

Town Council Meeting Summary

May 10, 1988

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Adjourned.	24

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  - (e) Approve official depositories for the town.
  - (f) Consider waiver of bid for:
 

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Detective/Narcotics Investigators and Mayor Car Rental  
Pension Fund Portfolio Managers
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  - (i) Adopt budgets of Sewer Division, Water Division and Electric Division.
  - (j) Adopt budget of Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditure Fund.
  - (k) Approve Special Funds of the Board of Education.
  - (l) Approve Special Funds of the Town of Wallingford.
  - (m) Authorize Town Council Chairman to sign three (3) copies of the finalized budget, two (2) to be filed with the Town Clerk and one (1) to be placed on file in the Wallingford Public Library.
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requested by John J. Costello, Town Engineer.
- (9) Consider and approve a budget amendment for Water Division:  
\$40,000 increase Power Purchased for Pumping and  
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- (10) Consider waiving the bidding procedure for the Hewlett Packard  
3000 Computer System for the Wallingford Board of Education.
- (11) Consider three resolutions for the Wallingford Board of Education:
  - (a) Resolution to establish Roof Replacement and Underground  
Storage Tank Replacement Committee.
- (11) Wallingford Board of Education (continued):
  - (b) Resolution authorizing preparation of schematic drawings  
and outline specifications for roof replacement and  
underground storage tank replacement.
  - (c) Resolution authorizing Board of Education to file ap-  
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to purchase seven rolling shelves.
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Mark Wilson, Risk Manager, effective 4/27/88 for \$351  
Gertrude Brady, Electric Division, effective 4/21/88 for \$1,620  
John LaFramboise, Electric Division, effective 5/4/88 for \$1,968  
Terry Smith, Sewer Division, effective 5/11/88 for \$180.87
- (14) Discussion and possible action to mandate the study of one town  
department each year and to follow up on implementation of rec-  
ommendations the next year with Council Contingency funding,  
requested by Councilman Frank C. Adams, Jr.
- (15) Consider and approve a proposal to establish a "Sinking Fund"  
within the Public Utilities to be dedicated to defraying the  
cost of updating generating capabilities of the power plant,  
requested by Councilman Steven B. Holmes.
- (16) Discussion and approval of format of "Report of Litigation  
Represented by Outside Attorneys," requested by Councilman  
Frank C. Adams, Jr.
- (17) NOTE FOR RECORD the financial statements of the Wallingford  
Public Library, Visiting Nurse Association and Senior Citizens  
Center for the quarter ended March 31, 1988.

- (18) Consider acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes of April 21, 1988.
- (19) Consider acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes of April 26, 1988.
- (20) NOTE FOR RECORD the financial statements of the Town of Wallingford for the month ended April 30, 1988.
- (21) EXECUTIVE SESSION, requested by Town Attorney, for the purpose of discussing settlement of pending claims and appeal.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

May 10, 1988

6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held in Council Chambers, called to order at 6:39 p.m. by Chairman Albert E. Killen. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall were Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller. Adam Mantzaris, Town Attorney, was also present. The Pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to have the following items placed on the Consent Agenda, to be voted upon as a block by one unanimous vote:

ITEM 13. Consider and approve four merit increases:  
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ITEM 20. NOTE FOR RECORD the financial statements of the Town of Wallingford for the month ended April 30, 1988.

Mr. Doherty's motion was seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to set a Public Hearing on May 24, 1988 at 6:45 p.m. on SCENIC ROAD ORDINANCE and set a Public Hearing on May 24, 1988 at 7:00 p.m. on AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$2,750,000 FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR A WATER TREATMENT FACILITY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$2,750,000 BONDS AND TEMPORARY BORROWINGS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION FOR SUCH PURPOSES, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 4. Consider and adopt the 1988-1989 Budgets of the Town of Wallingford:

I. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET OF \$ 55,425,796  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988.

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

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

II. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE BUDGET  
OF \$ 55,425,796 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988.

Mr. Adams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

III. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO ESTABLISH THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
JULY 1, 1988 AT 34.9 MILLS. REAL ESTATE AND PROPERTY  
TAX COLLECTION WILL BE MADE IN TWO INSTALLMENTS, FIRST  
DUE JULY 1, 1988, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1988;  
SECOND DUE JANUARY 1, 1989, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE  
FEBRUARY 1, 1989. TAX BILLS OF \$50.00 OR LESS SHALL  
BE PAID IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 1988, PAYABLE  
ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1988; MOTOR VEHICLES IN ONE  
INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 1988, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE  
AUGUST 1, 1988, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12-144A OF C.G.S.

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

Mr. Bradley commented that the Council, as a group, has worked long and hard hours in harmony, to review and establish a budget for 1988 and he is extremely proud to be a part of the group. He added "I would also like to commend the new members of the Council who worked hard to scrutinize every line item within this budget. It was because of our questioning of the various department heads that we went into the early morning hours. We questioned, squeezed and twisted every dollar we could out of every line item but all we managed to cut was 1/10th of 1 mill. One priority item, which I supported to have reinstated, was the fire truck for North Farms Volunteer Fire Department and represented approximately 3/10th of 1 mill. That 3/10th of 1 mill was made up leaving a net gain of 1/10th of 1 mill. I was discouraged that more could not be cut but, after reflecting back on the process, I did realize that a little over a 1 mill increase was inevitable.

The loss of a \$410,000 federal revenue grant and also the loss of \$600,000 in income, from our landfill operation, attributed to 1 of the 2 mill increase. This Council had no control on either of these items. I don't agree with applying federal money against the tax rate. I feel the town and the taxpayers would be better served, if it were applied to the long term debt of the town or on capital projects. I am a firm believer in accountability and the loss of over \$600,000 in revenue is no exception. Needless to say, the reason for this loss is because of the establishment of a trash to energy plant in Wallingford. The taxpayers of Wallingford are going to pay for this plant in two ways; (1) the loss of over \$600,000 in revenue from landfill operation and a 200% increase in rubbish removal fees from various town departments. These two items are accountable for 6-7/10th of a mill increase (\$600,000 to \$700,000). (2) Tipping fees, the cost you have to pay to have your trash removed. My vote this evening, establishes accountability to the taxpayer on the 2 mill increase. I feel that I am accountable for 1 mill. As far as the loss revenue of \$600,000 plus, that responsibility lies in the past Council, Mr. Gessert, Mrs. Bergamini, Mr. Rys, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Polanski, Mrs. Papale, Mr. Killen and Mayor Dickinson and also State Representative

Mary Mushinsky, are directly accountable to the taxpayers for this increase. While I am sure they acted in good conscience, I feel they did not act in the best interests of the Wallingford Taxpayer.

Mr. Holmes commented that he believes that the budget is solid and responsible and it is a budget that lays the groundwork for the future. Although it is a very difficult decision to raise taxes, I feel that a pragmatic approach to the town's finances is paramount. The days are passed, when the budget was used as a political instrument. I have always taken the approach, that the town must be run as a business. We have enormous responsibilities facing us. We have the sewer facility that is presently under construction and the pending water treatment facility that is yet to be constructed. The total bonded indebtedness on these two projects will run over \$50,000,000. With that kind of future facing us, it is important that our budget truly reflect the cost of government. I have always been in favor of budgets that have had a logical and progressive and thoughtful approach to the growth of the town. To do otherwise, is irresponsible. Wallingford is a progressive and growing community. This budget will enable us to improve services, continue our commitment to education and give the town the flexibility to meet the demands of the future.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road, commented that he does not feel that there should be a tax increase.

Mr. Holmes added that he strongly objects to Mr. Bradley's remarks concerning the trash plant and the revenue loss, which he tried to attribute to the past Council. He added that Mr. Bradley's statement was totally inappropriate, unfounded and not in good taste. Mr. Bradley stated that the town is still losing \$600,000 and he believes that there was still a lot of life expectancy left in the landfill, and added that this is not representative of some members of the present Council.

Mr. Raymond Rys, 96 Pierson Drive, pointed out that he believes that there will be some revenues coming in from the operation itself, approximately \$200,000.

Mr. Adams pointed out that the members of the Council put in about 55 hours during the budget and 20 hours preparing for the budget which lasted about 3 weeks, because they are concerned about the quality of life in Wallingford.

Mr. Parisi commended the Comptroller for his long hours and fine work and background information he supplied, the Council Chairman and Vice-Chairwoman.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

IV. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATED COLLECTIONS OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988 AT THE RATE OF 97 PER CENT.

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

V. Mrs. Papale

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 9, 1988 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988, COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES, (PAGE 5).

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

VI. Mrs. Papale

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  
COUNCIL SECRETARY SERVICES  
BARBARINO BROS. (Detective, Narcotic and  
Mayor car rental)  
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY) Pension Fund  
CONNECTICUT BANK & TRUST CO.) Portfolio Managers  
CONNECTICUT BANK & TRUST CO. Financial Advisor  
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, 1988.

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

OTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.



*Town of Wallingford, Connecticut*

THOMAS A. MYERS  
COMPTROLLER

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
P. O. BOX 67  
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT 06492  
TELEPHONE 265-2338

May 9, 1988

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, 1988 through June 30, 1989:

1. Connecticut Bank & Trust Company
2. Union Trust Company
3. Connecticut National Bank
4. Bank of Boston Connecticut
5. Dime Savings Bank of Wallingford
6. Connecticut Savings Bank

The Aetna Life Insurance Company is portfolio manager for a portion of Town of Wallingford Pension Trust Fund assets and as such agent is 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  
Office Manager-Electric  
Office Manager-Water/Sewer

VII. Mrs. Papale

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. Parisi seconded the motion.

VIII. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGETS OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988 AS HEREIN STATED:

Sewer Enterprise Fund

Add:	Estimated Revenue	<u>\$3,820,970</u>
Less:	Appropriations	<u>3,761,443</u>
	Net Income	<u>59,527</u>
Add:	Infiltration Reserve	<u>330,000</u>
	Sewer Treatment Plant Interest Reserve	<u>( 67,852)</u>
	Depreciation	<u>920,500</u>
	Contribution in Aid of Construction	<u>250,000</u>
	Available Working Capital	<u>1,492,175</u>
Less:	Capital	<u>114,800</u>
	Debt Retirement	<u>775,000</u>
	Capital from Contributions in Aid of Construction	<u>250,000</u>
	Major Capital	<u>330,000</u>
	Estimated Unappropriated Balance	<u>\$ 22,375</u>

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved:

Water Enterprise Fund

Add:	Revenue	<u>\$3,007,862</u>
Less:	Appropriations	<u>2,480,900</u>
	Net Income	<u>526,962</u>
Add:	Depreciation	<u>371,500</u>
	Budgeted Prior Year Retained Earnings	<u>35,000</u>
	Contribution in Aid of Construction	<u>390,000</u>
	Available Working Capital	<u>1,323,462</u>
Less:	Debt Retirement	<u>228,840</u>

Reserved for Water Treatment Plant

0

Capital

660,050

Capital from Contributions in Aid  
of Construction

390,000

Estimated Unappropriated Balance

44,572

seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mrs. Papale moved:

Electric Enterprise Fund

Add: Revenue

37,223,800

Less: Appropriations

35,931,289

Net Income

1,292,511

Add: Depreciation

1,524,066

Premium on Debt

( 217)

Available Working Capital

2,816,360

Electric Continued:

Working Capital Uses

Deduct: Debt Retirement

605,000

Contribution to General Fund

1,100,000

Capital

1,982,360

Appropriation from Retained Earnings

0

Changes in Working Capital

( 871,000)

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

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

IX. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURES FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,606,783 REVENUES AND \$3,606,783 EXPENDITURES.

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

X. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Mr. Adams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Doherty abstained; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

XI. Mrs. Papale

MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1988 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Mr. Parisi seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.  
 XII. Mrs. Papale

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. Parisi seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT**

**BUDGET SUMMARY SPECIAL FUNDS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1989**

	FY 6-30-87 ACTUAL	1-31-88 ACTUAL	1987-88 APPROPR	1988-89 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b>CHAPTER I</b>						
Revenue	170,000.	64,898.	202,693.	200,000.	200,000.	200,000.
Expenditures	170,000.	64,898.	202,693.	200,000.	200,000.	200,000.
<b>CHAPTER II</b>						
Revenue	49,368.	23,105.	57,729.	55,000.	55,000.	55,000.
Expenditures	49,368.	23,105.	57,729.	55,000.	55,000.	55,000.
<b>EERA</b>						
Revenue	56,514.	18,614.	55,435.	55,000.	55,000.	55,000.
Expenditures	56,514.	18,614.	55,435.	55,000.	55,000.	55,000.
<b>TITLE II</b>						
Revenue	4,931.	917.	2,095.	4,000.	4,000.	4,000.
Expenditures	4,931.	917.	2,095.	4,000.	4,000.	4,000.
<b>PERKINS (VOCATIONAL EDUC)</b>						
Revenue	50,579.	17,731.	46,683.	50,000.	50,000.	50,000.
Expenditures	50,579.	17,731.	46,683.	50,000.	50,000.	50,000.

**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT  
 BUDGET SUMMARY SPECIAL FUNDS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1989**

	FY 6-30-87 ACTUAL	1-31-88 ACTUAL	1987-88 APPROPR	1988-89 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b>SUMMER SCHOOL</b>						
Revenue	14,000.	11,222.	13,200.	12,000.	12,000.	12,000.
Expenditures	14,000.	11,222.	13,200.	12,000.	12,000.	12,000.
<b>DRIVER EDUCATION</b>						
Revenue	24,000.	14,563.	25,600.	27,200.	27,200.	27,200.
Expenditures	24,000.	14,563.	25,600.	27,200.	27,200.	27,200.
<b>ADULT EDUCATION TUITION</b>						
Revenue	24,000.	13,561.	41,000.	30,000.	30,000.	30,000.
Expenditures	24,000.	13,561.	41,000.	30,000.	30,000.	30,000.
<b>ADULT BASIC EDUCATION</b>						
Revenue	90,230.	97,067.	120,882.	137,436.	137,436.	137,436.
Expenditures	90,230.	97,067.	120,882.	137,436.	137,436.	137,436.
<b>ADULT EDUCATION ACTIVITY</b>						
Revenue	8,000.	8,861.	9,000.	6,000.	6,000.	6,000.
Expenditures	8,000.	8,861.	9,000.	6,000.	6,000.	6,000.
<b>ADULT EDUCATION NURSING</b>						
Revenue	0.	1,186.	0.	35,000.	35,000.	35,000.
Expenditures	0.	1,186.	0.	35,000.	35,000.	35,000.
<b>ADULT EDUCATION BASIC SKILLS</b>						
Revenue	0.	384.	0.	5,520.	5,520.	5,520.
Expenditures	0.	384.	0.	5,520.	5,520.	5,520.
<b>TITLE VI EDUCATION OF THE HANDICAPPED</b>						

Revenue	167,055.	103,437.	193,880.	196,000.	196,000.	196,000.
Expenditures	167,055.	103,437.	193,880.	196,000.	196,000.	196,000.
<b>MOTORCYCLE</b>						
Revenue	31,366.	10,218.	51,940.	47,225.	47,225.	47,225.
Expenditures	31,366.	10,218.	51,940.	47,225.	47,225.	47,225.
<b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT</b>						
Revenue	0.	18,153.	30,690.	37,000.	37,000.	37,000.
Expenditures	0.	18,153.	30,690.	37,000.	37,000.	37,000.
<b>DRUG FREE SCHOOLS</b>						
Revenue	0.	0.	14,495.	15,000.	15,000.	15,000.
Expenditures	0.	0.	14,495.	15,000.	15,000.	15,000.
<b>TEACHER EVALUATION</b>						
Revenue	0.	3,733.	12,087.	80,000.	80,000.	80,000.
Expenditures	0.	3,733.	12,087.	80,000.	80,000.	80,000.
<b>CAREER INCENTIVE</b>						
Revenue	0.	50.	12,087.	0.	0.	0.
Expenditures	0.	50.	12,087.	0.	0.	0.

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

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1989

	FY 6-30-87 ACTUAL	1-31-88 ACTUAL	1987-88 APPROPR	1988-89 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b>OUTSIDE SERVICES</b>						
Revenue	17,425.	10,393.	28,000.	35,000.	35,000.	35,000.
Expenditures	17,425.	10,393.	28,000.	35,000.	35,000.	35,000.
<b>SCHOOL CAFETERIA</b>						
Revenue		550,761.	1,211,727.	1,362,822.	1,362,822.	1,362,822.
Expenditures		550,761.	1,211,727.	1,362,822.	1,362,822.	1,362,822.

**BUDGET SUMMARY SPECIAL FUNDS TOWN**

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1989

	FY 6-30-87 ACTUAL	1-31-88 ACTUAL	1987-88 APPROPR	1988-89 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<b>SCOW</b>						
Revenue	25,500.	7,167.	43,500.	48,000.	48,000.	48,000.
Expenditures	20,568.	8,237.	43,500.	48,000.	48,000.	48,000.
<b>SWEP</b>						
Revenue	8,898.	8,799.	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.
Expenditures	8,898.	8,799.	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.
<b>SSBG</b>						
Revenue	23,973.	8,726.	38,000.	35,000.	35,000.	35,000.
Expenditures	12,385.	2,340.	38,000.	35,000.	35,000.	35,000.
<b>YSB (DCYS)</b>						
Revenue	85,489.	21,580.	103,133.	105,205.	115,205.	114,905.
Expenditures	85,489.	51,567.	103,133.	105,205.	115,205.	114,905.
<b>CENTER PARK</b>						
Revenue	302,431.	302,431.	302,431.	0.	0.	0.
Expenditures	141,100.	300,903.	302,431.	0.	0.	0.
<b>CRRA (Serv Contract Grant)</b>						
Revenue	19,925.	37,125.	75,000.	37,500.	37,500.	37,500.
Expenditures	13,949.	37,459.	75,000.	37,500.	37,500.	37,500.
<b>RESOURCE RECOVERY</b>						
Revenue	75,318.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
Expenditures	75,318.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>MITF</b>						
Revenue	151,980.	216,250.	418,651.	0.	0.	0.
Expenditures	205,909.	273,792.	418,651.	0.	0.	0.
<b>MLTF</b>						
Revenue	0.	106,100.	109,184.	0.	0.	0.
Expenditures	0.	22,779.	109,184.	0.	0.	0.
<b>TIP</b>						
Revenue	379,070.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
Expenditures	19,270.	328,305.	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>TOWN AID ROADS</b>						
Revenue	271,739.	122,604.	278,833.	278,833.	278,833.	278,833.
Expenditures	238,137.	219,337.	278,833.	278,833.	278,833.	278,833.

ITEM 6. Consider and approve transfers for Police Department:

6(a). \$1,314 from Retirement-Sick Leave to Clerk's Wages, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked Chief Bevan why \$14,000 was transferred when up til now, \$14,000 was never needed and even with the transfer tonight, there will be a balance. Chief Bevan explained that the \$14,000 refers back to when the Deputy Chief retired.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

6(b). \$1,134 from Capital 001-2015-999-9903 and  
\$1,240 from Capital 001-2015-999-9906 and  
\$1,104 from Capital 001-2015-999-9910 and  
\$1,100 from Capital 001-2015-999-9912 and  
\$2,322 from Wages, A & I, a total of  
\$6,900 to Capital 001-2015-999

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

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

6(c). \$9,200 from Police General Wages: \$2,700 to Paid  
Holidays and \$6,500 to Outside Work/Non-Recoverable

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Bradley commented that he does not support transferring dollars from Wages.

Mr. Holmes commented that the Chief should be commended for his efforts, to bring to the Council's attention, his design as far as helping the Council to reduce the amounts in the budget for his line items on the Salary Accounts. The Chief directed a letter to the Council, indicating that he did not think that his positions would be filled until November, and to his credit, he brought this to their attention, which helped them reduce the Salary Account.

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

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to waive the bidding procedure, to obtain compatible equipment for the Civil Defense radio, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

6(d). \$8,600 from Capital 001-2015-999-99910 to Capital 001-  
2019-999 and # to be assigned by Comptroller.

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Public Question and Answer Period.

Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road, suggested to the Council that the phrase "intensive traffic" be deleted from the Scenic Road Ordinance before Public Hearing on May 24, 1988. He explained that intensive traffic means at least 1,000 cars traveled on a road during a specific time and he does not think this applies to the road in question.

Mrs. Carolyn Massoni, 41 Hillsvievw Road, asked how many of the Council people have relatives down to the second cousin, that either work for the town, employed by the Board of Education, perform services or self-services or have businesses who have services. She added that she noticed that Mr. Doherty abstained from voting on the Board of Education budgets. She asked if it was in violation to vote if you have a relative working for the town. Mr. Killen said that he did not think so. Mrs. Massoni suggested to the Town Attorney and Mayor Dickinson, that the 9 Council Members submit a statement declaring the names of their relatives that are employed by the town and this should be filed with the Board of Ethics. Mayor Dickinson explained taht any Council Member can request an opinion from the Board of Ethics, as to whether it is a violation of the Ethics Code for them to vote on an education matter if they have a family member working for the Board of Education.

Mrs. Papale told Mrs. Massoni that the Council put in a lot of hours in the last 3 weeks and they worked up there for the love of the Town of Wallingford and for what they feel that they can offer the

Town of Wallingford and when something like this comes up, it is ridiculous.

Mr. Holmes commented that he believes that where it would run into a problem is if you could directly benefit your relative by the vote that you cast.

Regarding the parking problem in downtown Wallingford, Mr. Dwayne Braithwaite suggested that the town build parking garages. He also added, that at the last PUC meeting, it was asked about the status of the condemnation of his property and Mr. Nunn acted as though he did not know what was going on. Mayor Dickinson explained that the PUC never voted to take action to condemn property because there was a complaint to the FOI, and that complaint lasted until February or March. The Town Council did previously approve it, but in his opinion, both the PUC and the Town Council should both be in agreement on the action. Since the PUC did not take any action, the Town Attorney's Office is not taking action, based upon the Town Council's previous approval. Subsequent to all of this, the Attorney representing the town on actions brought by two residents of the area in question, the lawyer representing the town has advised us not to proceed with the condemnation. This does not mean that this could not be proposed at a future time.

ITEM 7. Consider and approve transfers for Fire Department:

7(a) \$1,000 from Utilities, \$500 from Gas/Oil and \$84 from Paving, \$1,584 to Overtime

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Zandri asked if there was a shortage in the Overtime budget and Chief McElfish explained that they have always under-funded the Overtime accounts. Right now, they have 3 people on Workmen's Comp leave, vacation and sick leave.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

7(b) \$98 from Tires and \$470 from Paramedic School Mileage, \$568 to Overtime

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

7(c) \$1,000 from Gas & Oil and \$1,000 from Ambulance Supplies, \$2,000 to Vacation Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Killen pointed out that Ambulance Supplies was funded somewhere during the course of the year and it was seen fit to transfer \$1,500 and apparently there was no need for it because \$1,000 is now being transferred out of there. He is questioning whether the \$1,500 should have been transferred in the first place and he would like those held to a minimum until such time that they are sure that that is the way they are going to go.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

7(d) \$267 from Two-Way Radio, \$112 from R.S. Resuscitator, \$398 from Fire Fighting Gear and \$250 from Scott Air Packs, \$1,027 to Sick Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Parisi pointed out that during the budget workshops, they had an extensive debate on the need of Scott Air Packs. He added that these are very valuable items and would not like to see any money left over in that account in the future. Chief McElfish explained that this money is the difference between the bid price and the amount in the account.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road, commented that he believes that the Town of Wallingford has a very sick Fire Department because of all of the transfers being made into the Sick Replacement account and when they get that much sick replacement, they should be put out to pasture.

Chief McElfish explained that when they are out sick, there is a follow-up done. Mayor Dickinson added that this is a difficult area and it requires the constant follow ups that Chief McElfish mentioned.

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

7(e) \$103 from Furniture, \$70 from Paving, \$100 from Fire Fighting Gear and \$70 from Ice Rescue Suit, a total of \$343 to Sick Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; with the exception of Parisi who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

7(f) \$63 from Office Partitions, \$196 from Fire Fighting Gear, \$80 from 1½" NTFT Nozzle, \$80 from Radio Pagers, a total of \$419 to Sick Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; with the exception of Parisi who was not present for the vote; motion duly carried.

7(g) \$112 from R.S. Resuscitator and \$94 from Snow Thrower, \$206 to Sick Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; with the exception of Parisi who passed; motion duly carried.

7(h) \$500 from Maintenance of Buildings, \$200 from Rubbish Removal, \$300 from Training Drill Ground, \$150 from Gas & Oil, \$1,150 to Workmen's Compensation Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

7(i) \$300 from Utilities, \$200 from Gas & Oil, \$150 from Public Fire Educational Supplies, \$100 from Tires & Tubes, a total of \$750 to Workmen's Compensation Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

7(j) \$300 from Utilities and \$140 from Tires & Tubes, a total of \$440 to Workmen's Compensation Replacement

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 8. Consider and approve a transfer of \$15,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to Supplemental Funding/Edgerton Road Repaving, requested by Town Engineer, moved by Mr. Holmes and seconded by Mrs. Papale.

Mr. Zandri asked if this project went out to bid and Mr. Costello explained that the town hired Tilcon to do the repaving (contract). Tilcon charges the town the same amount they would charge the State.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 9. Consider and approve a budget amendment for Water Division: \$40,000 increase Power Purchased for Pumping and \$40,000 decrease Reserve for Water Treatment Plant,

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Regarding the line, Reserve for Water Treatment Plant, Mr. Roger Dann explained that the Water Division requested those funds in an account for contract reimbursements. During the budget review, the Mayor reclassified those funds as a Water Treatment Reserve in the amount of \$100,000. Subsequent to that, \$50,000 has been transferred back into the Contract Reimbursements, to cover the expenses there and another \$10,000 has been transferred to pay for additional meters, which were required. This is the remaining \$40,000 of that amount.

VOTE: Adams not present for vote; Solinsky voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 10. Consider waiving the bidding procedure for the Hewlett Packard 3000 Computer System for the Wallingford Board of Education, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Doherty disqualified himself from this item.

Mr. Holmes asked what the price for this system will be. Mr. Nelson Kari explained that it will be a 5 year lease and will be approximately \$124,000 over the 5 years. It will consist of a main frame, a micro 3000, terminals, P.C.'s, printers and modems.

Mr. Kari added that Hewlett fits the needs that the Board is looking for and they are located in Wallingford. After 5 years, the system will belong to the Board of Education.

Mr. Holmes asked how many people will be hooked up to this computer and Mr. Kari replied 26, and eventually down the road, he is looking to have the student package that will be implemented on this system.

Mr. Zandri asked if any money was going to be saved by implementing a program like this to the Board. Mr. Kari explained, that besides the overtime, they will save on software upgrades.

Mr. Bradley asked if there were any specs drawn up and Mr. Kari explained that his specs were verbal.

Mr. Holmes asked Mr. Kari to get the figures for the maintenance on the Hewlett system and Mr. Kari agreed to get the figures as soon as possible.

Mr. Killen commented that he did not like the idea that written specs were not drawn up, and they did not go out to bid.

Mr. Roger Rivers explained to Mr. Killen that Mr. Kari went out and found the most cost effective system to the Board. Mr. Killen explained that this is not a good enough reason for him to vote to waive the bid.

Mr. Nicoletti told Mr. Killen that Mr. Kari was not just shooting from the hip. He did talk to 3 vendors. The Hewlett representative told Mr. Kari that he had a State bid number and it turned out to be a Federal number and this is not appropriate for Town Charter purposes. Mr. Nicoletti added that he also spoke with Mr. Myers and Mr. Dunleavy and asked him to check out the number because they thought this unit was on a State bid.

Mr. Parisi commented that he has no problem with this being bid or not being bid but, he would like to see the proposals which were submitted.

Mayor Dickinson explained that the number on this item is a Federal GSA number and it is not a State bid number. If it were a State bid number, the town could piggyback on it and there would not be a problem.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to TABLE ITEM 10 until the meeting of May 24, 1988, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 11. Consider three resolutions for the Wallingford Board of Education:

- 11(a) Resolution to establish Roof Replacement and Underground Storage Tank Replacement Committee

moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mrs. Papale read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Roof Replacement and Underground Storage Tank Replacement Committee consisting of the following persons, Board of Education as a committee of the whole, is hereby established as the building committee with regard to the following projects: school building roof replacements and replacement of underground storage tanks.

The resolution was moved by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Nicoletti explained that their school roofs are in various states of deplorable condition, specifically Stevens School. They employed an Architectural firm to look at the roofs and the storage tanks and they have given Mr. Cei some preliminary data on that. The Board feels that the storage tanks are a code violation and with regards to their roofs, they are concerned with structural damage. All of

these projects have a reimbursement and state grant to the town of about 63.5%. Mr. Nicoletti added that he will personally be handling all grants, and he will be following up on these projects.

Regarding the underground storage tanks, Mr. Rivers explained that they will be in violation in October of 1988 if they are not removed.

Mr. Solinsky stated that he would be interested in sitting on this committee and he also knows of other interested people, and added that he would like to see people in the construction business sit on this committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Solinsky to TABLE 11(a), seconded by Mr. Parisi.

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

Mayor Dickinson explained that the purpose of these resolutions is to get them to the State, in order to start the process at the State level.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to accept the resolution as amended and have Mr. Solinsky and Mr. Nicoletti set up names for the committee consisting of 2 names from the Board and 5 names from the public for the Town Council Meeting of May 24, 1988, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.  
Doherty abstained from voting.

11(b) Mrs. Papale moved and read the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Wallingford Town Council hereby authorizes the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for school building roof replacements and replacement of underground storage tanks.

seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mayor Dickinson suggested that there should be some language in this resolution contingent upon selection of architect, bidding and appropriation of funds. The resolution, as it stands, could authorize those activities without anything being in place.

Mr. Nicoletti explained that these resolutions were taken right from the State Guideline Book, and he has no problems with the Mayor's suggestions.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to amend the resolution to include "contingent upon selection of architect and appropriation of funds", seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Doherty abstained; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

11(c) Mrs. Papale moved and read the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Wallingford Town Council hereby authorizes the Wallingford Board of Education to file applications for school building projects with regard to the following projects: school building roof replacements and replacement of underground storage tanks.

seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Doherty abstained; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 12. Consider waiving the bidding procedure for Town Clerk's Office to purchase seven rolling shelves, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Ms. Kathryn Wall explained that these are the rolling shelves she had asked the Council a month ago if she could purchase. A set of four will house the Town Records, for \$1,500. Regarding the second set of rolling shelves (3), they will cost \$1,360 and she needs them as soon as possible because she is out of rolling shelves. Ms. Wall added that she would be happy to get other prices for the Council if they would like to Table this item.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to TABLE ITEM 12, until the meeting of May 24, 1988, so the Council can receive more information, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

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

ITEM 14. Discussion and possible action to mandate the study of one town department each year and to follow up on implementation of recommendations the next year with Council Contingency funding, moved by Mr. Adams and seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Adams explained that what he is concerned with as far as all of the town departments are concerned, is an impartial and a fair evaluation and a study of our own town departments. The reason for this is to simply emphasize the economy, accountability, to improve the services to the towns people and to implement recommendations that would come out of the study, those recommendations that the Council deems are in the best interest of the town (not every recommendation that comes out). They will take the study as an impartial evaluation of our town departments and see how this study can be used to make improvements. He added that he would like to have one department studied a year with a follow-up, to see if the recommendations approved are being followed. He also asked that money be appropriated for this study and for the follow-up, and he would like the department heads to set up a list of yearly goals, that they deem as priority for their department and send that to the Mayor and the Council, so when the Council starts making decisions on budget transfers, they can look to see the areas of priority. Mr. Adams also suggested that a committee be set up to look into a more efficient and cost effective way of using the copier machines in town. He also recommended that they consider the feasibility of setting up a committee to look into a very efficient use during certain times of the year, for the 3 Public Works employees that will be transferred eventually from the town landfill. Mr. Adams also suggested that the Council consider all outside attorney cases go through the Town Attorney's Office, so they would have a better handle on money that is being expended.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to appropriate funds to carry on a major study every year, and a follow-up the next year on a regular basis, seconded by Mr. Solinsky. WITHDRAWN- SEE NEXT MOTION

Mr. Parisi commented that he is concerned about having a study every year because, if they should come up with a study that states that there is a major expenditure proposed, the implementation time, study time, etc... that would have to go into it, then the year would be up and we would not be finished with that and we would be going into a new one. He added that he agrees with the idea, but he questions whether it should be so rigid to be that far ongoing. Mr. Adams explained that he does not mean for it to continue to go on without end. He would like to have a study done of each department done at least once and he does not foresee any study taking that long because then he does not think it would be a worthwhile study.

The Mayor pointed out that the Police have already had a study done and the next one scheduled is the Public Utilities and they already have funds to pursue that and it would not require the appropriation of funds.

Mr. Doherty pointed out that they spent \$8,000 on that study and in this year's budget they increased them \$126,000. Mr. Doherty wanted to point out that the Council has to watch what they are doing. After each study, they should have the department do a self evaluation and report back to the Council, as to what they have done and how they have implemented the recommendations.

Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road, commented that he is concerned with the time frame. He agrees that there is a need for an impartial follow-up. Four or five years down the road, are the recommendations still going to be valid?

Mr. Peter Gouveia, 39 Lincoln Drive, commented that if the proposal at hand is accepted, you are acknowledging that there are problems and as a community, we are unable and incapable of solving those problems. He suggested that people in town, with the expertise and interest should look at some of the problems and try to resolve them that way first. If they cannot meet the goals and objectives, then they should go outside.

Mr. Adams pointed out that he put a lot of time into this matter, talked to a lot of citizens in Wallingford, and there are some concerns that they have and he feels that it was time he was concerned with a lot of the citizens that rarely make it into the public forum. They felt that this would be something to look into with the Council. He added that he would like to see a systematic study and follow-ups on it.

A motion was made by Mr. Adams to have the Town of Wallingford endorse an ongoing program of reviewing major departments for efficiency, accountability, economy and pursue any appropriate follow-up to see that stability, and if we can provide long term stability, we may be better off in the long run for doing so.

Mr. Zandri said that it was his understanding, that because of the excess charge that they received from Northeast Utilities, they in turn, passed that on to the customer.

Mr. Beaumont explained that they passed along approximately 1/3 of the initial charge. They had planned to pass that along over a 3 year period and they would finance the phase in by utilizing the previous retained earnings that they had had, as a means of being able to do this.

Mr. Parisi commented, that if money can be put aside for a future commitment, he thinks in the long run, they do better by the rate-payer and taxpayer because, he would hope that it would reduce the the shock of the commitment and the money that has to be appropriated and expended, so he is very much in favor of this, when it can be done legally.

Mr. Beaumont explained that this is the object of the "Sinking Fund", to go ahead and reduce the rate shock that you would have in the future. Mr. Smith added that the initial seed money would be the rebate from Northeast Utilities, and you would have to establish an amount each year in the budget to appropriate further toward the "Sinking Fund", which could only be used for that purpose, within the Electric Division's budget.

Mr. Bradley asked if the town currently has a contract with Northeast Utilities and Mr. Smith replied yes and explained that right now, the contract is on an annual basis and we are looking at a long term contract now, and the contract that they have been working towards is the 10 year deal. Mr. Beaumont added that a 10 year deal that would hopefully provide some cost stability on our part for a fair portion of that 10 year period, so they will have a good handle on what their cost would be as far as purchased power is concerned, for several years.

Mr. Holmes commented, that as far as competitive electric rates between the town and private companies, in the short term it will be close, very competitive between the private industry and the municipal supply. But, as you look down the road, in the long term, you are going to see that ratio again start to separate ourselves from the private utilities and the Electric Division is not something that you can look at as a short term, turn a profit, reduce the rates, lower the rates, etc...it is going to have a logical progression, a game plan and I don't think a total condemnation is always appropriate for the utilities. In the long term range, I think it is going to be very favorable for the town to retain its utilities, not only from a financial standpoint, in the market place, but also to the rate payers of this town.

Mr. Zandri asked Mr. Smith if this facility would be generating on an ongoing basis every day of the year and Mr. Smith replied, probably not and explained that the contract that they are working on takes care of their bulk supplies. Most of the utilities like to have steady loads 24 hours a day. It is the short term peaks where you get expensive energy.

Mr. Holmes felt that everyone should be aware of this item and think very hard to implementing in this current year since it will save twice as much in the future. Mr. Smith agreed with Mr. Holmes and did not feel that any action must be taken tonight and he would defer to the Comptroller for the mechanics of establishing a sinking fund and Mr. Smith felt it was an appropriate time to discuss this, especially if refunds are being considered.

Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road liked the idea of the dedicated sinking fund and he would like to see it clearly established with the proper nomenclature. He picked up on comments made by Mr. Parisi and Mr. Zandri and suggested that the PUC look at the feasibility and determine if there is an option to give the rate-payers that portion which must be returned or allow them to put it toward the dedicated fund. Mr. Beaumont felt that this idea will be looked into. Mr. Killen does not want any more money sequestered away that he can't get his hands on to keep up the normal needs of the people of the Town of Wallingford and he

is going to have to see where those dollars are going to be put and they are not going to automatically put someplace else and told, "don't worry about it" because Mr. Killen does worry about it.

Mr. Myers observed that a sinking fund is a very appropriate vehicle that could be used to assist in defraying long term debt or a portion of long term debt and there are several accounting methods that can be used to establish sinking funds, all of which have to follow strict accounting principles and formula, as well as meet legal requirements, not only local but state and federal legal requirements with respect to carrying a sinking fund with public money. Mr. Myers felt that this should be looked at for the Water Division and the Sewer Division also and the options available to fund these accounts, a long term project and not an easy decision to make.

Mr. Adams suggested the possibility of a study committee with short term goals which probably should include the PUC liaisons on the Council, the Public Utilities Commissioners, Mr. Smith and possibly Mr. Myers and Mr. Holmes agreed that he is open to any kind of suggestions that could help study and implement this. Mr. Holmes felt that no action was necessary on this item tonight and he was satisfied with the discussion. Mr. Beaumont thanked the Council for putting this item on the agenda for discussion and he added that the PUC Commissioners are looking toward a long term plan to best serve their ratepayers and at the same time serve the taxpayers who are the owners of the utility. Mr. Beaumont would make an appropriate presentation to the Council when the Northeast Utilities rate case is settled and a number of options will have been studied to handle this in the best interests of the town. (No vote was taken on Item 15.)

ITEM 16. Mr. Adams commented that this was a combination of ingredients as far as Attorney Mantzaris, Mr. Myers and the members of the Town Attorney Feasibility Committee are concerned and Mr. Braithwaite suggested such an accounting. Mr. Adams indicated that Mrs. Applegate came up with the format presented and Attorney Mantzaris and Mr. Myers presented this very workable type of reporting vehicle.

Attorney Mantzaris felt that the format was self-explanatory and he added that each month, he would report on those cases which are being handled by outside attorneys. Cases would be reported for General Government, Board of Education and Public Utilities. Attorney Mantzaris mentioned that this has not been done in the past but agreed it would be a good idea for the future to show how the money in the Town Attorney's budget for outside services is being spent. Mr. Myers suggested adding a prior year's actual expense. Mr. Paul Gough, 1 Kingsland Avenue felt that this form was commendable and he felt that the firm representing the town should be designated on the form and he asked if the town would insist on monthly billings. Attorney Mantzaris said this has been started since he felt it was a very good suggestion. Mr. Gough was concerned with granting of bid waivers and he felt this should be included on the form to determine that these are authorized expenditures. Mr. Doherty suggested that as the cost approaches \$2,000, a motion at a Council meeting could be made to waive the bid or not waive the bid to bring us in compliance with the Charter. Mr. Killen has never been able to understand how this has gone outside the Town Attorney's Office. Attorney Mantzaris explained that it is not always a simple matter to determine when an attorney is engaged whether it will exceed the \$2,000 limit and he hoped the Council would grant a bid waiver such as is granted in other instances in the town to commence at the beginning of the fiscal year for attorneys hired. Attorney Mantzaris does not feel that his office is violating the Charter as he reported about four months ago and he requested blanket waiving of the bid for outside attorneys and it would be cumbersome and perhaps impossible to name each attorney for which bid waiver would be requested.

Attorney Mantzaris commented that in deciding to select an attorney for a particular case, it sometimes must be done close to on the spot and if his office has to wait for a special meeting, he would be concerned that the town might put itself in a weakened position or compromise an issue and these are concerns. Mr. Killen is troubled with some of the cases going far beyond the \$2,000 and he wonders if we are getting our dollars worth and he mentioned that Attorney McManus' case with the Planning and Zoning Commis-

sion was lost on a technicality that he assumed a lawyer would have known and people raise the point of where their dollars are going.

Mr. Dwayne Braithwaite, 26 Kingsland Avenue commented that a report must be turned in on a regular basis on all unfinished business at the end of each calendar year, along with a log to be kept of all decisions and activities of the Town Attorney's Office and he felt that the Council should have some control as the fiscal body of the town on this money and the way it's spent.

Mr. Doherty moved to approve the format of the Report of Litigation Represented by Outside Attorneys, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Gough felt that the granting of a generic bid waiver sounded like legislating a change to the Charter without a vote of the citizens and he felt the waiver should be specific rather than general. Mr. Killen felt that every Council has been guilty of violating the Charter and it isn't just something done by any particular office in town such as Attorney Mantzaris. Mr. Doherty suggested that the format should include the law firm hired in each case and the prior year's expenditures. (SEE AMENDMENT, page 24.)

Mr. Doherty amended his motion on page 23 to approve the format of the Report of Litigation Represented by Outside Attorneys, to include the law firm hired in each case and to include the prior year's expenditures, seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road got the impression that as a case reaches \$2,000, there must be a request to waive the bid for that particular law firm and his impression of bid waiver is that you get a projected cost up front depending on the case and approach two or three firms. Mr. Marriott said the problem has some unique characteristics because of the law profession itself and there are some ramifications the Town Attorney must deal with and Mr. Killen said that is not addressed this evening since we are only working on a format to provide knowledge of what has been spent on a particular case at a given time. Attorney Mantzaris would try to get this prepared for the first meeting in June and thereafter, the first meeting of the month. Mr. Braithwaite added that outside attorneys must bill on a monthly basis to make this format work and Mr. Killen is very much aware of that.

VOTE: Councilman Parisi voted no; all others voted aye; motion duly carried.

Mr. Holmes moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and settlement of claims, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried and the meeting moved into Executive Session at 11:12 p.m.

A motion to come out of Executive Session was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting came out of Executive Session at 11:59 p.m.

Mr. Holmes moved to authorize the Town Attorney to appeal the State Traffic Commission decision, Town Line Plaza, seconded by Mr. Adams.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Holmes moved to authorize the Town Attorney to draw up a contract between R & R and the Town of Wallingford to redo the road at Parker Farms School and repave the crown of the road at a cost of \$5,000 and to go after the other named parties to try to recover the \$5,000 that the town is putting out, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

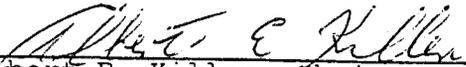
VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Adams recommended putting an item on a future agenda to recommend that these people not be allowed to bid again in the Town of Wallingford and Mr. Parisi suggested that the Town Attorney could tell the party what the Council is contemplating.

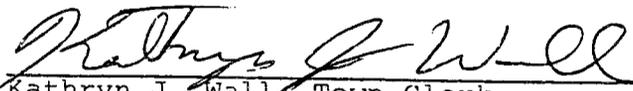
A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting adjourned at 12:03 a.m.

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Approved   
Albert E. Killen, Chairman

May 24, 1988  
Date

  
Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk

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