TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT REGULAR TOWNCOUNCIL MEETING Town Council Chambers

DECEMBER 16, 2014

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was called to order at 6:35 P.M. The Opening Prayer was offered by Deacon Eugene Riotte of the Most Holy Trinity Church of Wallingford. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were: Chairman Vincent Cervoni and Councilors Craig Fishbein, Tom Laffin, John Letourneau, Christine Mansfield, Robert F. Parisi, Larry Russo, John Sullivan and Vincent F. Testa, Jr. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Corporation Counsel Janis M. Small and Comptroller James Bowes were also at the meeting.

3. Consent Agenda

- **3a.** Consider and Approve Tax Refunds totaling \$25,636.39 (#483-516) Acct. #1001001-41020 – Tax Collector
- **3b.** Consider and Approve two Merit Increases Mayor
- **3c.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$5,178 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3d.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund-Soldier Program* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$30 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3e.** Acceptance of Registration Fees and Appropriation in the Amount of \$350 for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund –STEM ACADEMY* to Donations Acct # 2264002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 26640150-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3f.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$500 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- 3g. Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund-Holiday for Giving* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$1,845 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830

 Youth and Social Services
- **3h.** Acceptance of Donation from *Wallingford Rotary* for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$929 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **3i.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund-Holiday for Giving* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$2,275 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- 3j. Acceptance of Donation for Youth & Social Services Special Fund-Holiday for Giving

and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$1,748 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 – Youth and Social Services

- **3k.** Acceptance of Donation for *Youth & Social Services Special Fund-Holiday for Giving* and Appropriation of Funds in the Amount in the Amount of \$1,295 to Donations Acct # 2134002-47152 and to Expenditures Acct # 21340100-58830 Youth and Social Services
- **31.** Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$1,248 to Capital Account-Computer & Software Acct # 100-10700-TBD from Meetings, Dues, Seminars Acct # 10010700-58810 Town Planner
- **3m.** To Schedule a Public Hearing on January 13, 2015 at 7:00PM to be held in connection with an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$4,625,000 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW NORTH FARMS FIRE STATION AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$4,625,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

3n. To Schedule a Public Hearing on January 13, 2015 at 7:15PM to be held in connection with an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$900,000 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF PISTAPAUG WATER TREATMENT PLANT UNDERGROUND WATER STORAGE TANK REPAIR PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$900,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

- **30.** Consider and Approve Waiving of Bid and Authorize the sale of four lighting poles to Times Microwave Systems (TMS) Electric Division
- **3p.** Consider and Approve Transfer Ownership Agreement between the Town of Wallingford (through WED) and to Times Microwave Systems (TMS) Electric Division
- **3q.** Approve Corrected Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting of November 12, 2014

AGENDA ADDENDUM

3r. Consider and Approve the Regular Town Council meeting dates for 2015

AGENDA ADDENDUM #2

3s. Consider and Approve Preston Drive as a Town Accepted Road – Town Planner

- Chairman Vincent Cervoni

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 3a.-3q. and ADDENDA 3r. and 3s. MADE BY: SECONDED BY: VOTE: ALL AYE (9) MOTION PASSED.

- 4. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda *NONE*
- 5. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Robert Gross, 114 Long Hill Road, asked about Merit Increases that he sees on the agenda from time to time. He also asked about a tree left standing on Center Street. Resident, 1175 South Broad Street, asked when he would be connected to Town water system. Geno Zandri, 9 Balsam Ridge Circle, said nice job to Public Works for the holiday tree. Larry Weinstein, Main Street, spoke about all-day kindergarten.

9. Consider and approve job description of *High School Greeter* - Board of Education

MOTION TO APPROVE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR HIGH SCHOOL GREETER.MADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:TESTA

In appearance: Salvatore Menzo, Superintendent of Schools Cindy Lavalette, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel

This is for a non-bargaining unit position that currently exists.

ROLL CALL VU	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

9-AYE MOTION PASSED.

10. Discussion of Financing Options for Capital Projects of the Board of Education and Town Departments, including, but not limited to bonding and the establishment of a Board of Education Capital Projects Fund. - Councilor Vincent F. Testa, Jr.

In appearance: Salvatore Menzo, Superintendent of Schools Roxane McKay, Chairperson, Board of Education Mark Deptula, Building & Grounds Foreman

Councilor Testa introduced the question stating this question of the possibility of capital projects being bonded, which first arose during budget hearings that this is a new way of looking at things. This is the time to go into more of the details to consider bonding of several capital projects that could go out over several years.

Dr. Menzo spoke of a successful meeting with the administration with regard to projects that concern security and compliance. Discussion involved the Lyman Hall track & field projects and other priorities high on the list that would address track lighting, ADA updates and bringing things up to code. They spoke about project timing of the 6-lane track at LHHS and the end of life of Sheehan turf at ten years. A list has been created about which Mr. Bowes spoke.. Councilor Testa wanted the Council involved in the discussions of crafting such a list. Mayor discussed the process and that after bidding and award the budget impact would come in 2016 when principal and interest would be due to be paid.

Chairman Cervoni agreed with others that lost of progress has been made and that the Council looks forward to seeing the list.

6. Chest Compression Systems – Fire Department, EMS Division, Enterprise Fund

a. Consider and Approve Bid Waiver for *Lucas Chest Compression System*

6a. MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE BID WAIVER FOR THE LUCASCHEST COMPRPESSION SYSTEMMADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:PARISI

In attendance: Chief Richard Heidgerd Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup

Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup handed out two full color pictures of the Lucas device and the power stretcher to the Town Council. These documents are part the record of the meeting He addressed both 6a. and 6b. stating the justification for the expenditure and for the bid waiver request. He noted that Ashlar Village donated \$10,000 to this system. The 'Lucas' gives technically perfect CPR, is adjusted to the individual and is calibrated for adults only. He noted that they were not successful in their application to FEMA. The company's consumable products are approximately \$44 as opposed to a competitor's at \$200. The operation of the device is simple and its life is around five years.

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

9-AYE MOTION PASSED.

Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup was most grateful to the Council for their support. He said this is a critical piece of equipment that will make a difference for many people.

b. Consider and Approve a Transfer an Appropriation in the Amount of \$28,954 to Capital-Mechanical CPR Devices Acct # 500-TBD and to Revenue-Donations \$10,000 Acct # 500-TBD and to Retained Earnings-Utilized \$18,954 Acct # 500-TBD

6b. MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE an Appropriation in the Amount of \$28,954 to Capital-Mechanical CPR Devices Acct # 500-TBD and to Revenue-Donations \$10,000 Acct # 500-TBD and to Retained Earnings-Utilized \$18,954 Acct # 500-TBD

MADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:PARISI

In attendance: Chief Richard Heidgerd Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

9-AYE MOTION PASSED.

7. Ambulance Remount – Fire Department, EMS Division, Enterprise Fund

a. Consider and Approve Bid Waiver for *Eastford Fire & Rescue Sales, Inc.*

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE A BID WAIVER FOR *EASTFORD FIRE & RESCUE SALES, INC.* MADE BY: LAFFIN SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN

> In attendance: Chief Richard Heidgerd Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup

Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup addressed both 7a. and 7b. stating the justification for the expenditure and for the bid waiver request. He noted that the application to FEMA was not funded.

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

9-AYE MOTION PASSED.

b. Consider and Approve a Transfer an Appropriation in the Amount of \$175,251 to Retained Earnings-Utilized Acct #500-TBD and to Capital-Remount Medic A Acct # 500-TBD

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE AN APPROPRIATION IN THE Amount of\$175,251 to Retained Earnings-Utilized Acct #500-TBD and to Capital-RemountMedic A Acct # 500-TBDMADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:FISHBEIN

In attendance: Chief Richard Heidgerd Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup

ROLL CALL VOTE: FISHBEIN: YES LAFFIN: YES LETOURNEAU: YES 9-AYE MOTION PASSED.

MANSFIELD: YES PARISI: YES RUSSO: YES

S SULLIVAN: YES TESTA: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

8. Stryker Power Stretcher and Power Loading System - Fire Department, EMS Division, Enterprise Fund

Consider and Approve Bid Waiver for Stryker Power Stretcher and Power Loading a. System

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE BID WAIVER FOR Stryker Power Stretcher and Power Loading System MADE BY: LAFFIN **SECONDED BY:** FISHBEIN

In attendance: Chief Richard Heidgerd Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup stated that this is for two stretchers with a 700 lb. weight limit.

ROLL CALL VOTE: FISHBEIN: YES LAFFIN: YES **LETOURNEAU: YES 9-AYE MOTION PASSED.**

MANSFIELD: YES PARISI: YES **RUSSO: YES**

SULLIVAN: YES TESTA: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

b. Consider and Approve a Transfer an Appropriation in the Amount of \$75,910 to Retained Earnings-Utilized Acct #500-TBD and to Capital-Power Stretchers/Loading Acct # 500-TBD

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE an Appropriation in the Amount of \$75,910 to Retained Earnings-Utilized Acct #500-TBD and to Capital-Power Stretchers/Loading Acct # 500-TBD MADE BY: LAFFIN **SECONDED BY:** FISHBEIN

> In attendance: Chief Richard Heidgerd Deputy Chief Stephen Alsup

ROLL CALL VOTE: FISHBEIN: YES LAFFIN: YES **LETOURNEAU: YES** 9-AYE **MOTION PASSED.**

MANSFIELD: YES **PARISI: YES RUSSO: YES**

SULLIVAN: YES TESTA: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

11. Discussion and Possible Action on a Budget Amendment in an Amount that will be determined based upon the Opening of Public Bid #14-086 on /December 15 for the purpose of River Bank Stabilization to protect the Sewer Division's South Turnpike Siphon - Public Utilities Director

> In attendance: George Adair, Director, Public Utilities Vincent Mascia, Senior Engineer, Water-Sewer Divisions Eric Krueger, Engineer/Planner, Water-Sewer Divisions

Mr. Adair opened the question explaining that the cost of \$285,500 was determined from the bid opening. Mr. Mascia explained this crucial project located between the Merritt Parkway and the Quinnipiac River and that most of the cost is due to difficult access to that location. He reported that special permitting will be necessary. Mr. Adair added that emergency funds will be used. It was noted that a big storm could wash out the area.

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE A Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$285,500 from the Opening of Public Bid #14-086 on December 15 for the purpose of River Bank Stabilization to protect the Sewer Division's South Turnpike Siphon.

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES
9-AYE				
MOTION PASSE	D.			

David Gessert, Public Utilities Commission, was recognized. With highest tribute, he announced that after thirty seven (37) years of service to the tow, Vincent Mascia would be soon retiring. He wanted to go on the record to thank him and to congratulate him.

AGENDA ADDENDUM #3 – Items 18-21

18. Consider and Approve Request for Approval to Utilize the Qualifications-Based Selection Procedure for a Consultant to serve as Interim General Manager of the Water and Sewer Divisions of the department of Public Utilities - Public Utilities Director

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE REQUEST to Utilize the Qualifications-Based Selection Procedure for a Consultant to serve as Interim General Manager ofthe Water and Sewer Divisions of the department of Public Utilities.MADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:PARISI

In attendance: George Adair, Director, Public Utilities

George Adair explained the process they would follow.

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES
9-AYE				
MOTION PASSE	D.			

 19. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the Amount of \$47,000 to Outside Services Employed Acct # 43100923 from Various Accounts as listed (18 accounts)
 - Water Division, Public Utilities Director MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE a Transfer in the Amount of \$47,000 to Outside Services Employed Acct # 43100923 from Various Accounts as listed (18 accounts).

MADE BY: LAFFIN SECONDED BY: PARISI

In attendance: George Adair, Director, Public Utilities

ROLL CALL VOTE:FISHBEIN:YESMANSFIELD:YESSULLIVAN:YESLAFFIN:YESPARISI:YESLETOURNEAU:YESPAYEMOTION PASSED.

20. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the Amount of \$34,150 to Outside Services Employed Acct # 46100923 from Various Accounts as listed (9 accounts) - Sewer Division, Public Utilities Director

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE A Transfer in the Amount of \$34,150 toOutside Services Employed Acct # 46100923 from Various Accounts as listed(9 accounts).MADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:PARISI

In attendance: George Adair, Director, Public Utilities

ROLL CALL VOTE:FISHBEIN:YESMANSFIELD:YESSULLIVAN:YESLAFFIN:YESPARISI:YESTESTA:YESLETOURNEAU:YESRUSSO:YESCHAIRMAN CERVONI:YES9-AYEMOTION PASSED.

21. Consider and Approve a Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$12,850 to Outside Services Employed Acct # 46100923 from Appropriation from Cash - Sewer Division, Public Utilities Director

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE a Budget Amendment in the Amount of
\$12,850 to Outside Services Employed Acct # 46100923 from Appropriation from
Cash.MADE BY:LAFFIN
SECONDED BY:FISHBEIN

In attendance: George Adair, Director, Public Utilities

ROLL CALL VO	DTE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU	: YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

9-AYE MOTION PASSED.

12. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Amendment to the Municipal Solid Waste Agreement with Covanta Projects of Wallingford, L.P. - Mayor

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE AGREEMENT WITH COVANTA PROJECTS OF WALLINGFORD, L.P.

MADE BY:	LAFFIN
SECONDED BY:	PARISI

In appearance: Doreen Zaback, Resource Recovery Project Coordinator Don Roe, Program Planning

ROLL CALL VOTE:FISHBEIN:NOLAFFIN:YESLETOURNEAU:NO

MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

7-AYE; 2-NAY MOTION PASSED.

13. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Amendment to Host Municipality Fee Agreement between Wallingford and Covanta Projects of Wallingford, L.P. – Mayor

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO HOSTMUNICIPALITYFEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WALLINGFORD AND COVANTAPROJECTS OF WALLINGFORD, L.P.MADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:PARISI

In appearance: Doreen Zaback, Resource Recovery Project Coordinator Don Roe, Program Planning

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION.MADE BY:FISHBEINSECONDED BY:PARISIVOTE:ALL AYE (9)

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	NO	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: NO
LETOURNEAU:	NO	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

6-AYE; 3-NAY MOTION PASSED. **14.** Consider and Approve a Resolution as follows:

Be it known that the Town Council of the Town of Wallingford hereby supports and consents to the conversion of the facility located at 530 South Cherry Street, Wallingford, CT, owned and operated by Covanta Projects of Wallingford, L.P., from that of an Energyfrom-Waste facility to that of a waste transfer station. - Councilor Craig C. Fishbein

MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.MADE BY:FISHBEINSECONDED BY:LETOURNEAUCouncilor Fishbein read the Resolution.

ROLL CALL VO	TE:			
FISHBEIN:	YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN:	YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU:	YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES
9-AYE				
MOTION PASSE	D.			

15. Consider and Approve Amendment to Agreement for the purchase of 346 South Elm Street. - Law Department

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FORTHE PURCHASE OF 346 SOUTH ELM STREETMADE BY:LAFFINSECONDED BY:FISHBEINIn attendance:Laris Small, Composition Counsel

In attendance: Janis Small, Corporation Counsel

James Hine, 342 South Elm Street, direct neighbor of 346 South Elm Street

Mayor said best way to resolve this is to have the plan come to the Council before the next Planning & Zoning meeting in a Special Meeting to approve the plan ahead of time. It hinges on a Special Meeting.

After much discussion with Mr. Hine, regarding his concerns about the development of a parking lot within a few feet of his property line and other issues about the development plan, Attorney Small stated that the key question is whether there is interest on the Council to have an opportunity to reconsider purchasing the property at all, or is the Council in the position, having decided to purchase the property, going to rely on Planning and Zoning doing their job in making the decision on the Special Permit. If the answer is yes then we need to do something. If the answer is no, then it is just a matter of extending the time limits.

Chairman Cervoni pointed out the difficulty in having a workshop is that essentially we are the applicant. Attorney Small said very good point! Chairman Cervoni said we need an

amendment to the motion to approve the extension contingent upon the Council having the opportunity to review the application before it goes before Planning & Zoning.

MOTION WAS MADE TO AMEND THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXTENSIONCONTINGENT UPON THE COUNCIL HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEWTHE APPLICATION BEFORE IT GOES BEFORE PLANNING & ZONING.MADE BY:PARISISECONDED BY:LETOURNEAU

ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT: FISHBEIN: NO MANSFIELD: YES LAFFIN: YES PARISI: YES LETOURNEAU: YES RUSSO: YES CHAIR 8-AYE; 1-NAY MOTION PASSED.

SULLIVAN: YES TESTA: YES CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES

ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE	E AMENDED MOT	TION:	
FISHBEIN: YES	MANSFIELD:	YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN: YES	PARISI: YES		TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU: YES	RUSSO: YES		CHAIRMAN CERVONI: YES
8-AYE; 1-NAY			
MOTION PASSED.			

16. Executive Session pursuant to §1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property – Mayor

WITHDRAWN

Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-225(f), §1-210(b)(1) and §1-200(6)(D) regarding the terms of the Amendment(s) to the LS Power Lease Agreement
 Law Department

WITHDRAWN

MOTION TO ADJOURN.MADE BY:FISHBEINSECONDED BY:PARISIVOTE:ALL AYE (9)MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Weekes Secretary to the Town Council Chairman Vincent Cervoni

Town Clerk, Barbara Thompson

Date

Date

Wallingford Town Hall, 45 South Main Street

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