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**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
Town Council Chambers  
WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER 9, 2019  
6:30 P.M.  
RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES**

The Town Council Meeting on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 was called to order at 6:32 p.m. There was a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were Chairman Vincent Cervoni, Councilors Craig C. Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, John LeTourneau (arrived 6:44 p.m.), Joseph A. Marrone, Gina Morgenstein, Vincent F. Testa and Jason Zandri. Councilor Christopher K. Shortell was absent. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Corporation Counsel Janis Small were also present.

- 3a. Consider and approve Tax Refunds totaling \$5,617.01 (#304-327) Acct. #1001001- 41020 - Tax Collector
- 3b. Acceptance of donation from Ashlar Village Association of Masonicare and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,500 to Revenue Account-Ashlar Village Association, Acct. #250-TBD and to Operating Expenses, Fund #250-TBD – Fire Dept.
- 3c. Acceptance of donations for Holiday for Giving and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,330 to Revenue, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Y&SS
- 3d. Acceptance of donations for Alzheimer’s Association and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$360 to Revenue, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Y&SS
- 3e. Acceptance of funds and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$190 to Revenue, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Y&SS
- 3f. Acceptance of STEM grant from the National Education Foundation and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$7,500 to Revenue, Acct. #2264002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #22640150-58830 – Y&SS
- 3g. Acceptance of funds from Workforce Alliance for Summer Youth Employment Program and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$14,443 to Revenue, Acct. #2274002-47010 and to Expenditures, Acct. #22702020-51000 – Y&SS
- 3h. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$4,753 from Contingency, Acct. #10019000-58820 to Chemical House, Acct. #10030000-56766 – Public Works

- 3i. Approve September 24, 2019 Town Council Minutes.

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

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

4. Items Removed from Consent Agenda: *None*

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

6. Budget Amendment in the amount of \$44,000 – Water-Sewer Div.

**MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE Budget Amendment in the amount of \$44,000.**

**MADE BY: LAFFIN**  
**SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN**

*In Attendance: Richard Hendershot, Director, PUC*  
*Neil Amwake, General Manager, Water-Sewer Div.*

Mr. Amwake explained the budget amendment is to repair and replace two pumps. He stated there are four pumps and they all run in a series. He indicated number one and number two will be replaced now and in 2021 number three and number 4 will be replaced.

Councilor Morgenstein inquired about the expected life span for these pumps. Mr. Amwake stated it's hard to say because as water runs through it, numerous things can happen.

Chairman Cervoni asked if all four pumps run at the same time. Mr. Amwake explained they run number one then they switch to number two and if a large event happens, then they run two pumps at once.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>MORGENSTEIN: YES</b>
<b>FISHBEIN: YES</b>	<b>SHORTELL: ABSENT</b>
<b>LAFFIN: YES</b>	<b>TESTA: YES</b>
<b>LETOURNEAU: ABSENT</b>	<b>ZANDRI: YES</b>
<b>MARRONE: YES</b>	<b>CERVONI: YES</b>
<b>7-AYE</b>	
<b>2-ABSENT</b>	
<b>MOTION: PASSED</b>	

7. Consider and approve Request to Utilize Qualifications Based Selection for Engineering Studies at Ulbrich Reservoir Dam – Water-Sewer Div.

*In Attendance: Richard Hendershot, Director, PUC  
Neil Amwake, General Manager, Water-Sewer Div.*

**MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE Request to Utilize Qualifications Based Selection for Engineering Studies at Ulbrich Reservoir Dam.**

Chairman Cervoni asked why we did not go out to bid. Mr. Amwake responded we already did go out to bid last year. He then stated we pump water from the Ulbrich Reservoir to the Mackenzie Reservoir and it's a 3 step study.

Mr. Amwake stated on the bid last year, we realized this was a specialty project so the two part bid came back questionable.

Councilor Zandri asked if we are going back to the original seven bidders. Mr. Amwake explained they will tweak their request and basically look for a new response. Mr. Amwake then stated they have an opportunity to re-bid. He went on to say we have \$75,000 allocated for this in the budget.

Councilor Fishbein inquired about the chart of the first bidders.

Mr. Amwake stated we strive for the highest technical score and the lowest cost on a two part bid.

Councilor Fishbein asked do you have the ability to reject a bid. Mr. Amwake replied we just let the bids expire.

Attorney Small stated you, the Council, have the ability to reject the bid. She explained they would have to come to the Council but this is highly technical and they let this expire because they did not have confidence in the lowest bidder.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b>	<b>MORGENSTEIN: YES</b>
<b>FISHBEIN: YES</b>	<b>SHORTELL: ABSENT</b>
<b>LAFFIN: YES</b>	<b>TESTA: YES</b>
<b>LETOURNEAU: YES</b>	<b>ZANDRI: YES</b>
<b>MARRONE: YES</b>	<b>CERVONI: YES</b>
<b>8-AYE</b>	
<b>1-ABSENT</b>	
<b>MOTION: PASSED</b>	

8. 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 -- *Withdrawn*

9. Executive Session pursuant to CGS Section 1-200(6)(B) and Section 1-225(f) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation matter of *Town of Wallingford v. Matthew J. Madley* – Law Dept.

**MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:58 P.M.**

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

**MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION** pursuant to CGS Section 1-200(6)(B) and Section 1-225(f) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation matter of *Town of Wallingford v. Matthew J. Madley*.

**MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:05 P.M.**

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

**Time of Executive Session 6:58 p.m. to 7:05 p.m.**

**Attendance at Executive Session:**

**FISHBEIN MAYOR WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.  
LAFFIN CORPORATION COUNSEL JANIS SMALL  
LETOURNEAU RICHARD HENDERSHOT, DIRECTOR, PUC  
MARRONE NEIL AMWAKE, GENERAL MANAGER, WATER-SEWER  
MORGENSTEIN  
TESTA  
ZANDRI  
CERVONI**

10. Consider and Approve action on *Town of Wallingford v. Matthew J. Madley* as discussed in Executive Session.

**MOTION WAS MADE TO Approve action on *Town of Wallingford v. Matthew J. Madley* as discussed in Executive Session.**

**MADE BY: LAFFIN  
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**FISHBEIN: YES**

**LAFFIN: YES**

**LETOURNEAU: YES**

**MARRONE: YES**

**8-AYE**

**1-ABSENT**

**MOTION: PASSED**

**SHORTELL: ABSENT**

**TESTA: YES**

**ZANDRI: YES**

**CERVONI: YES**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**MADE BY: FISHBEIN**

**SECONDED BY: LETOURNEAU**

**ALL AYE**

**MOTION: PASSED**

The Council adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

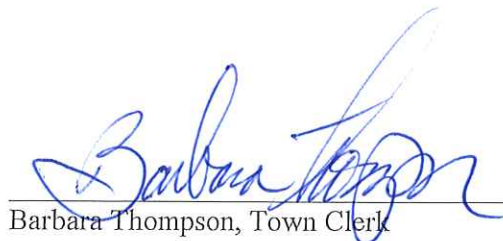
Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moss  
Council Staff  
Meeting digitally recorded

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Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

22 Oct. 2019  
Date

  
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Barbara Thompson, Town Clerk

10/23/19  
Date