulances. So, the amount of money that has been devoted to fire apparatus has been considerable. Right now, we are rebuilding the Yalesville Station at a cost of approx. \$600,000.

A woman from the audience asked why the Rubbish Removal line item was so large for each department. Mayor Dickinson explained that the increase is a result of the rising costs in the tipping fee.

Mr. Killen continued:

Page 69, Jury Committee, requested \$625.00, Mayor approved \$625.

Page 70, Building Inspection, requested \$180,614, Mayor approved \$171,214

Mr. Peter Gouveia explained that Ordinance #200 deals with building permit fees and should be changed to reflect the times. He added that a way to raise some additional money for the town would be to set up some sort of certificate of occupancy for any business or commercial property, (with 5 or more employees) and the money could be used for the impact of the growth hazard of the future.

Page 71, Sealer of Weights & Measures, requested \$800, Mayor approved \$800.

Page 72, Civil Preparedness, requested \$92,455, Mayor approved \$56,188.

Mr. Michael Staines explained that Town Ordinance #200 explains the function of the Civil Defense Department and added that many of the funds are reimbursed by the State and Federal Governments.

Page 73, Health, requested \$69,821, Mayor approved \$70,271.

Page 74, Visiting Nurses Association, requested \$234,060, Mayor approved \$224,060.

Page 75, Welfare, requested \$298,100, Mayor approved \$298,100.

Page 76, Social Services Contribution, requested \$354,351, Mayor approved \$348,404.

Page 77, Veterans Center, requested \$62,476, Mayor approved \$62,476.

Mrs. Papale continued:

Page 78 & 79, Recreation, requested \$469,946, Mayor approved \$337,437.

Mr. Henry Renfrew asked why the money was taken out of line 6790, Wallingford Babe Ruth, and Mayor Dickinson explained that the money was put into line 6710, Little League-Babe Ruth. Mr. Renfrew suggested that the Council put the money back into the Wallingford Babe Ruth line item.

Page 80, Community Pool, requested \$89,825, Mayor approved \$73,825.

Page 81, Sheehan Pool, requested \$17,556, Mayor approved \$17,556.

Page 82, Engineering - Administration, requested \$301,215, Mayor approved \$284,676.

Page 83, Engineering - General Improvements, requested \$205,000, Mayor approved \$115,000.

Page 84, Public Works - Administration, requested \$111,963, Mayor approved \$111,963.

Page 85, Public Works - General Highway, requested \$1,432,039, Mayor approved \$1,077,589.

Page 86, Public Works - Parks, requested \$127,900, Mayor approved \$112,200.

Page 87, Public Works - Snow, Ice Control & Sand Pickup, requested \$1,073,400, Mayor approved \$468,200.

Page 88, Public Works - Central Garage, requested \$394,702, Mayor approved \$353,202.

Page 89 & 90, Public Works - Landfill, requested \$324,565, Mayor approved \$283,565.

Page 91, Public Works - Tree Program, requested \$35,000, Mayor approved \$35,000.

Page 92, Public Works - Street Lighting, requested \$356,000, Mayor approved \$356,000.

Page 93, Public Works - Muni Building-Center Street, requested -0-, Mayor approved -0-.

Page 94, Public Works - Muni Building-No. Main Street, requested -0-, Mayor approved -0-.

Page 95, Public Works - Muni Building-R.R. Station, requested \$60,400, Mayor approved \$60,400.

Page 95, Public Works - Muni Building-Annex, requested -0-, Mayor approved -0-.

Page 97, Public Works - Muni Building-Wash St. School, requested \$8,400, Mayor approved \$8,400.

Page 98, Public Works - Muni Building-Simpson School, requested \$111,200, Mayor approved \$111,200.

requested \$39,500, Mayor approved \$39,500.

Page 100, Public Works - Traffic Control & Sign Shop, requested \$2,900, Mayor approved \$2,900.

Page 101, Public Works - Muni Building-240 Wash St-Civil Pre, requested \$2,800, Mayor approved \$2,800.

Page 102, Public Works - Muni Building-So. Main St- R. Earley School, requested \$124,060, Mayor approved \$124,060.

Page 103, Public Works.- Muni Building-Parker Farms School, requested \$1,000, Mayor approved \$1,000.

Mr. Peter Gouveia asked if the figures regarding rubbish removal, reflect the fact that they are going to lease the landfill from CRRA. Mayor Dickinson explained that it does reflect the fact that CRRA will be taking over the landfill sometime during the year.

Mayor Dickinson pointed out to Mr. Gouveia that there is a new line item, CRRA Tipping Fee (\$88,500).

Mrs. Papale continued:

Page 104, Elections, requested \$74,304, Mayor approved, \$74,304.

Page 105, Elections - Primary, requested \$20,995, Mayor Approved \$20,995

Page 106, Town Clerk, requested \$158,841, Mayor approved \$158,841.

Mrs. Carolyn Massoni, Hillsvlew Road, asked why the request for Personal Services is much higher. Ms. Kate Wall, Town Clerk, explained that part of the increase has to do with the merit increases and added that she did not get an increase in the next budget. Mrs. Massoni asked Ms. Wall why she had increases in manpower. Ms. Wall explained that the manpower was increased in July 1987. Mr. Killen pointed out that Ms. Wall can only answer what she has been involved in. Ms. Wall added that she did ask for an Assistant. Mayor Dickinson explained that the 6-30-87 figure is for the fiscal year 1986-1987, which is one year before. Mrs. Massoni added that she thinks the Council should do some cutting on this budget. Mrs. Massoni then asked if the salary for the Town Clerk was discussed between all of the 9 Council Members when the new Town Clerk was appointed. She suggested that the Council look into this matter.

Mrs. Papale continued:

Page 107, Planning & Zoning, requested \$165,676, Mayor approved \$138,091.

Page 108, Zoning Board of Appeals, requested \$11,950, Mayor approved \$11,950.

Page 109, Development Commission, requested \$14,400, Mayor approved \$12,400.

Page 110, Conservation Commission, requested \$2,700, Mayor approved \$2,700.

Page 111, Conservation Commission-Woodcutting Program, requested \$3,375, Mayor approved \$3,375.

Page 112, Debt Service, requested \$3,486,997, Mayor approved \$3,486,997.

Mr. Peter Gouveia commented that he is still confused about the amount of \$88,500 under the Landfill item and Mayor Dickinson explained that generally, Public Works has paid for the disposal of refuse, picked up by Public Works. Mr. Gouveia added that the landfill will not be operated by Wallingford next year and the \$88,500 should be charged under another line item (or departments), within Public Works, because the landfill will not be in operation.

Page 117, Pension Funds, requested \$2,263,000, Mayor approved \$2,260,000.

Page 118, Insurances, requested \$1,664,159, Mayor approved \$1,576,000.

Page 119, Insurance-Employees, requested \$1,073,500, Mayor approved \$1,073,500.

Page 120, Council Contingency, requested \$1,151,975, Mayor approved \$1,100,384.

Page 121, Probate Court, requested \$5,350, Mayor approved \$5,350.

Page 122, Public Utilities Commission, requested \$84,969, Mayor approved \$84,969.

Page 123, Center Street Cemetery, requested \$15,000, Mayor approved \$12,000.

Page 123A, Capital & Non-Recurring, requested \$2,240,000, Mayor approved \$2,240,000.

Mr. Killen pointed out that the only things left are the proposed 6 year Capital Budget, General Fund Estimated Revenue Budget, Capital and Non-Recurring Fund and the Youth Services Bureau. Mr. Killen asked if anyone in the audience had any questions.

Mr. Raymond Rys explained that he had a question on the Proposed 6 year Capital Budget. He referred to North Airline Road and commented that in last year's proposed budget, they had \$620,000 appropriated in that account. He noticed that there is an amount of \$300,000 for 1988-89 and asked what the reason was for that. Mayor Dickinson explained that one way or another, East Main Street will get completed, and Mr. Costello indicated that there is no way that they will spend \$620,000 on North Airline in one year so, that work should continue too. Mayor Dickinson added that they are looking to finish East Main Street because, it has dragged on too long.

Mr. Killen thanked Mr. Rys and Mr. Gouveia for their questions and comments.

Mr. Gouveia asked if they have an unappropriated balance of sorts, could they go ahead and use some of the money without a Public Hearing? Mr. Killen replied yes and explained that the Charter states that the Council may take any money that is left in the surplus, and put it into the Capital and Non-Recurring Fund and it does not call for any action by anyone else.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried. The Public Hearing adjourned at 11:08 p.m.

Meeting recorded and transcribed by Susan M. Baron, Council Secretary.

Chairman Killen called the first budget workshop to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 21, 1988. In attendance were Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller were also present.

BUILDING INSPECTION, Page 70

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 70, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mrs. Papale pointed out to Mr. Myers that she noticed that some of the departments have increased and wondered if it was done by using a percentage. Mr. Myers explained that the projected Consumer Price Index for next year is 4% to 5%, and that is what they went by when the departments were approved. Mr. Myers added, that last fiscal year, their town office's budgets were spent to 99% of the amount granted. There was 1% left over and his general observation was that he did not see any office, purchasing materials or supplies or services that they really did not need.

Mr. Holmes asked why the telephone expenses have gone up so much and Mr. Carmen Spiteri explained that the telephone was under a grant before the town took it over last year.

Mr. Myers explained that all of the telephone accounts were budgeted as projected by SNET CO for the new centrax system for Robert Earley, (new Town Hall).

Mr. Adams asked why the transportation expense went up so much. Mr. Spiteri explained that they have a part-time construction inspector. Up until now, he has been sending him out with the Assistant Building Inspector or himself, so he has not been using his car. The Electrical

inspector is now using a town car. There are two people on mileage, the Housing Code Inspector and the part-time Construction Inspector.

Mr. Solinsky asked about the number of people working in this department and Mr. Myers explained that there is $\frac{1}{2}$ a person new, between 1987-1988 and 1988-1989, which should bring the total to 6.

VOTE: Parisi voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

BUILDING INSPECTION, page 170 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations
A/C 2050 & 171

Mr. Killen asked how the Housing Code Enforcement Officer is funded and Mr. Myers explained that he is funded with local property taxes. There is no grant anymore.

Mr. Killen pointed out that Ordinance #213-1601 explains that the Code Enforcement Officer is a position that should be appointed by the Mayor in accordance with the provisions of Chapter V, Section 3 of the Charter, as amended, and shall be a member of the classified service. Mr. Myers suggested to Mr. Killen, that he direct a letter to the Personnel Director. Mr. Killen added that he does not agree with the town picking up this position. Mayor Dickinson added that he believes that the town needs this position.

Mr. Myers explained that the Construction Inspector (New), at the bottom of page 170, does not exist in the current year.

Mr. Spiteri explained that he asked for a full-time man because that is what he needs.

Mr. Myers stated that he remembers putting the money for this position in Contingency, and transferring it out last summer, which is explained on page 171 (Net Transfer Adjustment).

Mr. Killen commented that he will have to look into the Housing Code Enforcement Officer position because, the Ordinance calls for a full-time position and the position is now on a part-time basis.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to accept pages 170 & 171 (top), Building Inspection Code #2050, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT, page 131 - Capital Requests, A/C 2050

Mr. Holmes asked how many automobiles were requested by Mr. Spiteri and Mr. Spiteri explained that he requested 2 cars and the Mayor only approved 1. Mr. Spiteri added that the car he is now driving, was obtained from Public Works and has about 87,000 miles on it.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 131, Building Department-A/C 2050, Capital Requests, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

DOG POUND, page 58

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 58 as presented, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Referring to line item 5100, Mr. Parisi asked to have it explained. Ms. Gianotti explained that they need a lot of work done on the building. (She submitted some estimates to the Council)

Ms. Gianotti added that the State Warden told her that the work had to be done.

Mr. Holmes asked Ms. Gianotti if she really needs the \$2,500 for dog food and Ms. Gianotti replied yes and added that they do receive donations but, they cannot rely on them.

Mr. Doherty asked why nothing was budgeted last year for Professional Services (Outside) and this year \$1,200 was requested. Ms. Gianotti explained that they now have a full-time kennel man.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to accept pages 163 & 164 as presented, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

JURY COMMITTEE, page 69

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 69 as presented, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

JURY COMMITTEE, page 170, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations,
A/C 2040.

Mrs. Papale moved to accept page 170, as presented, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PLANNING & ZONING, page 107

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 107, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Adams asked if anyone has looked into the possibility of having an area on each floor, where copy machines can be made available, rather than having separate ones and also, instead of part-time clerk typists, would it be feasible to have someone spread between more than one department?

Mayor Dickinson explained that as far as the copy machines, they are being shared now. Mr. Myers added that this was tried in the past and it was a disaster, but as far as the part-time help, he believes that that might be a good idea.

Ms. Bush explained that it would not be feasible for the people in her office to have to walk any distance to a copy machine, because of the number of people that go into her office everyday that want a copy of something from a file and the amount of correspondence they have to send out and make copies of it all.

Mr. Holmes asked if the Erosion Control Contract (line 6500), was a firm contract. Ms. Bush explained that it is only as needed and they have only used it once, when they hired someone to go in and do some work on a sub-division. She added that this is a wash item.

Mr. Parisi pointed out that line item 6040, Secretarial Services, went up \$1,500. Ms. Bush explained that this is because they will be having a Wetlands Commission next year. A lot of line items went up because of the Wetlands Commission.

Mr. Bradley commented that the Wetlands Commission reports to the Council and should be a separate budget in itself, and he will recommend to the Council, that those numbers be removed and that a separate budget be setup.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the administrative staff, at this point, will come out of Planning and Zoning. A budget does not mean anything unless you have someone in office who is keeping track of the line items and how much money is spent out of them. There is no other professional staff for Inland -Wetlands, other than Planning and Zoning.

Ms. Bush added that there is a half-time person, an environmental planner whose main function will be staffed to the Wetlands Commission, but that person is budgeted for 19 hours a week, which includes night meetings and weekend field trips, so office time will be limited. She added that she checked with all of the towns around here and Hamden is the only one, that the Planning Department does not administer the Wetlands Commission, because it is a planning function.

Mr. Parisi commented that he would not like to see the Commission absorbed into Planning and Zoning. He would like to see it as a Commission by itself, so it will function uninfluenced by itself.

Mr. Killen asked Ms. Bush for a breakdown. Ms. Bush explained that a breakdown would consist of the Environmental Planner (page 182) at

\$1,500; Transportation- \$750, line 3200; Transportation Commission - \$1,500, line 3210; Advertising - \$3,500, line 4100; Maint of Equipment - \$1,200 line 5200; Secretarial Services - \$3,000 line 6040; Copier Rental - \$2,510 line 6120; State Meetings - \$200 line 6550.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to put \$200 in Code 7010 - Capital, page 133 - Planning and Zoning, for a chair, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: (chair) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Ms. Bush pointed out that her department will be sharing their copier with the Building Department and the Fire Marshal. Transit will be buying their own copier..

Mr. Parisi commented that \$785. should be removed from the Fire Marshal (copier). Mr. Myers explained that the Fire Marshal does not have \$785 in copier rental. Ms. Bush added that he has \$678 for supplies such as paper.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to increase copier rental, line 6120 to \$2,510, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: (copier rental) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Referring to line 9030, Professional Services, Ms. Bush explained that the Planning and Zoning Commission had requested \$25,000 to hire outside legal counsel to help with the backlog of zoning violators. Legally, the Commissioners can hire outside counsel without the approval from the Town Council but, they do not want to do that, (stated in the State Statutes).

Mr. Adams explained that this is something that he will make a part of the Feasibility Study for the Town Attorney.

Mayor Dickinson pointed out that the Town Attorney's Office has 3 Attorneys and there should be no problem.

Mr. Bradley asked Ms. Bush if the \$3,275 that was expended from the Soil and Erosion Control Account has been recovered and Ms. Bush replied yes. Mr. Bradley added that this account is a sore point with him because even though it is recoverable, they will continue to get this if they do not have proper enforcement. Ms. Bush added that this is why she believes they need their own Attorney.

Referring to line 9040, Traffic Study, Ms. Bush explained that she will come before the Council as it is needed, so there is nothing in the budget for it.

Mrs. Papale moved changes to various lines to separate Environmental Planner: 3200 \$750, 3210 \$1,500, 4100 \$3,500, 5200 \$1,200, 6040 \$3,000, 6120 \$2,510 and 6550 \$200, seconded by Mr. Parisi. (The amounts deducted will be accounted for separately in the Environmental Planning budget.) (Page 107)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PLANNING & ZONING, page 182 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 7010.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to remove the Environmental Planner \$12,449, changing the total for the page to \$84,517, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 182 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ENGINEERING, page 82

Mr. Doherty pointed out that line 6501, Sidewalk Snow Remv-Recover increased quite a bit. Mr. Costello explained that this account is reimburseable.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Costello if he could get buy with \$1,500 for telephone and Mr. Costello told Mr. Killen that the amount of \$2,000 came from Don Roe (Centrax System)

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to move page 82, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Bradley pointed out that there is quite an increase in line 3000 - Gas & Oil and Mr. Costello explained that for the past 4 years, they have been averaging about \$2,300 a year. Mr. Killen commented that they only spent \$1,350 last year.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce A/C 3000 - Gas & Oil from \$2,000 to \$1,500, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Bradley asked to have line 5010 explained and Mr. Costello explained that that line has to do with their survey van.

Mr. Parisi asked Mr. Costello why they needed line 6500 - CT Undergnd Util-Prot Plan and Mr. Costello explained that it is required that all utilities participate in this. Before you dig, you call one number and then the utilities go out and mark their utilities.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 82 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ENGINEERING, pages 173-174, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 5010.

Mr. Myers pointed out that on page 174, Net Transfer Adjustment in the amount of \$4,000, belongs on the part-time line which should read \$6,426.

Mr. Parisi asked Mr. Costello to explained what the Trench Inspector does. Mr. Costello explained that he follows up on the "call before you dig" situation. Some contractors do not go into their office for permits and he follows up on them. Mayor Dickinson added that he also makes sure that the trenches are filled properly, which is a problem with many of the town's roads. Mr. Killen suggested that the Bonds be held until the roads are properly repaired by the contractor. Mr. Zandri asked if there was a separate bond for each project and Mr. Killen said no and explained that that is the problem.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept pages 173-174 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ENGINEERING page 131 - Capital Requests A/C 5010

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 131, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Costello explained that the Electronic Survey System consists of an old survey instrument that the surveyors use to turn angles. They also have an old electronic distance measuring device which is used to measure the distance. The surveyors use two different devices and it would be easier to use the updated device, (one device can do both jobs).

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Costello about the office floor and Mr. Costello explained that the pattern is completely worn off. Mr. Holmes asked if they have looked into carpeting. Mr. Costello said that they did look into carpeting but because of the traffic (bringing in mud), they did not think it would hold up good.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ENGINEERING, page 83, General Improvements A/C 5011

Mayor Dickinson explained that line 0006, Bridge Repair-Design Fee, had been taken out because he figured, if they were going to do a bridge, they would include it in their borrowing (money for the design). Mr. Costello has pointed out, that in order to fit into the State Bridge Repair Program, we have to do the design and front the money.

Mr. Costello explained that they studied 3 bridges last year. Wharton Brook, Ward St. Extension Pond Hill and Wall Street were the bridges studied. Both Pond Hill and Wall Street have posted restrictions (low) on them today. Wharton Bridge seems to be the worst of the bridges and it is settling, and complete replacement has been recommended. The town is eligible, under the State's local bridge program for funds, and get a grant of about 33% and a loan of 50%, 6% for 10 years,

the bridge being in the \$400,000 to \$500,000 range.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to add \$50,000 to line 0006, Bridge Repair Design Fee, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Costello why there was an extra \$500 in line 0002, Correct Sanitary Laterals and Mr. Costello explained that that was a nominal increase.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 0002 from \$2,500 to \$2,000 (correct Sanitary Laterals), seconded by Mr. Doherty.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 0004 from \$5,000 to \$3,000 (Repair Flood Damage), seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Costello to explain line 0014, Pavement Management Study. Mr. Costello explained that the town has a million dollar investment in pavement and they should have good solid engineering basis to do what they do in repairing town roads.

Mayor Dickinson added that Mr. Costello is looking to have someone go out and take visual and core samples of all the roads and list which ones are in worse shape and which ones are in the best shape.

Mr. Costello added that not only would this study tell you the priority road improvements would be but, they would tell you what you should do.

Mr. Killen commented that the Management Study that shows you what you should do is not what effects us, we are effected by the effect that it has on our tax rate.

Mr. Holmes asked if the \$40,000 would cover a complete study and Mr. Costello replied no and added that it would just be a start, ($\frac{1}{2}$ the town).

Referring to line 0010, Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Costello to explain. Mr. Costello explained that the intersection at Masonic is very dangerous and they want to completely eliminate the flat angle intersection and move the turns. They are going to provide 200 feet of storage for people making that left turn.

Mayor Dickinson added that this is also part of the Police budget (a traffic light at Cheshire Road).

Mr. Killen asked why no money was put into MITF. Mr. Myers explained that the MITF Program was dead.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to approve page 83 as amended, seconded by Iris Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PROPOSED SIX YEAR CAPITAL BUDGET (Engineering)

Mr. Killen explained that these will have to to be bonded.

Referring to North Airline Road, Mr. Adams pointed out that he noticed that they have split it into 3 years. Mr. Costello explained that that happened because he had to put money into East Main Street.

Mr. Costello added that you have to realize that when you make any improvements on a road like East Main Street, the trees are going to have to come down, which are on town property.

Mr. Parisi asked why the work was being done now and Mr. Costello explained that it is a continuation of the work that had begun years ago.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to accept the Proposed Six Year Capital Budget, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Doherty and Solinsky voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen called for a 5 minute recess at 9:50 p.m. The meeting resumed at 9:57 p.m.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, page 108

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 108, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mrs. Papale asked who the transportation expense were for and Ms. Gail M. Powell, explained that the expense is for the Commissioners. Ms. Powell pointed out that it has gone up slightly.

Mr. Bradley asked about line 4040, Microfilming and Ms. Powell explained that that money is there just in case they have to keep current records on file.

Referring to Advertising, Ms. Powell explained that their meetings are running longer and they are advertising more.

VOTE: Parisi was not present for the vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, page 183 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 7020.

Ms. Powell explained that their Secretary is paid by the hour.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 183 as presented, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 84

Referring to line 6290, Janitorial Contract, Mr. Deak explained that he does not anticipate any increase because this was a 3 year contract, the increase will come next year.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Deak if he intended to use the \$500 for Seminars and Dues and Mr. Deak replied yes.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 84 as presented, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 175 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 5020.

Mr. Deak explained that the Superintendent of Public Works was moved from Administration to Public Works General.

Mr. Deak added that he only has one position open and it will be filled next week.

Mr. Bradley explained that in the future, he will discourage transferring money out of unfilled positions.

Mr. Zandri agreed with Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Doherty asked if other departments were going to begin asking to have their Chief Clerks bumped up to Administrative Aides and create a series of these new positions.

Mayor Dickinson explained that in the Public Works Department, the duties are not similar to other departments.

Mr. Deak added that he only has one Clerk and one Chief Clerk. Mayor Dickinson added that Mr. Deak needs someone who will exercise judgments that he daily exercises, in seeing that the paperwork gets performed. Mr. Deak added that he is taking care of 36 ball-fields, 13 soccer fields, buildings and parks, (56 buildings and 400 acres of parks).

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 175 as presented, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 132, A/C 5020 - Capital Requests

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 132, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Deak explained that this is a replacement typewriter.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 85 - General Highway, A/C 5030.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 85, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Holmes suggested that the Gas & Oil account be cut and Mr. Myers explained that, written in the Tax Reform Law of 1986, it states (that the IRS just issued regulations on) that the town has to pay .10¢ per gallon (federal tax) on all of their gasoline and then get it rebated from the IRS, and you can only apply for it quarterly.

Mr. Bradley asked what Outside Contracts was used for and Mr. Deak explained that it is used for the rental of machinery.

Mr. Killen asked if line 5240, Maint. of Alarm & Lights and line 5400 Maint. of Heating System, can be deleted because of the move to the new building and Mr. Deak explained that they can delete the lighting but he needs the money in the heating account.

Mrs. Papale moved to delete \$500 from line 5240 and \$300 from line 5400, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Holmes asked about the line 4830, Safety Shoes and Mr. McCully explained that they cost \$75.00 a pair and the men have to wear the safety shoes.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 85 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

(total manpower for page 85 should be 37)

PUBLIC WORKS, pages 175-178, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 5030.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 175-178, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 132, Capital Requests, A/C 5030.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 132, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Deak if all of the projects listed under A/C 5030 were scheduled for this year. Mr. Deak replied yes and explained that this year, they accomplished almost 50 projects, and this is an on-going list. Mr. Deak added that all of the machinery he is asking for is not new machinery.

Mrs. Papale asked if the town does their own sweeping and Mr. Deak replied that they hire 2 outside sweepers.

Mr. Parisi asked what the life was for a sweeper and Mr. Deak replied 5 years.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 86, Parks, A/C 5031.

Mrs. Papale moved page 86, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Holmes asked to have line 5140 explained and Mr. Deak explained that this line will take care of 23 ball fields and 13 soccer fields.

Mr. Doherty asked if there was any money in the budget to have more ball fields lighted this year and Mayor Dickinson explained that Recreation requested \$30,000 for Harrison Park, but the people in the area are against it.

Mr. Deak added that they are preparing their ball fields and 1 yard of clay costs \$17.65, (materials and supplies).

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 179 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 5031.

Mr. Adams asked what the justification was for overtime for the parks. Mr. Deak explained that on Saturday and Sunday they have to pick up all of the garbage.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 179, A/C 5031, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 132, Capital Requests, A/C 5031.

Referring to Courts, Mr. Deak explained that the tennis court fence is in such poor condition, someday the whole thing will just fall, because everything is rotting.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 132 as presented, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 87, Snow, Ice Control & Sand Pickup, A/C 5040.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 87, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Parisi asked where the excess sand is put and Mr. Deak told him it was put in the landfill.

Mr. Deak commented that the new sand is working out excellent.

Mr. Zandri asked what will happen with the sand when the landfill is closed and Mr. Deak explained that they will use some of the sand for drainage.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 179 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 5040.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to decrease the amount of \$70,000 to \$60,000, seconded by Mr. Solinsky. (Snow, Ice & Sand Pickup-5040)

Mr. Killen explained that this accounts fluctuates from year to year.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 132, Capital Requests, A/C 5040.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 132, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Deak explained that they have 2 4-wheel drive trucks. One they use in the Oakdale woods area and the other on the east side.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 88 - Central Garage, A/C 5050

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 88, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Regarding the Utilities (line 2010), Mr. Deak explained that last year, they spent \$19,000.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Deak if Maint Fire Alarm-Emergency Light, line 5240 was going to be expended. Mr. Deak replied that so far, he has a lot. Last year, he spent \$324.00. He added that this line is very difficult to predict.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 5240 from \$500 to -0-, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 5400 from \$950 to \$500, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Killen asked why the Janitorial Contract dropped so low and Mr. Deak explained that he only has the office and the toilets in the Garage. The driver's room is just the toilets and the driver's room and all of the Engineering and Public Works Office is all of both, so the contract has been broken down.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move the page as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams. (Page 88.)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, pages 179-180, Central Garage A/C 5050, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 179-180, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 133, Capital Requests, Central Garage, A/C 5050.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 133, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Deak explained that they have to replace one of the hydraulic lifts and that is why they requested \$4,350.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Solinsky left the meeting at 11:40 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS, pages 89-90, Landfill, A/C 5060.

Mrs. Papale moved to accept pages 89-90, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Deak if he had a tentative date as to when they would not be using the landfill anymore. Mr. Deak did not have a date but explained that this account is only budgeted for 6 months.

Mr. Deak explained that they are renting the compactor and the money is for repairs that the town has to pay for. The compactor is under a purchase-lease agreement. When CRRRA takes over, the town will sell it to them.

Mr. McCully added that the compactor is specifically used for landfill use and the machine averages 6 days a week, about 6.7 hours a day.

Regarding line 6530, Metal Disposal, Mr. Deak explained that they just opened up the contract. They have a 50 yard box and each time the trailer is loaded, it costs \$200 to move it.

Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Deak how he arrived at the Tipping Fee, line 6540.

Mr. Deak explained that they measure how many tons of garbage. For example, the Spring cleanup, they are picking up for a year and we use that figure. The figure would be \$88,500 divided by 2950. Mr. Zandri pointed out that that comes to about 3,000 tons.

VOTE: Solinsky was not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Zandri asked what was going to happen to the people working at the landfill, the second half of the year. Mr. Deak said that they will be going to the Public Works Department.

Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Deak what will happen if the landfill does not close this year and Mr. Deak said that he will make due with the people that he has now because, he has been doing it for years.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Deak if he built in overtime for these people presently working at the landfill and Mr. Deak replied no and

explained that they are working 6 days a week and when they come over the the Public Works Department, they will only be working 5 days.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 180 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 5060, Landfill.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 180, A/C 5060, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS, page 91 - Tree Program, A/C 5070.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 91, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Adams asked to have line 6420, Tree Removal-Contract explained. Mr. Deak explained that when they have 4 or 5 trees the contract the work out, and this figure is just an estimate.

Mr. Deak explained that he is the Tree Warden and before any tree is cut down, they need his permission. The tree is tagged for 5 days and the people have a right to protest, (private property).

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried. (Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 92 - Street Lighting, A/C 5080.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 92, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Bradley pointed out that Mr. Deak has \$88,401 left in this account and Mr. Deak stated that he will have to come back in a couple of weeks for additional funding, because this will not be enough. Mr. Myers pointed out that there is usually a 1 month lag in billing when it comes to utilities.

Mr. Deak explained that as of April 15, he has \$56,536 left and the month of May and June, his bill will be around \$31,900. There is a new sub-division opening up and they are putting in additional lights.

Mr. Parisi asked if the State pays for anything that is on their property (lights) and Mr. Myers said that the town does not get any revenue from the State.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried. (Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, pages 93 & 94, Muni Building-Center Street, A/C 5090.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept pages 93 & 94, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 95, Muni Building-R.R. Station, A/C 5110.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 95, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to remove \$200 from line 5240, Maint. Fire Alarm & Emergency Lights bringing the total to -0-, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 95 as amended, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 133, R.R. Station, A/C 5110 - Capital Requests.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 133, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Deak explained that they will be repairing the roof and not replacing it because it would cost \$300,000 to replace it.

Mr. Deak added that this still has to go out to bid and this amount is just a guess.

VOTE: Killen voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried
(Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 96, Muni Building - Annex, A/C 5120.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 96, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

PUBLIC WORKS, page 97, Muni Building - Wash St School, A/C 5130.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 97, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to remove \$200 from line 5240 bringing the total to -0-, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 97 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

PUBLIC WORKS, page 98, Simpson School, A/C 5140.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 98, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mrs. Papale asked Mr. Deak why the utilities were so high and Mr. Deak explained that they have a waiting list for people interested in moving in after the current occupants move into the new Town Hall.

Regarding the Janitorial Contract, the Council Members asked why the amount is so high. Mr. Deak explained that this is a 3 year contract and they have expanded their staff because the school has activities going on over the weekends also.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to reduce line 5240 from \$500 to 0-, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 98 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

PUBLIC WORKS, page 133, 701 Center Street, A/C 5140, Capital Requests.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 133, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Parisi asked what type of air conditioning they were going to install. Mr. Deak explained that they will be getting 6 window units.

Mr. Killen commented that he does not think that the town should be picking up the frills for these programs.

Mayor Dickinson added that he does not understand why all 5 rooms have to be done. Mayor Dickinson also added that the building is old and should be maintained, and the air conditioners do not have to be installed until the Committee comes up with their report.

Mr. Parisi moved to put \$6,000 from Air Condition Old Building, into Contingency, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

Mr. Zandri asked why the Recreation Department needed their floors carpeted and Mayor Dickinson explained that the floors are in very poor condition.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 133 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 99, Wash St-Senior Center, A/C 5150.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 99, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to delete line 5240, Maint Fire Alarm & Emergency Lights removing \$300.00, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

(corrected and redistributed 5/4/88)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to accept page 99 as amended, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 133, Senior Center - Capital Requests, A/C 5150.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 133, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Killen commented that he does not think it is necessary to beautify the Senior Center at an expense of \$22,000.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to delete \$22,000 from Senior Center A/C 5150, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Deak explained that the bricks are in bad condition and some of them, in certain areas, are loose.

Mr. Parisi commented that he thinks the building should be done if it is falling apart.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

Regarding the R.R. Station, page 133, A/C 5110, Mayor Dickinson explained that the work has already begun and should continue.

Mr. Myers explained that if they do the R.R. Station in 1988-1989, in 1989-1990, you could take the same \$20,000 and put it into the other building.

Mr. Zandri pointed out that the town has already spent a lot of money downtown. Mayor Dickinson added that there is a possibility that they might receive donations.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to reconsider repointing and weatherproofing the brick on the R.R. Station, page 133, A/C 5110, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Adams, Doherty, Bradley and Zandri voted yes;
Holmes, Papale, Parisi and Killen voted no; Solinsky not present;
motion did not carry.

A motion was made to amend A/C 5030, Public Works General Highway to add \$20,000 to replace underground oil tanks at Yalesville School, seconded by Mr. Parisi. (Page 132.)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

PUBLIC WORKS, page 100, Traffic Control & Sign Shop, A/C 5170.

Mr. Deak explained that there were so many changes with the R.R. Station, he stopped sending the bill. Mayor Dickinson pointed out that it was a private road (referring to line 6510) and now is a public road. Mr. Deak explained that something has to be done because the agreement was that the Railroad put up that gate and the town has to pay \$600 for the maintenance.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to remove \$600 from line 6510, Pent Highway Gates, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 100 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

PUBLIC WORKS, page 101 - 240 Wash St-Civil Pre, A/C 5190.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 101, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked why line 2010, Utilities was so high and Mr. Deak explained that they are furnishing the heat for the Senior Citizens Center, and he is using a flat fee.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present).

PUBLIC WORKS, page 102, So. Main Street-R. H. Earley School, A/C 5200.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 102, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to increase line 6290, Janitorial Contract by \$2,780 for a new total of \$71,780, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried

Mr. Killen asked how often the windows were going to be washed and Mr. Deak replied 4 times a year. Mr. Deak added that he thinks this price is too low.

Mr. Parisi asked if a bond is posted on this and Mr. Deak replied no. Mayor Dickinson explained that their payments will be held up for delay of 2 months.

Mr. Deak explained that the first time the bids came in, it was for \$54,000 and \$16,000 for the windows. Mayor Dickinson added that this was the only bid they received the first time. The second time, 3 or 4 bids were received with no bond.

Mr. Parisi and Mr. Holmes left the meeting at 1:10 a.m.

Mr. Adams moved to delete \$200 from line 5240, dropping the total to -0-, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to decrease line 5400 from \$2,000 to \$500, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to decrease line 5220 from \$1,000 to \$250, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 102 as amended, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky, Parisi and Holmes were not present)

PUBLIC WORKS, page 103, Muni Building-Parker Farms School, A/C 5210.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Deak what the \$1,000 was for in line 5100, Maint of Building. Mr. Deak explained that he still has to maintain the Little League field, which consists of 4 fields.

Mr. Zandri asked why this was not part of the school. Mr. Deak explained that the school said that the fields are not theirs because they are not part of the school. Mayor Dickinson explained that it is owned by town government.

Mr. Myers suggested that this line be added under Parks and Maintenance of Athletic Fields.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to take page 103 and add it to page 86, A/C 5140, Maint of Athletic Fields, bringing the total to \$26,500, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky, Parisi and Holmes were not present).

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to delete page 103, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky, Parisi and Holmes were not present).

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES, pages 71 & 171.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 71 & 171 as presented, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky, Parisi and Holmes were not present).

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting adjourned at 1:20 a.m.

Meeting recorded by:
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The second budget workshop was held on Friday, April 22, 1988, called to order by Chairman Albert E. Killen at 7:08 p.m. Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Zandri, Killen and Parisi were present for the meeting. Also present was Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller. Councilman Solinsky was not present.

WORK STUDY PROGRAM, page 44, A/C 1540.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 44, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Myers explained that the Work Study Program is strictly local money with no grant. It takes students out of the Sheehan High School business education program and places them in 3 or 4 offices in the town government. They work after school for approximately 2½ hours during the school year. The offices that have work study for students are; Don Roe, Program Planner; Purchasing and the Veterans Office, just to name a few. The \$10,000 authorizes up to 5 students. Our overall impression, is that the program is very successful. The courses that they are studying are business or secretarial office type courses so, it gives the students some hands-on experience to work in an office environment.

VOTE: Parisi was not present for the vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, page 109, A/C 7030.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 109, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Rosario DiNoia explained that one of the projects that they worked on was Connecticut Steel. They worked closely with the company in developing the project, and securing some funds for the State for start-up funds. As an end result, Connecticut Steel is now in the top 10 of the tax list. Also, they developed a new prospectus, which is available in Mr. Roe's Office. It gives a general overview of the town. They also worked on the selection process for a Consultant for the 68 Traffic Study and assisted in the development of the Visitor's Council. They worked with small business on an expo, representing the town in a State promotion of small businesses and they will be participating in another one in May at the Aqua Turf. They participate regularly with the Chamber, sponsor lunches, and other programs. At the beginning of the Business Park on Rt. 68, we called them in because we wanted to know what they were all about. We will be getting an update from him at the next meeting or the one after that. Last week, we met with FIP. Our biggest concern with that one was, Medway Park sitting out there. The town has invested a considerable amount of money in Medway Park and nothing was happening, other than Bristol-Myers. A meeting was called with them, they came in and told us that they were going to break the news in a couple of weeks of another participant in the Park. However, we did say that we were quite concerned with the rest of the Park because of the amount of money that has been invested there, we want to see a return on our investment. Companies that are interested in coming into the Park are interviewed because, we are as concerned with the environment as everyone else is. If someone is going to be a problem, we don't want them. We are looking into getting light manufacturing in there.

Mr. Zandri commented that he believes that the Development Commission is countering what the wishes of the people of Wallingford are and that is to slow down development in Wallingford.

Mr. DiNoia agreed that there is overdevelopment. But, the overdevelopment is not on the industrial side. The industrial side is confined to a certain area of the community. There are a lot of housing developments that are going up all over town.

Mr. Zandri added that another concern of the community, has been the traffic situation. Mr. Killen agreed with Mr. Zandri.

Mr. Holmes pointed out that taxes don't go down with industry because, when you make money on industry, you lose money on housing.

Mr. Parisi commented that he believes industry stabilizes the tax rate and he wouldn't want to see the town without industry.

Mr. DiNoia commented that there have been no tax breaks given since Bristol-Myers, and he did not know about the tax structure on that one until after the fact. He added that they have been working with a couple of companies in that area and we tell them, if you want to come in to Wallingford and you want to build in Wallingford, we need a new Pump Station out there, they have to share the cost. So far, to this point, they are favorable to accept that.

Mr. Bradley agrees that the industry should pay their fair share and added that the traffic off of Williams Road is terrible (Bristol Meyers), and something should be done.

Mr. DiNoia commented that one of the projects coming up in the future, is an awareness program and what they are going to try to do is, link the officials of the town, with the officials of industry so that you know what is going on and they know you and if they have a problem, they can bring it to you.

Mrs. Papale asked Mr. DiNoia to explain the promotion end and Mr. DiNoia explained that they look at the magazines that they promote in that are going to give them the best return.

Mr. Doherty commented that the Development Commission has done a bang-up job in the past, but the majority here is telling you tonight that there is a different atmosphere (for development) in this town now. Mr. DiNoia agreed with Mr. Doherty.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to reduce line 4080-Postage to \$500, reduce line 4180-Printing to \$200, reduce line 6010 Miscellaneous Expense to \$500 and reduce line 6020-Promotional Expense to \$5,000, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Holmes pointed out that this will not slow down the process, you have to come up with valid reasons that will hold up in Court, as to why they won't be allowed to come to Wallingford and develop property.

Mr. Parisi commented that he does not know where the message came from that people do not want development in this town and he does not think that Wallingford is so bad off. He believes that the people want selective development, which any town would want, not to stifle development.

Mr. Zandri explained that he just wants to reduce the activities.

Mr. Killen feels that they have sold as far as they want right now. There are enough communities and enough names in town, and he sees, no need to go out and advertise.

Mr. Parisi stated that you can't shut something down and expect to start it up again.

Mr. Adams commented that development should not be stopped but it should be controlled and he believes that by having a Development Commission, is an important way to control development concerns.

Mr. Holmes explained that the purpose of the industrial park is to provide a stable tax base, and keep the industry in a centralized area. If you want to stop development, that is up to your judgment, but, just beware that the costs incurred, in the long run, are going to be much much higher, for the private citizen.

Mrs. Papale commented that development will come here little by little, whether they want it or not but, if it is going to come into Wallingford, she would rather have a Commission that would have a handle on things. Mr. DiNoia agreed and added that if they feel that something is wrong, they will oppose it.

Mr. Bradley added that he would like to see some guarantees for the taxpayers, for their money.

Mr. DiNoia added that he has tried to put the message of controlled development and traffic problems before the D.O.T. but, it is like talking to a brick wall.

Mr. Doherty explained that you cannot stop development. If development meets their regulations, they will be approved by Planning and Zoning. We are not trying to stop development, we are trying to slow it down and let the utilities catch up.

VOTE: Bradley, Doherty, Zandri and Killen voted yes; Adams, Holmes, Papale and Parisi voted no; Solinsky was not present for the vote; motion did not carry.

VOTE: (moved as presented) Bradley, Holmes, Papale, Parisi voted yes; Adams, Doherty, Zandri and Killen voted no; Solinsky not present; motion did not carry.

Mr. Killen suggested that Mr. DiNoia come back before the Council to discuss this further.

PROGRAM PLANNING OFFICE, page 33

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 33, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Parisi asked to have line 4000, Office Supplies explained.

Ms. Marty Barracato-Camire explained that that has been merged with subscriptions, journals and program material. It was \$1,850 for office supplies and \$900 for subscriptions, journals and program material. Two lines were combined into one.

Mr. Zandri asked what equipment has to be maintained and Ms. Barracato-Camire explained that Mr. Roe has a 14 year old typewriter that is always in need of repair and Mr. Roe also has a computer.

VOTE: Zandri voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried. Solinsky not present.

PROGRAM PLANNER, page 148 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 1302

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 184, A/C 1302, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Zandri asked why the salaries for the secretaries jumped up so much and Mr. Myers explained that the rates were way off and this increase is completely justified for the work that they do.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to Table page 148, A/C 1302, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried; Solinsky not present.

PROGRAM PLANNER, page 127 - Capital Requests, A/C 1302.

A motion was made by move page 127, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Ms. Barracato-Camire explained that this typewriter can store information.

Mr. Parisi asked if these have gone out to bid yet and Mr. Myers replied no.

VOTE: Bradley and Zandri voted no; Adams, Doherty, Holmes, Parisi and Killen voted yes; motion duly carried. Solinsky not present.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 25, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mrs. Papale asked Ms. Barracato-Camire to explained what the Youth Service Bureau does. Ms. Barracato-Camire explained that they coordinate all services to youth and families in town. They try to work with as many agencies in Meriden and Wallingford, to see that residents in Wallingford are serviced, in regards to counseling, rather than having a full-time program.

Mr. Holmes asked Ms. Barracato-Camire to explain their Adolescent Substance Abuse Program. Ms. Barracato-Camire explained that treatment in this area is lacking. There are no services available for kids. The City of Meriden said that they would contribute \$70,000 to the program at Meriden-Wallingford Hospital, if Wallingford would contribute \$14,000. What this would cover is, a very intense day treatment program, which would be after school and on week-ends. This is a 45 day program.

Mr. Parisi asked how many people this program would service and Ms. Barracato-Camire replied 15.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to remove \$300 from Telephone, bringing the new total to \$2,100, seconded by Mrs. Papale. (Page 25.)

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 25 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to change Town of Wallingford Contributions \$84,705 to \$84,405, seconded by Mr. Doherty. (page 25)

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to change line 6881, page 76 from \$84,705 to \$84,405, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

CENTER STREET CEMETERY, page 123, A/C 8080

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 123, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Zandri asked why this account went up so much and Mr. Myers explained that this is just for maintaining the property. Mr. Zandri asked why Public Works does not maintain this property and Mr. Myers explained that this is a private association.

Mrs. Papale asked how long the Town of Wallingford has been contributing and Mr. Myers replied, that in the 18 years that he has been with the town, they have always contributed.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Killen and Solinsky not present for the vote).

TOWN COUNCIL, page 26.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 26, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Killen suggested that Seminars & Dues be deleted and Mrs. Papale suggested that this account be kept and that some of the Members should attend Seminars.

Mr. Myers explained that they were a member of CCM, back in the early 70's and back then, it was running about \$6,000 a year. The dues for the Town of Wallingford, right now, would be somewhere between \$13,000 and \$15,000 a year and the seminars still have to be paid for, even though they are at a reduced rate.

Mr. Killen also suggested that line 3200 be deleted and the Council Members did not agree.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to remove line 7990, Seminars & Dues, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Doherty, Papale, Zandri and Killen voted yes;
Adams, Bradley, Holmes and Parisi voted no; Solinsky not present;
motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to delete \$500 from Seminars
& Dues, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Doherty, Papale, Zandri and Killen voted yes;
Adams, Bradley, Holmes and Parisi voted no; Solinsky not present;
motion did not pass.

VOTE: (page as presented) Papale, Zandri and Killen voted no;
Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes and Parisi voted yes;
motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

TOWN COUNCIL, page 148 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 148 as presented,
seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

COUNCIL CONTINGENCY, page 120.

Mr. Myers explained that line 3190 is not finalized yet.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to Table line 3190, Reserve
for Contingency, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried (Solinsky not present)

Mr. Myers told the Council Members that they received a breakdown
from him regarding line 3230, Contingency Reserve-General Government,
which includes 4 new positions. The reason that they have been put
into Contingency is because, the job descriptions have not been written
by the Personnel Department and approved by the Town Council.

CAPITAL & NON-RECURRING, page 123A, A/C 8010.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 123A, seconded by
Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Killen commented that there is no reason that the Electric Division
should not be producing a minimum of \$1,000,000 a year, for the
Town of Wallingford.

Mr. Myers commented that whatever is done, all 3 utilities should
be treated equally. We also own the Water Company and the Sewer Co.
The Electric Company is absolutely self-sustaining and in the
Sewer Company, we have \$500,000 in property taxes going down into
the sewer fund to pay on bonds, and another \$500,000 in contributions
to finish the Sewer Plant. I also changed their method of accounting
and made the sewer fund recognize depreciation in 1979. When that was
done, in 1979, it threw the fund into a \$3,000,000 deficit position.
It was only a deficit position for financial statement purposes.
Once they put the full depreciation in the sewer rates, they picked up
that deficit position, where last year it was \$300,000. Now, they have
that depreciation money. We have never contributed on water debt, but
they are going to ask for a contribution on water debt, for the plant.
Whatever we do with our utilities, we should be consistent.

Mr. Zandri commented that Water and Sewer are a necessity, and the
town has to have that. The Electric Division is a business. I think
the town, as taxpayers, has a lot of money invested in that business.
When you have money invested, you expect a certain amount of return
on your money and if you take this franchise and put it on the market,

I think you would find out that it is probably worth \$30,000,000 to
\$40,000,000. If you took that \$30,000,000 or \$40,000,000 and dropped
it in a bank account somewhere, you are looking at a \$3,000,000 return,
to the taxpayers of this town. I think that this \$1,000,000 is a joke
and I think it should be increased.

Mr. Myers explained that to his knowledge, he does not know of any
community that has a Charter as strict, or as well written as
Wallingford's. Our Charter requires the Town of Wallingford to
operate the Water and Sewer Company, the same way that we operate

the Electric Company, and that is on a business like basis. In most other communities, the Water and Sewer are just a department of government. They are not a separate operation, that should be self-sustaining. Our Charter says that they should be self-sustaining.

Mr. Zandri added that even if you wanted to take a suggestion, that I might give on the Electric Division, and imply it to the other two utilities, it will all come out in the wash. Mr. Myers explained that even if it didn't, and a study proved that all three were so unique, that there had to be 3 separate treatments. We should know that.

Mr. Holmes commented that he agreed with the \$1,000,000 but, what will happen is, they will raise the rates and drop it in our laps.

Mr. Zandri explained that if they raise the rates, then it will be what they should be charging the people and it won't be hidden costs in the electric rates and that is exactly what you have now. What you have now, is reduced costs, that make people think that they are getting cheaper electricity and in reality, they are not. We have the right to get the proper return on our investment. If the rates go up, then that is the nature of the game.

Mr. Zandri added that if the rates go up, he will be able to justify it. If that was a private utility funded by an outside firm, they would expect a return on their money and if they weren't getting a return on their money, they would sell it or get rid of it. In order to get their proper return, they would have to reflect it in the rates.

Mr. Killen commented that PUC feels that as long as we are satisfied with \$1,000,000, they can do it without any sweat.

Mr. Myers explained that the taxpayers of the Town of Wallingford are the stockholders. The reason that the taxpayers are the stockholders, is because, it is their full faith, credit and money that is pledged on that thing going into default. If that utility ever went into default, the rate payer wouldn't be asked to come up with money, the taxpayer would. All rate payers are not taxpayers. I had asked, that the Mayor and Ray Smith, study with an independent account (CPA), the alternative formulas that could be used, that we could call upon, to look for return on investment and to get rid of the 55% and pursue that.

Mr. Zandri said that he is interested in doing a study and he is also interested in getting a return on the money that they have coming to them right now.

Mr. Zandri added that once this is sold, all of that property is taxable. Mr. Zandri explained that the point is, hidden rates, not the true rates. The true costs are being hidden by all of these other things that they are not owning up to, if they were a private business, located in this community.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to increase line 8010 from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000, seconded by Mr. Zandri. (NO VOTES TAKEN)

Mr. Myers explained that it would be short-sighted and it would probably have a (in the long term) negative effect on our financial position, to extract any money from the utilities, and apply it against the mill rate. Right now, we have enough major projects coming down the road, that if we get monies from the utilities and we want to defray bonding costs, paying cash for projects, rather bonding is a better scenerio. This \$1,000,000 goes against the non-recurring bonding program so, it is used to pay existing bonds and notes, that the town incurred, over the years. It does not offset the mill rate. I believe, that to take money from any of our utility operations, and cut mill rates with it, that would be a one time benefit. You will do that once and then next year, you will have the same amount of money and there is going to be no effect on the mill rate. Whereas, if you took that money, and you applied it against some of your debt, for whatever sources, you are putting it right back into the Town of Wallingford.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to Table page 123A, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Chairman Killen called the third budget workshop to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 25, 1988. In attendance were Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.

TRANSIT AUTHORITY, page 30

Mr. Killen explained that this item is a wash item and the money is on the Revenue side of the budget.

Mr. Roger DeBaise pointed out that on page 16 of the budget book, it shows where the revenue is coming in from the State.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to approve page 30, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, page 31

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 31, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Killen explained that this page is strictly salaries.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

CIVIL PREPAREDNESS, page 72

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 72, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Frattini why the telephone expense has gone down and Mr. Frattini explained that this year, they have installed civil defense phones which are direct line telephones for emergency purposes.

Mr. Adams asked to have line 4760, Aux Police Uniforms & Supp explained. Mr. Frattini explained that as of right now, they have 16 new people and it will cost \$11,488 to outfit them, plus the ammunition was added in there. Mr. Fagan added that they have 22 older members and 16 who are still in class, for a total of 38 members.

Mr. Frattini added that they all carry firearms but they are qualified and trained, because they have powers of arrest.

Mr. Killen asked what they are reimbursed for and Mr. Frattini explained that they are reimbursed for telephone, office supplies, salaries and postage.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

CIVIL PREPAREDNESS, page 171 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 2090.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 171, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

CIVIL PREPAREDNESS, page 131 - Capital Requests, A/C 2090.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 131, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Bradley asked what refurbishing the interior consisted of and Mr. Frattini explained that they will be replacing doors, installation of a wall, installation of an emergency lighting system, smoke and heat detection system and kitchen cabinets.

Mrs. Papale asked if the 16 handguns were for the new people being trained and Mr. Frattini replied yes. Mr. Fagan added that if you go into a situation where you need a weapon and don't have one, it will make the situation very difficult. They have the authority to arrest and they work with the police.

Mrs. Papale commented that she did not agree with the Mayor in cutting the money out of Hand Guns. Mayor Dickinson explained that he is

A motion to move page 80 was made by Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Holmes asked to have Maintenance of Pool explained. Mr. Shepardson explained that they have open orders in case pipes need to be fix, the open order would be to Walco and to Colony Lumber in case some wood starts rotting, Grand Light for bulbs, Reliable Hardware for general tools, Hunters Pool in the case of a breakdown, etc. and they use quite a lot of it and very seldom do they turn anything back. This is used as an emergency fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 5110 to \$8,000 (Maintenance of Pool), seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Bradley asked why the Water Chemicals account is so high and Mr. Shepardson gave an example of a problem they had last year and the chemicals ran \$200 for one barrel, and the problem ended up costing about \$1,800. The pool needed three different additions of a large volume of the chemicals due to the manganese problem.

VOTE: (line 5110) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VOTE: (as amended) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 172 & 173, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations A/C 4010

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move pages 172 & 173, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 131, Capital Requests

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 131, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Holmes asked how bad the bathouses are in need of repair and Mr. Shepardson explained that they are in bad shape, especially the roof (over 20 years old). He added that he will put this out to bid and will also speak to Mr. Deak (Public Works).

Mr. Bradley asked Mayor Dickinson if preventative maintenance can be encouraged. Mr. Parisi agreed with Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 173, Sheehan Swim Pool, A/C 4011, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 173, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked how these people are paid and Mr. Shepardson explained that these people are part-time employees paid on an hourly basis.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

RECREATION, page 111 - Conserv Commission-Woodcutting Program A/C 7041.

A motion to move page 111 was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

AMBULANCE, page 59, A/C 2031.

A motion to move page 59 was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Chief McElfish commented that he would like to acknowledge the volunteers that came out in support of their budget request. We have tried to provide the citizens with the comprehensive and aggressive rescue service. We have 26 vehicles and are very active in participating in many activities. Our ability to accomplish our job is based on four primary components. Manpower, we are fortunate we have an excellent well trained group of personnel. It should be noted that volunteers save the Town of Wallingford over \$1.5 million dollars a year. There are a couple of areas that we would like you to be aware of. We would like to extend on the Fire Surgeon's budget, consideration of the emergency generator for the ladder truck and consideration of a replacement pumper for the North Farms Fire Department. We are asking for a lot but, we are into contract negotiations so, a lot of the

figures will change when those negotiations are decided in the future. I would like to thank you for your support in the past, and ask for your consideration for some of our requests.

Mr. Adams pointed out that he is concerned about the ambulance billing and the way it is done. Mayor Dickinson explained that the Council funded a part-time temporary person on the ambulance billing and part of the reason they fell behind was, that the office of the Treasurer was split and ambulance billing was one of their duties.

Mr. Parisi asked if there was any way that the people in town could be notified of their obligations, regarding the billing and Mr. Mark Wilson explained that on each bill, there is a statement that explains that if insurance does not cover the bill, they should call their office.

Mr. Killen commented that there should be a way to keep track of who is transported and who is billed. Mr. Wilson added that there is about a 70% collection rate.

Regarding line 4820, Safety Clothing & Equip, Mr. Bradley asked if this was a new line item. Mr. LeFebvre explained that he asked to have that money budgeted so they could dress the people that respond, in an appropriate manner. These people are in a lot of hazardous situations and should be dressed accordingly.

Mr. Holmes pointed out the increase in the Gas & Oil account and Chief McElfish explained that they put in every conservative figures and the Gas, Oil and Diesel are broken down into various accounts but they all come out of one pump.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

AMBULANCE, page 129, A/C 2031.

A motion to move page 129, A/C 2031, was made by Mr. Holmes, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-EAST WALLINGFORD-VOLUNTEER, page 65, A/C 2036.

A motion to move page 65 was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked why the Rubbish Removal line 5120 jumped up so high, and Chief McElfish explained that Mr. Phil Hamel told him to triple his original figure.

Mr. Zandri pointed out that by the figures and facts that he has, this account (5120) should only double and not triple.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to decrease line 5120 from \$1,155 to \$900, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Motion duly made, seconded and carried to accept page 65, as amended.
FIRE-EAST WALLINGFORD- Capital Requests, A/C 2036.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 130, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Killen pointed out to Chief McElfish that there is a 2 Mill increase and most of the capital items have been cut off. Mr. Killen added that when they tackle the Revenue side of the budget, and they find something that might add to it, this will be one of the first areas that they will look at.

Chief DeCunto added that he would like to see the pumper added back in also.

Mr. Solinsky asked what the Four Wheel Drive Vehicle will be used for and Chief DeCunto explained that it will be used for brush and medical.

Mr. Parisi asked if they had a generator. Chief DeCunto explained that they have a generator but, when they lose the power, they don't have anything to hook onto the firehouse.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to put \$1,335 back into Electrical for Generator, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion to move page 130 as amended was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-NORTH FARMS-VOLUNTEER, page 66

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 66, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to change line 5120 from \$1,155 to \$900, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 66 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-NORTH FARMS, page 130 - Capital Requests A/C 2037

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 130, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mrs. Papale asked what kind of condition the pumper was in. Chief McElfish explained that this pumper was a 1967 demonstrator pumper. It was caught in a big flood in New York. The unit was underwater and since then, they have paid for it. It started rusting around 1980, very bad. The engine failed once, had it fixed, and had to come back and put a whole new block in because the engine failed. The volunteers have put a lot of money into it to try to maintain it. It is safe to drive, with good brakes and transmission. The rust on it is very bad and it is 11 years old.

Mr. Bradley commented that he went out to take a look at it and it is in bad shape (a lot of rust) and he agrees with Chief McElfish.

Mr. Holmes asked if it would be worth it to rework the body. Chief McElfish explained that 2 years ago, they received a price of \$85,000.

Mr. Adams asked if there is a trade-in value for this pumper and Chief McElfish explained that they would like to sell it out-right.

Mr. Doherty asked Mayor Dickinson why he feels that they do not need the pumper this year. Mayor Dickinson explained that the Chief has a replacement schedule and with the number of vehicles that they replaced last year, he felt that this would be sufficient. He added that it is possible that this vehicle deteriorated in the interim.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reinstate \$155,000 for the 1250 GPM Pumper, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Parisi stated that he would like to waive a decision on this matter until they get at the end of the line, and see where they are. He does not question the need for the truck, but he added that the money has to come from some where and they haven't looked at the other side of the budget yet.

A motion to Table Capital Account 2037 moved by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Doherty, Holmes, Parisi, and Zandri voted yes; Adams, Bradley, Papale, Solinsky and Killen voted no; motion did not carry.

Chief Jay Wron pointed out that the truck leaks very bad and when it is sitting in the bay, it loses up to 15 gallons of water. In the Winter, the water freezes in the drain valves. It is a dangerous situation.

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Mr. Parisi asked how long this truck has been leaking like this and Chief Jay Wron explained it has been leaking for about 3 years. In this past year, at least \$7,000 was spent on repairs for this truck.

VOTE: Killen, Zandri and Parisi voted no;
all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Chief McElfish pointed out that under line, Fire Fighting Gear, it should read 10 units.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to accept page 130 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

FIRE-COOK HILL-VOLUNTEER, page 67, A/C 2038

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 67, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to change line 5120 from \$1,155 to \$900, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to accept page 67 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams,

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE COOK HILL, A/C 2038, page 130 - Capital Requests.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 130, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to put back \$650 for Flood Light, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to accept page 130 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

FIRE-YALESVILLE-VOLUNTEER, page 68.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 68, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to decrease line 5120 from \$1,155 to \$900, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Adams pointed out that the telephone account really made a large jump and Chief McElfish explained that they did not include that in the remodeling.

Mr. Bradley pointed out that line 4520 increased quite a bit and Chief Hacku explained that this is for the 1982 Pumper (new set of tires).

A motion to move page 68 as amended was made by Mr. Parisi, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-YALESVILLE-VOLUNTEER, page 130, Capital Requests.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 130, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Parisi asked if the Double Battery Conditioner was urgent. Chief Mik explained that it is a priority in the sense that it will keep the batteries up to par.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to put back Double Battery Conditioner, in the amount of \$650, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Bradley asked if the air packs were just a tank and Chief Hacku explained that the air packs include a tank with it. The old packs that they have now, the harnesses tend to burn off the firefighters pack, so harness packs will also have to be bought.

A motion to move page 130 as amended was made by Mr. Parisi, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE SURGEON, page 62, A/C 2033

Mr. Holmes made a motion to move page 62, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Holmes asked Dr. McGaughey to explain what the physical entails.

Dr. McGaughey explained that the physical includes not only a physical examination, but a stress test, pulmonary function test, visual screening, hearing test and laboratory work and it is done on a voluntary basis. 41 people in the career department have been examined since the program started.

Chief McElfish explained that the way it is done is people over age 50 have been recommended to be done yearly, people in their 40's every 2 years, people in their 30's every 3 years and people in their 20's every 4 years. This is an \$800 physical and we are getting it for \$475.

Mr. Parisi suggested that 2 hospitals be used because it is critical that these physicals be done as soon as soon as possible.

Mr. Killen asked why gas & oil went up so much. Chief McElfish explained that the gas comes out of one tank and this is just an estimate of what it is going to cost.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to reduce line 3000, Gas & Oil, to \$300, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Killen asked Dr. McGaughey to explain line 6010 (expenses). Dr. McGaughey explained that he attends seminars and this account includes his membership in the medical section of the Fire Chief's Association.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to decrease line 6010, Fire Surgeon Expenses to \$4,000, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 62 as amended, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE SURGEON, page 170, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 170, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE MARSHAL, page 64

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 64, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Bradley asked to have line 4850 explained and Mr. Scionti explained that this falls under the OSHA required protective gear. Mr. Lamy added that he has gear but more gear will be added such as safety glasses, a helmet and a form of respiratory protection.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 6010, Misc-Fire Marshal Expenses to \$400, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Lamy explained that line 6010 is basically used for emergency funds.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to move page 64 as amended, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Holmes, Papale and Parisi voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE MARSHAL, page 170-Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 2035.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 170, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Parisi asked if the Inspector (new) position has been approved and Mr. Scionti replied yes.

Mr. Lamy explained that they need more help because there is a multitude of things that they do and the State is putting more and more burden on them.

Mr. Killen stated that he would like the Council to see the specs for the Inspector's job and Mr. Scionti suggested that Mr. Killen get them from Personnel. Mr. Killen asked if he could have a timetable as to when the new position will be filled and how much money they will be able to save.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to put \$26,014 (new Inspector position) into Contingency, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Killen voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 170 as amended, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

FIRE MARSHAL, page 64, A/C 2035

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 64, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to remove line 4010, Copier Machine Supplies, seconded by Mr. Zandri. (\$678)

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 64 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Holmes passed; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE MARSHAL, page 129 - Capital Requests, A/C 2035

A motion to move page 129, was made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Lamy pointed out that the car that he drives has 91,000 miles on it and it is not in the best condition. He would appreciate anything that the Council can do.

Referring to the Radio Pagers, Mr. Lamy explained that this is a critical area. Without these pagers, it would be difficult to get ahold of them on weekends, nights and holidays. He added that he missed a critical arson fire about 2 months ago, because the pager that he has is about 8½ years old and it has been serviced a number of times and is still in poor condition.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to replace the 2 pagers for \$850, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Holmes left the meeting at 1:10 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to accept page 129 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Doherty voted no; Holmes not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE ADMINISTRATION & FIRE SUPPRESSION, pages 165-169, A/C 2032, PERSONNEL DETAIL AND SALARY CALCULATIONS.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 165-169, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Scionti explained that General Wages are all under contract negotiations, so they will appear the same as last year's budget.

VOTE: Holmes not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-REGULAR, pages 60 & 61, A/C 2032

A motion to move pages 60 & 61 was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked why the utilities is so high and Mr. Scionti explained that this is because of back billing and the winter months.

Mr. Killen also pointed out that hazardous materials, line 4230, has also gone up. Chief McElfish explained that instead of asking for everything at one time, they have been phasing it in.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to reduce line 5120, Rubbish Removal from \$3,300 to \$2,500, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Bradley asked why there was such an increase in line 5130. Mr. Hacku explained that they have been doing repair work on the tower and they have been doing it in phases. Right now, they are replacing the shutters (portion in this budget year) and he could not do the whole job with the money he had this year, so he will have to have another \$300-\$400 to finish that job.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 5130 from \$700 to \$300, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Killen asked why the Clothing Allowance, line 4800 has gone up so much and Chief McElfish explained that the clothing allowance went up to \$400 each, times 52.

Mr. Parisi asked what line 4850, Small Equipment included and Chief McElfish explained that this contains protective equipment, such as boots, bunker coats, replacement equipment such as tools, etc.

Mr. Zandri pointed out that in 1987, under line 3000-Gas, Oil, Diesel, \$4,000 was used and now they are requesting \$8,000. Chief McElfish explained that they do not have one account for gas, oil and diesel. This account is spread out in 9 accounts.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move pages 60 & 61 as amended, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Holmes not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-REGULAR, page 129 - Capital Requests, A/C 2032.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 129, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Chief McElfish asked the Council to consider the 3500 watt generator which is on their ladder truck and that generator is 14-15 years old. A 12Kw Diesel Generator has been requested and it is used at fire scenes when there is no electricity and it would be operated on the vehicle and also, the portable they could take off. This would really improve their efficiency.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to Table the 12Kw Diesel Generator, (\$11,500) and review it later on when the Council sees where they are at, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Parisi added that he is not against the item, he would just like to see where they are at before they discuss it.

Mr. Killen asked why the money for Fire Escape/Egress Doors has not been used and Mr. LeFebvre explained that they are having trouble receiving bids, because of the bonding.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 129, with the exception of the 12Kw Diesel Generator, which was tabled, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Holmes not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-EMERGENCY CENTER, page 63, A/C 2034

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 63, seconded by

Mr. Adams.

Mr. Zandri asked why line 2020, Telephone was so high and Mr. Hacku explained that he put some figures in for a cellular telephone and the cellular telephone got knocked out.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to reduce line 2020 from \$22,554 to \$19,000, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 63 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Holmes not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

FIRE-REGULAR, page 129 - Capital Requests.

A motion to move page 129 was made by Mrs. Papale, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Holmes not present; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the Third Budget Workshop adjourned at 1:55 a.m.

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Chairman Killen called the fourth budget workshop to order at 6:50 p.m. on April 27, 1988. In attendance were Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION, page 29, A/C 1114.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 29, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Laurie J. Manke pointed out that last year's Hazard Waste Removal Contract should be \$28,915 and Miscellaneous Expense should be \$2,445.

Mr. Zandri asked if they expected any outside contributions, Ms. Manke replied yes. Ms. Manke explained that this year's hauler is cheaper per drum than last year's hauler. Ms. Manke added that half of the \$30,000 will be reimbursed by the State.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION, page 74, A/C 3050.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 74, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Bradley pointed out that as of 3/31/88, there is still an outstanding balance of \$48,000, in line 6550, Contribution.

Ms. Marandola explained that what is done is, all of the different services are prorated over time so, if money is used in one category early in the season, then they tend to spread that category over time, so there is an equal flow of town distribution funding. Their accountability is to provide that amount of service in each one of the categories that the town funds.

Ms. Pulaski explained that the town gives them 1/12th each month, of what their allocation fund is.

Mrs. Papale asked why line 6550, Contribution, increased and Ms. Marandola explained that they are looking for town funding to continue to support the full scope of programs that they have had in place. They are not suggesting that more service be provided, this truly reflects what it is costing them to provide the same amount of service.

Mr. Adams asked how the figure of \$214,060 was arrived at and Ms. Pulaski explained that she tries to figure out the cost of the services that they want to provide, the staffing it will take to provide that, all of their other funding sources (United Way, etc.) to come up with a number that falls within reason.

Mr. Zandri asked how it is determined as to who receives the service and how the need is determined. Ms. Marandola explained that clients are referred to the Visiting Nurse, after a hospital admission, from local physicians or neighbors or family that are aware that they have services. They look at their physical need and they look at their financial situation and that includes an insurance assessment. If they identify that someone has physical needs and the VNA does not have financial backup, then they start to look at their different funding sources to provide that care.

Ms. Marandola pointed out that they do have a problem with the nursing shortage, especially for weekend and holiday nurses. Mr. Parisi asked how much out of their \$20,000 increase is going to go towards helping combat this problem. Ms. Marandola replied 13%.

Ms. Marandola explained that their mission is to take care of very complex, difficult, poorly reimbursed individuals, so they seek them out.

Mr. Killen suggested that the VNA Board keep the Council informed of their activities.

Mr. Holmes explained that this care is for people who do not have insurance available to them or are otherwise in a bad financial way.

Mr. Holmes added that he believes that this is a worth while cause and the town should continue to support them.

Mr. Parisi commented that he was privileged to serve on their Board of Directors for a short time and he was very impressed with the efforts of that Board, not only to remain within the budget but, to come up with new and innovative ways to enhance their financial position.

Mr. Solinsky asked what labor relations was and Ms. Marandola explained that some of their staff members are represented by a union, called Connecticut Healthcare Associates (1199) and this covers the cost of their legal advisors over the past year, for both negotiating a contract and also different labor issues that have come up.

Mr. Doherty asked to have Occupational Health explained (\$20,000). Ms. Marandola explained that there is need for visability in health and safety issues among the industries in the Town of Wallingford. The funding came at 1/4 of the level that had been requested. In January, a Director was brought in for that program, who is sitting on the industrial steering committee for the Chamber of Commerce and on the Hazardous Materials Committee. Right now, she is trying to be visable on the issues of safety and health, and give back some services for the initial money that the town had funded. They are requesting that the town fund half of her position for the next year, as they continue to develop that idea within the community.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Ms. Marandola told the Council that she appreciates their continued support.

PROBATE COURT, page 121, A/C 8060.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 121, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Ms. Sonya Kishkum explained that the reason that they need the extra \$3,400 was simply to replace a reader and a printer. In the past 6 months, they had two visits from the repair man that cost \$355, only to be told that they could no longer get parts for this machine. This machine is used by the Court, the Clerks, Title Searchers and Attorneys that come in and they very often want copies and they can't be furnished copies like this. This is only a one shot item.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PROBATE COURT, page 133 - Capital Requests.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 133, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ELECTIONS, page 104, A/C 6010.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 104, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Bradley pointed out that for telephone expenses, they should only need \$2,400. Ms. Toth explained that the extra money is in the budget for the extra phones that they need for the polls at election time. There are approximately 14 phones. Mr. Bradley then asked why line 5200, Maintenance of Equipment went up and Ms. Toth explained that they were going to try to get a maintenance contract on their computer terminal, plus this concerns the 2 typewriters and anything that has to be done to the voting machines during the year.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ELECTIONS, pages 180 & 181, A/C 6010-Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion to move page 180-181, A/C 6010, was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Adams asked what the Machine Mechanics do and Ms. Toth explained that they set up the machines, seal them and they are on call during the election, in case a machine breaks down or there are any other problems. Ms. Toth added that Wallingford is very lucky to have mechanics that work as hard as they do, because other towns have trouble finding good mechanics.

VOTE: Parisi not present for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ELECTIONS, page 133, Capital Requests

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 133, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Parisi not present for the vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ELECTIONS-PRIMARY, page 105, A/C 6011.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 105, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ELECTIONS-PRIMARY, page 181 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 181, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

TOWN CLERK, page 106, A/C 6030.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 106, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Holmes asked Ms. Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk, to explain Computerized Indexing. Ms. Wall explained that the deeds that they bring in, directly relate to the microfilming and the computer indexing. Approximately, \$1.10 per instrument for the microfilming and \$1.90 for the computer indexing.

Mr. Zandri commented that 2 copiers in the Town Clerk's Office, in his opinion, is not necessary. He suggested that in 1½ years, when their copier rental lease is up, they should eliminate 1 copier and get a copier with an automatic feed (which they do not have now), because the automatic feed is much faster. Ms. Wall told Mr. Zandri that she would be happy to look into this.

Mr. Zandri also suggested that when all of the offices have moved over to the new Town Hall, a survey should be done of all of the offices, regarding the amount of copies that each one makes and try to consolidate this because he believes that there is a big waste of money here, with the number of copies being made. Mr. Killen suggested that all office machines be included in this survey, and the town should try to get a centralized system.

Mr. Adams added that the Purchasing Agent should try to get the best prices on all office equipment. He pointed out that the rental fees for the copiers of the different departments varies.

Mr. Killen asked about line 7180, Vital Statistics. Ms. Wall explained that other towns bill them whenever anyone is born, died or married in another town, and a copy is sent to her office.

Mr. Parisi asked why Seminars and Dues went up and Ms. Wall explained that there are conferences that she would like to attend, which will be very helpful to her.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to reduce line 7180, Vital Statistics to \$1,000, a cut of \$200, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 106 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

TOWN CLERK, pages 181-182 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 6030.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 181-182, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Bradley asked what the purpose was of having a part-time clerk, and Ms. Wall explained that the Part-Time Clerk is used during license month (June), hunting license time of the year (Fall) and other times during the year to help out.

Mr. Zandri suggested that the Part-Time Clerk be eliminated because the Town Clerk's Office is already heavily staffed.

Mrs. Papale commented that the Town Clerk's Office is there to also help the people of the town, not only the Attorneys. Mr. Adams agreed with Mrs. Papale and added that he does not want to see money wasted but at the same time, he wants to make sure that when the taxpayers go in there, they are treated with the respect and expedience that they deserve.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to eliminate the Part-Time Clerk position at \$3,500 (page 182), seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Bradley, Doherty and Zandri voted yes; all other Council Members voted no; motion did not carry.

Regarding the Town Clerk position, Mr. Parisi explained that the Merit Review Board has been working on the proposal for benefits for this position for vacation, benefits, salary scale, etc. and maybe this will be put on a program so future Councils will know what has transpired in the past.

Mr. Zandri asked what the normal procedure is when a new person takes over this position as far as salary is concerned. Mr. Killen explained that the Town Clerk is appointed by the Town Council and is not covered under the Personnel Department. When they apply for the job, you can tell them the salary and they can decide if they still want it. Mr. Zandri questioned Mr. Killen as to whether that was ever discussed. Mr. Killen stated that he does not think that it was ever discussed and explained that he believes what happened was, the figure was in there and no one mentioned cutting it and so, that is what they assumed we were offering. Mr. Zandri did not agree and explained that when someone starts a position, they should not start at the same salary as the person they are replacing that spent more time working up to that salary. Mr. Killen added that in his opinion, this salary is somewhere in the area of what a job like this would entail.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to remove \$500 from Part-Time Clerk bringing the new total to \$3,000, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Adams, Doherty, and Holmes voted yes; All other Council Members voted no; motion did not carry.

VOTE: (page as presented) Bradley and Zandri voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

TOWN CLERK, page 133 - Capital Requests, A/C 6030

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 133, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Ms. Wall explained that the map cabinet is different than what she had asked for before. There is a hanging map file which is used to house all the new maps that are coming in. Two maps fit into the vinyl covering and they are hung up to prevent tearing and wear and tear and as of Monday, they will be out of room.

Mr. Adams asked Ms. Wall where she came up with the figure for the Land Record System and Ms. Wall explained that it was an approximation that was reached through the Mayor and other people.

Referring to the Land Record System, Ms. Wall explained that with condensing the land records, they will be going back through the indexes and putting them on the computer and condensing them into the small red books, which is what the Town of Milford is doing now. This will not be wasting money because, not only are they condensing the land records but, they will be used 20 years from now when they are fully computerized, and no longer have hard copies.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to remove \$1,000 from Land Record System bringing the total to \$5,000, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to move page 133 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

SCHOOL HANDICAPPED RENO, page 27, A/C 1112.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 27, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen suggested that the Secretarial Services be cut because it seems like they did not use it all. Mr. Chicoski explained that he has money encumbered because he fell behind in his bookkeeping but, with the amount of meetings that they have had and will be having, he would anticipate using all of the money that is in there.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

WELFARE, page 75, A/C 3060.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 75, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Francesconi explained that all of the 700 accounts are reimbursed 90%.

Mr. Zandri asked what office supplies Mr. Francesconi needed and he explained that he needs a new adding machine, desks, and other general supplies.

Mr. Parisi asked to line 7050 explained (Board of Children). Mr. Francesconi explained that if an abused child from Wallingford is taken from their home and put into another one, the town would be responsible for the support of the child.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

WELFARE, page 171, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 3060.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 171, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen declared a 5 minute recess at 9:15 p.m. The Council returned at 9:25 p.m.

POLICE ADMINISTRATION, page 49, A/C 2011.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 49, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Bradley asked about the increase in the telephone. Ms. Betty Herman explained that their telephone budget is a total budget, then they take it percentage wise and spread it over all of the line items. This year they added 2 modems, which will be connected to the new Town Hall for their computers. They also have 2 cellular phones that were not in the budget last year. Chief Bevan added that the cellular phones are \$38 a month and the modems are \$22.50 each a month, (cellular phones are \$38 a month each).

Regarding line 5700, Training, Tuition, Books, Chief Bevan explained that \$15,000 of that increase is for accreditation. There are 900+ items of criteria that will take about 2½ years to complete for 2 men working full time. The bottom line of that cost will be over \$100,000. Chief Bevan added that he thinks this is an excellent idea for the department.

Mayor Dickinson commented that he is in favor of the accreditation program.

Lieutenant McNeil, head of the Traffic Division, explained that the accreditation program is voluntary right now but in the near future, it may be mandatory on a State or Federal level. The guidelines that have been formulated for each Police Department to achieve, have been established by 4 basic groups, and they tested them for a couple of years. They cover the type of patrol cars, how the patrol cars are marked, the equipment that is in them, the type of holding facilities we have, administrative structure, training, etc. The fee is \$10,000 to be accredited. Two years is probably a fair estimate of the time frame for this program. They would like

each department to have multi-channel radios, physical changes to the cell block area, markings on the police cars, and new positions created or mandated by the guidelines. All of the guidelines do not have to be met. Based on the number of people you have working, they make certain guidelines optional, some mandatory. Of the mandatory, obviously you have to meet them all because those are the most important, and 80% of the optional guidelines have to be met. If we get accredited, we get re-evaluated in 5 years. When you are re-evaluated, you have to meet a higher percentage of the optional guidelines. You have to meet all of the guidelines. The process begins when the Chief and the Mayor apply for accreditation and they need \$5,000 at that point. Just before we get accredited, and there is a physical inspection before that happens, they need the other \$5,000. The other costs will be absorbed in some of the guidelines and the people doing this accreditation are going to need some training (seminar training).

Mr. Holmes asked who receives the \$10,000 and Lieutenant McNeil told Mr. Holmes that it goes to the National Law Enforcement Agency for Accreditation and it is located in Fairfax Va.

Mr. Holmes asked if these people would be dedicated to this project and Deputy York replied, at least one would.

Deputy York asked if it would be possible to have a couple of Council Members work with the Police Department on this program, because they should be involved.

Mr. Killen asked who was covered under line 4800, Clothing & Equipment. Ms. Herman explained that this is for the Chief, the Deputy, the Administrative Lieutenant (that is in contingency) and the Sergeant.

See page 67 for additional comments.

POLICE ADMINISTRATION, page 153 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 2011.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 153, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen commented that a department should be able to function with a Chief and a Deputy Chief. Deputy York explained that all of the jobs that are being done, are being done by people in different areas. For example: some people in Patrol are responsible for computers and they have another Sergeant who is responsible for the radios. The Management Study said that these responsibilities should be stream-lined and put into Administration.

Mr. Holmes suggested, that as each budget in the Police Department is attacked, that they budget for half a year on each of the open positions.

Regarding the open positions, Chief Bevan explained that they anticipate filling those positions by November 15, 1988.

Mr. Holmes stated that he is in favor of eliminating money completely from the budget and, as the Chief needs, on a case by case basis as these positions are filled, he can come back to the Council for the money. If the money is put into contingency, it will have no impact on lowering the mill rate.

Mr. Adams commented that he would like to see a follow-up on any studies that were done, a year after they happened, to make sure that these things are being carried out. This way, the credibility to the Council is there for following through and the accreditation would be a natural outflow of the recommendations that would come out of the Police Study. Mr. Parisi agreed with Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to budget \$14,718 for the Administrative Lieutenant and \$13,439 for the Sergeant (open), seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Holmes added that this is for 6 months and if the positions are filled sooner, Chief Bevan can come back before the Council for funding.

Mr. Doherty asked if they are going to be able to have a Field Supervisor on every shift, with these additional Sergeants and

Chief Bevan replied yes and explained that that is the reason for it. They have 4 now and need 2 more.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 153 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Killen voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE ADMINISTRATION, page 49

Mr. Zandri asked what the difference was between buying and leasing the telephones.

Mr. Myers explained that it is a budgetary matter. To purchase it outright, it might have cost \$60,000 in one lump sum and by buying them over 5 years, it cost \$15,000 a year and has less of an impact on the budget. It is not advantageous for a community to follow that line of thinking on items such as copy machines and computers, by the time a five year lease runs out, more than often, the equipment has reached a stage where it is outdated because the technology is advancing so rapidly. For the same, or less dollars, you can upgrade without any impact to your budget.

Mr. Zandri pointed out that the total budget for phones (not counting the lease) is up 20%. Mayor Dickinson explained that there are some extra phones included in there.

Referring to line 6600, St/Regional Affiliation Sys, Mr. Killen stated that it should be noted that this line should be broken down and put into the proper departments for next year's budget, (such as the Youth Service Bureau).

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to accept page 49 as presented, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE, page 127 - Capital Requests, A/C 2011

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 127, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION, page 50, A/C 2012.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 50, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Papale absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION, page 154 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 2012.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 154, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Holmes and Mr. Parisi questioned the Clerk Typist II (New) position and Chief Bevan explained that he will be doing his best to get that position filled by July 1, 1988.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION, page 127 - Capital Requests, A/C 2012.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 127, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Bradley asked what the Electronic Drag Sled was and Deputy York explained that this is a device that you can use at an accident scene, to duplicate skid marks and determine the speed of a vehicle prior to impact.

Chief Bevan explained that the Strobe Bars are part of a replacement program and these are new. Mayor Dickinson added that they have been having a lot of problems with the strobe bars and they are trying to replace them a little at a time.

Mr. Zandri asked how many cars will be needing new strobe bars and Chief Bevan answered 5 and explained that the rest will be going in the next budget, or possibly 7 or 8.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-CRIME PREVENTION, page 51, A/C 2013.

A motion to move page 51 was made by Mr. Parisi, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-CRIME PREVENTION, pages 154-155, A/C 2013, Personnel.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move pages 154-155 as presented, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-CRIME PREVENTION, page 128, Capital Requests A/C 2013.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 128, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mrs. Herman explained that the projector that is being used right now is being borrowed from the Library or the Detective Division.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-DETECTIVE & NARCOTICS, page 52, A/C 2014.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 52, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Doherty asked about the car rental and Mrs. Herman explained that Lt. Butka asked for 2 long term rentals, in addition to the 2 that they change every month and the Mayor let them have 1. It will be an additional long term rental, (1 year).

Mayor Dickinson added that they do have to double up with the vehicles. There are 2 vehicles assigned to Detective and 2 rentals, and this will bring the total to 5.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-DETECTIVES, NARCOTICS & FORENSICS, A/C 2014- Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, page 155-156.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 155, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to cut Detective (Open) from \$24,551 to \$12,275 (page 156)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move pages 155-156 as amended, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE DETECTIVES & NARCOTICS, page 128, A/C 2014-Capital Requests.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 128, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Papale not present for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE PATROL, pages 53-54, A/C 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move pages 53-54, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Holmes asked to have line 3000, Gas & Oil explained and Mrs. Herman explained that this year they are paying the .91 Federal Tax. They will be reimbursed, but it has to be paid up front first. Mrs. Herman also added that they will be having an extra drop next year. A drop of gas will last them about 7 weeks.

Mr. Bradley asked to have line 6000, Physicians Special Services explained. Mrs. Herman explained that this is an item that was suggested in the Police Study and that is for physicals. There is

\$10,000 in there for physicals, for 68 policemen, and 16 will go through the physical. Mayor Dickinson added that this is the same basic schedule that they are looking to implement with the Fire Department.

Mrs. Herman added that in addition to the physical exams, they also inoculate their men against hepatitis B, at \$41.67 each times a series of 3, for a total of \$125.00 per man.

The Council Members commented that they felt that this price for 3 shots was very high.

Mr. Holmes asked to have line 6500 explained and Deputy York explained that this is the computer that is tied into the Motor Vehicle Department and all of the Motor Vehicle Departments in all of the states. Mrs. Herman explained that they are billed from the state for this, and it is based on usage and maintenance, and it was recommended by the state to purchase new equipment to update the system.

Regarding the Janitorial Services, line 6290, Chief Bevan explained that this contract is out for re-bid and should be in by the end of May. At the present time, the contract is for \$23,000.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE PATROL DIVISION, pages 156-161, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move pages 156-161, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to cut the 2 (New) Sergeant positions to \$13,439, for each position (page 157) and \$10,096 in the 3 (Open) Patrol positions, for each position (pages 160-161), seconded by Mrs. Papale.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move pages 156-161, as amended, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE PATROL, page 128 - Capital Requests, A/C 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 128, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Holmes asked Chief Bevan if he really needed the 8 Revolvers which he requested. Chief Bevan explained that in the last 2 years, they bought 66. Coming up to full strength, they will need 4 additional and they would like to have 4 more in reserve, in case of a breakdown.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce Police Cruisers from \$87,000 to \$84,960 and put \$2,040 into Revolvers, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Doherty asked how many miles are put on a patrol car each year and Mrs. Herman replied, 100,000 miles.

Mr. Doherty asked what the Lexan Shields were and Chief Bevan explained that this is the shield in the cruiser which separates the Officer from the prisoner.

Referring to the Portable 2 Channel Radios, Mr. Parisi commented that for the amount of money that they spend, they never seem to last very long. Chief Bevan explained that they don't last long because they take a lot of abuse. Sometimes, to have one fixed it could cost between \$500-\$700, just to fix one radio.

Mr. Zandri asked what is done with the radios when they are no longer used by the police. Mr. Myers explained that equipment that is no longer used (belonging to the town), can be declared obsolete and it is then offered to all of the other town agencies. If no town agency or office has a need for it or can use it, it is then put out for the public sale.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 128 as amended, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-RECORDS DIVISION, page 55, A/C 2016.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 55, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-RECORDS DIVISION, page 162 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 2016.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 162, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Parisi asked what the workload was generated from. Chief Bevan explained that the increased workload comes from the Patrol Division and the Detective Bureau, the activity that is generated there, all flows into the Records Room.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to delete the (New) Clerk Typist II, (\$14,625), seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Chief Bevan asked the Council to leave this position and explained that this is a vital position and is more or less, a service to the general public. This is where the general public picks up nearly all records. Mrs. Herman added that she thinks this town is very lucky to have dedicated people working in their department and other town departments. Mrs. Herman pointed out that the department has not added anyone to their clerical staff in 5 yrs.

VOTE: Adams, Bradley, Papale and Solinsky voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried. (delete Clerk Typist II)

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 162 as amended, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-RECORDS DIVISION, page 128 - Capital Requests, A/C 2016.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 128, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE, page 56, A/C 2017.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 56, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Bradley asked what was going to be done with the additional money for Traffic Signs, line 4240. Mr. Rick Doll explained that there are a lot of signs in town at the present time, that are worn out. They want to start this program by taking an area at a time and replacing all of the signs that are worn out. There are also a lot of new streets in town.

Mr. Killen asked how Maint. of Signals was paid and Mrs. Herman explained that this line was under contract. Mr. Doll added that if the contractor has to be called in after hours, the workers receive \$128 an hour.

Chief Bevan added that also included in Maint. of Signals is the painting of the span poles, which hasn't been done in 15 years, and will cost \$2,150.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce A/C 5200, Maint. of Signals from \$19,150 to \$17,000, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Zandri asked to have line 6520 explained (Traffic Paint Contract) Mr. Doll explained that one example is, each school in town will have "SLOW SCHOOL" done and in calendar 1987, there were 53 streets accepted, which some will require paint and some will not.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 56 as amended, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Ayes not present for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE, page 163, A/C 2017 - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 163, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mrs. Herman explained that the present Laborer that they have now, is considered a Laborer in the Public Works Contract,, which is what we fall under. All of the Public Works people have been upgraded to Maintainer I, they no longer have a Laborer. We would like to increase this man up to a Maintainer I grade. The increase would be \$666.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to push the Laborer position to Maintainer I position, with an increase of \$666.00 for a total of \$19,095, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 163 as amended, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE, page 129 - Capital Requests, A/C 2017.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 129, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-YOUTH SERVICES, page 57, A/C 2018.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 57, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-YOUTH SERVICES, page 163, A/C 2018, - Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 163, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

POLICE-YOUTH SERVICES, page 129 - Capital Requests, A/C 2018.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 129, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

COMPTROLLER, page 38, A/C 1400.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 38, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Myers when he anticipated getting an Assistant on board. Mr. Myers explained that his target date was September.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 3210 from \$500 to \$250, (Trans Exp-Dep Compt), seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 4200, Budget Printing from \$1,500 to \$750, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Myers pointed out that when they purchased the IBM System 36, they bought the smallest system they could, with the idea that, as more and more of the work was placed on this system, as it was filled up, we would look into add-ons.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Myers if he was going to be expending the money left in the Training account. Mr. Myers explained that they will not be using that money this year. Next year, Ms. Plover has one expensive course to go to called Systems Manager and Eva also has to attend that course. Ms. Plover added that they are about \$800 each to go to these courses. The new Deputy Comptroller will also have to attend.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to cut \$300 from line 6000 (Town Financial Report) for the new total of \$400, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to reduce line 6550 (State Meetings) from \$750 to \$600, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Myers to explain line 9000 (Professional Svcs-Acct) and Mr. Myers explained that Ms. Plover and himself have a big project that they want to work on next year and it is called Cash Management. This account will be used to use the services of their Accounting Firm. Ms. Plover explained that this program is very important for the town, pulling funds from the different departments and investing them. In the long term, we will gain a lot by our investments by pulling the funds together. It will take a lot of work, because it has never been done in the Town of Wallingford. The \$8,500 will basically be for Consultant fees. Mr. Myers added that he would like the Council to know that they are operating under a team concept.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 38 as amended, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Myers pointed out that the \$8,500 (line 900) is not only going to be used to fund this program but, he uses the services of the Accounting Firm for a sounding board for other issues also.

COMPTROLLER-DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, pages 148-150, A/C 1400, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 148-150, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mrs. Papale asked if the money was needed in the Deputy Comptroller position and Mr. Myers asked that the money be left in that account because he has a temporary which he would like to keep on board until he gets someone permanent.

Mr. Solinsky asked how long the temporary will be on board and Mr. Myers replied, 3 months (because of testing).

Mr. Parisi asked what the Internal Auditor (New) was and why 2 were needed. Mr. Myers explained that Eva checks every transaction that comes through the Finance Department. Last year, she checked 76,000 checks which represented \$143,000,000 of disbursement of town money. She has been here for a number of years and does an excellent job. With that amount of responsibility, with the number of dollars involved, in the near future, there should be 2 people in there. Eva added that she also processes every bill for the General Fund.

Mr. Adams moved to reduce Deputy Comptroller line on page 149 by \$150 for 12 weeks, or \$1,800, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Adams moved pages 148-150, as amended, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

COMPTROLLER-DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, page 127 - Capital Requests, A/C 1400.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 127, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked if the Office Partitioning was pre-fab and Mr. Myers explained that this request is to provide some partitioned office space for Karen and Eva, and these partitions will give them the flexibility to re-arrange it.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:25 a.m.

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The fifth budget workshop was called to order at 7:05 p.m. All Council Members with the exception of Councilman Doherty were present, with Councilman Parisi arriving a few minutes late. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Mr. Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.

PAGE 34, HOLIDAYS & CELEBRATIONS - 1310

Mrs. Papale moved page 34, Holidays & Celebrations, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mrs. Papale mentioned that there was \$2,000 in the Recreation budget for the Center Park Program at Christmas and she felt that all funding should be in one budget and Johanna Fishbein agreed this should be consolidated. Mrs. Papale commented that the \$2,000 was removed from the Recreation budget and did not pass. Mrs. Fishbein is trying to get all sponsored events through the Celebrations Committee. Mrs. Fishbein said the celebration on the green in September was a success and many residents have asked to have this function yearly and there was a request for \$2,000. The increase of \$500 for the Memorial Day parade is due to rising costs of flags, etc. The Wallingford Race Day fee has been increased to \$7.00. Mrs. Fishbein said any monies not expended are returned to the General Fund.

Mr. Zandri asked about the annual Wallingford Celebration Day and Mrs. Fishbein said it would bring people into town and there were many events last year--crafts, clowns, jazz pianists, refreshments, stores remained open. Mr. Zandri did not want the event to take place for the sole purpose of the business community to stimulate business but he is not opposed to this for the sole purpose of the townspeople. Mrs. Fishbein wants to see Wallingford promoted all the time and everyone really enjoyed that day and many are willing to help on this committee. Mayor Dickinson said that one event planned for this year is the opening of the town hall and he felt that it is the spirit aspect of it which is important. At Christmas, downtown was loaded with people taking carriage rides, etc. and it was very festive and good for the town. Mayor Dickinson felt that the merchant benefit was a side effect and the positive aspect is that people get together and feel good about being out in Wallingford.

Mayor Dickinson added that the downtown itself reflects the attitude of the community for itself and he believes that and feels there have been some very positive developments--Judd Square has now gone residential and there will put many more people in the radius there and there are significant investments in the buildings, all important elements in a process of spirit and rejuvenation of the community. Mayor Dickinson hopes that everyone will benefit.

Mr. Adams is aware of many communities which have annual celebrations and he prefers spending his money in town and he does note that people like Johanna perform their services as a labor of love.

Mrs. Papale asked about the Christmas lights and AWARD and Mrs. Fishbein said the merchants contributed quite a bit this year and the wreaths were part of the deal and she felt the town has never looked as beautiful as this past year.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 124, BOARD OF EDUCATION

Robert Nicoletti, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools, Roger Rivers, Chairman of Board of Education and A.J. Namnoun were present.

Mrs. Papale moved pages 124, 125 and 126 for discussion, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Bradley moved to line 3180 Legal Services, \$16,000 with \$11,000 transferred into it, current balance \$4,721 and this year the line is \$70,000. Mr. Namnoun explained that they are facing 5 union negotiations, with the teachers being the largest and three years ago when this union was negotiated, approximately \$35,000 was spent for legal services, mediator and final arbitration and that is the main reason for the increase--5 contracts coming up. Mr. Namnoun explained this is under mandate and the price must

be paid. Mr. Rivers added that on several unions, the town's negotiator is used but with teachers, they do not and the bulk of that money is in the teachers negotiation. Mr. Inglese added that 6 years ago, negotiations ran about \$30,000 but a lot depends on whether it goes to arbitration or not because attorneys fees cost more. Mr. Bradley asked if the projection was for the maximum and Mr. Inglese said the figure is projected if they wind up going to arbitration because there is a great deal of language that piles up in that 3 year period of time. Mr. Rivers said the Board recommended \$100,000. Dr. Nicoletti is afraid this might not be enough and currently, the issue of subcontracting custodial work may end up in litigation and this is expensive; this fee is for any kind of difficulty encountered that the Town Attorney or negotiator cannot handle. Mr. Inglese added that the \$30,000 fee six years ago, along with fact finding and arbitration fees came to \$56,000.

Mr. Zandri asked, with the increase in teachers' salaries, are the same type of problems anticipated in negotiations as in the past. Dr. Nicoletti felt there would be and the Woodbridge-Amity region just settled a teachers contract at 11%, on top of all the enhancement and the language is more time consuming in terms of legal assistance than the dollars.

Mrs. Papale asked about Line 1150 Differentials and Dr. Nicoletti explained that those costs are differences in pay between teachers and department chair people or guidance counselors, any positions that command an extra stipend and they do work a week before and after school opens.

Mrs. Papale moved to Line 3230 Maintenance and Repairs and A.J. Namnoun explained this includes painting at Moran for \$7,000, office drapes, faculty room, gym floor and the concentration is at Moran and Dag. Mrs. Papale moved to Line 5000 Major Capital Improvements. Mr. Murphy said roof repairs and replacements are \$60,000, underground storage tanks \$30,000 and replacement of intercom console and speakers at Moran, Rock Hill and Highland for \$27,000, a total of \$117,000. Dr. Nicoletti said the \$60,000 is for roof repair, stop-gap action for leaks and the full blown replacement will entail adoption of three resolutions by the Town Council.

Dr. Nicoletti explained that all of the schools, except Sheehan, are past 20 years and eligible for state grants. Mr. Cei said a survey was done by a roofing consultant. Mr. Cei said Lyman Hall had various roof sections replaced, along with parts of Lyman Hall but money would be saved by having them all done at once.

Mr. Solinsky asked Mr. Myers how much money could be borrowed or bonded with \$60,000 of interest and Mr. Myers asked for a few minutes to determine this. Mr. Holmes asked if everything could be accomplished in one year with the amounts budgeted and Mr. Namnoun felt it could and there has been an ambitious paving program for the past 2-3 years. Mr. Cei said the paving costs are low right now. Mr. Holmes would rather not budget the full amount if it is not felt that all the projects can be accomplished. Mr. Myers answered that the \$60,000 interest would support a \$450,000 bond; \$30,000 being used for principle and the other \$30,000 used for interest, pay back over 15 years. Mr. Solinsky asked how much the roof project will cost and Mr. Cei said this is anticipated for the summer of 1989, having all the schools done for approximately \$2.5 million and reimbursement from the State is 63.5%. Mr. Namnoun said the Board recommended cutting the \$60,000 out of the budget and the project engineer recommended keeping the monies within the budget because of the existing conditions of the roof and there is a major problem at Central Office with leaks. Mr. Cei said the roofs have served their useful intended life-- 25, 30 or more years.

Mr. Bradley thought that we were getting into roof repair tax shock. Mr. Bradley felt that we should be undertaking an aggressive maintenance program. Dr. Nicoletti felt that the budget reductions have prevented such capital improvements. Mr. Rivers added that roof maintenance has been done every year. Mr. Bradley added that one roof leaks because of gutters being blocked.

stopped and those are the things he is looking at and Mr. Cei said their maintenance staff is instructed to clean the gutters periodically. Mr. Cei also added that the insulation will be increased with the roof replacement. Mr. Rivers would like to get design changes on the flat roofs to avoid standing water.

Mr. Holmes noted there was a substantial increase in heating supplies. Dr. Nicoletti felt there is no way of knowing and last year, the range was opted for--between 48.5¢ and 56¢ and 56¢ was never hit. Upon Dr. Nicoletti's suggestion, Mr. Kari increased the 56¢ by 10% times 550,000 gallon estimate which comes up to \$339,515 and #2 oil for Parker Farms at 63¢, or \$23,000 and fuel additives of \$3,750. Mr. Holmes felt there may be some savings in that account.

Mr. Holmes asked about the Contingency account of \$235,000. Dr. Nicoletti said this was for union contracts and the current year's account will all be expended. The Board recommended that the special ed tuition not be taken from that account added A.J. Namnoun.

Mr. Holmes moved to Line 3220 Contracted Services; Mr. Namnoun explained this was for grass cutting for \$86,000, snow plowing for \$37,000, boiler inspection contracts, 4 times yearly, service contract for elevators, Sheehan's heating, ventilating and airconditioning.

Mr. Holmes moved to Insurance - final figure for this current fiscal year--Mr. Rivers said there is -0- in that account. Mr. Namnoun felt that Mr. Kari put a 10% increase across the board for this year. Dr. Nicoletti said this year, so far \$647,685 has been expended for Blue Cross and there is a negative balance of \$68,000 there but in CMS, \$375,000 was expended with a +\$97,000 and in life insurance, \$43,000 was expended with a negative \$7,000 and it appears that there is \$15,000 that has not been expended but there may be an adjustment prior to June 30.

Mr. Killen asked what the basis was for establishing a contingency account and Dr. Nicoletti said it was usually a guesstimate on what the contract resolution will be, say 7%, or 10% and that is the basis. Mr. Killen felt that only a 2% contingency was allowed by law. Mr. Rivers added that 10 years ago, there was no contingency and that figure was built into the certified salaries and it was broken out to indicate how much money was held for salary settlements--Mr. Killen felt it was better to put it back that way. Dr. Nicoletti would be happy to provide figures which could be multiplied out. Mr. Rivers said the numbers come from the state.

Mr. Holmes moved to the Certified account and Mr. Inglese said this covered about 425 teachers and 25 administrators. Mr. Holmes asked if all the positions were filled and Mr. Inglese said there were some retirements coming up and the Board usually waits until after the final budget is set. Mr. Zandri asked how many new positions there were and Mr. Rivers answered there were 3. Dr. Nicoletti said those are subject to change for overcrowded classrooms which might require putting on an additional teacher in the fall, after the enrollment has been established. Mr. Parisi asked if 425 teachers were budgeted for and in September, ten teachers are short, there would be a surplus since it was budgeted for and the body is not there and in town government, that money is cut from the account for the length of time it would take to fill the position and the Council would like to do that with the education budget also, if they can. Dr. Nicoletti said they have always gone \$100,000 or so in the hole and the salary account has been shortchanged and hope and pray that is recovered through turnover but if not, expenditures are curtailed. Dr. Nicoletti tells the building principals to spend all but 10% of their budget just in case it is needed. Mr. Parisi believed you must budget for all of the teachers needed in September. Mr. Rivers said the Board in past years has shortchanged the salary account about \$100,000 and this current year, things look like they will stay in place. Mr. Namnoun said there would be 12 retired and Mr. Parisi pointed out that the new teachers would be hired at a lower pay scale and Mr. Namnoun wanted it known that hard to find teachers were hired at the top of the scale--chemistry and I.A. Mr. Rivers said the minute they receive their appropriation, Mr. Inglese will get the three new people on board but he

must wait until the budget is finalized since this information is so critical. Mr. Inglese said that one year, he had to tell people who left that there was no job available during the summer vacation.

Mr. Zandri asked about the increase in the high schools and Dr. Nicoletti said there is an increase of 2 health teachers but there will be a decrease of 1 at each high school, a wash item. Dr. Nicoletti has a meeting with the elementary principals on May 12 to determine their needs, a projection of 2.5 to 3 teacher increase right now.

Mr. Killen pointed out that there was a difference between last year's budget appropriation and this year's book and Dr. Nicoletti said they do not know who would retire in June and this year's book may reflect the retirees but Mr. Killen said it was a \$230,000 swing. Mr. Killen would like the format changed and Mr. Murphy explained that these figures reflect the transfers on a current basis and Mr. Killen said the Council does not get the figures when transfers are made and they should receive those figures. Dr. Nicoletti agreed that the numbers will fluctuate but he felt that they have made advances with reconciliation with Mr. Myers' help. Mr. Peter Gouveia felt that the cut made last year is reflected in various line items and that explains the difference. Dr. Nicoletti explained that last year, the original budget sustained about a \$700,000 cut; the Board cut \$200,000 and there was another \$500,000 cut and this necessitates swapping and transferring around and Mr. Cei's accounts always get hit. Dr. Nicoletti said this year a teacher was hired in a special area at \$40,000--no choice. This year's cut was \$400,000 and Dr. Nicoletti added that we are dealing with a \$28,000,000 moving target and there must be reshuffling. Dr. Nicoletti said that in the final analysis, whatever the Council gives, the Board of Education must by law live with and he felt that the budget is an honest one and they need the dollars.

Mr. Holmes asked if there were any open positions in the 120 non-certified staff and Mr. Inglese said there may be 1 or 2 secretarial positions open and Mr. Holmes pointed out that there may be some funds if that account had to be reduced. Dr. Nicoletti said those positions are filled with temporary help so the savings are not significant. Mr. Parisi gave an example of lead time for hiring and budgeting for salaries for a full year.

Mr. Killen pointed out that Insurances show \$1,926,112 in the current book and last year \$1,936,112 and he felt that \$10,000 was cut due to the Mayor's reduction. Dr. Nicoletti said the Medical and Technical Services includes a large appropriation for computers, health services, medical exams at Lyman Hall, and student body activity medical for football teams where a doctor is hired to be at each game and there is a negative balance in the account as of April 20, 1988. Dr. Nicoletti explained that their balances are a function of not only the expended but encumbered.

Line 3120 - Aces - also includes staff development and conferences. Mr. Parisi asked the benefit of Aces and Dr. Nicoletti said they provide consulting work for us such as setting up a Talented and Gifted Program and special ed is a different ticket. The dues for Aces go up on an annual basis, based on the number of pupils in the system and their per pupil rate. Dr. Nicoletti said \$25,000 was appropriated in line 3120 for staff development which has been expanded and the instructors and teachers are both paid for attending.

Dr. Nicoletti said that in July, 1989, they will be required to offer Continuing Education Units and it will come out of that account, so there will be an increase there.

Line 3130 - Dr. Nicoletti explained this is a function of special education and the special ed tuition is a moving target and there are variables involved.

Line 3190 - Audit - Dr. Nicoletti said Mr. Kari was sent to Tufts and they must keep current on conferences. Mr. Bradley asked if training was included in a new system and Dr. Nicoletti said some is but not all. Mr. Namnoun said they have a 5 year on equipment and either 1 to 5 year on the software to be installed and trained for free and two secretaries were flown to California this year for training and the system will be centralized. A total of 20 people

will be trained and all except three will be trained in house since someone was hired on an hourly basis this summer to train the others. Levitsky & Berney audits the student activity accounts in the high schools.

3210 - Utilities - Mr. Cei explained there will be a Building and Grounds Committee Meeting May 5 to which the Council is invited and a representative of C. L. & P. will talk about using gas for a fuel instead of oil and gas lines could be brought to the schools at no cost. Mr. Zandri raised the question at a Board of Ed Meeting about going to gas and Mr. Rivers said that was reviewed several years ago but then the price of oil and gas was very similar. Mr. Holmes felt that there might be some potential for reduction in that account. Line 3210 is not used for heating but electric, water and sewer and propane gas.

3220 - Contracted Services - Dr. Nicoletti said Aces is in here-- \$21,000 plus \$3,500 and most school systems rely on them. Also include here is ice time at Choate, speech pathology, a whole myriad of things, masonry, plumping, clocks, painting, glass, snow plowing, garbage removal and at this point, there is a \$70,000+ balance and work requisitions come in by the dozens. Dr. Nicoletti felt that money was removed from this account last year because of the budget reduction. Mr. Zandri questioned the \$182,000 increase in this account and Dr. Nicoletti said the bulk is \$86,000 for grass cutting and \$40,000 for subcontracting to clean schools. Previously, plumbers and electricians were used to cut grass. Mr. Zandri suggested hiring high school students and Dr. Nicoletti said there are gang mowers and there is liability involved. Mr. Cei said it worked best when the town took care of the school lawns and fields. Mr. Zandri wondered if these contracts were more costly rather than having the work done through Public Works and providing the manpower. Mr. Killen felt that the schools wanted to be serviced first and John Q. Taxpayer wanted the roads and streets done first and Mr. Rivers felt that Mr. Deak would have to increase his workforce to accomplish this task. Dr. Nicoletti also mentioned that new equipment has been abused.

3230 - Maintenance & Repairs - Dr. Nicoletti said there is \$20,492 left in that account and that includes just about all of Mr. Cei's account. Mr. Namnoun indicated that a month ago, Nelson Kari put Mr. Cei's account on hold since this is the prudent way to handle a deficit. Mr. Killen objected to the money being withheld from Maintenance & Repairs and Dr. Nicoletti explained that should there be a deficit and the Council refused to bail them out, the Board would be liable with no contingency or other source. Mr. Rivers added that the bulk of Mr. Cei's money is spent in the summer months due to the nature of the projects. Mr. Killen said it will haunt the Council if the school falls apart and he feels you must be willing to rework the figures and not always hit that particular account.

Mr. Holmes mentioned that three years ago, the Board of Education was granted 100% of their request and there was still money taken out of the maintenance accounts and he did not feel the Council cuts should always be blamed. Mr. Adams explained that Bob is talking about uncontrollable costs for special education tuition and the Board does not make these decisions but DCYS does. Dr. Nicoletti said their priorities are children and if there is a choice of providing a \$20,000 service to children or put in new floor tile, chances are they will choose the \$20,000 for the children. Dr. Nicoletti explained that we are dealing with a \$28,000,000 operation which is a moving target and if he could, he would hire himself out to Washington. Dr. Nicoletti agreed we would not win them all but they do try.

Mr. Bradley explained that when it becomes necessary to cut one or two items that are top priority and it is felt that neither one can be cut but there are not funds to carry them through, he felt there is an obligation to come before this Council and put the burden on them to come up with the money and Dr. Nicoletti agreed with Ed 110% but added that those who have been around for a while know better! Dr. Nicoletti is aware of the political reality because these wars have been fought for years and these budgets are represented with the highest integrity possible to provide services to the students and the buildings and it hasn't

always been easy. Dr. Nicoletti added that the Council has been very good to them the past few years.

Mr. Parisi said that Mr. Holmes was 100% right because when the full budget was approved, money was still transferred from the Buildings and Grounds and this is a fact, not a fallacy. Mr. Rivers felt that there was not enough money asked for at that time. Mr. Killen added that if this budget is approved, they still exceed what the state is going to ask for 3 years from now on a per pupil basis and the Council is aware of the figures.

3250 - Rentals - Dr. Nicoletti explained that this is for rental of hockey rinks and rental of lawn rollers, 50% is for Mr. Cei, and \$11,800 for the student body for each high school for rinks. There is a \$5,600 balance in this account.

3290 - Other Purchased Services - Dr. Nicoletti said there is a \$10,486 balance and the bulk of that is contracting custodial services for Parker Farms at \$22,000, Lyman Hall at \$122,000 and Sheehan at \$146,850 and by doing that, money is saved because a cost analysis was done comparing custodial salaries. Money was transferred in for Lyman Hall and Parker Farms.

Dr. Nicoletti said 3290 also includes rubbish removal, laundry services and pest control. Lyman Hall has a 3 year contract subject to cancellation with 30 day notice on our part. Dr. Nicoletti felt that rubbish removal costs will go up when we have to recycle because that will necessitate more containers.

3310 - Pupil Transportation - \$1,351,000 appropriated, encumbered \$265,000, \$1,000,000 spent and a balance of \$81,000 and that is also a moving target because there are calls to collect special ed students. A bus was added on to an area for the rest of the year which incurred a cost of \$7,000 and next year, it will cost \$28,000 for the whole year. Mr. Zandri asked if there was a bus contract for the year and Dr. Nicoletti said there is a 5 year contract with Double A, fixed by bus per day; last year 14 vans were anticipated and there were 18 this year; next year only 7 students will be allowed on a van, rather than 15 and special ed transportation will double next year. Dr. Nicoletti said special ed students are transported wherever their specialty is served. Dr. Nicoletti added that out of the \$1,351,000 appropriated, \$481,000 was appropriated for special ed and \$100,000 was encumbered and \$368,000 was expended with only \$12,000 left and the catastrophic comes back to the Board but any other reimbursements go to the General Fund.

3320 Travel Mileage - Dr. Nicoletti said that mileage is a variety of sources--teachers contractually get 22¢ a mile for travel between schools for music, etc. and this includes contractual mileage for administrators, Vo-Ag recruiting around the state and there is \$7,021 left until June 30.

3390 - Other Transportation Services - Dr. Nicoletti said this is primarily field trips for the planetarium and social studies trips and the spring and fall are high level activity periods and this is construed as being a nice supplement to the students.

3400 - Communications - Dr. Nicoletti explained this includes postage, utilities, telephone, answering service to obtain substitutes. Adjusted appropriation is \$101,000; balance of \$35,757 and deficiencies and report cards at the high schools are mailed home and this is costly. During high activity periods such as negotiations, out of town calls are more frequent and the telephone account is a moving target. Mr. Kari is in the process of discussing the telephone situation with two or three vendors along with a cost analysis, added Mr. Namnoun. Central Office has a WATS line and there is a direct line to Hartford for expediency but there is a problem with insufficient lines. Mr. Killen felt that the Council told the Board they were going in the wrong direction when this system was installed 7 or 8 years ago. Dr. Nicoletti added that there are new intercom systems tied in with the telephones which are dynamite and there is money appropriated to investigate updating. Mr. Killen suggested looking at the Centrex System which is going into the new Town Hall.

A brief recess was held from 10:10 p.m. to 10:15 p.m.

3500 Advertising - Dr. Nicoletti explained that most of this is Personnel Office, advertising for bids for Mr. Cei and things of that nature and there is a balance of \$3,100 left in that account.

3700 Tuition - Dr. Nicoletti said this account is \$200,189 in the hole and that accounts for special ed tuition and \$200,000 of the \$500,000 reduction last year was taken from this account and we are in the hole \$200,200 as a consequence, the point Mr. Gouveia was trying to convey. Mr. Adams agreed there is no control on this item.

3900 Special Student Body Fund - Dr. Nicoletti said money is put in these accounts to pay the costs for youngsters to go to special activities and the students raise some of their own money also.

4100 Teaching & Miscellaneous Supplies - Dr. Nicoletti explained there is \$20,000 left in that account and part of that is due to suppliers not having the supplies and this line does not include textbooks. Mr. Adams said there is a consortium in New Haven which orders together and obtains a good price on supplies. Dr. Nicoletti allocates to the principals on a per pupil amount and the high schools get \$105 or \$110 per student; the middle schools get \$95 per student and elementary schools get \$85 per student and there is a formula used. Mr. Zandri said there is a \$77,471 increase in that account and Dr. Nicoletti felt that this may be due to the maps and consumables for the new social studies program and the new developmental kindergarden supplies, a composite of things. Dr. Nicoletti said this is an important line and includes tools of the trade for the teachers and some of the balance is due to the fact that some items have not been obtained. Mr. Adams said the final bill is not received because of back orders on items and is received after the deadline.

4110 Special Teaching Supplies - Dr. Nicoletti said this includes supplies for Talented and Gifted, psychology, speech, primarily tests for diagnostic purposes. Of the \$47,433 appropriated, \$37,000 was expended with a balance of roughly \$7,900.

4130 Custodial Supplies - Dr. Nicoletti said there is a balance of \$4,867, encumbered \$9,949, actual expenditure \$47,968. Mr. Zandri asked about the contracted cleaning service and Mr. Cei said it was for Sheehan, Lyman Hall and Parker Farms. Dr. Nicoletti said supplies are provided for the day man and there are 3 men during the day at Sheehan and 3 at Lyman Hall and 1 at Parker Farms, union men and their duties are specified in the contract.

4140 Heat & Heating Supplies - Dr. Nicoletti said this account is \$389 in the hole right now. This year's appropriation was explained earlier in the meeting. Mr. Zandri asked if the gas could begin for the next heating season and Mr. Cei said the lines must be brought in and this could probably happen next year and a committee will be formed to investigate this matter along with underground tank removal. Mr. Zandri said there may be a situation where the tanks will not have to be removed but Dr. Nicoletti said the tanks still must be monitored.

4200 Textbooks - Dr. Nicoletti said this year this was adjusted upward from \$115,000 to \$123,000 and there is a balance of \$5,665. Mr. Adams asked about next year and Dr. Nicoletti said the reading series was done some years ago and the math which was highly successful and the science series and the fourth major component would be social studies. Mr. Adams said the language arts series in North Haven for about 2,000 students will cost \$42,000 and this must be multiplied times 3 for Wallingford, or \$120,000 and the \$115,000 is right in the ballpark. Mr. Adams indicated that textbooks are very expensive. Mrs. Tenerowicz said a fifth grade social studies textbook is \$17.97 and the resource book is \$56.00.

4300 Library Material - Dr. Nicoletti explained this is for library books, periodicals, AV materials for thermofax, microfilm, microfiche in the library and there was a balance of \$1,400 left in that account. The money is used to build the collection rather than replace.

4900 Other Supplies & Materials - Dr. Nicoletti said RAVE is a large portion of this at \$33,326 and this is predicated on a certain fixed rate times the number of students. RAVE provides

access to their total collection of videos and films and our equipment is repaired there. There are expenses for graduation for diplomas, police protection, flowers, etc. at \$10,000 or \$5,000 for each high school. The interscholastic athletic program is there for \$13,000 per school and the rest comes through gate receipts. The adjusted appropriation was \$117,000 and there is \$18,000 left because the \$10,000 has not been expended for graduation. There is another \$6,000 for busing for the athletic teams which will go right up until the end of the year. Mr. Zandri noted that this account increased \$13,000 and Dr. Nicoletti said RAVE increases every year and the Lyman Hall graduation account had a shortfall and the banquet, etc. expenses come out of that account.

5000 Major Capital Improvements - Dr. Nicoletti said there is a balance of \$18,758 and Mr. Cei is holding up on this account because of the deficit. Mr. Zandri asked what the \$117,000 in the current budget is earmarked for and Dr. Nicoletti said \$60,000 was for roofs and also the intercoms. Mr. Zandri referred to Mr. Solinsky's question earlier of using the \$60,000 for roof repair and Mr. Namnoun said the consultant recommended keeping it in the budget. Mr. Zandri felt that \$60,000 could be taken and rather than just patch. . . Mr. Solinsky recommended putting the \$60,000 toward a total project and Mr. Zandri felt it could be used toward a loan and the \$60,000 can be saved. Dr. Nicoletti said they must come before the Council to have resolutions passed, a committee is formed, forms are filed and Mr. Cei obtains an architect, specs are drawn, it goes out to bid and there is no way the roofs can be put on before a year has gone by. Mr. Zandri would prefer to see a roof replaced rather than spending \$60,000 to patch; borrow money to totally replace it. Mr. Killen indicated that this must be done by ordinance. Mr. Rivers indicated that the suggestion was that the Board be appointed as the committee to oversee a project of this type since a committee is necessary to obtain the funding grant.

Mr. Solinsky asked about the size of the Stevens area and Mr. Cei said that is about 4,000 square feet but it needs a complete roof replacement since it's 30 years old.

Mr. Zandri referred to replace intercom console at three schools-- Dr. Nicoletti said they are \$8,000 each. Mr. Cei indicated that it is not economical to repair them anymore but they are operable because of fire regulations.

5200 Improvements to Buildings - Dr. Nicoletti said there is a balance of \$18,758 there. Mr. Cei said there are gym floor sandings to be done, petitions, added ventilation in some schools and included in the second payment on Lyman Hall bleachers at \$18,000, renovations at Lyman Hall, door replacements at some schools, curtain replacements at Moran and some rooms at elementary schools are being converted for computer rooms.

5300 Improvements to Site - Dr. Nicoletti indicated a balance of \$8,000 in there. Mr. Cei said includes \$75,000 for blacktop replacement at Lyman Hall next year, extension of the water main on the football field for \$3,000, bleachers for the soccer field for \$4,000 but the majority is for paving. Mr. Bradley said \$60,500 was transferred out of that and Mr. Cei felt that was done because of the budget cut.

Mr. Zandri asked to have the \$239,825 explained again and Mr. Cei said this is primarily paving: Moran has \$25,000 for paving, \$75,000 paving at Lyman Hall, \$40,000 for paving Sheehan, \$7,000 of paving at Moses Y. Beach, Highland paving \$21,000, Rock Hill paving \$22,000, Cook Hill paving \$8,000, Pond Hill paving \$10,000, a number of teachers rooms will be renovated. Dr. Nicoletti said the playgrounds and roads have been neglected. Mr. Cei said the same price is obtained as the state bids. Mr. Zandri asked what paving has been done over the last few years--Mr. Cei indicated Stevens Schools was completely done, playgrounds at Moses Y. Beach, Highland, Rock Hill, Cook Hill, entrance way and playgrounds, back of Dag, front at Sheehan, over the past two years. Dr. Nicoletti felt that the improvements can be seen just from an aesthetic perspective. Mr. Cei added that they piggyback on the state bids wherever possible because of the good prices.

5400 New Instructional Equipment - Dr. Nicoletti said this account is in the hole \$1,500 and this includes a great deal of AV material,

some computers for business office, library equipment and the next year's budget is for new computers at \$68,508 for equipment and \$31,500 for salaries. This includes 10 Apples per school and three printers and \$3,500 of software per school.

5410 Replace Instructional Equipment - Dr. Nicoletti said most of that is library and AV-TV equipment and the balance there is because we are still waiting for a couple of large bid items to come back and there is \$9,000 left. Mr. Rivers said there was a large request for chairs at every school this year--student chairs.

5450 New Non-Instructional Equipment - Mr. Cei said this includes a new dust collecting system for the woodworking shop at Dag and Moran, an added exhaust in the kitchen at Dag, carpeting at Moran's auditorium aisles, new upright vacuum for Moran and blinds and draperies.

5460 Replace Non-Instructional Equipment - Dr. Nicoletti said there is \$22,800 left in that account, another holdback, and this includes replacement of airconditioning equipment, energy light units, venetian blinds, laboratory dispensers, partitions, light ballasts, office and secretarial furniture, cafeteria tables and chairs, entrance mats, fire extinguishers, door hardware, side curtains on stages at \$5,000, all at Lyman Hall. Sheehan scoreboards (2) are being replaced at \$10,000, Dag emergency lights, blinds, partitions, ballasts, etc. Mr. Zandri indicated this account shows a \$108,000 increase and Mr. Cei said the dust collectors are new and this includes replacement carpeting; \$9,000 for replacement of the carpeting in the library at Sheehan which was installed in 1971. Mr. Parisi felt they had obtained their money's worth from that carpeting. Mr. Cei said a 1974 truck was being replaced, along with a sander for the back to sand sidewalks. Pond Hill carpeting is \$10,000.

6400 Dues and Fees - Dr. Nicoletti said there is \$584 left in the account. Board of Education expenditures is \$10,000 and membership dues \$2,500, from Board of Ed to Central Office, AAASA, CASA, CABE.

Mr. Adams suggested that next year's items will include maintenance and repairs as priority items and hold back on things that might be held back. He is not a big fan of computers in the elementary grades since many youngsters have them at home and software can be made available at a minimal cost and there is a possibility of borrowing computers for students to learn at home and he realizes that others have different views but that, of course, is what makes the world go around. Mr. Adams' emphasis is the condition of the buildings and the safety factors outside the buildings, as well.

Mr. Bradley gave his views on computers; the information age we are entering into now is the age that will be with us for many years to come and he supports this program and he added that even some nursery schools in the area have computers.

Mr. Bradley referred to MER and his cost per pupil number of \$4,489 and average membership is 5,954.42 and he comes out with \$26,729,391 and the current budget shows about \$2,000,000 over MER. Dr. Nicoletti wanted him to understand that this stands for minimum expenditure requirement and it by no means means a quality system and Dr. Nicoletti is not proud of the fact that we can say that we are spending at the MER because that is sub-par and that is all he has to say on that. Sure, we are following the law and there would be no potential penalty but Dr. Nicoletti feels we have a lot to be proud of--Wallingford is revered, a leader in many respects, and he feels a sense of personal responsibility for the funding. Mr. Namnoun indicated that Mr. Bradley left out enhancement in the budget number and that would make it even higher so \$1.6 million should be added. Dr. Nicoletti said next year's base will be more like \$30,000,000 because the enhancement dollars will have to be included. Mr. Killen felt that we are a couple of years ahead of ourselves here and Mr. Namnoun indicated that the \$4,800 is a foundation to determine a formula and then you add on to the \$4,800--MER is out the door.

Mr. Parisi commented that when services are shared, there is no credit given. Mr. Namnoun said this was changed to address the lack of funding in towns which do not have the facilities which could be tacked on to a budget to boost their MER and the MER formula affected the gold coast district and left out in the cold eastern Connecticut and the Naugatuck River Valley and that is why the formula was changed. Dr. Nicoletti said Wallingford makes out well with the formula.

In response to a question from Mr. Killen, Dr. Nicoletti said the revenues are projected on figures obtained from the state and Mr. Adams said the preliminary figures are based on formulas. Dr. Nicoletti said all the revenue figures are grants based on estimates and reflect the best guess and not all figures sent to the Comptroller were received by the state and the revenue side again is a moving target, predicated as Mr. Adams said on adjustments made by the state, but there is an 85% guarantee from last year's figures. Mr. Myers explained that the enhancement funds are a pass-through and once appropriated, it is paid to the teachers. Mr. Rivers added that the town got \$446,000 this year for participating and next year it will be over \$669,446 which goes to the General Fund which is shown on Line 5024 on page 15 General Education Aid.

Mr. Bradley referred to Vo-Ag Tuition 1988-89 \$425,000 and the town budget shows \$410,000. Dr. Nicoletti said this is an estimate, based on recruiting for surrounding towns and the figure will not be known until actual enrollment is known.

Mrs. Papale commented that the Council received a letter from the Mayor commending Dr. Nicoletti on monies received on grants. Dr. Nicoletti explained the entanglement and the fact that the money not really claimed, to the best of his knowledge, was \$525,000 in the second bond issue, \$256,000 in a cash payment on projects which dealt with the auditoriums at Dag and the locker room addition at Lyman Hall and the \$49,000 Choral Room Conversion and 3 thermalbar projects which came out of the Capital Improvement Budget being reclaimed.

Dr. Nicoletti sent the forms to Hartford and received a report indicating that we would receive \$38,925 and \$18,435 and someone in the state misconstrued that particular schedule as speaking to the additional money we were reclaiming and that was wrong. Had Dr. Nicoletti not sent in the paperwork, the state would have cut us off a year before the 20th year and they would not have paid the last \$38,925 and the last \$18,435 until the paperwork was in because these were estimates and this was straightened out.

Dr. Nicoletti read a letter from the state's accountant handling this: Lyman Hall Locker Room and Choral Room will increase from \$18,435 to \$25,603 starting with the April, 1989 payment and that comes to some \$78,000 in addition to. The \$256,000 cash portion of the bond issue will equal out to \$25,363 over 5 years; the first bond issue of \$935,750 was in 1980 and there was another \$525,000 bond issue and this was very complicated but of the total for these projects, \$723,619 will be paid back based on prorated bonding portions; one portion will be paid back in 15 years and the other will be paid back in 19 years and the other 3 projects for thermalbar will be coming. Nothing will be obtained in writing until the next fiscal year.

Dr. Nicoletti said that to the best of his knowledge, the new monies that were resurrected, the \$525,000 bond issue we were not getting paid on and the \$256,000 cash payment we were not getting paid on, the \$49,000 Choral Room we were not getting paid on, along with the \$31,600 thermalbar at Dag, the Moran thermalbar of \$28,000 and the Highland thermalbar, almost \$1,000,000 and Dr. Nicoletti figures if we get 63.5% of that, we will get back \$635,000 and we may get more and thermalbar payments were explained. Mr. Rivers said we would get just under \$100,000 this year. Mr. Myers pointed out that this is unconfirmed and we won't get a cent until the state sends us the payment schedule. Mr. Myers said the Parker Farms School issue grant will not even begin being processed until that project is complete and the longer the roadway is under construction, the longer the grant holdup will be. Dr. Nicoletti explained that he must send an EDO44 which shows, to the penny, what was spent and the computation will begin.

Mr. Holmes hopes we can expedite this budget since so much time has been spent and the Council has spent many evenings here until

2:00 a.m. Mr. Killen felt that there was a simple solution-- either support the Mayor's cut or not but it is hoped that everyone learns as we go along because he has no desire to stay here late at night.

Mr. Solinsky referred to Line 5000 Major Capital Improvements and Line 3220 and 3230 which includes roofing maintenance. Mr. Solinsky felt that major capital improvements does not include repair on a 30 year old roof but something of a more permanent basis and some of the worst roofs can probably be replaced for less than the \$60,000 requested for repair. Removal of underground storage tanks is another issue which may be a bonding issue.

Mr. Solinsky moved to remove \$60,000 and \$30,000, a total of \$90,000 from the budget, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Councilmen Parisi and Solinsky voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Adams moved acceptance of Board of Education budget as presented (no second).

Mr. Zandri commented that he has been figuring all evening and without touching any teachers' salaries or eliminating any positions and without touching additional equipment needed for computers, he comes up with an additional cut of \$47,000 over and above the Mayor's suggestion.

Mr. Zandri moved to reduce the Board of Education budget by an additional \$47,000, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Council members Bradley, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky and Zandri voted aye; Councilmen Adams and Killen voted no; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved pages 146 & 147, Wallingford Food Service Cafeteria Fund, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Adams asked if the Cafeteria was self-sustaining right now. Mr. Namnoun said Mr. Golanski has financed some necessary capital improvements--a van, insurance, pension settlement and settlement of contractual obligations and this account may have a deficit. Mr. Adams noted the decline in interest income. Mr. Namnoun indicated that the Board grilled Mr. Golanski extensively at the Board meeting; he has only been on board a year and he was faced with a number of major problems--his van was towed off the road because of its condition and \$15,000 or \$20,000 was spent for a new one and settlement of Jerry Lehmann's estate was about \$55,000. Dr. Nicoletti said there is approximately \$99,000 in the net fund balance and there is a difference of \$125,000 from what he started with and Mr. Golanski had to buy two vehicles, totalling \$21,000, settlement of Mr. Lehmann's estate and payroll was assumed which had been done in Mr. Myers' office, \$2,000 for a computer and \$3,500 for software. A salad bar was added to the menu, along with other expenditures around \$9,000, about \$75,000 in expenditures which were beyond his control; the other \$50,000 involved a discrimination suit, contractual awards, increases in insurance and Mr. Golanski came on at a time with extenuating circumstances and the money had to be taken from C.D.'s. Dr. Nicoletti said that prior to Mr. Golanski coming on board, repairs were never made and things were falling apart. Mr. Rivers has confidence that this will level off and go the other way. Mr. Myers asked if the budget was amended for these expenditures because we will receive an audit exception if the budget was not amended. Mr. Myers said that expenditures not anticipated in the budget of \$125,000/extraordinary expenditures will drive his budget above that adopted by the Town Council bottom line, he must come back for an amendment. Mr. Parisi remembers Mr. Lehmann coming back to the Council. Dr. Nicoletti is having Nelson work closely with him because Mr. Golanski's expertise is not in the fiscal area but in food preparation and he inherited the situation of assuming the finances.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the fifth budget workshop adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Meeting recorded and transcribed by
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The sixth budget workshop was called to order at 7:00 p.m. All Council Members were present, along with Mayor William W. Dickinson and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.

PAGE 41 - PURCHASING

Mr. Parisi moved acceptance of page 41, as presented, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Zandri referred to Copier Rental increase and Mr. Dunleavy said that is a contract increase. Mr. Zandri felt that there were too many copiers and Mr. Dunleavy felt that would require a study after everyone has been at 45 South Main Street for a while. Mr. Parisi congratulated Mr. Dunleavy on his telephone line which is the lowest increase seen. Mr. Dunleavy indicated that he uses 800 numbers whenever possible.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 141 - PURCHASING AGENT - 1450

Mrs. Papale moved page 141 - Purchasing Agent - 1450, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Adams asked when the bids go out for the new budget and Mr. Dunleavy said they are in the process of being done now and will be completed about May 30. Mr. Doherty asked why the cleaning bid for the new town hall went to bid twice and Mr. Dunleavy said the bid was rejected by the department head and the bid was also rejected for the Police Station. Mr. Dunleavy explained that accommodations cannot be made for people who have extenuating circumstances and fail to meet the bid deadline because this would be unfair.

Mr. Holmes asked why no bond was required for the cleaning bid on the new town hall and Mr. Dunleavy indicated that after the bid was rejected, he was called to a meeting and it was decided that the bonding should be dropped and by Charter, the only place a bond is required is construction and everything else is discretionary but there will not be bonds required on future cleaning bids. Mr. Parisi asked how many times Mr. Dunleavy has bid a service contract that did not require a bond and Mr. Dunleavy said it has never been done before but the Council negotiated it down to a 25% factor. Mr. Killen suggested that Mr. Dunleavy give the Council the pros and cons of bonding after budget workshops and Mr. Dunleavy would be glad to and feels it is time to take a look at the Purchasing Ordinance. Mr. Parisi said the bidding lists are not always current and they should be up to date.

PAGE 42 - CENTRAL SERVICES - 1460

Mrs. Papale moved page 42 - Central Services - 1460, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Dunleavy explained the function of Central Services, copying and all functions of mail except PUC billings.

Mr. Bradley questioned the reduction in postage and Mr. Dunleavy said he would be back to the Council for more money in this account. Mr. Bradley questioned that because of the amount requested in the Tax Collector's budget. Mr. Dunleavy feels very comfortable that there are no abuses of mail because of the ability of the two clerks in that department and the basic makeup of the people who work in Town Hall.

Mr. Rosow addressed his postage request on page 39 and said he is already behind \$840 because the postage went up. Mr. Myers explained the Trans-o-Gram, a predesigned envelope which is addressed and goes through the computer system with delinquent information which is mailed to the taxpayer. The major benefit is automobile tax collection which is delinquent; as soon as the July and August 1 payments are posted, notices are sent out immediately and it does bring in revenue. Mr. Rosow said real estate delinquents are reminded when they are past due, right away by a Trans-o-Gram. Mr. Rosow said that real estate is being attached for delinquent motor vehicle taxes. Mr. Dunleavy tracked \$7,600 for Mr. Rosow's department for last year and he will exceed that this year because of Trans-o-Grams. Mr. Killen

does not see how Mr. Dunleavy's postage line can be attacked.
Mr. Zandri said the combined postage is being increased by \$16,800.

Mr. Zandri asked how the copier works and Mr. Dunleavy said the request is brought to Central and dropped of when completed and it will probably be picked up and delivered at the new building. Mr. Dunleavy said the copier rentals are under contract. P & Z may supply paper for some of their copying. Mr. Zandri asked how many copiers Central Service has and Mr. Dunleavy said there is 1 large machine, 1 desktop machine and an offset machine.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 152 - CENTRAL SERVICES PERSONNEL DETAIL - 1460

Mrs. Papale moved acceptance of page 152 - Central Services Personnel Detail - 1460, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 127 - CENTRAL SERVICES - 1640 CAPITAL

Mr. Holmes moved acceptance of page 127 - Central Services - 1640 Capital, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Dunleavy explained the purpose for the mail cart request and showed the Council members a picture of the item.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 73 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - 3010

Mrs. Papale moved page 73 - Health Department - 3010, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Bradley questioned office supplies and Mr. Yasensky said the notices and letterheads will include the new address and next year the request will be back down.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 171 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - 3010

Mr. Parisi moved page 171 - Health Department - 3010, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Yasensky commented that he omitted the 53rd week for the part-time clerk which would be \$116.

Mr. Adams moved to add \$116 to Clerk Typist I part-time, making it a total of \$6,116, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Adams moved page 171 - Health Department - 3010, as amended, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 133 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - 3010

Mr. Yasensky said he will receive a used desk in the new building but needs a chair and he would like a cabinet for storage since he is losing a closet.

Mrs. Papale moved page 133 - Health Department Capital - 3010, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 39 - TAX COLLECTOR - 1420

Mr. Parisi moved page 39 - TAX COLLECTOR - 1420, as presented, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Rosow showed the Council a sample of the Trans-o-Gram and explained the messages included, all by state statute, and they get action and save hours of labor and collections are getting better. Mr. Rosow said there is not enough manpower to handle delinquent notices without this type of procedure. Mr. Parisi asked if the collection rate was not 98% previously and Mr. Rosow said it was but the town has grown and the grand list has grown. Mr. Myers said there are 35,000 cars in a town of 38,000. Mr. Parisi said cars can be liened in instances where people live in apartments. Mr. Parisi felt that collections

will get better as time goes on and Mr. Rosow said the return on getting the money in fast offset the cost of doing this.

Mr. Zandri asked about a copier and Mr. Rosow said he presently uses the Electric Division copier and he will need his own in the new building since he will not be located near a copier and this is not a frivolous request since many taxpayers come into his office.

Mr. Myers explained that he has now made the Tax Refunds a wash and he has \$30,000 on the Revenue side of the budget and \$30,000 her and there is no effect and this is self-funding.

Mr. Rosow asked that the Office Supply request be reinstated to \$16,208 for the new tax bills because the Mayor felt there would be a significant drop but Mr. Rosow explained that this was an error and he needed the funding.

Mr. Adams moved to increase line 4000 Office Supplies to \$16,208, page 39 Tax Collector, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Zandri questioned 9010 Professional Services-Data Entry and Mr. Rosow explained an option to update the computer system or get part time key punch help for the twice yearly tax payments. Updating the computer system would cost over \$15,000 to connect the computer to the cash register or get a temporary key punch operator twice a year for those key periods to allow being able to tell anyone that their bills are paid at a cost of \$2,200. Mr. Myers indicated that tax payments are hand delivered by the mortgage institutions on August 1 and when property is traded a day later, it is physically impossible to determine if all payments are up to date and Mr. Myers felt that this is a minimum expenditure to keep the information current. Mr. Zandri asked if tax payments could be staggered and Mr. Myers said payment dates are set by statute.

Mr. Zandri asked the term of the Copier Lease and Mr. Rosow said it is 3 years, including all warranties, and all supplies were included. Mr. Zandri felt that the Council would do a copier usage study.

Mr. Bradley indicated that many transfers are being done magnetically and he did not know if that could be done here and Mr. Myers felt that was an excellent suggestion and could be posted in a matter of minutes. Mr. Myers said it was the updating that was time consuming. Mr. Rosow said the problem is that bills are paid with back taxes due but prior to doing them, the oldest tax must be applied first against the money and sometimes the bank does not realize there is a back tax and he is not quite ready to go on tape.

Mr. Solinsky moved page 39 Tax Collector - 1420, as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 150 - TAX COLLECTOR - 1420

Mr. Parisi moved page 150 - Tax Collector - 1420, as presented, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 127 - TAX COLLECTOR CAPITAL - 1420

Mr. Holmes moved page 127 - Tax Collector Capital 1420, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Rosow explained his request for \$1,214 for a Sharp ZX 515 typewriter which has a memory and he already has two in his department and he did not explain this to the Mayor beforehand.

Mr. Holmes moved to restore \$214 for the electronic typewriter, bringing the total from \$1,000 to \$1,214, page 127 Tax Collector, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved page 40 - Assessor - 1430, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Zandri asked about the Maintenance of Equipment and Mr. Barta explained that his equipment was maintained by the Electric Division and with the move, this maintenance cost will be passed on to him and Mr. Myers explained that every computer account went up for this reason and all users will pay their own maintenance. Mr. Killen felt that there has always been no control over that division and he has been around a long time.

Mr. Bradley moved to line 6120 Copier Rental and Mr. Barta said he needs a new copier that can duplex since his existing machine has been worn out twice and he needs a bigger machine. Mr. Zandri is concerned about the number of copiers in Town Hall and he just can't relate to it. Mr. Barta said he uses his copier a great deal for field cards which cannot be out of file because they are needed so frequently by John Q. Public and he has fewer problems with a copy in the file. Mr. Barta said he will get his maintenance on the copier free this year but next year it will be added. Mr. Zandri would like to research the matter of sharing copiers with the higher usage department combined with a lower volume user.

Mr. Holmes asked about the Audit Program and Mr. Barta said that so far, the grand list has been increased by \$35,000,000 and put approximately \$1,100,000 in taxes on the table for an expenditure of \$40,000 with four court cases generated.

Mr. Bradley referred to Seminars and Dues and Mr. Barta said he was too busy to attend the 5 day seminar this year.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 151 - ASSESSOR - 1430 PERSONNEL DETAIL

Mrs. Papale moved page 151 - Assessor - 1430 Personnel Detail, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Holmes asked about the Chief Appraiser and Mr. Myers explained this is in Contingency for two reasons: (1) a new job classification must be written and approved and (2) the salary will be open for negotiation. Mr. Myers felt that there are individuals who could be eligible to sign up for the job after going through the testing procedure and the Real & Personal Property Appraiser would probably not be filled until September 1 and Mr. Barta would like to see it filled as soon as possible.

Mr. Parisi asked why this new position was being created and Mr. Myers said it is due to the amount of growth in town. Mayor Dickinson wanted everyone to realize that Frank's staff has spent every weekend on overtime and this is not a healthy situation. Mr. Barta said the overtime has been reduced by \$3,500 and Mr. Myers said \$20,000 has been spent this year on outside appraisers to get the work done.

Mr. Bradley felt that \$25,000 was spent to get the grand list up to date and asked if another clerk would offset that and both Mr. Myers and Mr. Barta agreed it would since the net cost of the position funding in this budget is \$190 after reducing the outside services for that account. Mr. Killen added that the benefits must be added to that figure, another 22%. Mr. Barta said his people are tired of working overtime.

Mr. Holmes moved to reduce Real & Personal Property Appraiser line by \$3,550 to a new total of \$17,744, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Barta asked if the position cannot be filled until September 1 and the Council said he could come back if it can be filled sooner and they would find the funding.

Mr. Holmes moved page 151 - Assessor - 1430 as amended, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 127 - ASSESSOR - 1430 - CAPITAL

Mr. Myers felt that funding this line over four years is representative of good planning and the work will begin a year from July

and it must be completed for the grand list of October, 1991.
Mr. Parisi moved page 127 Assessor - 1430, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 48 - RISK MANAGEMENT OFFICE - 1620

Mrs. Papale moved page 48 Risk Management Office - 1620, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Adams asked if someone was billing for the Ambulance and Mr. Wilson said she is working for him and part-time for Mr. Seadale and perhaps she will come on full time and he will pay 2/5's from his budget and Stan will pay the balance. Mr. Wilson said they are doing very well with the collections.

Mr. Bradley moved to 9000 Professional Services-Investigative and Mr. Wilson said he planned on using that money to send the 8 hypertension cases for a second opinion to obtain their current status and this will cost \$250 to \$300 per examination. Mr. Killen felt that the title did not reflect its correct use and Mr. Wilson agreed to a title change. Mr. Myers said there are so many lines and he feels that this line if used for medical falls into the investigative category and this could also include psychological investigative. Mr. Killen felt that these lines become catchalls and Mr. Myers felt that is why we have these budget workshops. Mayor Dickinson said the \$1,400 is for service in the office and the other is to investigate cases and Mark does need the capability to check on these workers' comp cases and the Mayor does not think this is a lot of money when you are talking about an employee force of over 400 people with \$5,000 in one line for medical reviews, etc. on all the workers' comp cases. Mayor Dickinson feels that Mark needs the capability of getting expert testimony, reviews necessary to convince a Commissioner that we are not liable or liable to a lesser degree that what someone is arguing.

Mr. Killen felt that he could go through the budget and show any-one line items which started out at \$200 and now are \$1,000. Mr. Myers suggested labeling the line Investigative-Workers' Comp.

Mr. Holmes moved to label line 9000 Investigative-Workers' Comp, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Holmes moved page 48 Risk Management Office - 1620 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 152 - RISK MANAGEMENT OFFICE - 1620

Mr. Parisi moved page 152 Risk Management Office 1620 as presented, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PAGE 127 RISK MANAGEMENT OFFICE - 1620 - CAPITAL

Mr. Adams moved page 127 Risk Management Office - 1620 Capital, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Bradley asked what kind of computer and software Mark was getting and Mr. Wilson said it would IBM compatible AT and the software will be for ambulance billing, record keeping and administration of workers' comp program and this will enable storage of a great deal of information. The computer will have a 640K RAM memory, floppy disc, color monitor, Epson high speed printer and cabling and hard disc capacity.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A recess was held from 8:55 p.m. to 9:05 p.m.

PAGE 43 - LIBRARY

Mr. Solinsky moved page 43 - Library, as presented, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Leslie Scherer, Robert Carmody and Scott Hanley were present.

Mr. Doherty said there is a \$75,000 increase requested and Leslie said the majority is in the salary and hourly rates and the part-time rates had to be increased to start people at around \$5.00 per hour and the full time salaries were adjusted to be comparable with others in town. A second public copier was requested since about \$10,000 in revenue is brought in by their copier and the waiting line is long. Leslie explained that an average novel costs \$19.95 to \$22.95 and most of the increase is in pay and materials. Mr. Parisi asked where books were purchased and Leslie said from a major jobber, Baker and Taylor, and a 46% discount is received. A children's book runs about \$10.51. Mr. Parisi asked if the bid stayed with one company and Leslie said it has for the past several years.

Mr. Holmes noted the 1987-1988 actual total budget was \$869,517 and Leslie said that excludes video and nearly all will be expended since you never have enough books in a library and the purchases are constantly made.

Mr. Adams questioned the leasing plan and Leslie said the best sellers have a waiting list so popular books are leased, perhaps 25 copies, and when the demand is over, the books are returned and the cost is around \$13 per book. Leslie explained that all the processing is done since every book purchased costs \$5 to \$6 to process, jacket, catalog, etc.

Mr. Holmes asked what would happen to any funds left at the end of the year and Leslie said it was put back into this year's budget for landscaping and different things are done at different times.

Mr. Killen noted the insurance line has gone up and Leslie said this includes dental for the first time which the town already includes.

Mr. Bradley asked what the two numbers represent on Municipal Access TV and Mr. Hanley said the first item is new to update the character generator which titles all the programs and once you power down, you lose your titles and it would be better to save the 6 regular program titles and not have to spend 20 to 30 minutes to key them in and modify them and it is also used for message display during the day. Mr. Hanley said the tripod is a replacement and a better quality unit and the camcorder is replacement, moving up to super VHS, all one piece and easier to go on location and allow shooting in a higher resolution in the field. Mr. Hanley explained the need for the vectorscope to do preventive adjustments in house to keep the camera colors matched. Mr. Hanley felt that a compact disc arranger will enable adding music to the programs which is all done post production now which adds time and this would allow going from C.D. to initial video tape, at least for studio productions. The microphones are backups and new and they receive heavy use and the camera light will complement the camcorder for interior shooting, for interviews.

Mr. Parisi asked what kind of on-location program was proposed for the coming year and Mr. Hanley said he would like to expand this and it may have to be done at the expense of studio production because of the staff situation. Mr. Hanley said he had a very good intern in 1983-84 and he was able to coordinate a video magazine. Mr. Parisi asked about specific programs and Scott said it is really doing segments and using them to fill in with studio programs. Mr. Parisi asked about the school programs and Mr. Hanley said the schools do that themselves. Mr. Parisi suggested that there could be a consolidation effort made since we have three major networks and Leslie said that has been discussed in the past.

Mr. Bradley said public TV is very attractive in the area of environmental issues and he wondered if any of these programs could be played at the community level and Mr. Hanley said they are always exploring but most of those programs are very expensive and with a full time and one part time person, the actual time spent to secure the programs is quite a bit.

Mr. Hanley felt that the first priority should be production of programs on a local basis and that is very time consuming but the Better Health program has been run free of charge and there is an attempt to keep the channel fresh.

Mr. Zandri asked about the custodial increase and Leslie said this includes a 9% increase for the custodian to bring him to \$19,253. There is a projection for a part-time assistant at 15 hours a week at \$7 per hour because he can spend all of his time putting up and taking down chairs in the Community Room.

Mr. Zandri referred to video cassettes and Leslie said they have been using money from the Library Development Fund and there are 500 now which circulated 28,000 times last year. The increase is due to the fact that more and more instructional videos are coming out, along with old classics. With the \$8,800 there would be 40 new features, 120 new and replacement children's videos because at one circulation, it has gone through the VCR 5 to 10 times but it is a good alternative to commercial TV, 5 contemporary issues, 12 travel, 24 live performance and culture, how to prune your roses, do electrical wiring and documentaries which total 12, a total of 10 new per month to build the collection in an area in which the demand is demonstrated.

Mr. Zandri said there is an equipment increase and Leslie said most of that is a microfilm reader/printer since more and more materials are only available in the micro format such as Dun & Bradstreet, Time, Newsweek and there is a need for this \$4,500 reader/printer. Magazine files are needed for \$500, video shelving at \$1,000, lease on Betaphone used to order books electronically is \$200 per year, video cassette rack at \$500, hard disc for existing microcomputer is \$500 and \$500 in software for the microcomputer to allow putting graphics in the desktop publishing system for the newsletter.

Mr. Zandri referred to the fuel increase and Leslie said that is an increase in the monthly fees for the automated system-- a consortium with 15 other libraries who share a central computer in Middletown connected by leased telephone lines to them and it is expected that the per terminal cost will go up next year and it is not actually an increase in fuel but an increase in the money paid for leased telephone lines. Electricity is \$28,371 and no increase is projected and \$19,200 for the computer. Mr. Killen asked what the heat costs and Leslie said is \$3,090 for the main library and \$1,000 for Yalesville. Most of the heat is recycled from the electric lights by 40 heat pumps along with a solar backup.

Mr. Zandri referred to repairs and maintenance and Leslie said a lot is service contracts since filters are required along with quarterly maintenance on the 40 heat pumps and the contract runs \$3,300 per year and there is another \$3,000 in service calls. Leslie said there is a service contract on the heating system which covers the quarterly maintenance. Mr. Zandri asked if this was recommended and Leslie said they have had it from day one and the contract does not cover a problem. Of the \$35,000 approximately is \$20,000 is for service contracts. Electric doors and elevators must be inspected and the two memory typewriters service contract is \$900.

Mr. Zandri really wonders if it is cost effective to have all these service contracts in a building as new as the Library. Leslie explained the filters are changed on the heat pumps and the fans are adjusted and the electrical connections checked and the glycone in the solar panel is checked for leaks and filled and that costs \$3,300 per year and last year it cost \$3,500 for a section of the boiler that went.

Mr. Bradley questioned non-town funds and Leslie said about \$25,000 is taken in in library fines and it goes back into the budget to buy more and there is interest for the nonrestricted endowment and a grant from the state between \$6,000 and \$8,000 and the net of \$7,000 or \$8,000 from the copier.

Mr. Holmes moved the Contribution as presented, page 43, at \$885,468 as presented, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mrs. Papale asked what was the difference between the requested amount and Mayor approved and Leslie said that represented keeping the Library open on Sundays from January through March, the busiest season, and Leslie feels some of the use would not be use they get the other six days. Mr. Killen realizes people would use it but it would be an added cost at a time when we are trying to keep costs down. Leslie felt that this would be a good time for families to use the Library.

Mr. Zandri noted the reader/printer and copier will be increased by one each and he asked if an increase was anticipated in the earnings and Leslie felt there would be some added income from a second copier but she is not sure how much. There was some discussion about the location of the copier in the Library and Leslie said many people need help in the operation of the copier.

Mr. Zandri felt that there may be additional revenue and \$1,468 could be removed. Mr. Holmes indicated he would accept a friendly amendment to his motion.

Mr. Zandri moved to reduce by \$1,468 the Contribution, bringing it to a new total of \$884,000, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: All Council Members voted aye with the exception of Mrs. Papale who voted no; motion duly carried.

Mr. Parisi moved to reduce line 6100 to \$53,992, same as last year, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Bradley supports the Mayor approved amount. Mayor Dickinson said some of the increase is for additional help for Scott and the Mayor thinks that is important. Mr. Parisi said the logic was that at the present time, there is shortage of staff and Mr. Hanley would be taking away from what is done inside and Mr. Parisi felt he could wait a year and add to the staff and then start going outside with additional staff. Mr. Hanley said it is very likely that the emphasis would shift a little more to field productions because that is where the demand is. Leslie said Scott's operation has outgrown its space at the Library and space was discussed at Simpson School and Scott requested an additional full time person and it was agreed to support increasing his part time person from 10 to 30 hours a week.

Leslie felt that the outside production capability might take pressure off the Community Room because it can't be used for anything else two days a week. Mr. Parisi gets the point and it only makes him more firm in the idea that he should be situated and truly organized and then expand. Mr. Carmody said the Board had the same type of feeling but felt he was entitled to the increase that the Library was receiving and he provides service to the whole community and all town departments and the Library Board feels his operation should be independent and Mr. Carmody felt that no increase was a little hard. Mayor Dickinson felt that to allow the additional part time and purchase equipment this year will give a continuing better feel of how that operation will fit into the needs of the community since that it not known at this point. Mr. Parisi is now hearing that we are encouraging Scott to go out to take pressure off the Community Room also and that is not exactly the best reasoning in the world. Mayor Dickinson felt that the community is asking for this and we should gain experience. Mr. Parisi asked if Scott would have the staff and Scott said the 30 hours per week may not be one individual but several individuals and volunteers are becoming difficult to get.

Mr. Bradley felt that public awareness about local issues-- underground storage tanks, filtration system plant, field type coverage like that. . . Mr. Parisi wanted to know what we are going to get if we are going to pay for them and he would rather not buy the equipment if it is not going to be used but he would like to know it's going to be used.

VOTE: Councilmen Doherty, Holmes and Parisi voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Adams moved to keep Line 6100 on page 43 as stated at \$57,000 for Contribution-Municipal Access TV, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Councilmen Doherty and Parisi voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Hanley said this issue will be resolved in the near future and resolved because of the dissension and it may be resolved by another study committee!

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

Meeting recorded and transcribed by
Delores B. Fetta, Council Secretary

The seventh budget workshop was called to order at 7:03 p.m. All Council Members were present, with the exception of Mr. Holmes who arrived a few minutes late. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Mr. Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, page 122, A/C 8070.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 122, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Killen pointed out that Secretarial Services was not used last year and asked why it was left in this year. Mr. Richard Nunn explained that they have a PUC secretary but, because of illnesses, and vacation time, they had to go to outside services. They cannot pay a substitute through her salary.

VOTE: Holmes not present for the vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, page 183, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 8070.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 183, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Nunn to justify the 6% increase in the salary of the Director. Mr. Nunn explained that he is not in the same pay structure as the rest of the town and he reports to the Commission. His percentage is a recommendation given to them by the Personnel Department. They take the average of the other town employees and use that as the number. Compared to other towns of the same size, he is paid lower.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

WATER DIVISION, pages 138-140, Operating Budget.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move the Water Division Operating Budget, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Roger Dann explained that the Water and Sewer Divisions have provided a full 56 page budget request, including some supporting documentation for your review. The budget request is based upon funds as provided for by the water and sewer rates currently in effect. Therefore, the water and sewer utilities are currently self-supporting and that is with the exception of contributions by the town, for interest payments on the Pond Hill Pumping Station and a portion of the interest payments for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. This budget, which was prepared by these gentlemen (Raymond Denison, Roger Dann, Rick Dansky, Richard Costello and Jim Kirkland), is based upon an account by account assessment of our projected needs, and is reflective of our anticipated requirements, based upon prior years' actual expenditures. This years budget request attempts to improve upon prior years budgeting, with specific regards to under-budgeting, where it has occurred. Beginning with the Water Division, let me explain that in the area of pumping expenses, we are requesting an increase of \$47,000, and this is in order to provide for a program of increased pumping station maintenance and to correct prior years' under-budgeting in that account. In regard to laboratory expenses,

we are showing a reduction this year of \$7,000. This is due to the fact that we expect to make better utilization of our in-house expertise to perform some of the work that was previously done by outside laboratories. In the area of metering operations, the division will continue what has been a highly successful meter installation and change-out program, which has reduced the backlog of unmetered accounts, by approximately 2/3, during the past year. It is projected that approximately 1,800 will be changed out during the coming year and that for the first time, we will begin to address the accuracy of some of our larger meters as well. When we look into the area of Capital additions, we are requesting a total of \$2,800,000 to fund the initial phases of the water supply improvement projects, including the greensand filtration project and the air-stripping project, for wells #2 and #3, a new Water Treatment Plant, Transfer Pumping Station improvements associated with that and

this is part of the five-year Capital Program, which is outlined within this budget and which describes the funding requirements for all of the proposed water supply system improvements.

Regarding the Sewer Division budget, Mr. Dann explained that the requested budget represents an increase in expenses of \$722,000, vs. the previous year's budget. The majority of that increase, is due to an amount of \$510,000 which represents 1/2 years depreciation on the acquisition of the Waste Water Treatment Plant, which is expected to be completed during the coming year. In the area of pumping expenses, and increase of \$77,500 is requested for pumping power and maintenance, associated with two new pumping stations and the upgrades of 3 existing stations as well as to correct under-budgeting of prior years in that account. An increase in the sewer treatment expenses of \$66,000 is required, in order to fund all of the positions needed for the operation of the Waste Water Treatment Plant. It should be noted, however, that partial years funding is requested where appropriate. Also included in that, is a \$36,000 request for sludge disposal tipping fees and that is for disposal for the first time, of all of the Waste Water Treatment Plants sludge at the Wallingford Landfill. We are projecting, that once that landfill is closed, the sludge tipping fees will increase dramatically. In line with that, we are requesting \$30,000 within this budget, to provide for a sludge disposal study to identify the most cost effective means of dealing with that problem. With regard to the collection system, the Sewer Division is initiating an industrial monitoring program, under which all permated discharges to the system will be routinely monitored for compliance. This program will provide some protection against some unauthorized discharges.

Mr. Raymond Denison explained that the Water and Sewer Division, by Charter, are required to be enterprise organizations, which means that we generate our own revenue, we sustain our own expenditures, based on the use or rate and the charges to the user. Regarding labor, we calculate each position's wage, a person's wage, down to the day, with regard to pertinent information in steps in grades, contract increases, merit and anniversary increases, etc. Then the Division, that distributes that labor in the Water Division, to 28 accounts, based on the activity that we anticipate for our various crews. From time to time, and budget to budget, we find that our areas of effort change and therefore, the changes take place to different areas than they were before. We are properly charging our labor to the areas where the effort is being expended. Also, within the Divisions, there are a number of positions that are charged to both Divisions, (like himself and Mr. Dann) so 50% of their wages are in each Division. This year, some changes have been made in some areas. Previously, we charged over-time for the meter people who are partially charged to the Sewer Division. However, the effort on overtime is not beneficial to the Sewer Division, it is purely Water Division, so we made a change in that area this year, in keeping all of their over-time within the Water Division, which is a change from last year. The budget comparison of the budet before you, is not that comparative, because we had a lot of major activity during the year, with regard to transfers. Since the budget was prepared, something has come up with regard to testing of water for the community with regard to lead, and it will involve a charge to a customer as well as an equivalent cost to have that done for them. We need to fund and establish a revenue and expense account, which are not in this budget presentation, and all town customers are eligible. The charge will be what it will cost us to have it done at a lab.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move Operating Revenue, page 138, Water Division, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Line 461-000, Metered Sales, Mr. Holmes asked where they stand as of now. Mr. Denison explained that as of the end of March, they are running about \$60,000 short of their projection, as at the end of March. Some of the reason is, that the rate has gone up and it may have induced some conservation on the part of the consumer.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move Source Of Supply Expense, page 138, seconded by Mr. Zandri, (lines 601-000 through 617-000)

Mr. Killen pointed out that the present budget is \$55,000 higher than the 2 years before and Mr. Costello explained that the majority of that was in the Operation Labor & Exp (line 601-000), with an increase of \$30,000 in that category last year.

Line 612-000, Maint Collect & Impound Res, Mr. Holmes asked if there has been a demand for those funds. Mr. Denison explained that that

account started out as being budgeted \$40,400 and it has been modified by transfers during the year down to \$37,400. Mr. Denison added that each account has been analyzed and are comprised of combinations of labor, clearing accounts, and general expenditures.

Mr. Zandri pointed out that if you look at the actual up to 1988, on the line items, if you project it out, it does not come close to what is predicted for the upcoming year. Mr. Denison explained that the actual is actual but, it is at a point during the fiscal year where activity has not picked up yet.

Line 602-000, Purchase of Water, Mr. Bradley asked to have that line explained. Mr. Costello explained that they purchase water from 2 sources. One source is from the City of Meriden, which supplies water to the Caldor Plaza. In that account, \$10,500 is for Meriden. There is an additional \$3,500 for the purchase of water from Triple Springs to supply water to customers who have unchlorinated water, (houses before the Treatment Plant on Northford Road).

Mr. Zandri commented that he would like a better understanding on what positions need to be filled and what they are doing to fill those positions. Mr. Dann explained that they have a Superintendent position which is in the process of being re-advertised, 3 Maintainer Positions, (Chief, Maintainer II and Maintainer I), which will be done in-house.

In addition to that, they have a vacancy for the Drafts-Person, which is a position that is shared by the Water and Sewer Division. That position was re-advertised again and closed on the 26th, and they are waiting for Personnel to put together a list of qualified people. The final position is a Clerk Typist II position, which should be filled very soon. If they anticipate a position is not going to be filled until later in the year, they are not reflecting that by budgeting a full year, they are budgeting that for the portion of the year that they anticipate to be filled.

Mr. Parisi asked if he could have an estimate on when the positions are going to be filled. Mr. Dann explained that most of the positions should be filled within a very short time and the Supervisor position is the only one that may take a while, (4-6 months). Mr. Dann selected the date of September 1, 1988 to have the position of Superintendent filled.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to remove \$15,640 from \$37,147 (Superintendent position), seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Costello to explain what the net effect would be if 3 line items were taken out at any given time (what would happen to the bottom line). Mr. Costello explained that because the expenses are reduced, there would be additional monies generated through the rate that would go into unappropriated balance. The unappropriated balance then becomes portions of the surplus of the Division.

Mayor Dickinson pointed out to the Council that the better that they understand what goes on in the utilities and their responsibility are, the better off we all are.

Mr. Holmes asked what they do with the money that is left at the end of the year. Mr. Denison explained that the result of the activity during the year, revenue less expenses, generates net income. That income is credited over to retained earnings. The cash from net income is used. The rate generates the cash to cover the expenses, depreciation and a net income. The net income is used, plus the depreciation (both being unexpended cash), to fund their debt reduction and their Capital, to give them the operating revenues or cash, to pay for all of the equipment that they buy or bond indebtedness. The net result of revenue less expenses, is net income... add that depreciation to the net income...you have your available working capital. Then you deduct capital and debt reduction and you come down to a number called estimated unappropriated balance, which is the portion of the rate or revenue that was generated, that was not allocated to one of these items being discussed (\$40,000).

VOTE: (reduce \$15,640 from \$37,547) Doherty, Holmes, Parisi voted yes; all other Council Members voted no; motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move Pumping Expense, lines 623-000 through 633-000, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Denison explained that a large part of the pumping (line 623-000), is not only for the Filter Plant, but for the transfer pumping at the reservoirs.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move Water Treatment Expense, lines 641-000 through 652-000, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mrs. Papale asked if line 643-000, Drought Contingency, was a new line and Mr. Denison explained that in fiscal year 1987-1988, they started out the year with a budget request of \$75,000 which was Council approved. However, during the year, they incurred this necessity to run another pilot study at the Filter Plant, which with the Pilot studies and engineering oversight, etc. it was \$125,000 worth of money that was moved around, and they used Drought Contingency in total.

VOTE: (page 138), Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move Transmission & Distribution Expense, lines 663-000 through 677-000, seconded by Mr. Holmes, page 139.

Mr. Denison explained that metering overtime is now being charged only to the Water Division, as he pointed out before.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move Customer Account Expense, lines 902-000 and 903-000, page 139, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Lines 920-000 through 932-000, Administrative & General Expense, page 139, moved by Mr. Holmes and seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Lines 403-000 & 408-000, Revenue Deductions, page 139, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Bradley asked to have line 408-000 explained Mr. Denison explained that they currently pay taxes to Durham, North Guilford and Branford, for property they own in those communities.

VOTE: Parisi absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Line 427-000, Interest on Long Term Debt, page 139, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Parisi absent for vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Net Income, page 139, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Zandri commented that some people are upset that they are paying to subsidize a utility that they do not have access to and Mr. Solinsky agreed with Mr. Zandri.

Mayor Dickinson commented that the Council should be aware, that when there is an accurate picture of the rate situation, they will have a session with the Council, and he believes that they are facing a large increase in rates over the next few years.

Mr. Denison told the Council that the Water and Sewer Division do pay to the town, proportionate charges, which is the amount that is billed to them for the services provided by the Personnel Department and Central Services, Purchasing and the Comptroller's Office.

VOTE: (Net Income) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

WATER DIVISION-Capital Budget, page 140.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move lines 332-089 through Total Regular Capital, page 140, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Line 393-089, Transportation, Mrs. Papale asked who the 2 cars were for and Mr. Dansky explained that both of the cars were for Meter Readers, and these will be replacing the 2 oldest cars.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move the entire Capital budget, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to Establish Revenue Account 421-000, Misc. Non-Operating Lead Samples and 642-002, Lab Expenses-Lead Samples, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: (amend the budget with the 2 new accounts) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to fund \$3,000 into Revenue Account 421-000, Misc. Non-Operating Lead Samples and \$3,000 into Expense Account 642-002, Lab Exp.-Lead Samples, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move the Revenue, Operating and Capital Water budget, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

SEWER DIVISION, page 142 - Operating Revenue, Revenues from Usage, line 461-000 through Net Income Or (Loss), moved by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Line 420-039, Contrib from Gen'l Fund STP III, Mr. Parisi asked to have this line explained and Mr. Kirkland explained that this is for the Sewer Treatment Plant.

Line 473-000, Conn Chg for Maint Reserve, Mr. Parisi asked to have this line explained. Mr. Denison explained that they have a charge for any construction done in the Town of Wallingford (hooking up to the sewer line) that cannot be assessed under any current or prior regulations and the revenues they generate from the connection charge, they budget into this account.

Mr. Holmes asked how long the current sewer rate will be in place. Mr. Kirkland told Mr. Holmes that the current sewer rate was approved in 1985, to carry them through the budget presentation for 1989/1990. They are currently in the process of reviewing that right now as the rate would have to be in place 9 to 12 months prior to any water

being consumed for the rate to be effective.

Mr. Adams asked how the sewer rate is predicated and Mr. Kirkland explained that the sewer rate is predicated on the basic user's fee, which is by water service size and then it is 75% of your metered consumption at the sewer rate.

Operating Expense-Pumping Expense, lines 623-000 through 633-000, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Referring to line 623-000, Mr. Kirkland explained that the budget projection is based on low level pumping stations being on service for only 10 months of next year. The expense ratio is \$3,400 a month. The following year, when the plant is fully on line, there is going to be another significant increase in electrical costs.

Sewer Treatment Expense, page 142, lines 641-000 through 652-000, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Kirkland explained that if the Sewer Plant comes on line when it is expected to, with the new dates in mind, they should have it on line for the majority of the year and all of the expenses anticipated are based on the total number of days it should be on line.

Collection System Expense, lines 665-000 through 673-001, page 142, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Parisi asked if they had a preventative program for maintenance. Mr. Kirkland replied yes. Mr. Parisi asked if they had any type

of program for the transmission lines and Mr. Dann explained that they can perform a leak detection type survey. They do not have such a program but thinks it is a good idea and one that they will have to consider.

Customer Account Expense, lines 902-000 through 904-000, page 143, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Administrative & General Expense, lines 920-000 through 930-000, page 143, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Line 926-000, Employees Pension & Benefit, Mr. Killen asked why it increased so much since 1986. Mr. Costello explained that the overall labor force of the Sewer Division has substantially grown because of the new positions required for the Sewer Treatment Plant. Mr. Dann commented that they are showing all of the positions associated with the new plant. However, some of the funding is only in there for a partial years time, so that next year, they will be looking to fund for a full year for those positions.

Revenue Deductions, lines 403-000 and 404-000, page 143, moved by Mr. Solinsky and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Line 403-000, Depreciation Expense, Mr. Denison explained that this is expected completion of the Sewer Plant this fiscal year. They are required to acknowledge and reflect a half years depreciation and a year of acquisition.

Other Deductions, lines 427-039 & 427-040, page 143, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

Net Income Or (Loss), page 143, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

SEWER DIVISION (Page 142 to 145)

Regular Capital Additions, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

Referring to Containment Basin-Durham Road, Mr. Kirkland explained that the purpose of that money was to procure land design and construct a containment basin at Durham Road Pump Station that would allow us to have a reserve capacity in the case of a pump station failure.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move the Operating Budget, Capital and Revenue budget, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A brief recess was held from 9:35 to 9:45.

ELECTRIC DIVISION, page 134.

Operating Budget, lines 440 through Net Income (Loss), moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Michael Holmes made a brief statement which follows on pages 109-111.

The eighth budget workshop was called to order at 7:10 p.m. All Council Members were present for the meeting. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Mr. Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

The meeting was held at the new Town Hall in the auditorium and portions of the tape are inaudible.

INLAND-WETLANDS

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move A/C 7011, \$12,449-Environmental Planner, Transportation-\$250, Secretarial-\$1,500, Commission Transportation-\$1,000, Office Supplies-\$500 (& Equipment), Advertising-\$1,500, Printing \$300, State Meetings \$50, Seminars & Dues-\$500, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, page 109, A/C 7030.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi, to move page 109.

VOTE: Bradley, Doherty, Zandri and Killen voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION-Secretary, page 183, A/C 7030.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 183 as presented, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

BOARD OF ETHICS, page 45.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 45, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW, page 37 A/C 1390.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 37 as presented, seconded by Mr. Adams.

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW, page 148-Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 148, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

MAYOR, page 32.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi to move page 32.

Mr. Adams suggested that the Council approve funding for a Management Study for the Mayor's Department, the same as they had at the Police Department.

Mr. Adams added that he would like to see \$20,000 approved for this study. He also would like to have a study done regarding the use of copiers in the town offices. Mr. Adams suggested that when the landfill closes, he would like to see 3 Public Works employees get involved in taking care of the schools instead of going out to bid. Mr. Adams also pointed out that all of the other major town departments have snow plows for their removal. Somewhere along the line, a study should look into that because we have the resources, we need the coordination. A study should also be done regarding outside legal services. The town departments should go through the Town Attorney so the Council can see what the expenditures are.

Mr. Holmes suggested that the next Management Study be done on the Public Works Department.

Mrs. Papale asked who would decide what department needed a study done and Mayor Dickinson explained that they would have to come before the Council for the funding and they would recommend a department to the Council with the reasons.

Mayor Dickinson commented that he agrees with Mr. Adam's proposal of having one study done a year.

Mr. Solinsky pointed out that the PUC is having a study done this year and asked Mr. Adams if he feels that another department should be done this year. Mr. Adams commented that he does not feel it would be necessary.

Mayor Dickinson suggested that the Management Wage Study, line 9020, be reduced to \$9,000.

Mr. Adams made a motion to reduce line 9020, Management Study from \$15,000 to \$9,000, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Line 6120, Copier Rental, Mayor Dickinson explained that the company is now charging a flat rate and this line should be increased to \$1,900 which is an increase of \$600.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to increase line 6120, Copier Rental to \$1,900, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Referring to line 4000, Office Supplies, Mayor Dickinson explained that they have 2 files that need painting and if not painted, replaced. There are also a number of desk tops and a desk chair that may also need to be replaced.

Referring to line 6600, Meetings & Expenses, Mayor Dickinson explained that this line will basically cover the open house for the new Town Hall, which will be held sometime in September.

Mr. Doherty asked to have line 6070 explained and Mayor Dickinson explained that this line item is mainly for legislative activities, and is an expense account for these activities.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 32 as amended, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

MAYOR, page 148-Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations, A/C 1300.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 148, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Doherty commented that the Town of Wallingford is running a \$55 million dollar business and the top executive's salary of \$45,000 is a gross misrepresentation of what he has to do.

Mr. Killen pointed out that you cannot increase the Mayor's salary because the Town Charter only allows an increase in the Mayor's salary in the fiscal year that includes an election.

Mr. Solinsky agreed with Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

MAYOR, page 133-Capital, A/C 1300.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 133, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the Office Furniture line request consists of 2 secretarial desks, two chairs and metal shelves for storage.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

TOWN ATTORNEY, page 35, A/C 1320.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 35, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Referring to line 9010, Professional Services, Attorney Mantzaris explained that this is for outside legal services. He added that next year, most of the work will be kept inside, with the exception of some special cases.

Mr. Killen suggested that the Town Attorney keep the Council informed on all legal cases over \$2,000. Mayor Dickinson pointed out that this would be very time consuming for the Council because the meetings would have to be held in Executive Session and he suggested that if a Council Member is interested in the history of a case, he can always go to the Town Attorney's Office and the information will be made available.

Mr. Zandri suggested that the Town Attorney furnish a monthly report listing all of the outstanding cases, so the Council would have a handle on the expenses.

Mr. Killen would like to see the Town Attorney's Office keep track of all of their time and have it documented.

Attorney Mantzaris told the Council that they would be seeing a report every month and he would like to see the Council adopt Waiving the Bid, for all Attorneys.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

TOWN ATTORNEY, page 148-Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 148, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

TOWN ATTORNEY, page 127 - Capital

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 127, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Regarding the Legal Size File Cabinets, requested by the Town Attorney, Mrs. Delores B. Fetta, Council Secretary, told Attorney Mantzaris that the Council has 5 legal size file cabinets that are in good condition and the Council could use letter size cabinets to replace them.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PERSONNEL AND LABOR RELATIONS, page 46.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to move page 46, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PERSONNEL, page 152, Personnel Detail and Salary Calculations.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams to move page 152.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PENSION FUNDS, page 117.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Solinsky to move page 117.

Mr. Seadale explained that Medicare Tax is applied to every person that they hire. Each employee must pay 1.45% and the town must match the 1.45%. If the President's proposed budget goes through, effective October 1, 1988, we will have to pay 1.45% to every person on the town's payroll.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

INSURANCES, page 118, A/C 8290-Self Insurance-Unemployment.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 118, A/C 8290, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 8290 from \$15,000 to \$10,000, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 118, A/C 8290 as amended, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

INSURANCES, page 118.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 118, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 8250, Town Insurance, from \$726,000 to \$720,000, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Referring to line 8270, Self Insurance-Deductible, Mr. Myers explained that this money provides the amount that is deducted off the policy.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradley to reduce line 8280, Self Insurance-Claims, from \$25,000 to \$20,000, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Referring to line 8300, Self Insurance-Molinari Claim, Mr. Myers explained that this was a one time payment of \$250,000 and \$30,000 for the next 10 years.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 8350, Self Insurance-Workers' Comp from \$270,000 to \$265,000, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 118 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

INSURANCE-EMPLOYEES, page 119, A/C 8041.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to move page 119, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to reduce line 8310, Blue Cross, from \$670,000 to \$665,000, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 119 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

PERSONNEL PENSION & APPEALS BOARD, page 47, A/C 1600.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 47 as presented, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION, page 110, A/C 7040.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 110, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION, page 183, Personnel.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 183 as presented, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

AUDIT CONTRACT, page 36, A/C 1360.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 36, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Myers explained that under line 6080, the utility charge is \$18,500. The audit is \$23,500, which includes all of the town's books. The \$18,500 represented for utilities is found in the Revenue budget.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

DEBT SERVICE, page 112, A/C 8010.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 112, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Myers referred to page 116 and told the Council that he feels that it is very important to maintain their flexibility and their good credit for future projects coming up. Referring to page 115, Mr. Myers pointed out that the town is contributing \$500,000, which is $\frac{1}{2}$ of the mill, toward debt, on the Sewer Plant. He added that he has not as yet, received the cost figures for utilities on that project.

Referring to the bottom of pages 113 and 114, Total Sanitary Sewer Debt, Mr. Myers explained that they issued \$10,455,000 worth of sewer bonds, which were not paid for by sewer rates.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

BUDGET SUMMARY-BOARD OF EDUCATION, pages 10-top of 12.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move pages 10-top of 12, seconded by Mr. Adams.

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

BUDGET SUMMARY SPECIAL FUNDS TOWN, page 12.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 12, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Zandri asked what the CRRA funds consisted of and Mr. Myers explained that they consist of Mr. Hamel's salary, office supplies and expenses for a half a year. This was not town funding, this was grant money.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

CAPITAL & NON-RECURRING, page 123A.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 123A, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to increase line 8010, Contribution from G/F: Elec Div Earnings to \$1,100,000 to go into Capital and Non-Recurring, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mrs. Papale commented that she does not feel comfortable with making a cut in the Electric Division.

Mr. Myers explained that the original Capital and Non-Recurring Fund said that there will be a contribution of up to \$2 million dollars. He projects the contributions from tax dollars to coincide with the consumer credit index because the cost of living is going to be going up to 4%. To exchange funds from the Electric rate, into

the Capital & Non-Recurring Fund, from general property taxes, you might get away with it on a short time basis but, what are you going to do the year that there is no money from the Electric Division, which could happen.

VOTE: Adams, Holmes, Parisi and Solinsky voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to move page 123A as amended, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Adams, Holmes, Parisi and Solinsky voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ELECTRIC DIVISION-Capital Budget, pages 136-137.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to move pages 136-137, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to remove \$50,000 from line 364, Poles, Towers & Fixtures, seconded by Mr. Bradley. (Newtotal \$384,255)

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to remove \$25,000 from line 367, Underground Conduct & Devi, seconded by Mr. Zandri, for a total of \$170,715.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to remove \$25,000 from line 368, Line Transformers for a new total of \$279,450, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

The total Capital Budget will now be \$1,982,360.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to move pages 136 & 137 as amended, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Adams, Holmes, Parisi and Solinsky voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Myers explained that the funding was reduced in account 805-323, so it can be cut \$11,000.

COUNCIL CONTINGENCY, page 120

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 120, seconded by Mr. Adams.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to cut \$11,000 from line 805-323, Contingency Reserve-General Government for a new total of \$945,559, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to move page 120 as amended, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

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The ninth budget workshop and final review was held in the new Town Hall, called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Killen, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky and Zandri. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller, were also present.

Chairman Killen indicated that Don Roe was physically unable to be present. Mr. Parisi pointed out that it was the responsibility of every department head to appear before the Council, whether the circumstances are extenuating or not and the bottom line is that a department head should be properly represented before the Council and in no way did Mr. Parisi insinuate that Mr. Roe was not fulfilling his position but it was simply a matter of principle.

Mr. Doherty had some suggestions for cuts in the budget totalling \$394,000. Mr. Doherty suggested cuts in the Public Works as follows: Railroad Station roofing \$20,000 and brick work \$20,000 and fencing of \$2,000, due to the fact that Scott Heyl indicated that Wallingford, Inc. has plans for the railroad station and he would prefer to put this off until plans are completed. Mr. Doherty said Public Works requested 2 snow plows last year and were cut to 1 and he suggested the same thing this year (6 were requested).

Mr. Doherty referred to the pumper approved for North Farms at \$155,000 and he suggested this could be put off until another time since it loses 25 gallons going to a fire but holds 500 gallons, along with 2 other pumpers which respond with it. An automobile could be cut back in the Building Department for \$10,000. Engineering Department had improvements to Masonic Avenue which were not included at that intersection and if it was safe last year, how could it be so unsafe this year? Mr. Doherty suggested cutting that out.

Mr. Doherty said there are two inspectors in the Fire Marshal's Office and he felt a third inspector at \$26,000 could be cut out.

Visiting Nurse Association has an Occupational and Safety position at \$10,000 and Mr. Doherty explained that the OSHA budget in Washington has been cut and Wallingford is picking up the pieces and the VNA Director told the Council the program is getting off to a very slow start and there was no great enthusiasm from industry and Mr. Doherty felt this would be true with this particular waste of money because the Visiting Nurses don't have any enforcement power.

Mr. Doherty referred to the Library budget and the fact that Mr. Parisi mentioned that there are two networks operating in Wallingford--NBC and ABC. There is all kinds of equipment at Sheehan for producing television programs and there is the library with another t.v. station asking for more money. He felt that there should be some coordination because to keep increasing both budgets is a waste of money.

Mr. Adams agreed with the rationale for the Railroad Station but felt that the snow plowing efforts in town should be coordinated and added that Mr. Deak will have 3 additions to his staff when the landfill is closed and he suggested looking at the feasibility of these people being used during the winter for snowplowing and he would like the Council to consider this.

Mr. Holmes addressed the Roadroad Station issue and said Mr. Heyl spoke of figures in excess of \$200,000 to get the structure in the proper order. Mr. Holmes pointed out that Wallingford, Inc. does not own the Railroad Station but it is a town asset. The \$20,000 is not for total roof replacement but for major repairs. Mr. Holmes felt that \$5,000 could be cut for the brick work but did feel that the Railroad Station is a focal point in town. Mr. Holmes felt that it is dangerous to cut snow plowing equipment, police cars, sanders, etc. since there were occasions in the past where the town had to bond to purchase equipment and although it is attractive mill rate wise, it is also wise to have a long term replacement program in effect. Mr. Holmes felt that it was a matter of public safety to have Masonic Avenue corrected.

Mr. Killen felt that Wallingford, Inc. was a combination of public money and private money. Mayor Dickinson said that effort has been touted as such and in addition, he strongly urged the Council to look at the situation in these terms--there is no time to be lost. Mayor Dickinson suggested that if there is anything on here that is just pie in the sky unnecessary but he did not believe anything here could be characterized that way because if the big items are not done in this year, they will come right back and have to be done another year.

Mayor Dickinson added that Mr. Deak requested 6 snow plow trucks this year and every year we try to replace 2 but he is facing 10 trucks that all should be replaced at one time and Mayor Dickinson is afraid that it will only come back and haunt the town if we don't keep up on a regular basis with replacement of these major items. Mrs. Papale agreed with the Mayor because she was on the Council when it did come back to haunt the town.

Mr. Solinsky said there are roofs all over town which need repair and replacement and he felt it would be foolish to hold off on any necessary repairs at the Railroad Station.

Mr. Parisi observed that the Council was very critical of the Board of Education because they allowed their buildings to decay to their current state and he sincerely does not mean to infer that Mr. Doherty is wrong but you do pay when things are not done on time and he feels that general government can set an example to take care of things on time. Mr. Doherty feels that any work done at the Railroad Station should be part of the entire plan. Mayor Dickinson said there was a plan for downtown years ago but it was very large and he feels you must take a piece at a time and he thinks if the town does not show interest and put forth money for an actual project, then we can hardly turn to the private sector and ask them to come up with money and volunteers if the town does not show a commitment.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete \$20,000 for roof repairs at the Railroad Station, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Messrs. Doherty and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete \$20,000 for repairing brick work at the Railroad Station, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Messrs. Adams, Bradley, Doherty and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete \$2,000 for the railing at the Railroad Station, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Mr. Solinsky voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Holmes talked to people in the brick work business and he felt that this item could sustain a \$5,000 cut since someone is prepared to bid on this item at \$14,000.

Mr. Holmes moved to reduce the Railroad Station brick work to \$15,000, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Messrs. Parisi and Solinsky voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Doherty pointed out that last year's request was for 2 snow plow trucks and it was reduced to 1 and Mayor Dickinson indicated that additional equipment was purchased last year from the Unappropriated Balance and beyond that, a \$100,000 4-wheel drive vehicle was purchased rather than a snow plow/sander truck and Mr. Deak had significant problems with the 1974 trucks this past winter and they have to be replaced.

Mr. Zandri asked if outside contractors were used for snow plowing and Mayor Dickinson said the town does not but the Board of Education does because there 18 routes and 18 trucks and everyone feels their road should be the first one done and in the past, the schools had to be done first and it is impossible to do the schools and public highways at once. Mr. Zandri wondered if a cost study was done

to have snow removed by private contractors, especially considering the cost of the vehicles and he felt this should be looked into. Mr. Parisi said the Board of Education did a price comparison and the decision was made to use private contractors but this may be different today. Mayor Dickinson said large vehicles are needed for the public highways but the school parking lots use pickup trucks.

Mr. Holmes mentioned the snow removal contract for the schools was \$37,000 for 11 schools and he felt that the price would be substantial for 39 square miles of town roads. Mr. Holmes spoke to the deletion of the snow plow truck which he felt would be short sighted and he will vote against this. Mr. Killen commended Mr. Doherty for the work he did. Mr. Killen added that in 1985-86, Wallingford spent \$72.94 per capita in public works and the state-wide average was \$115.66; we rank 142 out of 169 towns, nothing to brag about.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete one snow plow truck at \$85,000, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Mr. Doherty voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete the North Farms Pumper at \$155,000, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Mrs. Papale said that in all her years on the Council, she has never been in habit of putting back money in the budget not approved by the Mayor but Chief Jay Wron pointed out that this pumper loses water in the station and on the road and she feels this is necessary for the safety issue. Mr. Adams felt that if this is not replaced this year, it will have to be next year. Mr. Bradley said the Council is shortchanging itself if they haven't looked at this vehicle which is rusting out and losing water, a serious problem, and this is an area where Bristol-Myers is and I-91 and he feels it is important to approve this.

Mr. Holmes appreciates the Mayor's position to delete this but he feels that a regular replacement program is far better than waiting and having a force which is in poor shape and outdated. Mr. Holmes feels that these replacements--fire--police--public works is the cost of doing business and must be incorporated on a yearly basis and addressed as such.

Mr. Solinsky added that this is money well spent for this fire truck, for the protection of our people and property, and the pump on the truck is worn and will not fill itself unless it is at a pressurized hydrant.

Mr. Doherty commented that over the past four years, we have refurbished 6 fire trucks and 2 ambulances, making this capital purchase unnecessary in this budget. Mr. Doherty did not hear Chief McElfish strongly recommend purchasing this piece of equipment and Steve Hacku said this pumper can make a fire and perhaps equipment can be switched from another area as Mr. Zandri suggested. Mr. Doherty has not received any calls that fires cannot be fought because of breakdowns of this vehicle.

Mr. Parisi felt that Mr. Doherty's points are well taken and this is basically a judgment call and he felt it would be less expensive to replace it this year.

Mrs. Papale commented that Chief McElfish states his needs but never puts up a fight and the Chief at North Farms feels that this is a dangerous situation. Mr. Adams put this in its proper perspective and said the cost to the taxpayers is 12½¢ per week, \$6.20 per year to replace this pumper, not a great deal for the overall protection of the town. Mr. Zandri felt that every item put in the budget could be cost justified in that way.

VOTE: Messrs. Doherty, Killen and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Solinsky asked about the Building Department car and Mayor Dickinson explained that the old police cars go into a pool generally to replace other vehicles which are not in very good shape.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete one automobile for the Building Department at \$10,000, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Messrs. Adams and Doherty voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete the Masonic Avenue intersection improvements (Engineering Department) at \$60,000. **NO SECOND; MOTION FAILED.**

Mr. Doherty moved to delete the new Fire Inspector at \$26,000. **NO SECOND; MOTION FAILED.**

Mr. Doherty moved to remove \$10,000 from the Visiting Nurses budget dealing with Occupational Safety and Health Program, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mayor Dickinson explained that this was added to the VNA budget last year and it is essentially a program to assist businesses and private entities in Wallingford to be aware of occupational health issues and last year \$10,000 or \$20,000 was added in their budget and someone was hired but their hiring does not have to obey any kind of town procedures. Mr. Parisi remembers when he was on their Board of Directors that there was an indication that the town had offered assistance to this program a year ago and Mayor Dickinson felt the indication was the \$10,000 funded last year. Mrs. Papale felt that if this \$10,000 is not given, the VNA would have to fund it themselves. Mayor Dickinson hoped this would not be done by taking funds away from the Visiting Nurse program which would be a concern since the Visiting Nurse program is a very important program offered to the community and the town puts quite a bit of money into that program and there are many people who make use of it and very valuable health care is offered to the community on a graduated scale and many people who can't afford higher rates can receive health care through the VNA.

Mr. Parisi asked if this was connected to OSHA and Mayor Dickinson explained that it goes beyond that--it goes toward encouraging exercise, toward encouraging people to develop lifestyles that eliminate stress built up at the workplace and deals with the health problems that emanate in the workplace, not the safety issues as much but personal health as the result of the impact of your daily occupation. Mr. Parisi felt that there was enough written on that subject today so that any astute manager, company president, etc. if he so desired and felt that it would help his particular operation, he would initiate that on his own and major corporations have already done so and enjoyed many benefits. Mr. Parisi feels that on a local level, it's kind of a David and Goliath situation and while he has the deepest admiration for the Visiting Nurses, the money can be used elsewhere.

Mr. Bradley added that the federal government is abandoning the funding for OSHA and pushing it down to the local level.

Mr. Holmes has a problem with approving someone's budget without having representation from a department present to allow them a chance for rebuttal but he does agree with what was said about the necessity of this program.

VOTE: Messrs. Holmes and Solinsky voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete \$5,468 from Line 6000/Library Contribution, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Mayor Dickinson felt it would be difficult just to tell someone money has been removed from their budget since they presented their budget and he does not understand what the \$5,400 does to our total budget situation. Mr. Parisi is also uneasy about making cuts after budgets have been presented. Mr. Parisi hoped that the Council next year would get back to the format of making the cuts while the department heads are present and ask questions at that time. Mr. Doherty explained that not everyone has all the years of experience that Mr. Parisi has and Mr. Parisi admires Mr. Doherty's efforts but now he is trying to remember his original position. Mr. Doherty said the bottom line is that the Council is responsible to the taxpayers. Mr. Killen commended Mr. Doherty for his efforts.

VOTE: Councilman Doherty voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Doherty moved to delete \$2,000 from Line 6100/Municipal T.V., seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mayor Dickinson wanted everyone aware that the issue of coordinating with Sheehan was taken up and the difficulty is that Sheehan is looking to try to expand their facilities but the problem is the additional equipment is contingent upon it all being removal on a daily notice to allow the space to be used for other purposes and to join that station with another, with a constant setting up and removing effort is literally impossible. Mayor Dickinson does not see how we can send Scott's program over to the high school and increase the problems. Mr. Doherty is disturbed about the cost duplication of some very expensive equipment.

Mr. Parisi felt that people are being beat over the head to get public t.v. to function and he would rather have one network rather than three and he felt that when he served on the advisory board, they were not doing all that they said they would do and other communities also felt that way. Mayor Dickinson explained that Heritage is an entirely different entity. Mayor Dickinson added that there would soon be an agenda item regarding this and hopefully, everyone will get a look at the layers of authority that are involved in this and basically, the only relationship the Town of Wallingford has to the Heritage Cable Company is the lease we have with them for the transmitting capabilities that they have on the schools and they are not given authority to operate in Wallingford and they could go to a private property to do that if they wanted to. Mr. Parisi felt that they were supposed to augment the services within the community.

Mr. Adams felt that outside programming capabilities would allow the taxpayer to see where the tax dollar is going, for example, the new sewer treatment plant.

VOTE: Messrs. Doherty, Parisi and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Killen commended Mr. Doherty for his efforts and Mr. Doherty thanked the Council for their time.

Mr. Killen said he had three or four positions in the personnel pages he would entertain motions on, starting on page 148, Program Planner at \$9,100. Mr. Killen noted that the resource recovery plant is expected to be in full operation in November. Mayor Dickinson explained that Mr. Hamel has been paid through grant funding and the money we have budgeted is expected for Mr. Hamel to be heavily involved in the recycling area. Mr. Hamel is paid \$17.50 per hour with no benefits and the \$9,100 would cover a year. Mr. Killen said he has spent his time solely on the planning of the resource recovery plant and Mayor Dickinson said he has been involved with recycling and Mr. Killen asked if the \$9,100 could be cut. Mr. Adams pointed out that he would like to meet Mr. Hamel one of these days. Mayor Dickinson did not feel that we had an agenda item requiring his presence. Mayor Dickinson said Phil has done a great deal of work for the town and we will need him for the recycling project. Mr. Zandri understood that Mr. Hamel would be working the first half of next year for C.R.R.A. and the second half on recycling. Mr. Zandri felt that other towns will be involved with recycling and the cost should be shared. Mayor Dickinson explained that the Council of Governments has funded a study of the feasibility of recycling and that study is funded by the State of Connecticut and Mr. Hamel is involved with that and will be involved in the ongoing analysis. Mayor Dickinson does not know who he will get to do it if Mr. Hamel doesn't do it. Mayor Dickinson said someone must get involved with the consultant to determine what the project entails and what the facts and figures mean and Mr. Hamel is involved to make sure work is being done in a form that the town finds usable.

Mr. Bradley moved to reduce the Program Planner Line 1302, page 148, from \$9,100 to \$4,550, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Holmes asked what that would accomplish and Mr. Killen said it would cut his salary in half since it is not known if he will

be working a full year. Mayor Dickinson said Phil Hamel is an employee of the Town of Wallingford and will work for a year and it is not a question of his working only part of a year. Mayor Dickinson felt that if the Council does not think that recycling is not a valuable effort, the hours will be cut and we could come up short but the Mayor does not know who else he will assign to do that work. Mr. Killen said the problem lies in where his duties are and when he is doing them and Mr. Killen does not see how this plant will be wrapped up for Mr. Hamel to have free time. Mr. Parisi asked if there was any system for documenting his hours and Mayor Dickinson said he does turn in a time sheet and he is one of the most honest people you will ever run across. Mayor Dickinson will vouch for his hours without any compunction. Mr. Zandri asked how much was budgeted for Mr. Hamel's salary for the next fiscal year from C.R.R.A. Mayor Dickinson explained there is a grant for half a year which includes other things than salary for \$37,500 and Mr. Hamel is paid on an hourly basis out of that grant and the time he spends on other activities is paid through the town.

VOTE: Messrs. Adams, Bradley, Killen and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Killen turned to page 170, Inspector for the Fire Department, and he asked for a motion to reduce the salary.

Mr. Holmes moved to reduce the Inspector in the Fire Marshal's Department from \$26,014 to \$13,007, seconded by Mr. Parisi. Mr. Solinsky understands that someone is ready to fill this position immediately and Mr. Doherty understood that also. Mr. Holmes added that this position must be tested. Mayor Dickinson expects that this position would be filled through internal posting and he assumes that one of our current fire-fighters will fill it. Mr. Killen said the job description has never come before the Council for approval. Mr. Adams felt that this position required taking a course and Mr. Holmes said the individual can be hired but he cannot sign off on anything until such time as he receives certification from the state but he can receive on the job training. Mr. Parisi remembers being told that this inspector can perform an inspection until he got stuck and he would call in the Fire Marshal or Deputy Fire Marshal and they could sign it off. Mr. Holmes added that the same procedure was followed with Mr. Lamy. Mr. Parisi asked about schooling and Mayor Dickinson felt that the statute for fire marshals includes inspectors which would require certification, a two or three week course. Mayor Dickinson felt that this position would have to be tested like any other classified position. Mr. Adams felt that the state offers the course once or several times a year but the position has to be posted but he does not know when the course will be offered. Mr. Parisi commented that the Council has not approved the specs. Mrs. Papale felt that testing and certification may take a while.

Mr. Parisi moved a friendly amendment to Mr. Holmes motion to place the \$13,007 in Contingency. Mr. Solinsky felt that it was necessary to keep this entire amount ready for this inspector. Mr. Myers added that the position is in contingency by previous Council action. Mr. Holmes felt that because the Council has not approved job specs, the position may not be filled for six months. Mr. Parisi withdrew his amendment.

VOTE: Messrs. Adams and Solinsky voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen moved to page 172, Assistant Superintendent/Recreation and he explained that he felt the same time span would be involved.

Mr. Bradley moved to reduce the Assistant Superintendent/Recreation, Account 4000 from \$21,952 to \$11,000, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen moved to page 172, Senior Clerk II at \$14,342. Mr. Holmes felt that there was a ready list of names to fill the clerk positions and Mr. Killen felt it could be cut for two months.

Mr. Holmes moved to reduce Senior Clerk II from \$14,342 to \$11,952, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen moved to Administrative Aide and Mr. Solinsky said a job spec was approved by the Council. Mayor Dickinson added that Mr. Deak needs the help and Mr. Killen wanted to be sure that the person would be on board and Mayor Dickinson felt the position could be filled immediately and Mr. Parisi felt that the problem was with the testing and Mayor Dickinson felt that the testing could be held before July 1 and the Mayor felt it should be tested.

Mr. Killen felt that two months could come out of the Chief Clerk position from \$22,256 to \$18,546 and Mayor Dickinson expected that there is a good chance that the position would be filled.

Mr. Parisi moved that the Chief Clerk salary be reduced from \$22,256 to \$18,546, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Parisi hoped that in the future more drivers or personnel would be added to enhance some of the already offered services to further benefit the taxpayers.

VOTE: Council members Adams, Papale and Solinsky voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mayor Dickinson commented that if someone else fills the Administrative Aide position, the clerk is still there and there would be no money to pay the clerk and a transfer would have to be made from some other line in the budget. Mr. Holmes said the point the Council is trying to get across is that there is always a big surplus in the wage accounts in many departments and either the department heads must start budgeting for partial years or the Council will have to stop the erosion of funds from the wage accounts. Mayor Dickinson thinks the Council should take a look at other governmental entities and they will find that the Town of Wallingford is not in such terrible shape regarding budgeted positions. Mayor Dickinson explained that budgets are prepared a year ahead of time and people leave employment and normally it is not known if someone will not come on ahead of time and he feels the Council is going way out on a limb with the idea of people wasting money on budgeting salaries that somehow they know won't be paid and he does not think that is generally the case. Mayor Dickinson feels that a look should be taken at state employees and then apply what has been learned to the Town of Wallingford and you will find that we are not in bad shape. Mr. Zandri felt that transfers from salary accounts should be tightened up on and Mr. Killen felt that we could tighten up on other line items, too, since it works both ways.

Mayor Dickinson commented that if the money from the unspent salary line were being transferred for the employees to take home extra money, he could understand the great concern or if the money from the salary line was being transferred for new capital items that had not been budgeted for, as a general rule, he could understand the concern but where the money is being transferred for ongoing maintenance and operational expenses, the Mayor does not understand. Mr. Killen feels that the problem is that the money is available within the salary accounts and the Council does not want to fund for positions which will not be filled. Mrs. Papale feels that a department head really wants that person on board but the position is not filled for various reasons.

Mr. Killen read a letter recommending changes to page 14 of the Revenue Budget, Account 2150 entitled Planning and Zoning Permit Fees which had been established at \$18,000 which includes: \$3,000 for an Inland Wetlands Commission Permit Fee and it is recommended that this account be reduced to \$15,000 and a new account number 2170 entitled Inland Wetlands Permits be established in the amount of \$3,000 and the letter is dated April 25, 1988.

Mrs. Papale moved to reduce Account 2150/Planning and Zoning Permit Fees be reduced from \$18,000 to \$15,000, seconded by Mr. Holmes. (Page 14).

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Holmes moved to establish a new account, Number 2170 entitled Inland Wetlands Permits and fund it in the amount of \$3,000, seconded by Mr. Parisi. (Page 14).

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved to establish a new account, Line 4090, C.R.R.A. Landfill Lease for \$33,350 on page 15, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Myers letter indicated that the budget submission did not include a summary for the Town Aid Road Fund and these figures should have appeared on page 12: Revenue \$278,833.

Mrs. Papale moved Town Aid Road Fund Revenue of \$278,833 (Page 12), seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Parisi moved Town Aid Road Fund Expenditures of \$278,833 (page 12), seconded by Mr. Zandri.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Myers proposed one other change in the revenues on page 14. Account 2040 Health Department Inspection Fees is a charge for percolation tests and inspections by the Health Department and Mr. Myers proposed eliminating Account 2040 and increasing Account 6030 by the same \$200, just for clarification and this account would be called Health Percolation and Inspection Services.

Mr. Holmes moved to eliminate Account 2040 on page 14 in the amount of \$200 and increase Line 6030 on page 17 from \$2,000 to \$2,200 and entitled Line 6030 Health Percolation and Inspection Services, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Zandri moved to page 123A and moved to reduce the contribution from the General Fund from \$840,000 to \$740,000, seconded by Mr. Bradley. (Line 8040).

Mayor Dickinson stated for the record that he strongly disagrees with this since this is dealing with the Electric Division and if they do not have revenue coming in, it could affect the Capital and Non-Recurring and the Council may be doing this without the facts necessary to justify the action. Mayor Dickinson added that the money comes out of the rates and the rate increase has been funded through cash flow in the Electric Division and this has been done for well over a year and two years ago, all of their capital was bonded two years ago and this must be paid off, principle and interest, and that was done through their retained earnings. Mayor Dickinson felt it was a very dangerous game to depend upon the cyclical nature of the electric rates because in the years that the Electric Division did not show a profit, they did not contribute and to depend upon that and use it to offset taxation the Mayor thinks is a mistake.

Mr. Zandri felt it was about time the Electric Division started operating as a business and was accountable for every turn and that is basically what this represents. Mr. Holmes felt that this will penalize them \$100,000 for not operating like a business and Mr. Zandri reminded everyone that the people who own and invested in this business are the taxpayers. Mr. Holmes felt that this would be made up in the rates. Mr. Killen said Mr. Zandri's point is the point he has been trying to make for years and he has dissatisfaction with the way that entity is being run and if they have to work a little harder to come up with the \$100,000, maybe they will work hard enough to come up with \$200,000.

Mr. Parisi felt that this action reflected what was done the other evening and Mr. Killen said this would take the \$100,000 directly from general taxation and it will affect the mill rate. Mr. Parisi was in favor of the action for Capital and Non-Recurring and he still is but he doesn't believe that we should be applying any of this toward the mill rate.

VOTE: Messrs. Bradley, Doherty, Killen and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

A brief recess was held from 9:35 p.m. until 9:50 p.m. when the meeting reconvened.

Mr. Killen moved to page 13, Estimated Cash Balance and Mr. Myers felt comfortable with the figures he provided in March and did not wish to make a change in this figure today. Mr. Myers stated that there is a significant trend which has happened with the estimated cash balance over the years and 2/3's of that \$1,476,000 comes from our revenue budget and the town expenditure budget over the past years has been brought into such budgeting constraints that it produces approximately 1% of unexpended funds at the end of a fiscal year and with a \$55,000,000 budget, Mr. Myers could pretty much say that the departments will not spend \$550,000 and this is a very, very small amount of unexpended budgets at the end of a fiscal year and that indicates that the expenditure line items are budgeted very, very close and there isn't a lot of swing. Mr. Myers added that this not only includes Public Works but amounts provided for items such as contract negotiations, health insurance for employees, property and casualty insurances, payments on bonds and notes and the new bond issues.

Mr. Myers has found over the past three years that the revenue side of the budget is the side that produces the fund balance position at the end of the fiscal period and there are two ways to look at this. Mr. Myers explained that the approach used in Wallingford is to include historically the first line in the budget called Estimated Cash Balance and that figure is made up of three components-- the first component is any available fund balance the town would have from the previous audited year, a known, hard and fast figure with no guess work and the second component is the current year revenues, revenues the town expects to collect above what has been budgeted; the third component is the money the town expects not to spend-- the \$550,000 or the 1% of budget appropriations that are left at the end of the fiscal year. In Mr. Myers' opinion, budgeting in this manner forces him to be nothing but very, very conservative. Mr. Myers explained that the more progressive communities do not budget surplus before it is earned and they do not use component two and component three until the books have been audited and the figure is an absolute known. Mr. Myers feels that the position of budgeting for current year revenues and expenditures before they have been audited and known is a guessing game and a very dangerous guessing game because every year, he must come up with that amount of money, approximately \$1,400,000 or \$1,500,000 in order not to affect the mill rate. Mr. Myers further explained that the year that you don't have the \$1,500,000, say it dropped to \$500,000, you have lost one mill in revenues which you will have to come up with and we are budgeting for money before it is realized, budgeting for results in our current operations six months in advance and it's a guessing game by Mr. Myers and he can assume no other position other than to be very, very conservative. Mr. Myers would strike that line right out of the budget if he had his way but it would mean a mill and one-half increase and that is why he assumes the most conservative position that he can and try to hope that he can keep the budget on the basis to have this \$1,500,000 every year and hope that the swing of say \$100,000 or \$200,000 will not have a significant impact on the mill rate. Mr. Myers does not like budgeting in this manner and again stated that it is a very, very dangerous position for the town to be in and he has discussed this at length with the Mayor. Mr. Myers feels that there will be a year the town will not have the \$1,500,000 because of pushing up the revenues and tightening the expenditure budget and when the \$1,500,000 drops out, you are looking at one and one-half mills before the budget is opened. Mr. Myers explained that the most uncomfortable position he faces in preparing the budget is dealing with this first line and it is the most difficult concept in this whole budget to understand because of the three components discussed above. Mr. Myers must project now where he thinks the Town of Wallingford Budget is going to end up on June 30, 1988 and he does not know if there are many successful businesses that would want to operate this way. Mr. Myers said we are very conservative on the revenues because of this first line and if this first line was not in the budget, Mr. Myers could target every revenue account to come in within one-half of one percent of what was budgeted but with this first line, he cannot do it.

Mr. Killen said with the \$1,400,000 and \$2,200,000, there is available in the General Fund \$3,600,000 and Mr. Myers said the \$1,400,000 is not yet realized. Mr. Killen added that the figures are not realized for the budget which is being adopted but we are assuming they will be expended and assuming they will be collected.

Mayor Dickinson stated for the record that he strongly disagrees with this since this is dealing with the Electric Division and if they do not have revenue coming in, it could affect the Capital and Non-Recurring and the Council may be doing this without the facts necessary to justify the action. Mayor Dickinson added that the money comes out of the rates and the rate increase has been funded through cash flow in the Electric Division and this has been done for well over a year and two years ago, all of their capital was bonded two years ago and this must be paid off, principle and interest, and that was done through their retained earnings. Mayor Dickinson felt it was a very dangerous game to depend upon the cyclical nature of the electric rates because in the years that the Electric Division did not show a profit, they did not contribute and to depend upon that and use it to offset taxation the Mayor thinks is a mistake.

Mr. Zandri felt it was about time the Electric Division started operating as a business and was accountable for every turn and that is basically what this represents. Mr. Holmes felt that this will penalize them \$100,000 for not operating like a business and Mr. Zandri reminded everyone that the people who own and invested in this business are the taxpayers. Mr. Holmes felt that this would be made up in the rates. Mr. Killen said Mr. Zandri's point is the point he has been trying to make for years and he has dissatisfaction with the way that entity is being run and if they have to work a little harder to come up with the \$100,000, maybe they will work hard enough to come up with \$200,000.

Mr. Parisi felt that this action reflected what was done the other evening and Mr. Killen said this would take the \$100,000 directly from general taxation and it will affect the mill rate. Mr. Parisi was in favor of the action for Capital and Non-Recurring and he still is but he doesn't believe that we should be applying any of this toward the mill rate.

VOTE: Messrs. Bradley, Doherty, Killen and Zandri voted aye; all others voted no; motion did not carry.

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Mr. Myers felt that the town will either comply and march to the tune that is being played down on Wall Street in New York City or you are not; if you are in compliance, you will be rewarded by borrowing at a cheaper interest rate and if you are not in compliance, it will cost more money to borrow and we will be facing \$30,000,000 in new bonding over the next four to five year period and Mr. Myers wants the best bond rate to borrow at the cheapest dollar. Mr. Myers explained that the \$2,200,000 is predicated on 5% of budgeted expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1987, expenditures of \$44,000,000, expected to have this available and showing on the balance sheet as Unappropriated and available. Mr. Killen referred to the state statutes and the Charter and Mr. Myers did not believe that the statutes or Charter prohibit the town from having a fund balance. Mr. Killen said the statutes mandate a surplus to be used for offsetting the following year's taxes, a fact. Mr. Myers recommended having the available fund balance for the bonding. Mayor Dickinson indicated that there are a few occasions when outside parties have occasion to rule whether you have a good, bad or indifferent operation and one of the parties would be the officers

and certainly another outside party would be the credit rating on Wall Street and in the midst of all the indebtedness the town will have to pick up, the major parties we must proceed with have seen fit to upgrade Wallingford, a very positive reflection on the job Mr. Myers does, the job the Council has done, the total financial position of the community, the best position possible to handle the enormous capital project list and the Mayor thinks it is our responsibility to maintain that position.

Mr. Holmes thought that historically during budget workshop sessions, the Council tries to knock out bits and pieces of the general government budget, the education budget but it usually comes down to the last night on the revenue side with an opportunity for improvement to the mill rate. Mr. Holmes agrees with what Mr. Myers has said and felt that it is better to err on the side of conservatism and although it is attractive to satisfy ourselves immediately by raising the revenues and reducing the mill rate, sight is lost of the overall picture and long range scope. The last few years, the Council has tried to give the town financial flexibility which has enabled the saving of money through the payment of major projects through cash, the improvement of the bond rating and one-half percent on a \$30,000,000 project will save money. Mr. Holmes does not recommend sacrificing the future for today's fiscal well being.

Mr. Killen realizes that Wall Street wants Wallingford to have the \$2,200,000 available but he feels the town meets their obligations and have met their obligations in the past and the Electric Division could be sold to almost offset the entire indebtedness. Mr. Parisi asked if the Electric Division counted as leverage with our position and Mr. Myers said the utilities are definitely an asset but the major debt comes from the utilities--\$38,000,000 Sewer Plant, \$20,000,000 Water Plant and what it will take to make the Electric Generating Plant capable of producing electricity again. Mr. Myers added that Wall Street does not want to see communities to have a fire sale to meet the current expenses and they don't want to see you have to go to the bank every time there is a catastrophe or emergency or something crops up and their job is not to protect the community but their job is to protect the investor.

Mr. Adams moved the Estimated Revenue Budget, pages 13 through 19, accepted as presented, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Myers presented an analysis of selected accounts 1987-88 compared to 1988-89:

PAGE REF.	ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NUMBER	1987-88	1988-89	INCREASE/ (DECREASE)	
2	13	Constr after Oct 1, PA 788	1011	170000	200000	30000
3						
4	13	M.V. Supplement / Cars	1012	300000	400000	100000
5						
6	13	Reverse property	1020	250000	250000	0
7						
8	13	Interest & Loans	1030	150000	150000	0
9						
10	13	PILOT - Ashbr Village	1061	110000	124000	14000
11						
12	13	PILOT - CIRRA	1062	0	125000	125000
13						
14	14	Real Estate Transfer Tax	1200	200000	180000	(20000)
15						
16	14	P.W. Landfill Fees	2060	480000	100000	(380000)
17						
18	10	Interest Income	4010	750000	950000	200000
19						
20	15	Lease - Yabville School	4080	0	41350	41350
21		Lease - Landfill	4090	0	33350	33350
22	15	General Education Aid	5024	400000	669000	269000

15	School Equalization	5025	6300000	7017000	717000	23
15	Vocational Agriculture	5050	48734	80000	31266	24
15	Transportation	5060	335000	320000	(15000)	25
15	Transportation - N.I.	5070	45000	32000	(13000)	26
15	Special Education	5120	1275000	1550000	275000	27
15	Program for the Blind	5130	72600	40000	(32600)	28
16	Telephone Line Tax	5760	280000	425000	145000	29
16	Federal Reserve Branch	5850	409061	0	(409061)	30
18	Pop Change - Rick Mill	6571	0	25000	25000	31
19	Pop Change - Kent Tom Hall	6572	0	28500	28500	32
			11575395	12740200	1164805	33

Mr. Myers explained that the property taxes on the first line are prorated while the property is under construction. In 1987-88, we budgeted \$170,000 and we are over that number now, above \$200,000, and Mr. Myers budgeted \$200,000 because Frank Barta and Miss Wall have told him that real estate sales are slow and this is his best guess in February.

Mr. Myers moved to Supplemental motor vehicles, billed in January for car sales for the period July through December, currently budgeted at \$300,000 and \$550,000 to \$575,000 should have been collected since car sales were very good for the last three years. A great deal of time is spent chasing car taxes and it is estimated that 88% will be collected, around \$590,000 to \$600,000 and the budget was raised from \$300,000 to \$400,000 based on the fact that car sales have also softened and are below last year's levels. This account is economically sensitive.

Mr. Myers moved to Arrears/property and this year will come in at \$255,000, \$5,000 over what was budgeted and Interest and Liens will come in a little higher this year but it was felt that \$150,000 is still a good figure for next year.

Mr. Myers moved to PILOT-Ashlar Village which has been adjusted. Last year's calculation was \$110,000 and the collection this year is \$124,000.

Mr. Myers added a new line item, PILOT-C.R.R.A., the payment in lieu of taxes the town will receive for the energy plant budgeted for one-half year since it should come on line in the fall and the \$125,000 represents six months, from January to June, 1989.

Mr. Myers moved to Real Estate Transfer Tax, another economically sensitive account, and Mr. Myers believes that we will be above the \$200,000 the current fiscal year and next year, it will be reduced to \$180,000.

Mr. Myers moved to Public Works Landfill Fees--\$480,000 budgeted which will be exceeded to about \$550,000 or \$575,000; however, landfill will be taken over by C.R.R.A. on September 1 and \$50,000 per month was budgeted for two months--July and August and there is a \$380,000 loss in revenue.

Mr. Myers moved to Interest Income and added that the cash flow is greatly improved since people are paying their taxes very promptly because the economy is good. Also, the \$2,200,000 needed for the credit rating is in the bank earning interest, a guaranteed interest figure of \$150,000 a year. Mr. Myers said this year's \$750,000 figure is short and will probably come in at \$950,000 and \$950,000 has been budgeted for next year based on our cash trend history from the current year.

Mr. Myers moved to Yalesville School Lease, leased to Benhaven during the current fiscal year and there was nothing in the budget. Next year, the lease's value will be \$400,350.

Mr. Myers moved to C.R.R.A. Landfill Lease--nothing in the budget this year and tonight the Council voted to add \$33,350 for next year, prorated.

Mr. Myers moved to General Education Aid--this is the amount of money the town receives for being participants in the teachers' salary enhancement program. This money is not paid to the teachers but comes directly to the municipality and it is included in the budget under State Grants for Education but the money can be used anywhere in the municipality but Wallingford has dedicated it to the education process. The current budget is \$400,000; next year, the estimate the town will get from the state is \$669,000.

Mr. Myers moved to School Equalization-GTB--current budget \$6,300,000; next year the state tells us it is \$7,017,000. Vocational agriculture \$48,000 up to \$80,000. Transportation is slightly overbudgeted, probably \$30,000 to \$40,000 so it is reduced next year. Special education, current year \$1,275,000; next year \$1,550,000 and for some reason, we never get what the state proposes. For example, Mr. Myers said the state estimated \$1,600,000 and he knocked it down \$50,000 because he does not feel comfortable putting in the full \$1,600,000 because we never receive the full amount of money. Program for the Blind this year is budgeted at \$72,000, overbudgeted, and next year it is \$40,000.

Mr. Myers moved to Telephone Line Access Tax--\$280,000 this year; \$425,00 next year.

Mr. Myers moved to Federal Revenue Sharing; at one time we had \$900,000 in our mill rate for Federal Revenue Sharing and this was reduced accordingly each year, deliberately, and this is the last year at \$409,000 for money already received. Federal Revenue Sharing is finished and this constitutes a \$409,000 loss, a half mill. Add that to the \$380,000 from the Landfill revenue, and we have a \$900,000 revenue decrease in two accounts, 9/10's of a mill.

Mr. Myers felt that it was appropriate for the utilities to share the cost of the Risk Manager who does all their insurance work--property, casualty, workmen's compensation, etc. and the utilities share is \$25,000, a new revenue item. Mr. Myers also felt that it would be appropriate for the Electric Division who shares space in the new Town Hall to pay the rent. Mr. Roe took a survey in Wallingford of commercial rent which varies from \$10 to \$15 a square foot and for the amount of space occupied in the new Town Hall, it amounts to \$28,500 a year and in the agreement, Mr. Myers also included an automatic escalator tied to the projected consumer price index from the Kiplinger Service out of Washington, D.C. and the rent will increase yearly in accordance with the C.P.I.

Mr. Myers said the bottom line on these items in 1987-88 represented \$11,575,000 and in 1988-89, they represent \$12,740,000. The net increase is \$1,165,000. Had we not lost the Revenue Sharing which the Federal Government took away and had the Landfill not closed, \$380,000, you could add \$900,000 to the \$1,165,000 figure and Mayor Dickinson and Mr. Myers in preparing the budget have already added \$2,000,000 to the revenues and they feel very comfortable and by making those adjustments to the revenue accounts, it is not going to be detrimental to the town's financial position.

Mr. Myers thanked the Council for their attention.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Myers commented that through tonight, the Council had cut \$25,000 from the budget, not including tonight and to that you have to add the \$33,000 that was not included in revenue which makes the total \$58,000 and tonight the Council cut \$7,000, \$10,000, \$13,000, \$11,000 and \$6,000 (rounded) and the Council can reduce the two mill increase to 1.9 and take the difference out of the Contingency account or you can go back and add in a piece of major capital equipment up to \$88,000 and that decision can be made tonight.

Mr. Holmes moved to place on the table for consideration an item of capital equipment for the East Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department, a four wheel drive attack pumper at \$55,000, and his rationale is that if there is a situation that does not necessitate a large pumper, this might be an ideal vehicle and might reduce some of the pounding the larger vehicles take. Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

Mr. Doherty preferred to take the one tenth off the mill rate.

VOTE: Messrs. Adams, Holmes, Parisi and Solinsky voted aye;
all others voted no; motion did not carry.

Mr. Doherty moved to carve 1/10th of a mill off the mill rate,
seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Messrs. Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Papale and Zandri voted
aye; all others voted no; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen moved to Program Planning, page 33.

Mr. Parisi moved page 33, Program Planning, as presented, for
discussion, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mayor Dickinson said the increase in office supplies is mainly
for subscriptions, a publication for \$350 which includes all the
regulations on hazardous waste handling and emergency planning
and the Federal Register now costs \$400 a year, to keep track
of Federal Grant Programs and he gets a grants management pub-
lication and gets handicapped access information and regulations,
along with an asbestos advisory publication, along with a recycling
publication and this is an exact figure of what his office needs.
Mr. Bradley asked if there was any duplication of subscriptions
which the Fire Department receives and Mayor Dickinson said Mr.
Roe is directly involved and it is appropriate that he receive
these publications.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Adams moved page 148, Program Planning, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Messrs. Bradley, Killen and Zandri voted no; all others
voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Myers thanked the Council for their attention tonight.

Mr. Parisi asked how much the 1/10th would reflect in a tax bill
and Mr. Adams said he would save \$6.10. Mr. Myers said there is
a 6% increase; if \$1,000 are paid in taxes, that will now be
\$1,060.

Mr. Killen thanked everyone and he knew there were disappointments
but everyone did their best.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the
final budget workshop adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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