TOWN OF WALLINGFORD

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SPECIAL MEETING 2004-05 BUDGET

PUBLIC HEARING

April 20, 2004

6:30 P.M.

MINUTES

The following is a record of the minutes of the Wallingford Town Council at a 2004-2005 Budget Public Hearing held on Tuesday, April 20, 2004, in the Robert Earley Auditorium of the Wallingford Town Hall. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman James Vumbaco at 6:30 P.M. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Kathryn F. Zandri were Councilors DiNatale, Doherty, Farrell, Knight, Papale, Parisi, Spiteri, Testa and Vumbaco. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Comptroller Joseph Swetcky, Jr. were also present.

In place of the Blessing there was a moment of silence to acknowledge the anniversaries of the Oklahoma City bombing and the Columbine High School shootings in Colorado.

The Pledge of was Allegiance given to the Flag.

Mayor Dickinson presented two slides on the 2005 Proposed Budget that included Revenue Trends.

Council Chairman Jim Vumbaco requested that the following departments be present to respond to questions and comments from the public:

Board of Education, Building Department, Finance Department, Engineering Department, Fire Department, Government Access TV Department, Health Department, Legal Department, Police Department, Public Works Department, Registrar of Voters Department, Town Clerk, and Public Utilities Department.

Correspondence - Councilwoman Iris Papale read seven letters addressing the Board of Education budget.

Ms. Papale made a motion was that the letters become part of the permanent record. Mr. DiNatale seconded the motion.

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All Council members voted aye.

The motion passed.

Board of Education Representatives Kenneth Henrici, Superintendent Linda Winters, Business Manager Valerie Nolan, BOE Vice Chairperson

> Twelve residents voiced their views of the Board of Education budget. They included: Pasquale Melillo, Robert Sheehan, Geno Zandri, Beth Racchio speaking for 11 other sets of parents, Susan Pierson, Wes Lubee, and Jack Agosta.

Building Department – Building Inspector Mr. Lubee asked about the personnel detail.

Finance – Joseph Swetcky Mr. Lubee and Mr. Melillo made comments.

Engineering – John Thompson Mr. Melillo commented.

Fire Department Chief Peter Struble Deputy Chief Guy Casanova Assistant Chief David Baradesca Mr. Lubee and Mr. Melillo commented.

Government Access TV Scott Hanley, Director Mr. Lubee made comments.

Health Department Eloise Hudd, Director Mr. Lubee and Mr. Melillo commented.

Law Department Janis Small, Town Attorney Mr. Melillo commented. Police Department Chief Douglas Dortenzio Deputy Chief Thomas Curran Assistant to Chief Gail Schaefer

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Mr. Lubee, Mr. Melillo and Mr. Sheehan commented.

Public Works Raylene Hendricks Mr. Melillo commented.

Registrar of Voters Registrars Diana Hotchkiss and Chet Miller Mr. Lubee, Susan Roark and Jack Agosta made comments.

Town Clerk Kathryn Zandri Valerie Nolan spoke about tech support.

Public Utilities

Raymond Smith, Director Rick Hendershot, Electric Division General Manager Water Division – Mr. Sheehan made comments Sewer Division – Mr. Sheehan made comments Electric Division – Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Melillo, Mr. Agosta, Mr. Geno Zandri and Mr. Lubee made comments.

General comments were made by Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Lubee and Mr. Agosta.

Ms. Parisi made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Farrell seconded the motion.

All Council members voted aye.

The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:56P.M.

Respectfully submitt

Sandra R. Weekes Town Council Secretary

Meeting recorded by Sandra Weekes

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Robert F. Parisi, Chairman

Barbara Thompson, Town Clerk

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