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## TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE ISSUE OF CREATING A BUILDING COMMITTEE

Robert F. Parisi Council Chambers Wallingford Town Hall 45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492

## TUESDAY DECEMBER 13, 2022 8:30 PM OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

## **MINUTES**

Chairman Zandri called the meeting to order at 10:09 P.M. The Pledge of allegiance was recited. Present: Councilors Carmody, Fishbein, Marrone, Tatta, and Chairman Zandri.

Discussion and possible action regarding the procedure for appointing members, and corresponding recommendation to the Town Council:

Councilor Zandri suggested the appointment of 5 members and to make it known that seats are available for interested residents. He noted minority representation rules.

Councilor Fishbein stated he does not think a body which is not empowered to make decisions is required to follow minority representation rules. Councilor Fishbein supports 5 members. Councilor Fishbein would like an interview process for members.

The committee decided to ask Corporation Counsel Janis Small if minority representation is required. If so, appointees must be resident electors. If not, they simply need to be Wallingford residents.

Councilor Marrone suggested a paper questionnaire in place of an interview. Councilor Fishbein prefers in-person interviews,

Councilor Carmody asked if the interview would take place at a full Council meeting, and Councilor Fishbein said it would likely be a special meeting.

Councilor Tatta asked if the Council would nominate members, or if interested parties would come to the Council expressing interest.

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The consensus was to have interested parties come to the Council. Applicants should send an email of interest and resume to the town clerk. These must be received by the Monday before the Tuesday agenda meeting, which would be January 16, 2023.

Recommendation: 5 members will be chosen by the Town Council via an interview process. Unanimous consensus.

Discussion and possible action regarding the committee's charge, and corresponding recommendation to the Town Council:

Councilor Tatta read the former committee's charge.

Councilor Fishbein suggested that the 9 Councilors would appoint the chair of the committee. There was consensus on this.

Councilor Tatta asked if the building committee would visit all town-owned properties, including schools. The consensus was to exclude schools and all Board of Education facilities.

There was discussion on the timeline of the committee's work and report to the Council.

Motion to recommend the charge to the Council:

"The committee shall periodically visit and inspect all Town-owned properties, excluding Board of Education facilities, and report to the Town Council on the condition of said properties including any potential problems and/or concerns and advise how said problems and/or concerns should be addressed. The Council reserves the right to assign priority properties for immediate review."

Moved by Marrone Seconded by Fishbein Vote: Unanimous

Discussion and possible action regarding future meeting(s):

There are no future meetings to be scheduled at this time.

Councilor Zandri adjourned the meeting at 11:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, December 14, 2022

Christina Tatta, Town Councilor