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TOWN OF WALLINGFORD
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
WALLINGFORD ELECTRIC DIVISION
100 JOHN STREET

WALLINGFORD, CT 06492

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Robert Beaumont; Commissioners Dr. Joel Rinebold and Laurence Zabrowski; Director Richard Hendershot; Water and Sewer Divisions General Manager Neil Amwake; Water and Sewer Divisions Business Manager Donald Langenauer; Water and Sewer Divisions Assistant Business Office Manager Scott Cleary and Recording Secretary Bernadette Sorbo

Absent – Electric Division General Manager Jake Arhorio and Electric Division Business Office Manager Marianne Dill

Members of the Public – None

Mr. Beaumont called the Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., and the pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Consent Agenda

- a.** Consider and Approve Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2025

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

Made by: Mr. Zabrowski

Seconded by: Dr. Rinebold

Votes: 3 ayes

3. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None

4. Discussion and Action: Resolution – John Kozak

Mr. Amwake stated that Mr. Kozak was with the Sewer Division for 28+ years. Mr. Kozak started out as a Maintenance Repair Technician II and was promoted to a Maintenance Repair Technician III. Mr. Amwake stated that Mr. Kozak will be missed for his positive attitude, skills and particularly John's knowledge in training and mentoring. The Sewer Division will truly miss him.

Motion to Approve the Resolution for John Kozak

Made by: Mr. Zabrowski

Seconded by: Dr. Rinebold

Votes: 3 ayes

5. Discussion and Possible Action: Budget Amendment – Water Division – UPSEU Local 424 – Unit 16 (Water Unit) and UPSEU Local 424 – Unit 17 (Management Unit) Collective Bargaining Agreements

Mr. Langenauer stated that the Water Division does not budget for unknown settlement of contracts or changes of any collective bargaining agreements until they actually occur. There were two that came through during the current fiscal year. It is the Water and Sewer Division's preference to wait until the end of the fiscal year to ask for what is needed rather than ask for more than what is needed at the time a contract is executed. The current collective bargaining agreement for the UPSEU Local 424-17 bargaining unit (Management Unit) provided for an increase of \$3,000.00 plus a 2.00% salary increase for Calendar Year 2024 and a 2.5% increase for Calendar Year 2025, and the agreement for UPSEU Local 424-16 bargaining unit (Water Unit) provided for a 2.00% increase for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. As a result, the Water Division is requesting a budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 increasing various accounts, as indicated below, which will be affected by the salary and wage changes.

Account No.	Description	Amount of Increase
43100624	Pumping Labor & Expense	\$20,400.00
43100626	Miscellaneous Expenses	\$5,250.00
43100633	Maint. of Pumping Equipment	\$8,500.00
43100652	Maint. of Water Treatment Equipment	\$34,900.00
43100902	Meter Reading Expenses	\$2,600.00
43100903	Customer Records & Collection	\$68,800.00
	Total	\$140,450.00

Motion to Approve the Transfer of \$140,450.00 from Retained Earnings to the Various Accounts identified

Made by: Dr. Rinebold

Seconded by: Mr. Zabrowski

Votes: 3 ayes

Public Question and Answer Period

No Members Present

Public Question and Answer Period Closed

6. Discussion and Possible Action: Budget Amendment – Sewer Division – UPSEU Local 424 – Unit 16 (Water Unit) and UPSEU Local 424 – Unit 17 (Management Unit) Collective Bargaining Agreement

Mr. Langenauer stated that this is similar to Item No. 5 with the biggest difference being that the Water Division Unit contract does not impact the Sewer Division Unit as heavily which is why the amount is so much lower. The current collective bargaining agreement for the UPSEU Local 424-17 bargaining unit (Management Unit) provided for an increase of \$3,000.00 plus a 2.00% salary increase for Calendar Year 2024 and a 2.5% increase for Calendar Year 2025 and the agreement for UPSEU Local 424-16 bargaining unit (Water Unit) provided for a 2.00% increase for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. As a result, the Sewer Division is requesting a budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 increasing various accounts, as indicated below, which will be affected by the salary and wage changes.

Account No.	Description	Amount of Increase
43100624	Pumping Labor & Expense	\$2,400.00
43100663	Meter Expenses	\$7,800.00
43100664	Customer Installation/Inspection Expense	\$3,700.00
43100673	Maintenance of Collection System	\$5,750.00
46100676	Maintenance of Meters	<u>\$15,600.00</u>
	Total	\$35,250.00

Motion to Approve the Budget Amendment for a Transfer of \$35,250.00

Made by: Mr. Zabrowski

Seconded by: Dr. Rinebold

Votes: 3 ayes

134 **Committee Reports/Correspondence**

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136 Mr. Hendershot discussed and reviewed his notes from the NEPPA class that he attended last
137 week with the PUC.
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141 **ADJOURNMENT**

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143 **Motion to Adjourn**

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145 **Made by: Mr. Zabrowski**

146 **Seconded by: Dr. Rinebold**

147 **Votes: 3 ayes**
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149 The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:26 p.m.
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151 Respectfully submitted,
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153 *Bernadette Sorbo for*

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155 Bernadette Sorbo
156 Recording Secretary
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Respectfully submitted,

Laurence Zabrowski/mb

Laurence J. Zabrowski
Secretary