

SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
SWEARING IN CEREMONY & ELECTION OF OFFICERS
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024
ROBERT F. PARISI TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6:30 P.M.
AMENDED MINUTES

The Town Council Meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024, was called to order at 6:30 p.m. There was a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were, Autumn Allinson, Samuel Carmody, Craig Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, Joseph A. Marrone, Christopher Regan, Jesse Reynolds, Christinia Tatta and Vicent Testa. Kristen Panzo Town Clerk and Vincent Cervoni newly elected Mayor were also present.

1. Color Guards: American Legion Shaw-Sinon Post #73, American Legion Siedlicki Post #187, VFW Major Raoul Lufbery Post #591, VFW Stanley Budleski Post #9965, AMVETS-Post #83, Wallingford Elks Lodge #1365, Knights of Columbus, Edison Division Sea Cadet Corps

God Bless America- David Giardina and the Mark T. Sheehan High School Jazz Combo
Posting Colors- Adjutant Christopher Geist, American Legion Shaw-Sinon Post #73

2. Invocation- Reverend Dean Warburton

3. Pledge of Allegiance
National Anthem- David Giardina and the Mark T Sheeham High School Jazz Combo

4. Swearing in of Mayor Vincent Cervoni by Judge of Prbate Patrick Birney

5. Remarks by Mayor Cervoni

Mayor Cervoni thanked everyone who supported him. He spoke highly of the former Mayor William W. Dickson Jr, and of former assistant Aide Joan Stave.

6. Swearing in of the Town Council by Judge Birney

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| Autumn Allinson | Joseph A. Marrone III |
| Samuel Carmody | Christopher Regan |
| Craig Fishbein | Jesse Reynolds |
| Tom Laffin | Christina Tatta |
| | Vincent F. Testa Jr. |

7. Roll Call- Mayor Vincent Cervoni

**ROLL CALL VOTE:
ALLINSON: PRESENT
CARMODY: PRESENT
FISHBEIN: PRESENT
LAFFIN: PRESENT
MARRONE: PRESENT
REGAN: PRESENT
REYNOLDS: PRESENT
TATTA: PRESENT
TESTA: PRESENT**

Motion by Laffin and seconded by Testa to move item # 11 before Item #8.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:
ALLINSON: AYE
CARMODY: AYE
FISHBEIN: AYE
LAFFIN: AYE
MARRONE: AYE
REGAN: AYE
REYNOLDS: AYE
TATTA: AYE
TESTA: AYE**

11. Swearing in of the Board of Education by Judge Birney

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| Rajan Doering | Maureen Reed |
| Jennifer Passaretti | Melanie Rossacci |
| Caroline Raynis | Marla Roscoe |
| Donna Regan | Ray Ross |
| | Michael J. Votto, Sr. |

8. Mayor Cervoni presiding at Election of Town Council Chairman

**NOMINATION:
MADE BY: ALLINSON
SECONDED BY: REGAN**

Councilor Allinson nominated Tom Laffin for Chairman

**NOMINATION:
MADE BY: CARMODY
SECONDED BY: REYNOLDS**

Councilor Carmody nominated Vincent F. Testa, Jr. for Chairman

**NOMINATION:
MADE BY: TATTA
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN**

Councilor Tatta nominated Joseph A. Marrone III for Chairman

FIRST ROLL CALL VOTE:

**ALLINSON: LAFFIN
CARMODY: TESTA
FISHBEIN: MARRONE
LAFFIN: LAFFIN
MARRONE: MARRONE
REGAN: LAFFIN
REYNOLDS: TESTA
TATTA: MARRONE
TESTA: TESTA**

**LAFFIN: 3 VOTES
MARRONE: 3 VOTES
TESTA: 3 VOTES**

SECOND ROLL CALL VOTE:

**ALLINSON: LAFFINE
CARMODY: TESTA
FISHBEIN: MARRONE
LAFFIN: LAFFIN
MARRONE: MARRONE
REGAN: LAFFIN
REYNOLDS: TESTA
TATTA: MARRONE
TESTA: TESTA**

**LAFFIN: 3 VOTES
MARRONE: 3 VOTES
TESTA: 3 VOTES**

THIRD ROLL CALL VOTE:

**ALLINSON: LAFFINE
CARMODY: TESTA
FISHBEIN: MARRONE**

**LAFFIN: LAFFIN
MARRONE: MARRONE
REGAN: LAFFIN
REYNOLDS: TESTA
TATTA: MARRONE
TESTA: TESTA**

**LAFFIN: 3 VOTES
MARRONE: 3 VOTES
TESTA: 3 VOTES**

After three rounds of voting with no one being voted as chairman Laffin motioned to take a break to regroup.

**MOTION TO TAKE BREAK TO REGROUP:
MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: ALLINSON
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED**

With no final decision on which the next Chairman will be there was a motion to have a special meeting to choose chair and vice chair.

**MOTION TO HAVE MEETING:
MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: TESTA**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:
ALLINSON: AYE
CARMODY: AYE
FISHBEIN: NAY
LAFFIN: AYE
MARRONE: NAY
REGAN: AYE
REYNOLDS: AYE
TATTA: NAY
TESTA: AYE
MOTION: PASSED**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING:
MADE BY: ALLINSON
SECONDED BY: TESTA
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED**

12. Retire Colors- American Legion Shaw-Sinon #73

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Panzo
Town Clerk

Meeting digitally recorded

Joseph A. Marrone III 1/23/24
Joseph A. Marrone III, Chairman Date

Kristen Panzo 1/24/24
Kristen Panzo, Town Clerk Date

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