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**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Town Council Chambers**

**TUESDAY
AUGUST 21, 2018
6:30 P.M**

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 was called to order at 6:53 P.M. There was a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were: Chairman Vincent Cervoni, Craig Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, John LeTourneau, Christopher K. Shortell, Vincent F. Testa and Jason Zandri arrived at (7:05 p.m.). Councilors Joseph A. Marrone and Gina Morgenstein were absent. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., and Corporation Counsel Janis Small were also present at the meeting.

- 3a. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds totaling \$21,025.74 (#12-68)
Acct. #1001001-41020 - Tax Collector
- 3b. Consider and Approve the Wallingford Community Theatre's use of Robert F. Parisi Council Chambers from November 28th through December 9th for Repertory Theatre production scheduled for December 6th, 7th, & 8th – Mayor
- 3c. Consider and Approve Acceptance of donation and Appropriation in the amount of \$1,000 to Revenues Donations Acct. #2524002-47152 and Revenues-Event or sale proceeds Acct. #2524002-47040 and to Expenses,
Acct. #25240150-58830 – Wallingford Jubilee 2020
- 3d. Consider and Approve Acceptance of Operation Fuel funds in the amount of \$775 to Revenue, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenses, Acct. # 21340100-5883 – Youth and Social Services
- 3e. Consider and Approve Re-appropriation of donated funds for Project Graduation to the FY 2018-19 Budget in the amount of \$8,946 to Revenue, Acct. #2324002-49000 and to Expenditures, Acct. #23240150-58252 – Youth and Social Services
- 3f. Consider and Approve Acceptance of Donation and Appropriation in the Amount of \$100 to Revenue, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Youth and Social Services
- 3g. Consider and Approve Acceptance of funds from East Shore Health District, MRC Regional Coordinator and CT Region 2 fiduciary for Health and Human Services 2018-19 and an Appropriation in the amount of \$2,500 from ESHD-MRC, Acct. # TBD and to ESHD-MRC, Acct. # TBD
- Health Department
- 3h. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$2,000 from Regular Wages, Acct. #10020050-51000 and to Hydraulic Ram, Acct. #TBD- Police Department

- 3i. Consider and Approve Acceptance of Overtime reimbursement funds from DEA Drug Diversion Taskforce and an Appropriation in the amount of \$3,190 to Misc. Revenue, Acct. #1009052-47040 and to Police Overtime, Acct. #10020050-51400 – Police Department
- 3j. Consider and Approve Acceptance of a Hemorrhage Control Training Kit donated by PMA Companies valued at approximately \$800 – Fire Department
- 3k. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$900 from Operating Expenses, Acct. #10020150-58735 to PS-Ambulance, Acct. # 10020150-56778 – Fire Department FY 2017-18
- 3l. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$3,600 from Outside Services Employees, Acct. #46100923 to Injuries and Damages, Acct. #46100925 – Sewer Division FY 2017-18
- 3m. Consider and Approve an Appropriation in the amount of \$2,350 to Interest Income, Acct. #419 and to Other Interest Expense-Customer Deposits, Acct. #431 – Electric Division FY 2017-18
- 3n. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$39,500 from Distribution Maintenance-Overhead Lines, Acct. #593 to Distribution Maintenance-Misc. Distr./Environmental, Acct. #598 – Electric Division FY 2017-18
- 3o. Consider and Approve an Agreement between the Town of Wallingford and Comunidad Hispana de Wallingford, Inc., “S.C.O.W.”, as our subcontractor, to fulfill all terms and conditions of the Connecticut Department of Social Services Hispanic Human Resource Development Grant (148-2BP-HHD-02/18DSS1302BP \$4,922) – Program Planning
- 3p. Consider and Approve an Agreement between the Town of Wallingford and Comunidad Hispana de Wallingford, Inc., “S.C.O.W.”, as our subcontractor, to fulfill all terms and conditions of the Connecticut Department of Social Services Hispanic Human Resource Development Grant (148-2BP-HRD-20/18DSS4002BP \$2,428) Grant – Program Planning
- 3q. Consider and Approve a Resolution authorizing Mayor William Dickinson to enter into or amend contractual instruments between the Town of Wallingford and the State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood for a Child Day Care Program from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020 – Mayor
- 3r. Consider and Approve an Agreement between Wallingford Community Day Care Center, Inc. and the Town of Wallingford, which authorizes the Wallingford Community Day Care Center, Inc. to carry out funding programs as provided in the contract between the Town of Wallingford and the State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020 – Mayor

- 3s. Consider and Approve a Resolution permitting the Wallingford Community Day Care Center, Inc. to borrow from the Town of Wallingford amounts necessary to meet the essential operation expenses of said Day Care Center prior to the time its program is approved for funding from the State of Connecticut – Mayor
- 3t. Consider and Approve a Resolution adopting the 2018 South Central Region Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan Update – Mayor
- 3u. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$5,400 from Maintenance of Building and Grounds, Acct. #10030000-54315 to Capital Account, Acct. #TBD – Public Works
- 3v. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$3,923 from Vet. Care, Acct. #10020100-56742 to Reg. Wages, Acct. #10020100-51000 – Animal Control FY 2017-18
- 3w. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$10,336 from Electronic Reporting System, Acct. #10020150-57000-0621 to Telephone, Acct. #10020150-53000 – Fire Department FY 2017-18
- 3x. Consider and Approve an Appropriation in the amount of \$38,500 to Summer Youth Employment Special Revenue Fund #227 and to Summer Youth Employment Expenditures, Fund #227 – Youth and Social Services
- 3y. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$4,298 from Medicare Tax, Acct. #10012050-52105 to Regular Wages-PUC, Acct. #10011140-51000 - Public Utilities FY 2017-18
- 3z. Acceptance of Gifts to Wallingford Public Schools 201718 Totaling \$224,790/BOE
- 3aa. Approve Town Council Minutes of July 10, 2018

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 3a.-3aa.

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED

4. **Items Removed from the Consent Agenda: None**

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD**

Opened Public Question and Answer Period at 6:55 p.m.

Larry Morgenstein, South Main Street, commented that the PUC meeting is tonight and asked if they are discussing CMEEC. He then questioned where the parties stand.

Mayor Dickinson stated that the \$1.8 million is money owed from the past and that there are no final figures going forward. He went on to state there is no timeframe that he knows of and at this point, it is difficult to tell when this will conclude.

Bob Gross, Long Hill Road, asked what the legal fees are. Mayor Dickinson responded that he didn't know at this point and there is no final agreement with CMEEC.

Closed Public Question and Answer Period at 7:01 p.m.

7. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Tentative Agreement for Local 130360 of Council #4-American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees – AFLCIO – Wallingford Custodians' Contract

*In Attendance: Dr. Salvatore Menzo, Superintendent, Board of Education
Cynthia Lavalette, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, Board of Education
Roxane McKay, Chairman, Board of Education*

Mrs. Lavalette talked about the Custodians' Contract from the Board of Education. She mentioned it is a three year duration concluding June 30, 2021. She explained that with salary increases of 1.75 percent the first year, 2.0 percent the second year and 1.85 percent the third year, the union agreed to biweekly wages as of 2019. Insurance is still a PPO and moves to a HSA the next fiscal year. It will have a 2 percent increase for single payers, and a 3 percent increase for families of 2 or more.

6. 6:30 P.M. Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider and Act on the following Ordinance:
Code of Ethics

Opened Public Hearing at 7:07 P.M.

Bob Gross, Long Hill Road, asked if there is any training involved and Attorney Small replied not specifically in the ordinance.

Councilor Fishbein thinks training should be put in there. He then refers to Page 2, the first line, Personal Value and asked what does that mean? Attorney Small stated this whole paragraph is from the original ordinance. She indicated that they discussed in Committee that this would stay.

Councilor Fishbein reviewed the entire document with Attorney Small questioning different sections and clauses at length.

Councilor Shortell pointed out that they did not rush through this and he is fine with tabling this but they have been discussing this since February. He agrees with Mr. Gross that there should be mandatory training.

**MOTION WAS MADE TO REVERT THIS BACK TO ORDINANCE
COMMITTEE**

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: SHORTELL
VOTE: 6 AYE
1 OPPOSED (LAFFIN)
2 ABSENT
MOTION: PASSED

8. Discussion and Possible Action with regard to changing the name of High Street (in Yalesville) to Patricia Juliano Drive – Councilor Fishbein

Councilor Fishbein stated when going door to door campaigning back two years ago with Councilor Shortell, many residents complained that they weren't getting mail, packages, etc. so we proposed a name change and that did not go anywhere. He indicated that the Police Chief has done a survey and he is waiting to hear back about that. He thinks we should change the name. Councilor Fishbein then stated that Pat Juliano made a difference in his life and he thinks there is a problem with the two same named streets in town. He stated he is just trying to solve a problem.

Mayor Dickinson stated the police did the survey and most were opposed to a name change and a number change and they do not want to do it.

Chairman Cervoni thought we used to be bound to a "list" of names to choose from. Mayor Dickinson stated typically it is for a new street and noted for an existing street it requires everyone to change their address.

Councilor Zandri commented that we all acknowledge there is an issue here. He stated he is hearing from the Mayor that a significant number of people don't want to change the name of the street. He thinks we have to listen to the people it impacts.

Councilor LeTourneau thought we directed the Police Department to survey both High Streets. Mayor Dickinson replied only the High Street in Yalesville but there was no interest.

Councilor LeTourneau asked to get back to the list of names approved by Town Council and indicated they are founding family names and have historic value to them. He then asked what about making High Street East High Street and West High Street so as to not change the name but differentiate for emergency services.

Councilor Laffin stated that Pat Juliano was a beautiful and dedicated woman and this has nothing to do with her. He agrees with Councilor Zandri that if the residents want it he has no problem with it.

Councilor Testa feels to impose this on the residents would be okay if they asked for this or if emergency personnel said it had to be done. He indicated it would be good to see a simple list of everyone on the street with their names and a yes or no as to a name change next to it. He stated he cannot make a decision without knowing if all the residents are happy.

Councilor Shortell agrees with everything Councilor Testa said. He thinks we need 75% to 80% of the residents to say yes.

Councilor Fishbein noted there are 19 homes, 13 said yes and 5 are opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kristen Crane, Sigwin Circle, stated that she has lupus and had a seizure and the ambulance almost didn't get there because they went to Sigwin Drive instead of Sigwin Circle. She feels this is important.

Dave Juliano, 21 Nathans Path, commented that he solved this problem at his business in Yalesville by always putting Yalesville on the package.

Judy O'Dell, 15 High Street, does not want the street name changed and indicated you just need to point out that it is Yalesville. She does not support this.

Dorothy O'Davis, 41 High Street Ext., stated that she has had no problems with emergency services and this would be a lot of changes to make. She does not support it.

Sharon Gummoe, 1 High Street, stated she has used emergency services and has had no problems. It is a lot of changes to make. She does not support this.

Jennifer Gunn, 8 High Street, indicated she has had EMS Fire Department come and has tons of packages that arrive and medical response is no issue.

Chairman Cervoni feels perhaps we can hear from the Police Department about this survey.

Dorothy O'Davis commented it would have been nice if a letter had been sent to the neighbors to let them know this meeting was happening.

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

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:31 P.M.

MADE BY: LAFFIN

SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property.

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:26 P.M.

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU
ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED

Time of Executive Session 8:33 p.m. to 9:24 p.m.

Attendance at Executive Session:

FISHBEIN CORPORATION COUNSEL JANIS SMALL
LAFFIN MAYOR WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
LETOURNEAU
SHORTELL
TESTA
ZANDRI
CERVONI

10a. Motion to authorize the Mayor or his designee to bid at the auction of 33 North Cherry Street as discussed in Executive Session – Mayor

MOTION WAS MADE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO BID AT THE AUCTION OF 33 NORTH CHERRY STREET AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU

Mr. Gross asked why this property? Mayor Dickinson indicated parking next to town property helps encourage investment in the downtown area.

Mr. Gross agrees with the Mayor and asked if we would be purchasing other properties in town? Mayor Dickinson said one step at a time. He indicated price plays a roll and this is a reasonable price and it is available.

Larry Morgenstein, South Main Street, thinks this is a keystone to the downtown. He stated he hopes our vision isn't just parking.

Jamie Hine, 342 South Elm Street, thinks it's essential that the town takes part in this bid. He stated that this part of town has been struggling. A developer does not want to wait to buy up small parcels so this gives the town a large parcel to work with.

Fran Francino, Jackson Avenue, agrees with the last two speakers that area needs revitalization.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	MORGENSTEIN: ABSENT
FISHBEIN: NO	SHORTELL: YES
LAFFIN: YES	TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU: YES	ZANDRI: YES
MARRONE: ABSENT	CERVONI: YES

6-AYE
1-NAY
2-ABSENT
MOTION: PASSED

10b. Consider and Approve an Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$47,000 to Distribution Revenue, Fund #200 and to Property Purchase Expense, Fund #200 - Mayor

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$47,000 TO DISTRIBUTION REVENUE, FUND #200 AND TO PROPERTY PURCHASE EXPENSE, FUND #200.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	MORGENSTEIN: ABSENT
FISHBEIN: YES	SHORTELL: YES
LAFFIN: YES	TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU: YES	ZANDRI: YES
MARRONE: ABSENT	CERVONI: YES

7-AYE
2-ABSENT
MOTION: PASSED

MOTION TO ADJOURN
MADE BY: LETOURNEAU
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN
MOTION: PASSED

The Council adjourned the meeting at 9:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moss
Council Staff
Meeting digitally recorded

Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

Date

Barbara Thompson, Town Clerk

Date

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AT 12:00 AND RECEIVED BY

Barbara Thompson

TOWN CLERK