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TOWN OF WALLINGFORD
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
WALLINGFORD ELECTRIC DIVISION
100 JOHN STREET
WALLINGFORD, CT 06492

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Robert Beaumont; Commissioners Dr. Joel Rinebold and Laurence Zabrowski; Director Richard Hendershot; Electric Division General Manager Jake Arborio; Electric Division Business Office Manager Marianne Dill; Water and Sewer Divisions General Manager Neil Amwake; Water and Sewer Divisions Business Manager Donald Langenauer; Water and Sewer Divisions Assistant Business Manager Scott Cleary and Acting Recording Secretary Michelle Bracale

Absent – None

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 Special Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2026
- b.** Consider and Approve Special Meeting Minutes of June 30, 2026
- c.** Consider and Approve Budget Amendment – Water Division – FY 2025/2026 – Power Purchased for Pumping (Account #43100623)

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

Made by: Dr. Rinebold

Seconded by: Mr. Zabrowski

Votes: 3 ayes

3. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None

4. Discussion and Action: Approval of the Director's Report for the Month of June 2026

Dr. Rinebold commented on the good work for planning ahead instead of waiting for failure in regards to the feeder diversification. Also, good work in regards to the low numbers for the nitrogen and phosphorous effluent values. The numbers are looking good.

Mr. Hendershot pointed out there is a typo in Item No. 4-1 under **Electric Division Metrics**, second line, Peak demand was 117.50 MW, an increase of 9.10% from the same month last year. This should read Peak demand was 117.50 MW, a **decrease** of 9.10% from the same month last year. This also appears in Item No. 4-16 under **Statistics and Metrics**, the second bullet, this represented an increase of 9.10% when compared to June 2025. This should read, this represented a **decrease** of 9.10% when compared to June 2025.

Motion to Approve the Director's Report for the Month of June 2026

Made by: Mr. Zabrowski

Seconded by: Dr. Rinebold

Votes: 3 ayes

5. Discussion and Possible Action: Budget Appropriation – Electric Division – Account 598 – Distribution Maintenance – Misc. Distribution/Environmental

Mr. Arborio stated that the WED is looking for a budget appropriation in the amount of \$14,000.00 from Retained Earnings into Account 598 to account for an invoice that was received in late June 2026 in the amount of \$31,185.83 from the most recent event that occurred in March 2026. This account includes expenses incurred by the WED for spill response and remediation, transformer oil testing and disposal. The account has been impacted by costs incurred at eight separate sites in addition to costs associated with the semi-annual tank pump out at 55 John Street.

Motion to Approve a Budget Appropriation for the Electric Division in the amount of \$14,000.00 from Retained Earnings to Account 598 – Distribution Maintenance – Misc. Distribution/Environmental

Made by: Dr. Rinebold

Seconded by: Mr. Zabrowski

Votes: 3 ayes

Public Question and Answer Period

None

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89 **Public Question and Answer Period Closed**
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93 **6. Discussion and Possible Action: Budget Transfer – Water Division – FY**
94 **2025/2026 – Wages and Salaries**
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96 Mr. Langenauer stated that each month, the WWSO Business Office executes an interdivision
97 entry to appropriately allocate wages and salaries of shared employees' payroll between the
98 Water Division and the Sewer Division, as well as performs a financial reconciliation for each
99 division's salary, wage and benefit expenses. As such, for the final month end interdivision
100 entries and reconciliation for FY 2025-2026 the following Water Division wage and salary
101 accounts were underfunded as follows:
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103	• Account #43100612 – Maint. of Coll. & Imp. Res.	\$59,975.00
104	• Account #43100624 – Pumping & Labor Expense	\$9,450.00
105	• Account #43100626 – Miscellaneous Exp. – Pump	\$18,450.00
106	• Account #43100652 – Maint. of Treat. Equip.	\$8,750.00
107	• Account #43100665 – Eng. Misc. Expenses	\$45,450.00
108	• Account #43100675 – Maint. of Services	\$61,750.00
109	• Account #43100903 – Cust. Rec. & Coll. Exp	\$95,650.00
110	Total Underfunding:	\$299,475.00
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112 As such, a budget transfer is requested due to higher than projected labor, overtime labor and
113 associated benefit expenses than originally requested for the above listed accounts.
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115 **Motion to Approve a Budget Transfer for the Water Division – FY 2025/2026 in the**
116 **amount of \$299,475.00 from various accounts as described in Item 6-3 of the July 21, 2026**
117 **PUC Agenda. Funds for this purpose will be made through a corresponding transfer from**
118 **Account #43100642 – Operation Labor and Expenses of \$150,000 and Account #43100673**
119 **Maintenance of T&D Line Expenses of \$149,475.**
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121 **Made by: Mr. Zabrowski**
122 **Seconded by: Dr. Rinebold**
123 **Votes: 3 ayes**
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127 **7. Discussion and Possible Action: Budget Transfer – Sewer Division – FY**
128 **2025/2026 – Wages and Salaries**
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130 Mr. Langenauer stated that this is the same as Item No. 6 except that this is for the Sewer
131 Division. There are four accounts for FY 2025-2026 Sewer Division wage and salary that were
132 underfunded as follows:

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- Account #46100642 – Attendant and Lab Exp. \$34,300.00

- Account #46100663 – Meter Expenses \$4,850.00
 - Account #46100676 – Maint. of Meters \$11,750.00
 - Account #46100920 – Admin. Salaries \$12,650.00
- Total Underfunding: \$63,550.00**

Motion to Approve a Budget Transfer for the Sewer Division – FY 2025/2026 in the amount of \$63,550.00 from various accounts as described in Item 7-3 of the July 21, 2026 PUC Agenda. Funds for this purpose will be made through a corresponding transfer from Account #46100665 – Engineering Expenses in the amount of \$63,550.

Made by: Dr. Rinebold

Seconded by: Mr. Zabrowski

Votes: 3 ayes

Committee Reports/Correspondence

Mr. Zabrowski expressed his appreciation to Mr. Amwake for the wonderful tour of the I-91 Pump Station Replacement Project.

Dr. Rinebold stated that he supports this as well.

Mr. Beaumont stated that it was a great tour and a bit of an upgrade from what the old one was.

There was a lengthy discussion in regards to water drainage and inflow and infiltration.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

Made by: Dr. Rinebold

Seconded by: Mr. Zabrowski

Votes: 3 ayes

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Bracale
Acting Recording Secretary

Respectfully submitted,



Laurence J. Zabrowski
Secretary