

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 9, 1995

6:30 P.M.

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AGENDA

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Consider and Approve One Appointment to the Position of Commissioner on the Inland Wetlands Watercourses Commission for a Term of Five Years to Expire 3/1/2000
3. Consider and Approve One Appointment to the Position of Alternate on the Inland Wetlands Watercourses Commission for a Term of Three Years to Expire 3/1/98
4. Discussion and Possible Action on Referring Application to the Planning & Zoning Commission Regarding the American Legion Post 187/Cir-Tek, Inc. Land Exchange from the Town of Wallingford Pursuant to CT. General Statute 8-24
5. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$22,000 from Sworn Officers Wages Acct. #001-2002-1000-1310 of Which \$8,000 is Transferred to Sick Replacement Acct. #001-2002-100-1600 and \$2,000 is Transferred to Sick Replacement Acct. #001-2003-100-1600 and \$11,500 is Transferred to Workers Compensation Acct. #001-2001-100-1630 and \$500 is Transferred to Shift Differential Acct. #001-2003-100-1450 - Dept. of Police Services
6. Discussion and Possible Action on a Grant Application for Intoximeter - Dept. of Police Services
7. Consider and Approve an Appropriation of Funds in the Amount of \$5,495 from Federal Grant - Evidential Breath Analysis Equipment Acct. #001-1050-050-5886 to Police Department Intoximeter Acct. #001-2001-999-9917 - Dept. of Police Services
8. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$600 from Gas & Oil Acct. #001-2035-300-3000 to Overtime Acct. #001-2035-100-1400 - Fire Marshal
9. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD - 7:30 P.M.
10. PUBLIC HEARING on an Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Appropriating \$3,795,000 for the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Improvements and Additions to Yalesville, James H. Moran and Dag Hammarskjold Schools, and the Acquisition of Land Therefor and Authorizing the Issue of \$3,795,000 Bonds of the Town to Meet Said Appropriation and Pending the Issue Thereof the Making of Temporary Borrowings for Such Purpose

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6:30 P.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held on Tuesday, May 9, 1995 in the Robert Earley Auditorium of the Wallingford Town Hall and Called to Order by Chairman Thomas D. Solinsky at 6:34 P.M. All Councilors answered present to the Roll called by Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall with the exception of Councilor Killen who was out of town on personal business. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Comptroller Thomas A. Myers were also present. Town Attorney Janis M. Small arrived at 10:25 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

Vice Chairperson Susan Duryea requested a moment of silence be observed for Anna Under Audisio, Corporation Counselor Adam Mantzaris' Mother-in-Law and for Anthony Giresi, Town Constable and Democratic Town Committee Member.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Move Agenda Item #18 Up to the Next Order of Business, seconded by Mr. Knight.

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

ITEM #18 Adopt the 1995-96 Budgets of the Town of Wallingford and Set a Rate of Tax for F.Y. 1995-96

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Adopt the Total General Fund Revenue Budget of \$82,792,713 for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1995. Seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Zandri stated that he will not participate in this portion of the meeting in protest of the lack of cooperation or willingness to compromise by members of this Council during the budget workshops.

Mrs. Duryea stated that she, too, will join Mr. Zandri in his protest.

Mr. Gouveia stated, going through a budget workshop is always a worthwhile experience. A lot is learned by questioning the department heads. In going through this workshop, perhaps for the first time in all the years that he has been sitting on the Council, he realized that these budgets were a lot more realistic than in previous years. He often has accused the P.U.C. of submitting budgets to this Council that were fictitious because their numbers rarely, if ever, reflected the actuals. This year he found that their budget was a lot more realistic than ever before. Nonetheless, there is still a lot of room for improvement in that budget. He is a little bit concerned because we read in the newspaper that this year's budget represents a slight decrease in taxes but let us not forget that there is an increase of over \$3 million in expenditures. Our expenses have not gone down, in fact they are going up to the tune of \$3 million. How are we able to afford a tax decrease, even if a small one at that, and at the same time increase our expenditures by over \$3 million? It is very simple.

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We are borrowing from previous year's budgets, from previous year's surpluses, \$3,391,000. We (the Council) were right in trying to scrutinize the budgets of previous years because there was, indeed, fat in those budgets. Government should leave extra money in the taxpayer's pockets. They do a better a job of controlling their money than government does. There was \$3,391,000 that we borrowed from previous year's budgets. That is a lot of money. That, to me, indicates that we overtaxed people in the past, there is no ifs or buts about it, we overtaxed people in the past. In dealing with this year's budget, there was some very pleasant experiences. For one thing, for the very first time he witnessed perhaps a bipartisan effort to resolve a problem that we have had every single year during the budget session and that is, how much compensation from the Electric Division should be given to the Town? In previous years there was absolutely no discussion, absolutely no listening and the votes were not there, even from the beginning. This year, for the first time we had at least some members, in fact, nearly all of the members of the Town Council, clearly and publicly stated that the compensation from the Electric Division to the Town should be higher, more than what it is. However, they were not willing to take a stand on the vote. What amazes him is that, one of the very first budgets that the Council dealt with was the Dog Warden's. That operating budget was \$25,100. That reflected a decrease from last year's \$34,400. Yet, the Council saw fit to reduce that budget by \$2,000., about 8%. The Electric Division operating budget is \$36,145,000. He proposed a plan that, in part, would reduce that operating budget for the division by \$33,500. which is less than 1/10th of 1% and yet there was absolutely no support for that. Even after he has shown, year after year, that the Electric Division submits a budget that exaggerates their projected expenditures to the tune, and the figures prove him right, of \$2 million per year. In view of that, this plan that he refers to called for a 5.5% of total Electric Division sales payment to the Town. That would equal \$2,100,000 which is more than the \$1.6 million that is being approved tonight but less than the \$3 million that the Electric Division study indicated approximately three years ago that the Town should be receiving in compensation from the Electric Division. You may ask, why do we need this compensation from the Electric Division? Again, it is very simple. First of all there should be a return on investment, the investment that we have made in the Electric Division. There should be a P.I.L.O.T. (Payment In Lieu of Taxes) to the Town and there should be some compensation for risk and liability. The Town of Wallingford owes \$48 million in bonds. Out of that the majority is for money spent on the utilities. That means that if anything happens with those utilities, it is the taxpayer of Wallingford that bears the burden. They come after the taxpayer for that burden, not the ratepayer. So he thinks that 5.5% return to the Town from the Electric Division which reflects \$2.2 million, is a just number. It is a working number that we could finally sit down and start working with and for the first time in all the years that he has been involved in Town government, he noticed that there was at least a willingness and, in fact, there were affirmations from members of this Council that, in fact, that compensation was not too much. It was a just compensation. But what they stated was, "let us do it next year and not this year." Some people are afraid to take an action because of what others may do. My

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answer to them is that you must do what you think is right and let someone else to what he or she may think is right. He thanked Chairman Solinsky because he stated, more than anyone else that he has witness occupy that chair (Chair position) Democratic or Republican, he tried to bridge the gap amongst members of this Council, he tried to listen, to achieve a rationale compromise, a working point that people could use as a basis for future workings. He is sorry that it did not come to fruition and in view of that he is also walking out of this portion of the meeting. You may accept your budget, it is your budget, thank you.

Mr. Solinsky asked Mr. Myers, on the revenue side of the budget, did you have to decrease the taxes because of Fairfield Blvd.?

Thomas Myers, Comptroller responded, yes. There are no other changes.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

A series of motions followed to formally adopt the budget of the Town of Wallingford for Fiscal Year 1995-96 (pages 4-13).

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Town of Wallingford  
Annual Budget Adoption  
For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1995

I. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET OF \$82,792,713 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea. Gouveia. Killen and Zandri were absent:  
all others. aye.

Motion Passed

II. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE BUDGET OF \$82,792,713 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea. Gouveia. Killen and Zandri were absent:  
all others. aye.

Motion Passed

III. Mr. Knight

MOVED: ESTABLISH THE PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995 AT 24.5 MILLS.

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES IN EXCESS OF \$100 SHALL BE MADE IN TWO INSTALLMENTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS DUE JULY 1, 1995, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1995. THE SECOND INSTALLMENT SHALL BE DUE JANUARY 1, 1996, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 1996. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES OF \$100 OR LESS SHALL BE PAID IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 1995 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1995 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144.

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE MADE IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 1995 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1995 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144a. DELINQUENT MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE PAID ONLY IN CASH OR BY CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-146.

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

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea. Gouveia. Killen and Zandri were absent:  
all others. aye.

IV. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO APPROVE THE COMPTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATIONS OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD AS LISTED IN HIS LETTER TO MAYOR DICKINSON DATED May 10, 1995 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995, COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion

VOTE: Duryea. Gouveia. Killen and Zandri. were absent: all others. aye.

Motion Passed

V. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED: a. THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL DEEM IT TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE BIDDING PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER VII, SECTION 4, SUB-PARAGRAPH 8 OF THE TOWN CHARTER, IN THE SELECTION AND HIRING OF THE FOLLOWING:

- |                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| TOWN AUDITOR                         |                   |
| BARBARINO BROS.                      | Mayor car rental  |
| TRINITY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CORP.) | Pension Fund      |
| FLEET INVESTMENT SERVICES            | ) Portfolio Mgrs. |
| FLEET BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION)     | Financial         |
| SHAWMUT BANK CONNECTICUT             | ) Advisors        |
| EVENSEN DODGE, INC.                  | )                 |
| ROBINSON & COLE                      | Bond Attorney     |

b. THAT THE COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF Levitsky and Berney AS THE TOWN AUDITOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent: all others, aye.

Motion Passed

VI. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, THAT THE TREASURER AND THE COMPTROLLER, OR EITHER OF THEM, ARE AUTHORIZED TO INVEST FUNDS IN TRUST FUNDS AND CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 112 OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent: all others, aye.

Motion Passed

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VII. Mr.     Knight    

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGETS OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
JULY 1, 1995 AS HEREIN STATED:

Electric Enterprise Fund

Operating Revenues	38,775,000
Operating Expenses	36,145,725
Operating Income (Loss)	2,629,275
Non-Operating Revenue	538,250
Non-Operating Expenses	160,725
Net Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers In (Out)	3,006,800
Operating Transfers In (Out)	( 1,653,750)
Net Income (Loss)	1,353,050
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	3,035,825
Uses of Funds	3,035,825

Water Enterprise Fund

Operating Revenues	5,748,798
Operating Expenses	4,309,387
Operating Income (Loss)	1,439,411
Non-Operating Revenue	475,615
Non-Operating Expenses	1,155,635
Net Income (Loss)	759,391
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	2,766,799
Uses of Funds	2,766,799

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Sewer Enterprise Fund

Operating Revenues	4,089,490
Operating Expenses	4,591,619
Operating Income (Loss)	( 502,129)
Non-Operating Revenue	512,000
Non-Operating Expenses	532,781
Net Income (Loss)	( 522,910)
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	2,031,965
Uses of Funds	2,031,965

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent:  
all others, aye.

Motion Passed

VIII. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURES FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,900,750 REVENUES AND \$1,899,776 EXPENDITURES.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri. were absent: all others, aye.

Motion Passed

IX. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent: all others, aye.

Motion Passed

X. Mr. Knight

MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1995 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent: all others, aye.

Motion Passed

XI. Mr. Knight

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

Mr. Rys seconded the motion.

VOTE: Duryea, Gouveia, Killen and Zandri were absent: all others, aye.

Motion Passed

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL FUNDS BOARD OF EDUCATION - SUMMARY YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1996						
	FY 6-30-94 ACTUAL	1-31-95 ACTUAL	1994-95 APPROVED	1995-96 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b>CAFETERIA</b>						
Revenue	1,294,033	668,947	1,332,366	1,436,663	1,436,663	
Expenditure	1,250,369	651,197	1,332,366	1,436,663	1,436,663	
<b>CHAPTER I</b>						
Revenue	272,768	210,000	231,853	197,075	197,075	
Expenditure	272,768	268,553	231,853	197,075	197,075	
<b>CHAPTER I PROG IMP</b>						
Revenue	16,000	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	16,000	0	0	0	0	
<b>CHAPTER I ESEA-CAPITAL EXP</b>						
Revenue	3,000	2,000	0	4,000	4,000	
Expenditure	3,000	242	0	4,000	4,000	
<b>CHAPTER II</b>						
Revenue	38,773	23,000	38,773	33,136	33,136	
Expenditure	38,773	15,265	38,773	33,136	33,136	
<b>TITLE II</b>						
Revenue	16,647	8,000	16,647	16,101	16,101	
Expenditure	16,647	375	16,647	16,101	16,101	
<b>DRUG FREE SCHOOLS</b>						
Revenue	38,976	10,000	38,976	31,765	31,765	
Expenditure	38,976	1,534	38,976	31,765	31,765	
<b>VOCATIONAL ED (PERKINS)</b>						
Revenue	42,980	15,000	42,980	39,903	39,903	
Expenditure	42,980	5,917	42,980	39,903	39,903	
<b>VOC ED (EQUIPMENT)</b>						
Revenue	0	0	61,327	0	0	
Expenditure	0	0	61,327	0	0	
<b>ADULT ED TUITION</b>						
Revenue	121,311	57,029	127,000	139,700	139,700	
Expenditure	117,018	39,229	127,000	139,700	139,700	
<b>ADULT BASIC EDUCATION</b>						
Revenue	174,011	141,355	212,033	226,739	226,739	
Expenditure	174,011	79,741	212,033	226,739	226,739	
<b>ADULT ED ACTIVITY</b>						
Revenue	2,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	
Expenditure	2,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	

**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT  
SPECIAL FUNDS BOARD OF EDUCATION - SUMMARY**

**YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1996**

	FY 6-30-94 ACTUAL	1-31-95 ACTUAL	1994-95 APPROVED	1995-96 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b><u>FAMILY LITERACY</u></b>						
Revenue	41,820	15,000	0	24,500	24,500	24,500
Expenditure	41,820	8,425	0	24,500	24,500	24,500
<b><u>PRIVATE INDUS COUNCIL</u></b>						
Revenue	16,973	12,470	0	25,408	25,408	25,408
Expenditure	16,973	11,946	0	25,408	25,408	25,408
<b><u>TITLE VI, PART B</u></b>						
Revenue	251,685	150,000	262,080	240,000	240,000	240,000
Expenditure	251,685	123,569	262,080	240,000	240,000	240,000
<b><u>PRE-SCHOOL HANDICAPPED</u></b>						
Revenue	35,030	8,000	28,340	28,340	28,340	28,340
Expenditure	35,030	629	28,340	28,340	28,340	28,340
<b><u>OUTSIDE SERVICES</u></b>						
Revenue	19,092	10,140	30,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Expenditure	21,146	9,875	30,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
<b><u>SUMMER SCHOOL</u></b>						
Revenue	11,280	12,151	13,526	13,010	13,010	13,010
Expenditure	10,916	11,900	13,526	13,010	13,010	13,010
<b><u>DRIVER EDUCATION</u></b>						
Revenue	20,280	9,075	35,200	24,000	24,000	24,000
Expenditure	197,768	9,759	35,200	24,000	24,000	24,000

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL FUNDS TOWN GOVERNMENT - SUMMARY YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1996						
	FY 6-30-94 ACTUAL	1-31-95 ACTUAL	1994-95 APPROVED	1995-96 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b>SCOW</b>						
Revenue	28,526	12,306	49,225	49,225	49,225	
Expenditure	28,526	9,019	49,225	49,225	49,225	
<b>SSBG</b>						
Revenue	4,793	0	5,507	5,507	5,507	
Expenditure	4,793	0	5,507	5,507	5,507	
<b>YSB (DCYS)</b>						
Revenue	183,170	27,784	191,290	220,478	218,583	
Expenditure	183,170	101,936	191,290	220,478	218,583	
<b>COUNCIL ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE</b>						
Revenue	15,580	880	18,816	15,500	15,500	
Expenditure	8,004	1,000	18,816	15,500	15,500	
<b>CRRA (SERVICE CONTRACT GRANT)</b>						
Revenue	24,584	9,691	26,960	27,700	27,700	
Expenditure	24,584	11,531	26,960	27,700	27,700	
<b>TOWN AID ROAD</b>						
Revenue	184,863	92,673	185,732	101,644	101,644	
Expenditure	151,140	166,208	185,732	101,644	101,644	
<b>DRUG ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM</b>						
Revenue	28,424	17,500	35,000	35,000	35,000	
Expenditure	20,803	2,627	35,000	35,000	35,000	
<b>SMALL CITIES</b>						
Revenue	30,596	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	30,596	0	0	0	0	
<b>LOCAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</b>						
Revenue	308,481	0	307,471	203,819	203,819	
Expenditure	308,481	0	307,471	203,819	203,819	
<b>MEALS ON WHEELS</b>						
Revenue	19,158	0	22,551	21,000	21,000	
Expenditure	9,408	1,580	22,551	21,000	21,000	
<b>RECREATION DEPT PROGRAMS</b>						
Revenue	284,468	147,589	352,500	352,500	352,500	
Expenditure	284,468	171,325	352,500	352,500	352,500	
<b>MUNICIPAL LIGHTING GRANT</b>						
Revenue	0	0	33,558	0	0	
Expenditure	0	27,022	33,558	0	0	
<b>DEP RECYCLING GRANT</b>						
Revenue	2,643	0	382,050	0	0	
Expenditure	2,643	306,384	382,050	0	0	
<b>FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM</b>						
Revenue	8,000	2,155	21,000	21,000	21,000	
Expenditure	1,512	4,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	
<b>OFF SYS LOCAL ACCIDENT REDUCTION PRGM</b>						
Revenue		0	10,000	84,600	84,600	
Expenditure		0	10,000	84,600	84,600	
<b>NARCOTICS FORFEITURE</b>						
Revenue	26,645	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>CENTER PARK</b>						
Revenue	468	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	81,767	0	0	0	0	

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*Town of Wallingford, Connecticut*

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May 10, 1995

The Honorable William W. Dickinson  
Mayor, Town of Wallingford  
45 So. Main Street  
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Dickinson:

In accordance with Section 7-401 of the Connecticut General Statutes entitled, "Designation of bank depositories and deposits therein," the financial institutions listed herewith are recommended as official Town of Wallingford depositories for the fiscal year July 1, 1995 through June 30, 1996:

1. Fleet Bank National Association
2. First Fidelity Bank
3. Shawmut Bank Connecticut
4. Bank of Boston Connecticut
5. Dime Savings Bank of Wallingford
6. Chase Manhattan Bank

Trinity Investment Management Corporation and Fleet Investment Services are portfolio managers for a portion of Town of Wallingford Pension Trust Fund assets and as such agents are hereby reported as a depository of town funds.

It is a pleasure to make these recommendations to you. If you have any questions or require further clarification, I will be available.

Very truly yours,

Thomas A. Myers  
Comptroller

TAM/mgn

cc: Town Council Chairman  
Town Treasurer

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Ms. Papale stated, in other years, quite a few years back from when all the comments started coming through as far as the Electric Division budget, she did not vote on the Council's recommendation on the Electric Division's budget. She stated that she has her own feelings and she did not vote on the Electric Division budget. When the time came to vote on the entire budget, the compromise, she voted on the entire budget because she felt that although she had her feelings with regards to the Electric Division she still felt that the Council had to pass the budget. What would have happened here this evening if one of the five of us (the remaining Councilors who voted on the budget and did not protest it) were either ill or away or an emergency occurred? What kind of Town would we have here without a budget in place? She stated that she is very disappointed in what happened here tonight. We are here, we are running a business and in any business you weigh what is good and what is bad and you do come to a compromise to have the business run correctly. She did not understand how a town can run well without a budget? How can we do anything? She stated that she also feels that maybe there could be more money taken and used from the Electric Division but she feels that it has to be done in a way where we can all sit down on both sides of the table and come to that decision. She stated that compromise is the name of the game and she is sorry that this happened this evening but glad that there were five Councilors present to vote on the budget and pass it.

Mr. Solinsky pointed out to Ms. Papale that if the Council did not pass the budget the Mayor's budget would automatically go into effect. We would have a budget.

Ms. Papale stated, it is part of the Council's job to do what we did this evening (pass the budget).

Mr. Rys stated that for many years he has sat on the Council previously and sit on the Council now, have attended Council meetings in between and there is always one thing that he has disagreed with and that is with taking money from the Electric Division. This year we did accomplish a lot. There is an agreement, basically, on what some of the Councilors feel should be the contribution from the Electric Division to the Town of Wallingford. He is willing to sit down with the Ordinance Committee at any time in the near future so that the Council can adopt something that would be more substantial to the Town but until that happens he cannot support taking any more money from the Electric Division. It would just become a philosophical stand on his part. This year the \$1,653,750. that was appropriated to the Town from the Electric Division is 55%. He is not saying that he is standing on it basically because it is the Charter, he is saying that he does not want to take it until we actually sit down and discuss this, create a new ordinance and we all agree on it and perhaps some day in the future we can sit down here as a body and agree on the entire budget together.

Mr. Gouveia stated, to refer to the so-called "55%" ordinance (Ordinance #170) is somewhat disingenuous at this point. Ray Smith, Director of Public Utilities, stood before the Council during budget workshops and stated that we have not used that ordinance since 1985.

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In fact, in 1986 and 1987, the Electric Division made \$4,914,000 profit. Fifty-five percent (55%) of that would have been \$2,700,000. Was the compensation to the Town \$2,700,000? No, it was \$1,100,000. So let's not use that (the ordinance) now. No one is talking about taking money from the Electric Division. We tried to arrive at, what is a fair compensation for the three things mentioned, P.I.L.O.T., return on investment and risk and liability for being the owners of that utility. If something happens to any one of our three utilities, the taxpayers of the Town are the ones who are liable and therefore there should be more of a compensation. Almost every single body on this Council felt that a 5.5% of total sales is not just compensation. It so happen that \$2,100,000 that we tried to receive from the Electric Division for compensation reflects exactly 5.5%. You are willing to take it next year but not this year. Why? Again, that reduction, the plan that he presented, reflected an additional reduction of \$25 per household in this Town without any sacrifice what so ever on the part of the Electric Division or any one what so ever. Their operating budget of \$46 million was not touched by one single penny. He challenged the Councilors to name any department in Town who's budget was not touched.

Frank Wasilewski, 57 N. Orchard Street stated that he never thought he would live to see the day when he would see exactly what is happening on the Council tonight. He stated that it was a disgrace. For years he has been trying to get the Council and Mayor to cooperate with one another. Instead, they are getting further and further apart. What it all boils down to is that the entire thing is stupid. The one's who are getting hurt are the taxpayers. Somehow when the Mayor presents his budget, it is carved in stone. The Council should not hold workshops because nothing is accomplished and a lot of good time is wasted. He has witnessed this year after year. This year he did not bother attending the workshops because he felt that he was wasting his time, for the simple reason that no one wants to bend. In order to have good government, people have to bend to accomplish something that will benefit the majority of the people. That does not work in Wallingford, we had proof of that last night when 1,300 signatures came before the Planning & Zoning Commission and they ignored them and voted the way they wanted to. It is about time the Mayor and Council put the taxpayers first (applause).

Diana Hotchkiss, 38 Clifton Street stated, when you speak about the Electric Division budget, what time do they actually end work? If we stopped them from taking coffee breaks at noon time until 4:07 P.M. maybe we could cut their budget a bit. I travel all over town and see the Water Division, Electric Division trucks parking their vehicles and going down the street for coffee and at 8:00 A.M. they go for breakfast. Maybe we could start being better in the area of watchdogs and start cutting their budget a little more. She was glad that she pays her electric bill on time otherwise she stated that after her comments tonight she would probably have her electricity shut off.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville asked those Councilors who voted against taking the 5.5% from the Electric Division their reasons for doing so?

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Mr. Knight stated that this is not the first time that we have been over this argument. Several hours over two different budget workshops were spent going over the same thing. He stated that he feels that the appropriate place to resolve the problem is by changing the ordinance and establishing an ordinance which governs exactly how much of a contribution the Electric Division should make. To change the figure based on what the Council feels like taking from the Electric Division in order to fund certain projects is an incorrect way to handle the budget process. He went on to say that he has listened to everything that Mr. Gouveia and Mr. Zandri had to say, very carefully. He is very anxious to resolve this. He is as anxious as Mr. Gouveia is or Mr. Zandri is. He is optimistic that when this night is over and the budget adopted that we can put our heads together and establish an agreed upon method and amount to withdraw from the Electric Division each year as compensation to the Town of Wallingford. He believed that it can be done but should be done in the procedure he just outlined.

Mr. Melillo asked, next year something will be done with that 5.5% return from the Electric Division?

Mr. Knight responded, he is hopeful that the type of cooperation that he has witnessed on this Council since it was established will continue, despite what has happened tonight. We can put our heads together and resolve this issue.

Mr. Gouveia responded, he truly believed that the people on the Council accepted his idea and the only reason that they were not willing to vote for it was because they were fearful of the veto.

Mr. Melillo asked off microphone, what about next year?

Mr. Gouveia responded, there is no promise because the argument just made by Mr. Knight now about drafting another ordinance....Mr. Gouveia recalled last year after the budget he approached several people including people from the Electric Division, the manager in fact, and Mr. Knight about sitting down and drafting this kind of ordinance that he is referring to now, but that did not happen. There was no willingness to sit down until they got their marching orders to sit down...and they have not yet gotten their marching orders to sit down.

Mr. Knight asked Mr. Gouveia to elaborate on what he meant by "marching orders".

Mr. Gouveia responded, you know exactly what I am talking about. Too often, Steve, I witness at this meeting, people (Councilors) stating the right way and give the right reasons for doing something. They give the right reasons for going to a second panel of binding arbitration, etc., but the bottom line is that when it comes to vote, the vote does not reflect the conviction of their ideas.

ITEM #2 Consider and Approve One Appointment to the Position of Commissioner on the Inland Wetlands Watercourses Commission for a Term of Five Years to Expire 3/1/2000

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Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Re-appoint Barbara Lagerstrom to the Position of Commissioner on the Inland Wetlands Watercourses Commission for a Term of Five Years to Expire 3/1/2000, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

ITEM #3 Consider and Approve One Appointment to the Position of Alternate on the Inland Wetlands Watercourses Commission for a Term of Three Years to Expire 3/1/98

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Re-Appoint Ellen C. Deutsch to the Position of Alternate on the Inland Wetlands Watercourses Commission for a Term of Three Years to Expire 3/1/98, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall performed the Swearing In Ceremony at this point in time for both appointees.

ITEM #4 Discussion and Possible Action on Referring Application to the Planning & Zoning Commission Regarding the American Legion Post 187/Cir-Tek, Inc. Land Exchange from the Town of Wallingford Pursuant to CT. General Statutes 8-24

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Attorney Jim Loughlin, representing Cir-tek/Danver Inc.; George Lane, representative of American Legion Post 187 and Angelo Verdini, Vice President at Cir-tek a corporation which owns Danver, Inc., on Washington Street were on hand for discussion on this matter.

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Atty. Loughlin informed the Council that the first handout sheet shows a view of a park located on the corner of Washington Street and Grand Street, by Judd Square and right behind the Danver business. The second page is a map of the area with two nearby area parks circled in yellow—West Side Field, which is larger, and Wallace Park. Next to the area colored pink is the location of Danver, circled in red as Block #32. Immediately above that, circled in red, is the large parcel owned by Danver/Cir-Tek. Then in Block #43 is the property presently owned by the American Legion Post #187. The area in pink is the subject park. The last page of the handout is a letter from the Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce from Robin Wilson, President. Roughly one year ago there was a similar application for a transfer of land under Conn. General Statute 8-24. According to Town Attorney Adam Mantzaris, we need a referral under 8-24 to the Planning and Zoning Commission so they could come back to you, either favoring or disfavoring it. So tonight you don't need to decide. We have approached the Town Attorney, the Mayor, and you; we've approached the Planning and Zoning Department, Parks and Recreation, and the neighbors of the park area. We're hoping that you facilitate our discussion of plans by referring us.

He continued: Cir-Tek/Danver is a small business here that manufactures office furniture—cabinets to hold fax machines, phones, copiers, etc. They are presently a non-conforming use on the corner of Grand and Washington. They operate out of the building colored in pink; and their parking is down the street in the large area circled in red, to comply at least a little with zoning. We will propose that that parking down the street really is nothing more than a fiction. No one uses it because it's really not accessible. So Danver hopes, through this application for transfer of the land, to improve their employees' off-street parking and ingress and egress for deliveries and pickups. Washington Street is crowded. They don't need big trucks backing in and out.

Ms. Papale: Cherry Street.

Atty. Loughlin: Cherry Street. So they propose to move their loading bays to the rear of their facility and have ingress and egress through there. Also, American Post #187 used to have two facilities—one by the Dairy Queen and one here next to Town Hall. Recently, that property was sold, and the American Legion has consolidated their operations to the site close to Dairy Queen. Behind that is the property that Danver owns. Our proposal will say, "Let the American Legion purchase the land behind Danver from the Town; and then let them conduct a tax-free exchange, which will be beneficial to both, American Legion and Danver." As a result, the Town, Danver, and the American Legion would benefit, as would the neighbors and the neighboring parks. The underlying purpose is to reduce the non-conforming use. Danver wants to improve their access in and out, and also, in return, contribute their funds to the neighboring parks—West Side Field and Wallace Park. The park now, if you look at the front page of the handout, is small. It's a hardly maintained park. Half is used for parking—not by Danver, but by neighbors and area industries—and half is supposedly a park. However, the area has had vandalism and disrepair. Actually, the Parks and Recreation Department has removed equipment from there. If we can do this, in return, both the American Legion and Danver will, under the auspices and direction of the Department of Parks and Recreation, contribute funds in order to improve the area parks. So if we can arrive at a proposal that would improve the two area parks as well as allow Danver to continue to operate efficiently in the

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competitive, challenging economy, then all parties involved will benefit. The neighbors will have improved parks— West Side Field and Wallace Park. The Town will be able to maintain its tax rolls and promote business. The American Legion will adjust to their new consolidated facility, and Danver will be able to continue effectively and efficiently where they are without relocating. You're just referring us to the Planning and Zoning Commission to discuss this with all the parties, including the neighborhood people and the Boys Club, the Parks Department, so that we can report back to you under 8-24.

Ms. Papale asked how an agreement can be reached with the neighbors. Would the neighbors be as happy to use Wallace Park?

Atty. Loughlin said he didn't think there was a problem. The Boys Club is here, and numerous neighbors are here. In the past year, we've conducted two surveys—one under the Department of Parks and Recreation and one under the American Legion. There was very little response. It's our goal to satisfy everybody. We want to improve the safety around Danver by alleviating some of the traffic, and we want to improve the parks. So we want feedback from the Department and the neighbors. Wallace Park is less than two blocks away, and West Side Field is two longer blocks away.

Ms. Papale said received a call last year from a gentleman in the area. Also, she lives in the area. The problem is Cherry Street. When the trucks come in to deliver, they back around. She uses Grand Street or Ward. But transient people going through would have to wait. Last year, I tried to always go home by the park. Although people disagreed with me, I never saw anyone at the park. Now people are here, and I hope we will be hearing from them. The way it looks now, I don't know how they would want children there. Dogs are running loose. Something would have to be done for that park to be safe.

Atty. Loughlin agreed. Underlying all this is the sincere intent to improve the safety of the neighborhood by alleviating traffic and by improving the two area parks, West Side Field and Wallace. I met with Mr. Dooley and Mr. Shepardson. They are anxious for us to make the improvements to West Side Field and to Wallace Park.

Mr. Rys wondered whether the Recreation Department would be willing to give up this park. Secondly, we have a note on Item #4 saying that 83 petitions had been signed by residents who are opposed to losing their neighborhood park. There are several little parks in neighborhoods on the west and east sides. Most of the time, we should be listening to what people have to say. There's a letter from Mr. Walter Grabowicz. You talked about the American Legion purchasing the property from the Town—is there a dollar figure involved? What is the Council being asked to vote on tonight?

Atty. Loughlin said we aren't looking for an approval tonight. Our purpose tonight is to have a municipal sponsor of our proposal to the Planning and Zoning Commission, as Adam Mantzaris said, so we can operate under 8-24. We met with you a year ago on this.

Mr. Rys asked if the proposal is to have the Town relinquish the Town park?

Atty. Loughlin said it would be a sale of the park to the American Legion. In return, the American Legion would swap that park for the land that is now

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behind the American Legion. It would be a tax-free exchange, beneficial to both parties. Area safety would be preserved or improved. In addition to the consideration paid for the transfer of the land to the American Legion, both parties would contribute funds under the direction of the Department of Parks and Recreation to the improvement of West Side Field and Wallace Park.

Mr. Rys asked if that would be a signed agreement?

Atty. Loughlin said it would be a condition of the approval under 8-24; and, if that condition were not met, then the sale could not go through.

Mr. Gouveia wanted to be clear: Does Cir-Tek own property off-site to comply with parking regulations?

Atty. Loughlin said yes.

Mr. Gouveia said this proposal is for an expansion of their facility by 10,000 square feet, which would require more parking. But, at the same time, they are selling the parking they already have. I don't see how that can be achieved.

Atty. Loughlin said there are no specific plans. We would like the opportunity to expand in the future if it could comply with zoning. Right now, because of the traffic on South Orchard Street, and because the employees are forced to park on Grand Street and South Orchard, Danver hopes to alleviate some of the traffic problems. That's their purpose. Then, if the area would permit it, only in those circumstances would they apply to expand their facility—anywhere from 2,500 square feet to 10,000 square feet—by approval of the Planning and Zoning Commission. We cannot willy-nilly expand; there are adequate safeguards.

Mr. Gouveia was not comfortable with this. We hear the park is not well maintained. It's not at the fault of these people, but it's the fault of the Town's own ordinances on dogs running loose and its failure to maintain the park—now we're being told because they failed to do that, guess what, we're going to sell the park on you. I don't think that's fair to these people. I lived near this park and saw many children use it before. I really don't know if it is used today. This is the type of neighborhood park where a little child could go and the mother could stand across the street and watch what the kid is doing. That child could not go down to Wallace Park or the other one. It would be too far to go alone. The mother could be doing something at home and maybe is too busy to take him across the street. But she could be doing something while the child is playing on the playground across the street. I know it's not the greatest park in Wallingford. But if you talk to these people about the credit rating Wallingford enjoys, they couldn't care less. Some of these people cannot even afford to have a swingset in their back yard; in fact, sometimes the landlord does not allow that. Some don't have a driveway in which to park their car, much less a driveway for a basketball hoop. So I, for one, feel extremely uncomfortable taking a park that is enjoyed by at least some children in that area and giving it away or selling it.

Atty. Loughlin responded that Danver wants to make sure that all parties involved can benefit. Right now, it's not safe because of traffic. And they cannot continue to operate under the present facilities, because they need to become more efficient. That's why they want to have ingress and egress to

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the loading docks to the back. Their intent is, in fact, beneficent. If all parties involved are not satisfied, then they will not go through with it. Your decision, under 8-24 referral, is postponed until there is discussion. You will see this application again with full drawings approved by Planning and Zoning and their report. We'll have testimony from the Department of Parks and Recreation. Also, we'll hopefully have the Boys Club and the neighbors when we return. That's the nature of the 8-24.

Mr. Zappala wished there were another solution for the American Legion. I had many phone calls on this park, and I have seen it. The biggest problem is that the park is not being taken care of, so people cannot use it. I cannot go along with it.

Mr. Knight said, so far, he thought the land swap was being driven by tax considerations—that by swapping parcels, there will be a tax advantage to it. There are three parties involved. Everything we've seen coming from you is from Cir-Tek's advantage and from the American Legion's advantage. There is the third party—the people in the neighborhood. I think the first consideration has to be for the neighbors. I wonder if they could find another configuration for Cir-Tek's loading and unloading facilities and the parking lot. I would like a little more definition of why that lot is there. Why can't the land be configured to leave the park and take advantage of the parking lot that nobody's using?

Atty. Loughlin said that is the discussion we hope will come out with Linda Bush, Tom Talbot, and the Planning and Zoning Commission. We could effect this land transfer just by acting through Cir-Tek. But we can benefit both the American Legion and Cir-Tek if we do it this way. In addition, the third party—the Town, the neighbors—will benefit because it looks to improve parks in the area while at the same time making South Orchard Street safer.

Ms. Papale: Cherry.

Atty. Loughlin: South Cherry. The neighbors will benefit by the improved safety and the improved parks. If they will not benefit, then we won't go through with the land transfer because you won't approve it. I'd like to refer to the last sentence of the Quinnipiac Chamber letter, on the last page: "As an added bonus, Cir-Tek will expend their own funds to improve a neighboring park and will still allow the neighbors access to parking in their lot." It has been the intent from the get-go that the neighbors will benefit from this land transfer.

Mr. Zandri said right now, it's just a proposal. Until you get to the details of the drawings and plans for properties and improvements, we'll miss that. So I think we should at least go to the first step. Then if we're not satisfied with the final proposal, and if the neighbors are still not satisfied, it can be rejected.

Mr. Knight agreed with Mr. Zandri's statement. From what we've heard from the neighbors, it would be incumbent upon you and to your best interests to involve them.

Atty. Loughlin said, yes, I appreciate that comment.

Mr. Gouveia said this park has the potential to be the safest park in Town because parents can watch their children play right across from their own

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front door. Also, there is a parking lot already within the park; but it shouldn't be there. That area should be used for ice-skating in winter, as it was used once before; and for basketball or volleyball in summer. I think that is a valuable piece of property that the Town should maintain. I'm not in favor of entertaining any idea to sell that piece of property.

Atty. Loughlin said we do not want to make the land transfer and expand their parking if it will not ultimately benefit all parties involved.

Mr. Gouveia thought the proposal includes removing that park from use by the residents of that area. He thought, with a \$3 million surplus, we shouldn't be looking for a handout to fix a park.

Mr. Solinsky said he will oppose selling that property. Once you start something rolling, it's hard to turn away. If the other parks need improvements, we should do them and not rely on someone else.

Mr. Solinsky asked for a motion and discussion and hearing from the people.

Motion was made by Ms. Papale to Refer The Matter to the Planning & Zoning Commission, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Rebecca Glendenning: I live directly across the street from the park. I would like to ask Mr. Loughlin who he spoke to. I'm sitting with my neighbors back here, and no one has been spoken to. We've been there two years. We didn't know anything about this until this weekend. During the winter the park isn't in general use, only because the residents have had to call the Public Utilities Department and beg them to plow, to empty trash, to mow the lawn. During the summer it is used. Sometimes dogs are running wild, but that's why they have leash laws. We moved to that street, in part, due to the park being there. We don't want to live with a factory in our living room. We don't want the trucks in and out all day, all night. I'm sorry they have problems on South Cherry Street, but we don't need them where we are. People are starting to take pride in their homes. It's getting to be a nice neighborhood. There are a lot of children, and more coming. I can't imagine, instead of looking out the window for the kids, having to make sure that they're not under trucks. The street is so small, and there's so much traffic as it is. I just can't see how this would benefit the neighbors, and I don't know anyone who thinks that it would benefit the neighborhood.

Atty. Loughlin said, Mr. Chairman, I don't have any lists (of who was surveyed) available, nor do I have any details of what would be done. We were not prepared to discuss that tonight.

Mike Cochran of Washington Street, has lived in Wallingford over ten years. I am a homeowner across the street on Washington for over five years. One of the reasons why I live in Wallingford is because it's a nice, quaint New England Town. One of the major considerations for moving to Washington Street was the park over there. I'm concerned about my property value going down if something was to change. I know that park is used daily. On Sunday someone will be out flying a kite with his little boy. I saw little kids on the swings and a boy with his baseball bat. If you look at those pictures, you can probably see where home plate and first base were—they never recovered from last year. It was constantly being used. Last year, the kids got tired of chasing the ball over the fence on Washington Street. They cut

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a hole in the fence. That, to me, says the park gets a significant amount of use. Keep the park.

Don Hansche, a realtor for 20 years, thought there is a collusion going on. The Town wants the Cir-Tek and the American Legion here, they want to swap this and not taxes. If the Town wanted that property, why didn't they take it by eminent domain? I have lived on Cook Hill Road for 15 years since I moved from the central area of Town. I saw those kids coming into our neighborhood—one right after another. And, oh, let's close down Yalesville School. Now they got a problem; they bring portable classrooms in. You take this neighborhood where this park is located. You've got a lot of young families down here. I don't care what the condition of the park is—all the parks are in terrible, deplorable condition in this Town. My kid plays baseball on most of them. I don't care if one kid uses the park or 20 kids. My son is 14. The last two years, that park kept him and a lot of his friends out of trouble. I think he was one of the kids who cut a hole in the fence. The Boys Club uses it for touch football. If you take that park away, where are these kids going to play? Baseball, soccer, in the street? To walk to West Side Field, five blocks away—I think it's ludicrous that this Town would even consider taking this park, giving it to these people here and swap for another piece of property that's non-conforming right now and will still be a non-conforming piece of property. I'm opposed to you doing anything except telling them to clean it up. Thank you very much.

Jose Rodrigues owns a house directly across the street from the park. Last year the Town took away the gymnasium in the elderly development next door. It was converted into maintenance for the Town of Wallingford; it's a garage now. Now they want to take away this park from us and send the kids to Doolittle (Wallace) Park, which I think has Ward Street and Quinnipiac Street—the most traveled roads in that area. Heavy trucks from Allegheny come down the back side of that park, also. That's shoving the kids into an even more trafficked area, more dangerous. And they say it's safer. What are they going to do? Put up huge fences so the kids can't get out? So I feel the park should stay. It's for the residents, also. In the winter time, they have no place to put their cars because nobody has driveways. So, taking that parking away, and the park for the kids to play in, is turning it into a truck stop, basically. It's just not beneficial to the residents. (applause)

Elizabeth Billings said she lives on Washington Street across the street from the park. I want to say on their checking into the neighborhood—I never heard from them, and I've been there for at least 18 months. My father-in-law has owned this house for approximately a year; and I know, if he knew about this, he would have never bought the house. There's a very big concern with the kids and the trucks. I have my two-year-old daughter and my ten-year-old daughter use that park, and I have a baby on the way. It's just a very big concern with a lot of people.

Fred Clark, of 67 Carriage Drive, said if this area is zoned residential, why is there a discussion going on for commercial usage, when there are so few areas available for park use? Also, access to West Side Field or the other park is through Quinnipiac Street or Ward Street, which are both heavily traveled; and it's no place for children to be getting access to, even if accompanied by a parent. This park has been in existence for over 75 years. Also, there was never any publication in the newspaper that something like this was going to occur. It's just coincidence that the people are here to

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give you their opinion on the subject of the expansion of the industrial facility—which, as I said, is residential and shouldn't be considered at this time. Both Cherry and Washington Streets are congested. Just moving the loading area onto the other street inflicts this burden on the folks that live there. They say the Town gains, Cir-Tek gains, and the American Legion gains—but, also, the people lose. And the residents are the people. Park land is too precious to lose at this time. Also, why are we still having discussions when Cir-Tek applied two times in the last year with the Planning and Zoning Board? Are we waiting for when there's no public opinion available?

George Lane from the American Legion said, to speak on collusion: There is no collusion as far as #187 is concerned. I approached Cir-Tek because we use the parking facilities that Cir-Tek owns right in back of us. Not I—but the American Legion were the ones. There's no collusion. We're not trying to take anything away from the people in that area or in the Town of Wallingford. We do a lot for the youth in this Town. We do a lot for the veterans. We do a lot for the community, and we're not trying to harm anyone. Thank you.

Eric Golschneider, who lives at 22 Washington Street about four or five houses away, said many times of the day you'll see my and others' kids there. It an unsafe park. We have to watch the kids very closely. That's the fault of the Park Department, which obviously has some type of reason why they don't want to maintain it. We pay taxes. Why don't we get our park taken care of? It's a very nice little park—it has a lot of potential. We have enough industrial parks around Wallingford. Just stand on the corner of Grand and Washington Streets and watch the trucks go by. Now, to bring more trucks onto that street where we have kids playing, I think it's more dangerous. I'm not against the company. I've been there five years. But this is not something that's in the best interest of the neighborhood. Perhaps the Town could do something else to help them relocate or rearrange their space. Thank you. (applause)

Wilfred McGovern, Washington Street, said when he moved there 28 years ago, there was the Washington Street School and the park and a Boys' Club. He had two boys and two girls. All these children need a place to play. All the money they could use couldn't compensate for a park in the neighborhood. People get tired of walking a distance to a field. I have five grandchildren who want to go over to the park. So I would say No. (applause)

Diane Hotchkiss, 38 Clifton Street, said the park is about three blocks from her house. She noted the Council agenda title for this item did not name the location of the park land. She took photos tonight and asked neighbors to come out. She also has the photos the Council received. She circulated the photo she took tonight showing a green, luscious park. About a week ago, it was a disaster. The grass was tall, and nothing was taken care of. Tonight the grass was cut nice. The only thing she didn't photograph was the swings. She would ask Park and Rec why are the swings twisted over the top? Maybe it was easier to push them up when they mowed. The swings were never put back down for the kids. She went to the Clerk's Office and found that this park was given to the Town in 1905 by Mr. Samuel Simpson's family. He owned several pieces of land in that area—Pearl Street, etc. On September 29, 1941, that land was given to the Town of Wallingford for one dollar. She did not believe the land was given to the Town to become part of the factory. Also, she showed photos of Cir-Tek's parking lot behind. The land

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on Ward Street behind the Dairy Queen—there's an abandoned trailer on it. She lived there since 1976, and didn't remember a parking lot there. It's an eyesore. Here are photos taken tonight.

Mrs. Hotchkiss continued: There is no name of the park. Some call it Grand Street Park; some say Washington Street Park. Tonight it was referred to as the South Orchard Street Park. It is actually 37 Grand Street on the deed, through her research. She drove to the park, and a yellow truck almost smashed into her. It almost hit a child as it backed out of the park. She cannot understand why cars are parked in there. If the Town owns it, why is it not a park? We had the same problem at West Side Park before. There was a gate which was open. Years ago, you couldn't trust your children to go across to the park because everyone's cars were going in and out. It's sad to lose their park because the Town doesn't want to maintain it. Her 25-year-old son used to play basketball there, but there's no hoop now. Also, she was told by Mae Wooding that there was ice-skating there. Mrs. Wooding would like to see it remain a park with benches for seniors. Close the parking lot, and let it no more be a "weekend garage". She wants the Town to restore the park and name it. Why do we have to move a loading dock from South Cherry to Washington, which is a smaller street with more kids? South Cherry is all open, with a parking lot across. She hasn't seen children from Judd Square playing on that street. Perhaps those people could use this park, also. Probably there are 200 families. Last year she asked to have Park and Rec moved to Community Lake, and she was told, "We can't take a park away from the kids." What about kids in this area? They need somewhere safe to play. Don't send them away. I keep my kids near home at night. If they have a non-conforming use, they could go someplace else. Go out to someplace industrial, out by Park and Rec. It's time you conform. Also, please name this park, maybe Samuel Simpson Park, and start taking care of it. The company should take care of the land for parking that they use now. (applause)

Phyllis Murray, 243 South Orchard Street, is the Director of the Boys and Girls Club. Last fall, we used the park to play football. If there were basketball rims there, we would use it right now, since the Club is lacking space now. We hate to see the park go. The older kids feel that way. We should fix it up. When I started working at the Club, we had older kids. Now there are little kids and pregnant mothers, so it's becoming a young neighborhood again. We need to keep it. (applause)

Atty. Loughlin spoke: Members of the Council, Ms. Glendenning, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hansche, Mr. Rodrigues, Miss Billings, Mr. Clark, Mr. Golschneider, Mr. McGovern, Miss Hotchkiss, and Miss Murray: We have tried in the last year to facilitate discussion. We've approached Planning and Zoning and the Council. We sent two different mailings. We approached Parks and Recreation. You did not show until tonight. If this does not pass, no one will benefit. The area will not be improved safety-wise, nor will the area parks be improved, nor will this unnamed park be improved. It's not maintained or fully used; it's vandalized. If it were used, I don't think Parks and Recreation would have removed its equipment from there. The area is not safe. We want to know how to fix it; how to decrease the non-conforming use that Danver is presently under. If we don't facilitate discussion and get referral to Planning and Zoning under 8-24, then none of these changes can get effected.

Motion was made by Ms. Papale to Refer The Matter to the Planning & Zoning

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Commission, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

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

ITEM #10 PUBLIC HEARING on an Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Appropriating \$3,795,000 for the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Improvements and Additions to Yalesville, James H. Moran and Dag Hammarskjold Schools and the Acquisition of Land Therefor and Authorizing the Issue of \$3,795,000 Bonds of the Town to Meet Said Appropriation and Pending the Issue Thereof the Making of Temporary Borrowings for Such Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to Increase the Appropriation and Bond Authorization by \$9,105,000 from \$3795,000 to \$12,900,000 to Provide for Costs of Construction of the Yalesville School Project

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Open the Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Zandri asked if the figures had changed on the paperwork the Council received tonight?

Mr. Solinsky said he received a letter from Chairman Harwood saying the figures had gone down since the agenda was circulated.

Mr. Zandri asked for the right figures to be announced.

Atty. Joseph Fasi said the Council should have in their package the final number that was arrived at. He read that it was "An Ordinance Amending An Ordinance Appropriating \$3,795,000" and that the change was to increase the appropriation and bond ordinance by \$8,758,000 from \$3,795,000 to \$12,553,000. He said that Section 2 of the Ordinance describes the purposes of the Bond Ordinance and the allocation of the expenditures among the schools.

Mr. Solinsky asked for the reading of the Title and Section 1 and the Amended Title.

Upon the reading of the Title, Section 1 and the Amended Title, Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Waive the Reading of the Rest of the Ordinance and to Append a Copy of It to the Minutes of the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Rys (Appendix I).

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

Donald Harwood, Chairman of the School Expansion Building Committee, wanted to give a quick overview for the Council and the public. Design boards and overheads can be shown. The designer is here.

The Council decided to show them if there were questions from the public.

Dave Canto, 4 Meadows Edge Drive, was pleased that the numbers were coming down. He supports rebuilding Yalesville. To respond to the question from the last meeting as to where the children going into 6th grade would go: If the new figure of \$12,553,000 puts a limit of \$22,000,000 overall, then without further reductions, they could build a new middle school. Or if

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there were savings to find about \$4.5 million, then he urged saying, "We can afford this much, and no more." If the needs were purely academic, we'd have to do it. Unfortunately, the middle schools will get gym facilities like a Holiday Health and Fitness Spa. He resented paying for extras, like cafeteria facilities or guidance facilities. When he attended the schools, there were none. These kids should be getting guidance at home and not from the school system. But he felt there would be further savings on the middle school proposals, which should be put toward Dag Hammarskjold. He understood there would be some tax increase, but he did not favor a major tax increase or drawing funds from the Electric Division.

Pasquale A. Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville, thought the Yalesville School reopening was good. It should be soon, but it should be done in a practical way. The budget includes money for computers. Are these necessary, when the Library has them?

Mr. Harwood said yes, part of the monies are for computers, furnishings, and other things to outfit the school. The Board of Education developed the classrooms and the items involved. The Building Committee took those, got Council approval, and moved forward. So issues associated with educational needs or utilization should be directed to Dr. Cirasuolo or Suzanne Wright of the Board of Education. We're just acting as the agent to build the project specified. If it's a construction issue, we'll have more hands-on there.

Susan O'Hara, 15 Cassella Drive, said there are teams in the middle school of 73 children and more. Sure, guidance things should be done at home. Parents try; but, more and more, the school is helping these kids. More children need aides in classrooms. Education is where it's at. We can afford to invest in our kids. It's time. (applause)

Mary Wojiski, 60 Nod Brook Road, is a Cook Hill parent. She said if you only want to do one middle school, it's not really fair to the others.

Mr. Solinsky asked to concentrate on the ordinance to fund Yalesville—whether the Town should spend \$12.5 million on the school.

Mrs. Wojiski said she was happy the Council had understood what the parents want to happen. She did not want any holdups. (applause)

Diane Hotchkiss, 38 Clifton Street, reminded the Council that the money the Town received months ago from the Pequot Indians was to go to Yalesville School to purchase open space. Where did that money go? Can it be used to offset some of this? Is that part of our surplus that comes up again?

Mayor Dickinson believed the amount was \$300,000, of which about \$180,000 was for the roof at Yalesville. Since then, there is a redesign of the roof by the committee, and that is now part of the project. Part of the money will be used for purchase of the Lacey property next to Town Hall.

Mrs. Hotchkiss asked if that was open space? How does that money come out of the fund for open space and the Yalesville School to be used for the Lacey property?

Mayor Dickinson said it was transferred for a different purpose, which was the purchase of that property.

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Mrs. Hotchkiss said she had asked if that money could be appropriated to fix Community Pool and was told no. How did it wind up for Lacey?

Mayor Dickinson said no design was approved for Community Pool. The matter was brought to the Council, and it was transferred to the Lacey property.

Mrs. Hotchkiss asked if more of that money—the \$220,000 not accounted for—could be used for Yalesville School?

Mayor Dickinson said he thought it was \$330,000 total, of which \$220,000 was appropriated for the Lacey property.

Mrs. Hotchkiss asked if the \$110,000 could go toward fixing the schools. This is shuffling money again.

Mayor Dickinson said the \$110,000 is not part of this project because all of the costs for this project are incorporated in the ordinance, which is part of our financing to be reimbursed by the State.

Dom Campo, 422 South Elm Street, asked Mr. Harwood if by using a construction manager and a general contractor, the Town could be saving money? Are they having both? Bids should be opened for two weeks to general contractors, for comparison and possible savings.

Mr. Harwood said the Committee and the Town decided on having a construction manager based on recommendations from the architect and from others' experience using a general contractor. The Committee, as volunteers, cannot manage day-to-day functions, so they chose a construction manager to handle those tasks.

Atty. Joseph Fasi said there are a couple of ways to go. Construction management is used by many companies and municipalities to coordinate a logical path to completion. They can deal with subcontractors in state and beyond. Or you could have a general contractor. Or we could have held all the bids ourselves and hired a clerk of the works. The Committee labored over the decision. They feel it's best to use a construction manager, although he does not know the cost comparison. Typically, a general contractor or a construction manager will have a cost markup to handle the project. He said he was pleased so far with the performance of Gilbane and Fletcher-Thompson. The plans were reviewed well by the Connecticut Education Facilities oversight panel with few changes. Some significant cost efficiencies have been found through our five presentations so far to the Council.

Mr. Campo said the bids should be opened for two weeks to general contractors. Then the Town would have a comparison and possibly save. Are you hiring a general contractor and a construction manager?

Mr. Harwood said 26 components of the project were bid out to the trades. For example, demolition went out to bid to subcontractors. There's no general contractor and construction manager. The construction manager is the person who represents the community and manages all of the subcontractors. We bid out 26 different trades—masonry, electrical, elevators, chair lifts, plumbing, painting, roofing, etc.—competitively and selected, typically, the

low bidder, provided they were an appropriate bidder. So we still have the opportunity for cost savings.

Mr. Campo said they don't know for sure.

Mr. Harwood asked Dirk van Luling to explain.

Mr. van Luling of Gilbane said half of this project is a renovation project. There will be some unknowns that must be resolved. Under the general contractor's format, if a condition was exposed and resulted in a changed condition—say, the carpenter had to do additional work. The carpenter would submit his price to the general contractor, who would add his markup (typically 5% to 10%) and pass it to the owner. Under the construction manager format, the carpenter deals directly with us. We negotiate a viable cost, and we do not put a markup on it. We are on a fixed-fee arrangement with the owner. So you don't incur those costs.

Mr. Campo asked Mr. van Luling to confirm that there would be no added markup on changes.

Mr. van Luling said that's correct.

Frank Wasilewski, 57 North Orchard Street, said Mr. Musso's absence would liven the discussion. The object is to amend an ordinance from \$3.7 to \$12.5. I'm concerned if we're borrowing the \$12.5 million all at once, or as the project needs it? We could save money on interest.

Thomas Myers, Comptroller, said the most economical way to achieve the most efficient financing for this project is to combine the financing for Yalesville School with the Dag and Moran schools. Presently, the financial markets are in a very good condition. Interest rates on these bonds are very favorable right now. We expect those rates would hold through the fall. Depending on how the rest of the project develops, he would initiate one large financing, probably around September or October of 1995, in excess of \$12 million for the majority of the financing costs for the Dag School and the Moran Middle School, also. Then, in the future, he would have a completion bond issue—maybe in 1996 or 1997—to finance the balance of the costs not covered by the first bonding.

Mr. Wasilewski asked how often we have to hire a bonding attorney before we finish this project, once or a couple of times? Are those costs additional?

Mr. Myers said the bonding attorney, as well as other professionals associated with issuing debt—financial advisers, Moody's Investors Service, Standard and Poor's Corporation for ratings, printing costs for disclosure documents, other costs associated with secondary market disclosures, mailings, information, etc., that are associated with issuing per bonds—normally occur per bond issue. Those costs are included in the \$12.5 million amount here tonight.

Mr. Wasilewski asked to save money by cutting down on interest payments.

Mr. Myers said to save money on interest payments would be by issuing the bonds at the lowest possible interest rate. To do that, we can be a good-quality credit: Wallingford is a AA credit. That places us in the top 20 percentile in the country. That alone assures us a competitive market

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rate. Also, to get a very good interest rate, we could try to time the market. You don't want to go in if the rates are high. If you think the rates are going to drop, you might hold off. If you think they're going to go up, you might go in sooner. Those are the two ways to save interest.

Mr. Wasilewski asked, if the timing is off, does it hold up the project?

Mr. Myers said it shouldn't because the Town has a very good cash position, even to be able to front some cash for project expenses or to go to the short-term market for borrowings.

Mr. Wasilewski said if others in the Town, besides the Building Committee, had a figure to work with, then much of this discussion would not take place. No one has said, "This is all the Town could afford—or they want to spend." So I think it's too late to start changing things. The only way to keep the costs down is to go as fast as we can. (applause)

Suzanne Wright, Chairperson of the Board of Education, said six years ago the Board constructed ten portable classrooms. When we decided to ask Council approval of those, we all agreed that this was a temporary solution to something that was getting worse. A permanent solution had to be found. The Board was then given the direction to project our enrollment to determine our needs in enrollment, programs, and to come back to the Council with recommendations. We did that. The Council asked for support from parents, taxpayers, the Board members—we're all taxpayers. This project could raise your taxes and mine. The Council asked us to keep them apprised of any new developments. We instructed the Building Committee to work closely with us and to follow our specifications. They have worked tirelessly over the past couple of years. They checked with us regularly; and they brought back to the Council information on cost estimates, changes, and ways to be more cost effective. The Council also asked us to help you better understand what our enrollment and program problems were. We did that. We opened our classrooms and schools to counselors. We invited you in to tour our schools. In my opinion, after this time, the Board of Education has done its part to educate the Council, the Mayor, and the community in Wallingford to know what our problem was and how we could address it. The Building Committee has done their part to find the right people and firms. They have spent a tremendous amount of time to try to find the most cost-effective way. The Board has made changes to their suggestions, even rejected some, because we are aware of the Town's financial constraints.

Ms. Wright continued: In my opinion, the parents have done their part at countless meetings to convince you that this was the right thing to do, to help you better understand the problem, and to indicate their willingness as taxpayers to help bear the burden in terms of cost. Our staff and our schools have done their part. They have made do, with classrooms too small for the number of children they serve. They have done their programs on carts and made their lessons as motivating as possible under undesirable circumstances. They have allocated staff to work in lobbies, and on stages, and in closets because those are the place that were available. Our staff has risen to that. Most importantly, our students have done their part. They have been in classrooms that have too many students, and thus received less individual attention. They have had art lessons limited to what they could do on their classroom desk in a 20-minute period, rather than things that are larger, more interesting, and complex that would take a number of lessons to complete, because there's no place to store those things. Our

students have received therapy and tutoring without the privacy that they have a right to expect. They've done those things because they're aware that these things take time. I think our community has given the Council the opportunity to think, to review information, and to weigh your decision. You are elected because you have been supportive of the positions that they've expressed. Now, as Chairperson of the Board of Education, I think that it's time for the Council to do your part. It's important for you to support this project, not just because it's been a long time or because it's as cost-effective as we can do it, but because it's the right thing to do. We've waited far too long to be able to provide the education that our students in the Town of Wallingford need. I ask you, from my position and on behalf of our community, to support this project and demonstrate your commitment to making education in Wallingford a priority for all students. Thanks very much. (applause)

Elizabeth Rodenhizer, 189 High Street, agreed with Ms. Wright. She has three young sons, two at Moses Y. Beach. For the last six years, she has attended many meetings to reach a solution to overcrowding. There were meetings on combining the two high schools; on a magnet school with Meriden; on year-round schooling. This seems this is an excellent solution, so please pass the amendment to appropriate the dollars needed. (applause)

Valerie Nolan, 7 Templeton Road, Board of Education Member, said the Board has been looking at the overcrowding for years. Her son Zachary is now in fourth grade. She hoped that he and kids his age would get some relief—that you go ahead with Yalesville and Moran and Dag. With constant building in Town and an increasing number of children, they deserve the best education. Thank you. (applause)

Marge Burns, 7 Fawn Drive, is in the Cook Hill School district. Her son started in a portable, and she has fought for every portable there. My son is in the biggest class there—121 kids in his grade. He has had lunch at 10 o'clock in the morning, 10:20; next year he has it at 12:30. He has had art on a cart. He shares computers with five other kids to one computer. He has not been on the class trip because there was too many. He has not been able to participate in the holiday concert this year because there were too many. He has not had the best that this Town can offer. I've watched band-aids put on the school system the last six and a half years. Please continue with this building project and with the middle schools. This Town is really growing. The pool is a shambles. The Rec Department is a shambles. You would not build a skating rink. These children need something to show that we have pride in our Town and in them. The only people who give these children anything that is good is the volunteers who run the hockey, soccer, the Little League. The Town doesn't do very much for these children. Please do it in education to give them what they deserve. Thank you. (applause)

Mr. Solinsky asked for comments from the Council.

Mr. Gouveia said he thinks the Council realizes the need and will support this project. Having worked with others, he stated he is most delighted with the work of this Committee. (applause) In the past, Parker Farms was supposed to be built for \$3 million, and the final cost was almost triple that. But this Committee has done everything excellently, totally volunteer. I thank you. (applause)

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Approve the Ordinance in the Amount of

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\$12,553,000 for the Planning, Acquisition, and Construction of Improvements and Additions to Yalesville, James H. Moran and Dag Hammarskjold Schools, and the Acquisition of Land Therefor and Authorizing the Issue of \$12,553,000 Bonds of the Town to Meet Said Appropriation and Pending the Issue Thereof the Making of Temporary Borrowings for Such Purpose, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

Mr. Harwood said this week the Committee will start construction work on hazardous materials abatement at the school, starting Thursday. We're doing shop drawings over the next month. Then around June 15th, hopefully, we'll be underway fully with the construction project. We'll keep you posted.

Mr. Solinsky said the public hearing is now closed. We'll take a five-minute recess.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Pasquale A. Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville, said he understands that Meriden got about twice as much money as Wallingford did from the State for the State grants. Why were they able to get twice as much?

Mayor Dickinson said he thinks it depends upon the type of grant. Education probably represents the largest amount of money that comes into a local community from the State level. Meriden, most probably, qualifies under the formulas for the education cost sharing. Those formulas take into account many things, including the per capita income, the percentage of students in low-income circumstances—factors like that. Generally, the factors associated with the awarding of the grants would indicate Meriden would receive more in the way of dollars than Wallingford. Now there can be other grants for specific projects as the result of Special Acts, where the General Assembly awards money for some special purpose. But most of the money is for education, and most of it is appropriated in accordance with formulas; and the demographics of a population are used in determining how much money is received by a given municipality. Meriden's population may be as high as 50,000-plus. We have almost 41,000. Annually, we meet with the legislators and make them aware of our concerns. Support for the education grants is one of the items we stress; also, roads money, etc. We tell the legislators that we desire to hold on to what we have been receiving in the way of grants.

Mr. Melillo asked about the Planning and Zoning decision about the moratorium.

Mr. Solinsky said it is on the agenda for later tonight.

Andrea Whittaker, 12 Clear View Drive, said last week on May 4th her children had a scheduled soccer game at East Center Street field. The kids ran across the field. She saw a 3" x 5" yellow card on the grass. It said that Alpine Landscaping had just sprayed that field, and that there should be no children, no animals, nobody on that field for 24 hours. The coach and the 16-year-old referee did nothing. I took my children off the field and showed the card to other parents. Eventually, the other parents followed my suit. Someone came from the Soccer Association, and they evacuated the field. This should have never happened.

Mrs. Whittaker continued: I called the Park and Rec to see whose decision it

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was to spray this field. I found out that all the fields in Wallingford are sprayed where the children are playing, not just East Center Street—Parker Farms, and all the schools. Mr. McCully at Public Works didn't know about it. The landscaping company didn't get back to me on the chemical used. There should be some mechanism to let coaches and parents know. Tell me, why is the leukemia rate in children in Wallingford higher than any other town around? Could it have been that these fields have been sprayed for the past eight years? I have never been notified that the field is closed because it's been sprayed. My purpose here tonight is to ask you for direction. In the short term, I'm asking for a notification mechanism. Finally, I'm asking you now—until these things are settled, until they're researched, until everybody knows what the chemicals are and what relationship they have to our children—that spraying these fields be completely suspended, until either a committee forms and it's investigated.

Mayor Dickinson said he would have to obtain more information. Typically, they spray the fields in the spring and that it was not a year-round kind of activity. Because of the heavy use of the fields, if we didn't fertilize them, there would be no grass at all. But he would need to know more from Public Works to name the vendor, to know what is applied to the fields. We can find out and from there then go to the necessity of it—which, I suspect, is typical and necessary care of the field. What probably will happen is that for a period of time when the fields are sprayed, they just cannot be used. And that will mean that during that time the application will probably be more effective. There will have to be a mechanism, should we find that this is a harmful substance or a potentially harmful—the leagues just will not be able to use the fields for a reasonable period of time until the chemical disappears or is absorbed into the grass or the ground. It is necessary that we take care of the fields. It's really a question of what the substance is: Is it potentially harmful? If it is, then how do we notify everyone that during a reasonable period of time, the field just doesn't get used? He will find out. Where additional fields have to be sprayed, then a notice will be put up that the field cannot be used. And whatever fields are scheduled to be used, teams will be notified that they can't use them.

Ms. Papale asked why the spraying could not have been done before soccer season began?

Mayor Dickinson did not know the timetable for the vendors or the specifications. He will have answers in a day or two.

Mrs. Whittaker asked about the liability to the Town, now that her children have been exposed to the chemical. Should they become sick, would the Town be liable because they were exposed due to negligence on the Town's part?

Mayor Dickinson did not have an answer.

Les Slie, 18 Green Street, said golf courses are sprayed for the grubs under the grass. All the courses have a yellow card showing which areas have been sprayed, and it will not harm any person even if they licked a golf ball. Maybe they're using a different chemical, I don't know.

Phil Wright, 160 Cedar Street, asked if the Mayor was aware of it before tonight?

Mayor Dickinson said at a separate meeting with Recreation Department people

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he overheard a discussion about a complaint about spraying of a field. But he didn't have any details. Here there is continuing concern. It will be dealt with.

Frank Wasilewski, of 57 North Orchard Street, said he called the Town Highway Department yesterday because he noticed tent caterpillars on a tree on Town property at Orchard and Church Streets. What is going to be done? Also, at Toelles Road the Cytec property is infested with the caterpillars.

Mayor Dickinson said they will look into his concern.

Frank Wasilewski asked Mayor Dickinson if the Lacey building will be demolished and what the Town will do with the property. Also, as you drive into the driveway here by the carriage house, there's a gas main in the ground with a cover that's in very poor shape. Also, on the Fairfield Boulevard project, are we going to keep a good accounting with a committee, like for Yalesville School? Also, what is planned for Simpson School when they move out? Are we going to get rid of it or hold onto it?

Mayor Dickinson said we will be keeping very good records of the Fairfield Boulevard property. As a renovation property, Public Works and Recreation will be working on it to hire an architect. Later, there will need to be ordinance approval for bid prices on the renovation. He would recommend that the Town should sell Simpson School, but it is up to the Council.

Mr. Wasilewski asked what is being done with the Wooding property? He suggested using it for elderly housing.

Mayor Dickinson said nothing is being done now. No one has approached the Town on that. I agree there should be a residential component—possibly some residential as well as some retail or commercial space. Public Works is getting bids on demolishing that building, but none has been received. If someone is interested and there is salvageable material, the Town would consider an offer.

ITEM #5 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$22,000 from Sworn Officers Wages Acct. #001-2002-1000-1310 of Which \$8,000 is Transferred to Sick Replacement Acct. #001-2002-100-1600 and \$2,000 is Transferred to Sick Replacement Acct. #001-2003-100-1600 and \$11,500 is Transferred to Workers Compensation Acct. #001-2001-100-1630 and \$500 is Transferred to Shift Differential Acct. #001-2003-100-1450 - Dept. of Police Services.

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Information provided showed this transfer is proposed to satisfy the expenditures expected through the end of the fiscal year. These are not discretionary expenditures, but are due to higher than usual employee vacancies and absences.

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

ITEM #6 Discussion and Possible Action on a Grant Application for an Intoximeter - Dept. of Police Services

The Council had received documentation on this. Mr. Solinsky asked if the

Council needs to be specific on this Item #6 or just on Item #7?

Chief Dortenzio said if you approve our application for the grant, the #7 on the agenda would be necessary to fulfill all the requirements. First you need approval of the Town and submit the grant application to the State Dept. of Transportation. He said this grant came about because the Police Chiefs Association went to the Dept. of Transportation to get this equipment. The equipment will be bid out through the State system, as a volume purchase, and then federally reimbursed.

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Approve Authorizing the Town to Submit a Grant Application to the State Dept. of Transportation for the Intoximeter, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Gouveia commented that the letter from the State outlines a coherent policy for the towns on this. He saw good initiative on the part of the Police Chiefs.

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

ITEM #7 Consider and Approve an Appropriation of Funds in the Amount of \$5,495 from Federal Grant - Evidential Breath Analysis Equipment Acct. #001-1050-050-5886 to Police Department Intoximeter Acct. #001-2001-999-9917 - Dept. of Police Services

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

In discussion, Mr. Rys asked Chief Dortenzio if they keep records on the annual amount of arrests for DWI? He asked for a report on the trends.

Chief Dortenzio said yes, they do. The trend is going downward, due to sobriety checkpoints, education, stiffer prosecution and penalties. Someone could assemble that report upon request.

Mr. Solinsky asked if these funds are coming back to the Town?

Chief Dortenzio said we have to front the money, and then the State reimburses us the full amount.

Mr. Solinsky asked Mr. Myers when these funds would come back in?

Mr. Myers said this is set up as a special grant fund—we fund our own money, and we're then reimbursed from the State. Also, we will make no expenditure until we have a written commitment that the State will reimburse.

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

ITEM #8 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$600 from Gas & Oil Acct. #001-2035-100-1400 to Overtime Acct. #001-2035-100-1400 - Fire Marshal

A Revised Transfer was Submitted by the Fire Marshal Requesting a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$500 from Outside Professional Services Acct. #001-2035-900-9010 and \$100 from Gas and Oil Acct. #001-2035-300-3000 for a Total of \$600 to Overtime Acct. #001-2035-100-1400 - Fire Marshal

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Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Approve the Revised Transfer, seconded by Ms. Papale.

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

ITEM #11 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$300 from Maintenance of Equipment Acct. #001-7010-500-5200 to Council of Governments Acct. #001-7010-600-6750 - Town Planner

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

There were no questions.

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

ITEM #12 Remove From the Table to Consider and Approve Accepting Ben Court Off of Pierson Drive - Town Planner

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Remove the Item from the Table, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

Mr. Gouveia asked Linda Bush, Town Planner, if the question of the lights has been resolved.

Ms. Bush said she spoke to Mr. Cominos. The Electric Division has reviewed the situation. They are going to install two street lights, not just one.

Mr. Solinsky asked if there has been any contact with any owners up there?

Ms. Bush went out there the day after the meeting to see the drainage swale, one of which was filled with debris. She agrees the drainage systems have to be maintained.

Mr. Zappala asked, on the lights, what was the Electric Division's recommendation when the permit was applied for?

Ms. Bush could not answer why or why not the lights weren't installed.

Mayor Dickinson said these are underground-wired lights. The developer has to put them in. They were put in in accordance with directions from the Electric Division. It turned out there isn't sufficient light. But the policy of the Electric Division, until one or two weeks ago, was that where there is an underground system, the Electric Division would not repair or add to it. That was either the responsibility of the developer or the homeowners' association. That policy has run into a number of difficulties, because the homeowners' association would be unaware that the street lights would be their responsibility, not the Electric Division's. It also created a separate situation where if the lights were overhead-wired the Electric Division was handling them, and if the lights were underground, they weren't. The policy changed at the last meeting, I believe. Now the Electric Division is in a position to correct the inadequacy of light in this area and possibly others. Their policy now would be that any street lighting, whether overhead or underground, becomes the responsibility of the

Electric Division. Maybe the developer puts it in initially as underground; but all of it, for safety purposes, is part of the Electric Division's jurisdiction.

Mr. Zappala questioned if there was a written plan.

Ms. Bush said she did not know. The Electric Division installs street lights. I don't know their policy or regulations.

Mr. Zandri said he has a concern for the Electric Division in taking on the responsibility for the ornamental street lights. This will come under zoning, as well, for subdivisions. If the ornamental street lighting is more costly than what is normal for the Town, then is the Electric Division going to take on the responsibility? He did not think it was fair. It should be the Association's responsibility to pay the balance.

Mayor Dickinson said the lights may be ornamental, but they are providing light for public safety purposes. Once you get into dealing with a private organization and its willingness to participate in funding, hire a contractor, and so on, it interrupts the ability to provide for light in a public safety arena.

Ms. Bush said, but when they approve a subdivision, they always require that the developer put in storage at the Electric Division at least one, and maybe two, depending on the size, ornamental poles. So they have backups.

Mr. Zandri said that is fine, until the backups run out. He did not think the Town could absorb the additional cost associated with the ornamental fixtures. He thought regular poles could be put in.

Mr. Rys had seen the neighborhood, which is near his home. At the first house off Trumbull, the drain is right down in the usable portion of his back yard. Farther down in the development the swale went out, with the drain after it, to catch the water off the Gaylord hill. It appears that if a developer had started near Trumbull Drive with the swale and gone completely down, these first two or three yards wouldn't have a problem of water in their back yards.

Ms. Bush said that question should be addressed to Joel or John (in Engineering).

Mr. Rys also said the Electric Division should be sure the lighting will meet the criteria for public safety before they take it over.

Phil Wright, 160 Cedar Street, said he thought if the homeowners association system doesn't work, then it should be corrected. If the Public Utilities Electric Division is not taking a look at what's necessary for public safety, then some procedure should be put in.

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Accept the Road, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

ITEM #13 Consider and Approve a Waiver of Bid to Hire a Consultant to Perform a Traffic Study for Route 5 - Planning & Zoning

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Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Zandri.

Ms. Papale had gone to the Planning and Zoning Commission's discussion on the proposed moratorium (for Route 5). Many people spoke in favor. She spoke in favor, also. The Commission did not vote for the moratorium. She felt that the decision did not reflect the wishes of the people. She could not vote for the traffic study, since she felt the moratorium should have been in place first.

Mr. Zandri said all of Route 5 will not be developed soon. Is there still some benefit to doing this study? He supported doing it.

Ms. Bush said the prior Route 68 corridor study was just a traffic study, and it did not recommend changes in zoning. This study is proposed to look at both traffic and potential development along Route 5. Then zoning changes may be made to allow development compatible with traffic growth. Also, regulations might be proposed to improve the appearance of Route 5. There is still a benefit to doing the study because there is a lot of vacant land, large and smaller parcels. For example, where K-Mart is now will be reused for an entirely different use later, and the regulations would apply to that.

Mayor Dickinson asked how much acreage is not currently under application before Planning and Zoning?

Ms. Bush stated in the northern part of Route 5—from North Street to the Meriden line—there are 407 acres. One hundred seven acres, or 25%, is current developed as large retail or approved (K-Mart and Wal-Mart included). Another 106 acres, another 25%, is either vacant or undeveloped, and large enough to handle large retail. Only two of the vacant or undeveloped parcels have indicated that they want approvals: one is the Eyelet property, which needs more information; the other is the Unimax property, which is not yet submitted.

Mayor Dickinson asked if 50% of the 407 acres has been developed?

Ms. Bush said no. Most of the other 50% are developed, but they are smaller parcels.

Mr. Gouveia said the letter accompanying the proposal indicates that of the 107 acres, 103 acres are either underdeveloped or undeveloped. So only 20% of the 407 acres are either underdeveloped or not developed at all.

Ms. Bush said she only looked at large parcels, over five or six acres, on Route 5—the large, traffic-generator type of parcels. There are other smaller vacant lots and that could be used or reused.

Mr. Knight asked if we do this study, Planning and Zoning Commission may ignore the recommendations. So that could be a waste of money.

Mr. Gouveia noted the Plan of Development was adopted last year. Route 5 should have been incorporated then.

Ms. Bush said it was included and studied. During the Plan of Development process, Unimax, Century Toyota, Tyler Equipment, and Revere were still operating—all of which are now underdeveloped properties. So Route 5 has changed. She has had inquiries.

Mr. Gouveia said there is no guarantee, after the study, that the present occupants will remain there. If the Planning and Zoning Commission would like to receive suggestions "on how to best protect and enhance the character of Route 5", that's about ten years too late. He asked how much the study would cost?

Ms. Bush could not guess.

Mr. Gouveia agreed with Ms. Papale that the choice was not made to stop development for at least the time to do the study. What good would the study be?

Mr. Zandri asked how long the study would take?

Ms. Bush said about three or four months.

Mr. Zandri thought if the P&Z Commission had a study available, they would utilize it. But he thought another issue P&Z was dealing with was whether to handcuff the owners or developers. He did not think the P&Z vote from last night showed that they would not pay attention to this study.

Ms. Papale asked since the moratorium would have been just for the time of the study, is it was still worthwhile to do the study?

Ms. Bush said it may not be as effective. In the past ten years on the entire Route 5, the Town has approved about 230,000 square feet of commercial space. Then in February the Town approved 275,000 square feet in one night. So things change drastically. Then we have an application for 285,000 square feet at the Eyelet building, which has been vacant for years. These couldn't have been foreseen. She explained: The way the State deals with traffic is how the Town deals with it. We look at what it is now and add a known quantity for known development to see if the road network can handle the traffic there now. Then we project it for two years; and, with a new application, their traffic. Nobody projects long into the future. As on the Route 68 analysis a decade ago, we had the facts ready for the State to support work being done at 68 and I-91. But this Route 5 study is not a traffic study—it's a land use study with a major traffic component. For example, Wal-Mart studied the traffic, and added 2% a year of general background traffic on Route 5, and then added the traffic they expect to generate. Then K-Mart had to take all of those traffic figures and add their own traffic. So when K-Mart's road improvements were assessed, they were looked at in the context of what mitigation measures would be necessary to handle all that traffic—but no extra traffic. Each time you add a use, you look at additional road improvements. So it's a constantly evolving thing; you don't look long into the future on this. We have some responsibility for our zoning and land use, even though it's a State highway.

Mr. Zappala thought the last (State) study arrived at \$15 million to bring two roads into Route 5, and nothing was done. How can they invest in something that will be put on the shelf?

Ms. Bush said this study is not for road improvements. It only assumes that Route 5 will be widened to four lanes from North Street to the Meriden City line. It doesn't propose looking at any other road improvements, other than

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turning lanes at major entrances. Another constraint is that it narrows to two lanes at North Street, with buildings built right to the edge of the street, etc. She doubted the Town would not want a change to four lanes below North Street. So they made the assumption that four lanes above North Street would be the maximum.

Phil Wright, 160 Cedar Street, thought the Council should review the P&Z meeting videotape or consult with the Commission before deciding.

Ms. Bush thought an assumption that only pro-downtown people are supportive of the study is inaccurate.

Lucille Trozinski, 262 North Elm Street, thought the people who came to that Planning and Zoning Commission meeting had been working on "Wallingford" for over ten years. She does not own property on Route 5. She is interested in the betterment of the Town. She worked on the Advisory Committee to Planning and Zoning and has tried to get informed about Route 5. Property owners on every cross street from Route 5 to North Elm will be affected, also. They were never included on these traffic studies. There will be more traffic lights. No one had addressed falling property values on North and South Main Street and Christian Street. She felt Planning and Zoning showed an utter disregard for the concerns of others or Wallingford in its totality.

Pasquale A. Melillo, 50 Haller Place, Yalesville, asked what can be done to override the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission?

Mr. Solinsky did not think anything could be done.

Mayor Dickinson said the Mayor's Office could not override such a decision. The aggrieved parties can take the matter to court to appeal it. The Town government could do it, but he did not know if this would be a cause for action. This is a failure to adopt a regulation. He was not sure if that was an appealable decision by the Commission. He did not find anything appealable because this is a legislative non-action by the Commission.

Mr. Melillo asked if private parties could organize and take it to court?

Mayor Dickinson thought that a private party would have the same difficulty.

Town Attorney Janis Small thought if the consultant recommended a moratorium, then it might be reconsidered.

Mr. Gouveia believed that a study, without a moratorium, is better than no study at all. He asked the specific costs, time, and scope. Would they only be looking at the 20% of unused land?

Ms. Bush said she was looking for a two-step bid process: to first go out with an R.F.P. (request for proposal) and then come back with a specific dollar amount. There's no transfer or money involved now. This is just so we can solicit bids and come back, hopefully by June 27th.

Ms. Bush continued: They're going to study from the Meriden line to the North Haven line, Route 5. The R.F.P. is clear that the entire thing will be studied. It will concentrate on the northern part, because it has the most potential for development. There's very little vacant land on South Colony.

Mr. Gouveia asked, how many new applications will you get during the study?

Ms. Bush said new requests for development will be treated with what's legally in place. We don't know how many. It's a Catch-22. More land will be developed if you fund the study even if you don't have a moratorium. So if the consultant has proposed changes, and if the Planning and Zoning Commission adopts them, there will still be uses that come in during the study that are under the present regulations. There will still be vacant land left, and still re-use of existing land.

Mr. Gouveia asked if Ms. Bush saw any detriments or drawbacks from this study?

Ms. Bush said the dollar figure. Other than that, she did not know what detriments there would be. There would be more positives. The P&Z Commission is in concurrence on this. The moratorium and the study are two separate issues.

Mr. Gouveia asked if a yes vote would not approve hiring a consultant, correct?

Ms. Bush said right.

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

Mrs. Duryea left the meeting at 10:59 P.M.

ITEM #14 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$9,000 from Personnel Department: Director and Assistant Director Salaries Acct. #001-1590-100-1200 to Sidewalk Installation/Repair Acct. #001-5011-999-0024 - Engineering

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Town Planner Linda Bush said she could answer questions on behalf of Town Engineer Costello.

Mr. Gouveia asked if sidewalk installation in a subdivision was the developer's responsibility?

Ms. Bush said yes. There are two separate issues. On Blossom Lane, the development that's been before you before—two developers walked away from it. The Town called the bond; we didn't have enough money. We had \$70,000. The road only cost us \$27,000; the sidewalks were the rest of the funds. Blossom Lane had lots of sidewalks. The contractor the Town hired—there's about 100 feet left—that's who Mr. Costello got this estimate from.

Mr. Gouveia asked how we assess the cost of the performance bond?

Ms. Bush said someone in Engineering comes up with an estimate based on the length of the improvement. At Mr. Costello's advice, we are increasing the bond amount because we see the costs for sidewalks are going up.

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VOTE: Duryea, Killen and Papale were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #15 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$5,108 from Sludge Disposal - Tipping Fees Acct. #645-000 to Interest on Long Term Debt - S. Elm Street Acct. #427-041 - Sewer Division

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Zandri asked, when are they going to repair that road? He had seen that the trenching was scheduled for this year and the paving for next year.

Mayor Dickinson responded, because of the depth of the trench, it should settle for at least a year, over another winter. In the interim, they're looking for the contractor to level it. Any finish course put down now would continue to settle.

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

ITEM #16 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$25,000 from Employee's Pension Benefits Acct. #926-000 to Workmen's Compensation Acct. #925-001 - Water Division

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

Mr. Gouveia asked, if these funds are not either the Town's share of the pension plan nor the employees' share of the pension plan?

Ray Dennison, Office Manager of the Water/Sewer Division responded, no. It is primarily Blue Cross and Blue Shield's - that agency.

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

ITEM #17 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$5,000 from Maintenance of Transmission and Distribution Lines Acct. #673-000 and \$3,400 from Maintenance of Services Acct. #675-000 for a Total of \$8,400 to Purchase of Water Acct. #602-000 - Water Division

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

ITEM #19 Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#364-373) in the Amount of \$1,140.49 - Tax Collector

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Duryea and Killen were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #20 Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved by the Mayor

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Duryea and Killen were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #21 Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to Date

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Duryea and Killen were absent; Rys and Zandri, no; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #22 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$650 from Self-Insurance Claims Acct. #001-8040-800-8280 to Capital Acct. Telephone System Acct. #001-1320-999-9903 - Town Attorney

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

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

ITEM #23 SET A PUBLIC HEARING for May 23, 1995 at 7:45 P.M. on an Ordinance Appropriating \$1,150,000 for the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Various Municipal Capital Improvements 1995-96

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Duryea and Killen were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #24 Approve and Accept the Minutes of the 4/25/95 and 5/1/95 Town Council Meetings

Motion was made by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Rys.

VOTE: Duryea and Killen were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Rys.  
VOTE: Duryea and Killen were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.  
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:11 P.M.

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Thomas D. Solinsky, Chairman

*6-13-95*

Date

*Kathryn J. Wall*

Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk

Date

*June 13, 1995*

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,795,000 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO YALESVILLE, JAMES H. MORAN, AND DAG HAMMARSKJOLD SCHOOLS, AND THE ACQUISITION OF LAND THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$3,795,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Section 1. An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Appropriating \$2,000,000 For The Design And Contract Administration Phase Of Town-Wide School System Improvements And Authorizing The Issue Of \$2,000,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issue Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose", enacted by the Town Council on October 12, 1993 and approved by the Mayor on October 15, 1993, as amended by an ordinance enacted by the Town Council on February 28, 1995 and approved by the Mayor on March 1, 1995, as amended by an ordinance enacted by the Town Council on April 25, 1995 and approved by the Mayor on April 26, 1995, is further amended to increase the appropriation and bond authorization by \$8,758,000, from \$3,795,000 to \$12,553,000, to provide for costs of construction of the Yalesville School project and debt administration, thereby making the title of said ordinance read as follows:

"AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$12,553,000 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO YALESVILLE, JAMES H. MORAN, AND DAG HAMMARSKJOLD SCHOOLS, AND THE ACQUISITION OF LAND THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$12,553,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE"

Section 2. Section 1 of said ordinance is amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. The sum of \$12,553,000 is appropriated for the planning, acquisition and construction of improvements and additions to Yalesville Elementary School, James H. Moran Middle School, and Dag Hammarskjold Middle School, including land acquisition, additions, renovations, refurbishment of Yalesville School for reuse, improvements to comply with governmental building, fire, handicapped access or other safety codes and improvements related thereto, asbestos abatement, lead abatement, feasibility studies, equipment, furnishings, site work, demolition, testing, surveying, improvements and costs appurtenant to said projects, closing costs, architects' and engineers' fees,

project management and contract administration, and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs related thereto, in accordance with the following:

<u>Yalesville Elementary School</u>	\$10,345,000
Planning, acquisition, construction (as hereinbefore described), land acquisition, contract administration, and related expenses	
<u>James H. Moran School</u>	1,004,000
Architects' and engineers' fees, contract administration, and related expenses	
<u>Dag Hammarskjold School</u>	1,004,000
Architects' and engineers' fees, contract administration, and related expenses	
<u>Debt Administration</u>	<u>200,000</u>
Total	<u>\$12,553,000</u>

The amount authorized to be expended for each purpose shall not exceed the amount set forth opposite each purpose, provided that, the Town Council may by resolution transfer unexpended funds among purposes, so long as the aggregate amount of the appropriation and bond authorization shall not be increased."

Section 3. The first sentence of Section 2 of said ordinance is amended by substituting the figure \$12,553,000 for the figure \$3,795,000 therein, thereby making said sentence read as follows:

"Section 2. To meet said appropriation \$12,553,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the twentieth year after their date."

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 23, 1995

6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance
2. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(5) and 1-19(b)(9) of the CT. General Statutes with Regards to Strategy and Negotiations with Respect to Collective Bargaining
  - Cafeteria Employee's Contract
  - Local 1183 Wages
3. Consider and Approve Local 1303 - Cafeteria Board of Education Contract - Personnel
4. Consider and Approve Local 1183 Wage Agreement - Personnel
- 5a. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$114,769 from Council Contingency Acct. #001-8050-800-3230 to Various Accounts Within the General Fund to Fund Local 1183 Wage Agreement - Personnel (F.Y. 1995-96)
- b. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$660 from Revenue/Town of Wallingford Contribution Acct. #012-1040-060-6000 to Expenditures/YSB Salaries and Wages Acct. #012-9000-100-1000 - Personnel (F.Y. 1995-96)
6. Consider and Approve a Waiver of Bid Request Regarding Health Insurance Consultant - Personnel
7. Consider and Approve a Waiver of Bid Request Regarding P.O.S.T. Program (Employee Assistance Program/Police) - Personnel
- 8a. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$645 from Big Brothers/Big Sisters Acct. #012-9000-900-9100 to Youth Projects Acct. #012-9000-900-9010 - Youth Service Bureau
- b. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$480 from Big Brothers/Big Sisters Acct. #012-9000-900-9100 to Telephone Acct. #012-9000-200-2000 - Youth Service Bureau
- c. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$151 from Maintenance of Vehicle Acct. #012-9000-500-5000 to Transportation Allowance Acct. #012-9000-300-3200 - Youth Service Bureau
- d. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$99 from Wlfd. Library - C.R. Account #012-9000-900-9060 to Youth Projects Acct. #012-9000-900-9010 - Youth Service Bureau

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- 9a. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$450 from Registrar of Voters (various accounts) to Camera Acct. #001-3010-999-9901 - Health Department
- b. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$479 from Health Code Compliance Acct. #001-3010-600-6300 and \$300 from Seminars Acct. #001-3010-700-7990 for a Total of \$779 to Office Supplies Acct. #001-3010-400-4000 - Health Department
- c. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$300 from Primary Elections Food Allowance Acct. #001-6011-600-6600 to Office Supplies Acct. #001-3010-400-4000 - Health Department
10. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$500 from Janitorial Contract Acct. #001-5150-600-6290 to Maintenance of Building Acct. #001-5150-500-5100 - Public Works Department
11. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$195 from Tires Acct. #001-2035-400-4520 and \$80 from Training/College Acct. #001-2035-500-5710 for a Total of \$275 to Office Supplies Acct. #001-2035-400-4000 - Fire Marshal
12. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$1,200 from Election Worker's Wages Acct. #001-6011-100-1350 to Advertising Acct. #001-6030-400-4100 - Town Clerk
13. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$1,145 from Registrar of Voters Election Worker's Wages Acct. #001-6010-100-1350 to Misc. Fact Finding Acct. #001-1300-600-6020 - Mayor's Office
14. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$40,000 from Contingency Reserve for Emergency Acct. #001-8050-800-3190 to Bus Operations Acct. #001-1150-600-6500 - Mayor's Office
15. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD - 7:30 P.M.
16. PUBLIC HEARING on an Ordinance Appropriating \$1,150,000 for the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Various Municipal Capital Improvements 1995-96 and Authorizing the Issue of \$1,150,000 Bonds of the Town to Meet Said Appropriation and Pending the Issue Thereof the Making of Temporary Borrowings for Such Purpose - 7:45 P.M.
17. Acceptance of Equipment from the Transit District - Mayor's Office
18. Consider and Approve a Bid Waiver Request to Purchase Equipment - Fire Department
19. Consider and Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement Between the State of CT. and the Town of Wallingford for the Construction of the Quinnipiac St. Bridge -Mayor's Office
20. Consider and Approve Application for VoAg Greenhouse, Storage Building and Equipment Grant - Board of Education

21. Review Financial Reports of the Wallingford Public Library, Visiting Nurse Association and the Senior Citizen's Center
22. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#374-380) in the Amount of \$1,668.65 - Tax Collector