TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Robert F. Parisi Council Chambers
November 10, 2026
6:30 P.M.
AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. Consent Agenda

   3a. Consider and approve Tax Refunds totaling $6,566.30 (#263-290) – Tax Dept.

   3b. Consider and approve a correction to the tax refunds amount from October 28, 2026 Town Council meeting in the amount of $3,969.57 – Tax Dept.

   3c. Acceptance of donations from uptown and downtown business owners and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of $1,150 to Revenue Donations-Police, Acct. #2502002-47152 and to Expense Donations-Police, Acct. #25020050-58830-10135 – Police Dept.

   3d. Acceptance of donation from Ms. Dorothea Rooney to be used for the K9 program and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of $300 to Revenue Donations-Police, Acct. #2502002-47152 and to Expense Donations – Police, Acct. #25020050-58830-10127 – Police Dept.

   3e. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of $2,200 from Purchase Svs-Entertainment, Acct. #10050050-56746 to Gas & Oil, Acct. #10050050-53100 – Parks & Recreation

   3f. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of $24,400 from Salaries and Wages, Acct. #10030000-51000 to Waste and Compost, Acct. #10030000-56754 – Public Works

   3g. Approve Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting of October 27, 2026.

4. **Items Removed from the Consent Agenda**

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD**

6. Chairman's Update
   a. Golden Fox Theatre

7. Consider and approve the naming of softball field #1 at Pragemann Park after Stanley Shepardson – Parks and Recreation

8. Discussion and possible action on a Resolution of the Town Council regarding the educational specifications for the proposed new high school – Chairman Testa and Councilors Carmody, Reynolds, Rivard, and Rossacci

9. Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-225(f) and 1-200(6)(B) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to the pending tax appeal matter of *35 Thorpe Avenue Associates, LLC v. Town of Wallingford* – Law Dept.

10. Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-200(6)(D) and §1-225(f) for discussion with respect to the purchase of property – Law Dept.

11. Motion to consider and approve settlement in the pending tax appeal matter of *35 Thorpe Avenue Associates, LLC v. Town of Wallingford* as discussed in Executive Session – Law Dept.

JO-ANNE L. RUSCZEK, C.C.M.C
TAX COLLECTOR

KELLY J. HECKMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE TAX COLLECTOR

3a.

Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
45 SOUTH MAIN STREET
P.O. BOX 5003
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT 06492
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2135
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November 2, 2026

Honorable Vincent Cervoni
Mayor, Town of Wallingford
Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Refund - Account #1001001-41020 – **$6,566.30 (#263 - #290)**

Dear Mayor Cervoni:

Attached is a list of refunds for your approval and the approval of the Town Council.

Very truly yours,

Jo-Anne L. Rusczek
Tax Collector

APPROVED:

Vincent Cervoni, Mayor

Timothy M. Sena, Comptroller

263	ACAR Leasing	324.29	AM69971	2025-50175
264	Andrews, Germaine M.	13.36		2025-51281
265	Balde, Thierno A.	13.87		2025-52167
266	Carbone, Paul J.	91.86		2025-55620
267	Carrasquillo, Sandra M & Ernesto	54.00		2025-55903
268	Challenger Freightways LLC	59.31		2025-56612
269	Cotality Centralized Refunds	2,755.53		2025-8055
270	Fontanarosa, Carol A.	39.61		2025-64143
271	Giannotti, James P. & Susan M.	5.67		2025-65565
272	Hilliard, Joshua J.	43.98		2025-67895
273	Honda Lease Trust	145.99	7AHNA4	2025-68158
274	JP Morgan Chase Bank NA	214.62	735XGS	2025-70035
275	JP Morgan Chase Bank NA	106.26	BL45471	2025-70126
276	Kopylec, Gianna C.	39.59		2025-71374
277	Nadeau, Paul A. & Carmella P.	126.96		2025-77767
278	Nissan Motor Acceptance Corp.	678.84	BT96680	2025-78513
279	Oconnor, Marilyn S.	6.17		2025-78887
280	Pagano, Albert N. Jr	58.13		2024-79190
281	Pagano, Albert N. Jr	59.21		2025-79486
282	Perldeiner, Jocelyn R. & Graboff, Joshu	22.01		2025-80700
283	Purpora, Richard J.	42.88		2025-82164
284	Qin, Jason N.	141.97		2025-82204
285	Ryder Truck Rental LT	145.93		2024-84225
286	Ryder Truck Rental LT	123.83		2025-84560
287	Tesla Lease Trust	438.58	BA04599	2025-88645
288	VW Credit Leasing LTD	510.45	BN75750	2025-91474
289	Welch, Mary T.	14.10		2025-91979
290	Zeoli, Joseph A.	289.30		2024-92868
		6,566.30		

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MEMO

To: Vincent Cervoni, Mayor

From: Jo-Anne L. Rusczek, Tax Collector

Date: October 28, 2026

Subject: Correction to October 28, 2026 Refunds

This is a correction to the refunds approved at the Town Council Meeting held on October 27, 2026. The amount approved was listed as $4,104.34, but the total should have been $3,969.57 with a difference of $134.77. An adjusted spreadsheet is attached for your records.

Refund removed from the total:
#241 ($134.77)

Jo-Anne L. Rusczek

J. Anne L. Rusczek

Tax Collector

228	ACAR Leasing	419.87	AJ87409	2025-50164
229	Angelucci, Robert J. (ACAR - vet exemp	73.71		2025-50167
230	Bedard, Barbara J.	6.12		2025-52892
231	Birney, James D.	559.66		2025-53484
232	CCAP Auto Lease LTD	458.73	BD96204	2025-56305
233	Cerna, Josa A.	414.14		2025-56469
234	Cruz, Matthew P.	20.89		2025-58658
235	Dalkin, Thomas J.	26.11		2025-59050
236	Daly, Shana M.	18.43		2025-59078
237	Diversified Bldg Servs	12.58		2025-60713
238	EAN Holdings	190.19	BN79816	2024-62143
239	EAN Holdings	310.01	BR18375	2024-62218
240	EAN Holdings	241.44	BR18377	2024-62219
241	Honda Lease Trust (VOID)	134.77	BL45448	2025-68247
242	Houde, Mark K.	83.30		2025-68480
243	Ingraham, Lois E.	20.92		2024-69118
244	Islam, Mohammed N.	7.20		2025-69330
245	JP Morgan Chase Bank NA	94.77	BL82325	2025-70131
246	Kalimanjira, Fiskani R.	81.90		2025-70331
247	Lambert, Frank T.	319.16		2025-71956
248	Mclaughlin, Luke J.	18.79		2025-75609
249	Mixsell, Anastasia S.	14.76		2024-86777
250	Mixsell, Anastasia S.	151.11		2025-76685
251	Network Installation Services Inc.	14.69		2025-78093
252	Network Installation Services Inc.	7.15		2025-78094
253	Network Installation Services Inc.	23.19		2025-78095
254	Network Installation Services Inc.	22.60		2025-78098
255	Network Installation Services Inc.	12.09		2025-78099
256	Network Installation Services Inc.	7.56		2025-78100
257	Network Installation Services Inc.	28.52		2025-78101
258	Network Installation Services Inc.	25.75		2025-78102
259	Network Installation Services Inc.	25.75		2025-78103
260	Network Installation Services Inc.	31.38		2025-78104
261	Suzio, Katelyn	32.46		2025-88150
262	Zabala Sandy	194.64		2025-93132
		3,969.57		

4104.34 - 134.77 = 3969.57

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Town of Wallingford

Honorable Vincent Cervoni
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date: October 28, 2026

Request for: _____ **Transfer of Funds**
__X__ **Appropriation of Funds**

Fund: __X__ **General**
_____ **Other**

Amount: $1,150.00 **To: Revenue Donations - Police** **Account No: 2502002-47152**

Amount: $1,150.00 **To: Expense Donations - Police** **Account No: 25020050-58830-10135**

Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

Submitted by: _____
Division/Department Head

Certified as to the availability of funds: _____
Comptroller

APPROVED: Subject to vote of Town Council _____
Mayor

II. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTION:

The transfer/appropriation of $_____ as detailed and authorized above and as approved by a vote of the Town Council in session hereby certified.

I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____, 2026.

_____
Town Clerk

DOF-86-35

Town of Wallingford, Connecticut
Department of Police Services

JOHN J. VENTURA
CHIEF OF POLICE

100 BARNES ROAD
WALLINGFORD, CT 06492-3718
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2828

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR VINCENT CERVONI

FROM: CHIEF JOHN J. VENTURA

DATE: 10/28/26

SUBJECT: DONATION – DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES

CC: TIM SENA, FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Sir,

On October 28, 2026 a gathering of uptown and downtown business owners presented us with a donation in the amount of $1,150. We are grateful for their generosity and will put the donation to good use.

I write to respectfully request that you place the donation before the Town Council for acceptance.

The necessary forms to appropriate the funds have been completed and the originals are attached. Copies of these forms have been forwarded to Mr. Tim Sena.

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Town of Wallingford

Honorable Vincent Cervoni
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date: October 27, 2026

Request for: _____ **Transfer of Funds**
__X__ **Appropriation of Funds**

Fund: __X__ **General**
_____ **Other**

Amount: $300.00 **To: Revenue Donations - Police** **Account No: 2502002-47152**

Amount: $300.00 **To: Expense Donations - Police** **Account No: 25020050-58830-10127**

Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

Submitted by:

_____
Division/Department Head

Certified as to the availability of funds:

_____
Comptroller

APPROVED: Subject to vote of Town Council

_____
Mayor

II. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTION:

The transfer/appropriation of $_____ as detailed and authorized above and as approved by a vote of the Town Council in session hereby certified.

I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____, 2026.

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Town Clerk

DOF-86-35

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR VINCENT CERVONI

FROM: CHIEF JOHN J. VENTURA

DATE: 10/27/26

SUBJECT: DONATION – ROONEY

CC: TIM SENA, FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Ms. Dorothea Rooney made a donation to the police department in the amount of $300.00. She is a strong supporter of the police department and the K9 program. We are grateful for her generosity and will certainly put the donation to good use.

I write to respectfully request that you place the donation before the town council for acceptance.

The necessary forms to appropriate the funds have been completed and are attached for your review. Copies of these forms have been forwarded to the finance department.

Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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Honorable Vincent Cervoini
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date: 10/30/26

I. Request for: X Transfer of funds
____ Appropriation of funds

Fund: X General Fund
____ Other Title _____

Amount: $ 2,200 From: Title: Purchase Svs - Entertainment Acct. # 10050050-56746

Amount: $ _____ From: Title: _____ Acct. # _____

Amount: $ 2,200 To: Title: Gas & Oil Acct. # 10050050-53100

Amount: $ _____ To: Title: _____ Acct. # _____

Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

Submitted by: _____
Department / Division Head

Certified as to the availability of funds:

_____
Comptroller

APPROVED – subject to vote of the Town Council:

_____
Mayor

II. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTION:

The transfer / appropriation of $_____ as detailed and authorized above and as approved by a vote of the Town Council in session is hereby certified.

I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____, 20___.

_____
Town Clerk

Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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Maxwell Robbins, CPRP
Recreation Program Specialist

Honorable Mayor Vincent Cervoni
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

October 30, 2026

Dear Mayor,

I am requesting placement on the next Town Council meeting agenda, seeking approval for a transfer of funds to cover the rising cost of gasoline prices.

We are seeking approval to transfer $2,200 in funds from our Purchase Svs-Entertainment account 10050050-56746 into our Gas & Oil account 10050050-53100.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Kenny Michaels, Director
Wallingford Parks and Recreation Department

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD

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Honorable Vincent Cervoni
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date: 11-03-2026

I. Request for: XX Transfer of funds
____ Appropriation of funds
____ General Fund
____ Other Title

Amount: $24,400.00 FROM: Title: Salaries and Wages Acct.No.10030000-51000

$_____ FROM: Title: _____ Acct. No.

$_____ FROM: Title: _____ Acct. No.

$_____ FROM: Title: _____ Acct. No.

$_____ FROM: Title: _____ Acct. No.

$_____ FROM: Title: _____ Acct. No.

Amount: $24,400.00 TO: Title: Waste and Compost Acct.No. 10030000-56754

$_____ TO: Title: _____ Acct.No.

Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

SUBMITTED BY:

Department/Division Head
Robert V. Baltramaitis, Director Public Works

Certified as to the availability of funds:

Comptroller

APPROVED -- subject to vote of the Town Council:

Mayor

II. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTION:

The appropriation of $24,400.00 as detailed and authorized above and as approved by a vote of the Town Council in session is hereby certified.
I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____,2026.

Town Clerk

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD

Department of Public Works
29 Town Farm Road
Wallingford, Connecticut 06492

Telephone (203) 294-2105
Fax (203) 294-2107

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Vincent Cervoni

FROM: Robert V. Baltramaitis, P.E., Director, Public Works

SUBJECT: Request for Funding Transfer

DATE: November 3, 2026

Dear Mayor,

We respectfully request a transfer in the amount of $24,400.00 from Account 10030000-51000 "Regular Salaries & Wages" to Account 10030000-56754 "Waste & Compost".

This transfer is necessary as there are now new service requirements for stormwater sampling and testing. It will also enable us to update outdated stormwater pollution prevention plans for each of our three facilities (the Department of Public Works, Wallingford Compost Center, and the Town's Resident Disposal Center).

Very truly yours,

Robert V. Baltramaitis, P.E.
DPW Director

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TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
ROOM 315
October 27, 2026
6:30 P.M.

RECORD OF VOTES AND MINUTES

The Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, was called to order at 6:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were Samuel Carmody, Thomas Laffin, Jesse Reynolds, Bryan Rivard, Melanie Rossacci, Christina Tatta and Chairman Vincent F. Testa, Jr. Mayor Vincent Cervoni, Town Attorney Geoffrey Einhorn, Comptroller Tim Sena and Acting Town Clerk, Leanna Gnazzo were also present.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. Consent Agenda

   3a. Consider and approve Tax Refunds totaling $4,104.34 (#228-262) – Tax Dept.

   3b. Consider and approve a correction to the tax refunds amount from October 13, 2026 Town Council meeting in the amount of $8,614.79 – Tax Dept.

   3c. Acceptance of a donation from Ms. Patricia Chieppo and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of $1,000 to Revenue Donations-Police, Acct. #2502002-47152 and to Expense Donations-Police, Acct. #25020050-58830-10127 – Police Dept.

   3d. Acceptance of Overtime Reimbursement of Federal Taskforce Funds and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of $5,520 to Misc. Revenue, Acct. #1009052-47040 and to Police Overtime, Acct. #10020050-51400 – Police Dept.

   3e. Acceptance of Federal/State Highway Safety Grant "2025/2026 Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program" funds and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of $10,549 to Revenue Highway Safety, Acct. #1002001-45208 and to Police Overtime, Acct. #10020050-51400 – Police Dept.

   3f. Consider and approve a bid waiver for E-J Electric Installation Co. – Electric Div.

   3g. Consider and approve a bid waiver for McPhee Electric Ltd . – Electric Div.

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3h. Consider and approve a bid waiver for AT&T to replace current T-Mobile bid waiver – Electric Div.

3i. Consider and approve revisions to the job description for Fire Inspector – Human Resources

3j. Consider and approve reappointment of Jane Fisher to the Board of Ethics for a three (3) year term set to expire October 19, 2029 – Mayor

3k. Consider and approve appointment of Maria Harlow as a regular member of the Board of Ethics for a three (3) year term set to expire October 19, 2029 – Mayor

3l. Approve amended Minutes of October 13, 2026 Regular Town Council Meeting.

MOTION WAS MADE TO approve Consent items 3a – 3i and 3l.

MADE BY: CARMODY
SECONDED BY: REYNOLDS

THERE WAS A VOICE VOTE. ALL COUNCILORS PRESENT VOTED AYE.
MOTION: PASSED

4. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Councilor Tatta requested that items 3j and 3k be removed from the Consent Agenda. She would like to discuss the process of appointments to the Board of Ethics for people who have or may potentially have ties with other town organizations, creating a conflict of interest. Appointments to the Board of Ethics are determined by the Mayor.

The Mayor explained the Board of Ethics are bound by the Code of Ethics. If there is a conflict or concern, they have an obligation to recuse themselves from the item being discussed. Alternates are assigned to the Board for this purpose. The Mayor was asked if he feels the ordinance sufficiently lays out the issues that a member would need to recuse themselves. Mayor answered that a breach of ethics is a breach of ethics, whether by the Board of Ethics or the Town Council. The code of ethics is universal and if a member has a conflict on something being discussed, the member should recuse themselves.

Councilor Laffin supports having local community members involved in these positions as they are part of the fabric of Wallingford and can recuse themselves just as the Town Council can recuse themselves from council duties.

Councilor Rivard feels that most of the people of the highest character in Wallingford are already engaged with the town government. If we make it challenging for these members to be appointed due to

potential conflicts, we may lose good candidates that have already demonstrated good character and high ethical standards.

Councilor Rossacci feels we should break away from doing things the way we've always done them. The Board of Ethics is a five (5) person committee. We should be able to find five (5) ethical people that do not receive money from the town. She supports the reappointment of Jane Fisher and Maria Harlow.

Chairman Testa would support the Ordinance Committee reviewing this ordinance to specify the terms a member would need to recuse themselves.

Bill Comerford, Broadview Drive, would like to see the Charter reviewed and feels that the Board of Ethics should be made up of members that reside in surrounding towns, such as Cheshire or Southington to ensure board members will be impartial.

MOTION WAS MADE TO approve the appointments of Jane Fischer and Maria Harlow as regular members to the Board of Ethics for a three (3) year term to expire October 19, 2029.

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: CARMODY

ROLL CALL
ALLINSON: ABSENT
CARMODY: AYE
FISHBEIN: ABSENT
LAFFIN: AYE
REYNOLDS: AYE
RIVARD: AYE
ROSSACCI: AYE
TATTA: AYE
TESTA: AYE

7 – AYE
0 – NAY
2 – ABSENT

MOTION PASSED

5. PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD

Sheila Tierney stated it's been 28 weeks since money was appropriated to replace the Parade Ground driveway because of crumbling concrete and tripping hazards. Since then, she has submitted 36 investigation reports for sidewalk repair to the Engineering Department and only two (2) have been investigated. She is asking for the Engineering Department to paint the areas that are tripping hazards. She feels there are other roads that should have been addressed earlier and are in worse disrepair than the Parade Grounds.

Bill Comerford read a statement regarding contaminated soil at 60 Prince Street. He asked for an environmental audit of 60 Prince St and the cemetery road.

Jim Economopoulos spoke in regard to the poor condition of both high schools. He would like the issue of having one (1) or two (2) high schools resolved so we can either work on repairing/rehabbing both schools or constructing one (1) high school for Wallingford. This is a long-standing issue that needs to be resolved.

Chairman Testa agreed to put this topic on the next meeting agenda for follow up.

6. Consider and approve the naming of softball field #1 at Pragemann Park after Stanley Shepardson –Parks & Recreation

Item 6 was previously removed from the agenda and will be represented at a future meeting.

7. Discussion of the June 2026 reports from the Comptroller summarizing the Unaudited Municipal Account for end of fiscal year 2025-2026 – Councilor Reynolds

Councilor Reynolds requested to examine the relationship between the unaudited General Expense Summary Report and the unaudited General Fund Revenue Report to determine if departments met their goals. There was a discussion on encumbrances, expenses and revenue. Comptroller Tim Sena explained that the budget is a road map of what we can spend and department heads make their best guess on what will be used. His job is to ensure that the departments don't spend more than what is allotted to them. Mayor spoke about the importance of keeping a good bond rating so we can borrow money as inexpensively as possible.

Councilor Tatta inquired about a Finance software system that would provide historical data and trends on previous budgets as well as the status of direct deposit to employees. Mr. Sena explained it's been difficult to implement but they are working on it.

Councilor Rivard feels we need to think about bonding for future projects.

Jason Michael asked for the final number on the police station. Mr. Sena explained there is not a final number yet. There is a final invoice that needs to be paid.

Sheila Tierney inquired as to which roads were paved using the $390,136 paving funds in the budget. She contacted Public Works and was told ten (10) roads were paved in the Spring and there will not be paving in the Fall. The remainder of the $390,136 was returned to the Cap and Non Fund.

8. Chairman's Update

(a) Golden Fox Theatre

Chairman Testa requested an update from the Mayor. Mayor stated he received a response to his email from Mr. Michael and will follow up. Mr. Michael addressed the Council to clarify he responded to the Mayor's email that he would meet with the Mayor to discuss facility usage and storage but he will not create another budget. He feels the Council approved the $5000 grant funds and he should be awarded them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Meeting digitally recorded.

Respectfully submitted,

Leanna Gnazzo
Acting Town Clerk

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Vincent F. Testa, Jr., Chairman

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Leanna Gnazzo, Acting Town Clerk

Individuals in need of auxiliary aids for effective communication in programs and services of the Town of Wallingford are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the ADA Compliance Coordinator at 203-294-2070 five days prior to meeting date.

7.

Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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Superintendent of Recreation

Bob Kilpatrick, CPRP
Recreation Program Specialist

Maxwell Robbins, CPRP
Recreation Program Specialist

October 16, 2026

Honorable Mayor Vincent Cervoni
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor,

I am requesting placement on the next Town Council meeting agenda seeking approval to name the softball field #1 at Pragemann Park after Stanley Shepardson. Stan Shepardson was hired in March 1967 to become Superintendent of the town's Parks and Recreation department. He was named the town's first full-time Director of Parks and Recreation after several years on the job and has spent his entire 28-year career in Wallingford, retiring in September of 1995. Stan even extended his retirement date to ensure the sale and transaction of our current home at 6 Fairfield Blvd was completed.

It is only fitting for Shepardson Field to be at Pragemann as it has special significance. It was one of the first major expansions Stan oversaw as the town's softball leagues were growing, so there is a meaningful connection between that space and his work.With the request from the Shepardson family, the unanimous support and approval from the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Parks and Recreation Department would request the Town Council accept the naming of the Pragemann Park Softball Field #1 to the Stan Shepardson Field at the next council meeting.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kenny Michaels
Director of Parks and Recreation
Wallingford Parks and Recreation Department

Cori Hass

From: Kenny Michaels
Sent: Monday, November 2, 2026 1:00 PM
To: Cori Hass; Vincent Cervoni
Subject: Council Agenda Nov. 10

Cori/Mayor,

I would like to re-submit the naming of Pragemann Park Field 1 to the Stanley Shepardson Field in honor of the Towns first Parks and Recreation Director Stanley Shepardson. Stan's daughter will be in attendance as I was told Council Testa wants to honor the family.

Kenny Michaels M.S., CCMO
Director of Parks & Recreation
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Loriann Ouellette

From: Kenny Michaels
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2026 1:29 PM
To: Loriann Ouellette
Subject: FW: Agenda Request & Family Proposal: honoring Former Parks & Recreation Director Stanley Shepardson

Kenny Michaels M.S., CCMO
Director of Parks & Recreation
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From: Kim Jager <kimjager@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, October 5, 2026 4:58 PM
To: Kenny Michaels <k.michaels@wallingfordct.gov>
Cc: Don Crouch <don.crouch@wallingfordct.gov>; Shepardson Scott <jsshep@hotmail.com>
Subject: Fw: Agenda Request & Family Proposal: honoring Former Parks & Recreation Director Stanley Shepardson

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Hi Kenny,

I'm Kim Shepardson Jager, Scott's sister and Stan's daughter. Scott had surgery this morning to repair his rotator cuff and asked me to respond to your email.

Thank you for getting back to us! My father began his career in Wallingford in March 1967, arriving, as he always remembered it, "during a blizzard." I wasn't even two years old, and my mother was pregnant with my brother.

He retired 28 years later, in September 1995, after postponing his planned February retirement to help ensure the purchase of the Parks & Recreation facility you are in today. I believe our handprints may still be in the cement!

If you're looking for more information about his years with the town, the Hartford Courant published an article about him at the time of his retirement. https://www.courant.com/1995/02/17/wallingford-recreation-chief-delays-retirement/. Scott also did a wonderful job in his proposal summarizing Dad's accomplishments as Director of Parks & Recreation. During his tenure, he helped transform what had been a fledgling, unorganized department into a major part of life in Wallingford. Recreation programming grew to more than 600 offerings, accompanied by the development and expansion of

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Dear Mayor Cervoni, Chairman Testa, Director Michaels, Members of the Parks & Recreation Commission and Town Council

As the son of Stanley Shepardson, Wallingford's long-serving former Director of Parks and Recreation, I am submitting the attached formal proposal requesting the dedication of a town park asset or field in his honor.

My father will be celebrating his 91st birthday on December 8, 2026, and it is my deepest wish to secure this recognition in time for his milestone birthday so he can personally witness the town's gratitude for his decades of service.

I am also reaching out to the former Mayor William Dickenson Jr. to share this family request, as he worked side-by-side with my father during those foundational decades of town growth.

I respectfully ask that this item be placed on the agenda for the upcoming October Town Council and Parks & Recreation Commission meetings for consideration.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and lifelong dedication to the Wallingford community.

Warm regards,
Scott Shepardson
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8.

TC Resolution re: HS Project Classrooms

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD
TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution Concerning Revisions to the Educational Specifications for the Proposed High School Consolidation Project

WHEREAS, the Wallingford Town Council recognizes the significance of the proposed high school consolidation project and its lasting impact on the students, educators, families, and taxpayers of the Town of Wallingford; and

WHEREAS, the educational specifications for the proposed project were developed through a process involving substantial public input, including recommendations and advocacy from teachers, school staff, parents, students, and members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion of seventeen (17) additional classrooms was strongly advocated for by teachers and school staff to provide each teacher with a dedicated classroom and to ensure an educational environment that best supports effective instruction, student learning, and the daily operations of the school; and

WHEREAS, teachers and school staff, whose professional experience and firsthand understanding of classroom needs are essential to the planning of educational facilities, have consistently emphasized the importance of these additional classrooms; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion of these seventeen (17) classrooms received support from a majority of the Board of Education at various stages of its deliberations and decision-making process; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council is concerned that subsequent revisions to the educational specifications eliminating the seventeen (17) classrooms represent a significant departure from the priorities established through public participation and the educational needs identified by teachers and school staff; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council firmly believes that, should the Town proceed with the consolidation of its two high schools, the resulting facilities must reflect the highest standards of educational excellence and provide the best possible learning environment for current and future generations of Wallingford students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wallingford Town Council hereby formally expresses its opposition to the revisions to the educational specifications eliminating the seventeen (17) additional classrooms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council strongly urges the Wallingford Board of Education to reconsider and reverse its decision and restore these classrooms to the educational specifications, consistent with the recommendations of teachers, school staff, parents, students, and the substantial public input received throughout the planning process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council affirms its commitment to ensuring that any consolidation of the Town's two high schools represents a responsible, forward-looking investment in public education and provides the highest-quality educational facilities reasonably achievable for the benefit of generations to come.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Wallingford Board of Education for its formal consideration.

Adopted by the Wallingford Town Council this 10th day of November, 2026.

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Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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November 2, 2026

Vincent Cervoni, Mayor
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni:

Please place the following items on the Town Council's Agenda for its meeting on November 10, 2026:

1. Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-225(f) and §1-200(6)(B) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to the pending tax appeal matter of *35 Thorpe Avenue Associates, LLC v. Town of Wallingford*; and

2. Motion to consider and approve settlement in the pending tax appeal matter of *35 Thorpe Avenue Associates, LLC v. Town of Wallingford* as discussed in Executive Session

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Mayor Cervoni:

Please place the following item on the Town Council's agenda for its meeting on October 13, 2026:

Executive Session pursuant to General Statutes § 1-200(6)(D) and § 1-225(f) for discussion with respect to the purchase of property.

Very truly yours,

Janis M. Small
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