

Special Town Council Meeting

April 6, 1988

5:30 p.m.

A Special Meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held in Council Chambers, called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Albert E. Killen. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall were Council Members Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Killen, Papale, Parisi and Solinsky. Also present were Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Public Utilities Commission Chairman Richard A. Nunn. Councilman Zandri arrived as the vote was being taken.

The express purpose of this meeting was to consider waiving the bidding procedure for moving expenses for the new Water-Sewer Division Manager.

Mrs. Papale moved to approve waiving the bidding procedure for moving expenses for the new Water-Sewer Division Manager, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Nunn explained that the cost would be over \$2,000 since the majority of the expense is the distance, from Pennsylvania. He added that three quotes were obtained and the lowest of the three would be accepted.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Delores B. Fetta, Council Secretary

Approved Albert E. Killen
Albert E. Killen, Council Chairman

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Date

Kathryn J. Wall
Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk

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Meeting adjourned.	22

Town Council Meeting Agenda

April 12, 1988

6:30 p.m.

- (1) Roll call and pledge of allegiance to flag.
- (2) Public question and answer period at 7:30 p.m.
- (3) Consider and approve transfers requested by Jack K. McElfish, Fire Chief:
 - (a) \$ 800 from General Wage to Part-Time Help
 - (b) \$1,000 from General Wage to Acting Officer's Pay
 - (c) \$ 150 from No Sick Leave Incentive
\$ 304 from Longevity-Union
\$ 700 from Degree Allowance
\$1,000 from Physical Exams, a total of
\$2,154 to Overtime
 - (d) \$3,000 from General Wage and \$1,000 from Physical Exams/
\$4,000 to Sick Replacement
 - (e) \$4,000 from Physical Exams to Worker's Comp Replacement
 - (f) \$ 315 from Mobile Two-Way Radio to Computer Terminal & Printer
 - (g) \$3,000 from Physical Exams to Vacation Replacement
- (4) Consider and approve a transfer of \$3,000 from Utilities-Municipal Building, 350 Center Street to Utilities-Railroad Station, requested by Steven L. Deak, Director of Public Works.
- (5) Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,750 from Part-Time Clerk \$425 to Secretary Wages, \$450 to Seminars & Dues and \$875 to Advertising, requested by Linda A. Bush, Town Planner.
- (6) Consider and approve transfer of funds from Parker Farms School Accounts into Parker Farms Contingency Account. (Backup forthcoming.)
- (7) Consider and approve a transfer of \$975 from Youth Service Bureau Counselor/\$750 to Community Service Worker and \$225 to Telephone, requested by Marty Barracato-Camire, Youth Service Bureau.
- (8) Consider resolution authorizing Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. to execute and file application with the Department of Children and Youth Services for a YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU GRANT, requested by Marty Barracato-Camire, Youth Service Bureau.
- (9) Consider amending Personnel Detail page of budget for the Electric Division to reflect funding of the Chief of Shift Position. (Exact amount documentation forthcoming.)
- (10) Consider acceptance of \$1,500 worth of computer equipment given to the Civil Defense Department.
- (11) Consider transfers totalling \$5,305 requested by the Town Clerk:
 - (a) Increase A/C 001/6030/999/9905 from \$1,150 to \$2,910
 - (b) Transfer of \$650 for steel tables for vault
 - (c) Transfer of \$195 to a new account for three chairs
 - (d) Transfer to a new account of \$1,600 to correct maps
- (11)
 - (e) Transfer of \$750 to create bases for rolling shelves in the vault.
 - (f) Transfer of \$350 for bookcase which will house PUC and Planning and Zoning minutes.

Total amount requested is \$5,305 which is available in Account #001/6030/600/6500.

(TRANSFERS TO BE MAILED BY KATHRYN J. WALL.)

- (12) Consider and approve a transfer of \$3,985 from Education Insurance to Special Ed-Excess Costs 1987, requested by Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr.
- (13) Consider approval of Mayor Dickinson's appointment of

a six year term effective immediately upon Council approval and expiring December 31, 1993.

- (14) Consider approval of Mayor Dickinson's appointment of Attorney Earl F. Dewey, II to the Personnel & Pensions Appeals Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Joseph Blichfeldt. Term to commence immediately and expire on December 31, 1990.
- (15) Discussion and approval to abandon the temporary construction easement on the property of Richard E. and Amalia V. Figlewski, South View Drive, requested by Adam Mantzaris, Town Attorney.
- (16) STATUS REPORT by Mayor William W. Dickinson on his meeting with the State DEP on the ash situation at the Meriden Landfill, requested by Councilman Edward R. Bradley.
- (17) Consider motion to recognize the health problems that Wallingford residents have experienced and associated with high levels of manganese in Well #3, requested by Councilman Edward R. Bradley.
- (18) Consider motion to shut down Well #3 until an alternative solution is brought forward while the water treatment facility is being completed, requested by Councilman Edward R. Bradley.
- (19) Note for the record the financial statements of the Town of Wallingford for the month ended March 31, 1988.
- (20) Consider acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes dated March 22, 1988.
- (21) Consider acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes dated March 23, 1988.
- (22) Consider acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes dated April 6, 1988.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

April 12, 1988

6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held in Council Chambers, called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Chairman Albert E. Killen. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall were Council Members Adams, Bradley, Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Adam Mantzaris, Town Attorney, and Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller, arrived shortly after the roll was called. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to have the following items placed on the Consent Agenda to be voted upon as a block by one unanimous vote:

ITEM 8. Consider resolution authorizing Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. to execute and file application with the Department of Children and Youth Services for a YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU GRANT.

ITEM 19. Note for the record the financial statements of the Town of Wallingford for the month ended March 31, 1988.

ITEMS 20, 21 and 22. Acceptance of Town Council Meeting Minutes dated March 23, March 22, and April 6, 1988.

Mrs. Papale seconded the motion and read the following resolution into the record (Item 8.)

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD
FOR A YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU GRANT

WHEREAS, in compliance with Sec. 17-433 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended, the State Department of Children and Youth Services is expected to offer the Town of Wallingford a grant for Fiscal Year 1988-1989 for purposes of operating the administrative unit and direct service program of the Wallingford Youth Service Bureau, and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and the best interest of the residents of Wallingford to accept said grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD:

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State assistance imposed by Section 17-443.
2. That it recognizes the responsibility for the provision of local grants-in-aid to the extent that they are necessary and required for said program.
3. That the filing of an application by the Town of Wallingford in an amount not to exceed \$36,000, is hereby approved and that the Mayor of the Town of Wallingford is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application with the Department of Children and Youth Services, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required by the Department, to execute a Grant Action Request with the State of Connecticut for state financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, revisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Wallingford.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes with the exception of Adams, who passed on the minutes of minutes of March 23, 1988 and Zandri and Adams who passed on the minutes of April 6, 1988; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3. Consider and approve transfers requested by Jack K. McElfish, Fire Chief:

- (a) \$ 800 from General Wage to Part-Time Help
- (b) \$1,000 from General Wage to Acting Officer's Pay
- (c) \$ 150 from No Sick Leave Incentive
- \$ 304 from Longevity-Union
- \$ 700 from Degree Allowance
- \$1,000 from Physical Exams, a total of
- \$2,154 to Overtime
- (d) \$3,000 from General Wage and \$1,000 from Physical Exams/
- \$4,000 to Sick Replacement
- (e) \$4,000 from Physical Exams to Worker's Comp Replacement
- (f) \$ 315 from Mobile Two-Way Radio to Computer Terminal & Printer
- (g) \$3,000 from Physical Exams to Vacation Replacement

Chief McElfish explained that they are running short in different accounts and they are taking money out of their existing accounts. Some of the major ones are from the General Wage, where they have had vacancies filled at a lower rate and have a balance with their part time help. The Acting Officer's Pay Account serves to replace the Officers that are sick or on vacation. They have one Officer down and they are in the process of replacing that Officer. Regarding the Overtime Account, this is an account that is used for special events, such as Race Day, Parades, etc.

ITEM 3a. \$800 from General Wage to Part-Time Help, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Killen pointed out to Chief McElfish that they are taking quite a bit from the General Wage and asked if it has been figured out and Chief McElfish replied that it has been figured out.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3b. \$1,000 from General Wage to Acting Officer's Pay, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Chief McElfish explained that by Contract, when an Officer's rank is filled by a Firefighter, he is paid the additional amount of monies. There has been one opening for about 5 months now, but 3 people are being evaluated, and that is why the account is down.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3c. \$ 150 from No Sick Leave Incentive, \$304 from Longevity-Union, \$700 from Degree Allowance, \$1,000 from Physical Exams, a total of \$2,154 to Overtime, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Adams asked why 20% was being taken out of Physical Exams when this money was earmarked for this and added that he is very concerned. Chief McElfish explained that the program did not proceed as fast as they had hoped. At this time, they have 32 career people who have taken it but, there are people that feel that they do not have to take it, and he feels that they should. An expert from OSHA is going to have it written up that anyone who wears a breathing apparatus, has to have a physical. They are hoping to have 40 volunteers done by the time this fiscal year is out.

Mr. Adams asked Chief McElfish how many paid fire people he has right now and Chief McElfish replied 61 and they have 120 active volunteers.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road, commented that he does not agree that the Town should have to pay for these physical exams.

Mrs. Eleanor Durgan, 36 Kingsland Avenue, asked if the volunteers were covered under the Physical Exams Account and Chief McElfish replied no and explained that it is only for career people in the Fire and Police Department.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3d. \$3,000 from General Wage and \$1,000 from Physical Exams, a total of \$4,000 to Sick Replacement, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3e. \$4,000 from Physical Exams to Worker's Comp Replacement, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Parisi asked Chief McElfish if he feels that he over-estimated Physical Exams for this year and Chief McElfish replied no. Mr. Parisi added that they should know ahead of time what this is going to cost. Mr. Killen agreed with Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3f. \$315 from Mobile Two-Way Radio to Computer Terminal & Printer, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 3g. \$3,000 from Physical Exams to Vacation Replacement, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 4. Consider and approve a transfer of \$3,000 from Utilities-Municipal Building, 350 Center Street to Utilities-Railroad Station, requested by Public Works, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Deak why these additional funds were needed and Mr. Deak explained that they have extra outside lights and a little bit more usage by the Board of Education.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried. (Parisi not present for vote)

ITEM 5. Consider and approve a transfer of \$1,750 from Part-Time

Clerk, \$425 to Secretary wages, \$450 to Seminars & Dues and \$875 to Advertising, requested by Town Planner, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Regarding the Seminars & Dues, Mr. Killen asked Ms. Bush if this was something that she had not anticipated and Ms. Bush pointed out that it is a very small amount and was something that was not planned on but the topics looked very worth while.

Mr. Zandri asked why there was extra money in Part-Time Clerk, and Ms. Bush explained that she was without a part-time clerk for a good part of the year.

VOTE: Zandri voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 6. Consider and approve transfer of funds from Parker Farms School Accounts into Parker Farms Contingency Account, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Mr. Devine explained that he would like to transfer the following to the Contingency Account:

\$2,200.00	from Reroofing to Contingency #1386780700
266.00	from Interior Work to Contingency #1386780700
4,076.00	from Mechanical/Electrical to Contingency #1386780700

Mr. Devine added that these are all accounts from which the work has been completed and these are surplus funds which they would like to have put into Contingency.

Mr. Killen commented that he will vote to have these put into the Contingency Account with the understanding that nothing be spent in that Contingency Account, without Mr. Devine coming before the Council.

Mr. Devine explained that when they originally did the site work, they had cut back on the play equipment that was going to be provided for the school. They wanted to go forward and order another set of playground equipment, for the older children and that will come to \$1,990.00. However, there is a drainage problem that will have to be corrected and C. F. Wooding will be doing the work for \$1,777.00. Because of the difficulties with the site plans, as a result of the survey, which was incorrect, the road had to be redesigned. The cost of having the road redesigned by Mr. Roming is \$1,623.25 so, those are the 3 outstanding payables that they have right now.

Mr. Parisi commented that the firm that surveyed the property should pay and Mr. Devine explained that Attorney Mantzaris is looking into that matter.

Attorney Mantzaris explained that the man that did the redesign should be paid.

Mr. Holmes asked what the problem with the drainage was and Mr. Devine explained that the problem is in front of the gym where the water is coming off the roof (about 30 feet) and running onto the sidewalk. The water has been freezing, during the Winter and making it hazardous. The intention is to take the drain pipes and drain them into the sewer system and run that storm water off. The drainage work will be done by C.F. Wooding.

Mr. Musso commented that this is all because of poor planning.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 7. Consider and approve a transfer of \$975 from Youth Service Bureau Counselor/\$750 to Community Service Work and \$225 to Telephone, requested by Youth Service Bureau, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Zandri asked why there is extra money in the Counselor Fund and Mrs. Marty Barracato-Camire explained that the person does not work a set number of hours a week, only depending on how many clients are seen

Mr. Killen asked if there was a minimum of hours a week for community service and Mrs. Barracato-Camire explained that they have a program which trains high school students.

VOTE: Zandri voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 9. Consider amending Personnel Detail page of budget for the Electric Division to reflect funding of the Chief of Shift Position, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Holmes to explain the Chief of Shift position and the Utility Operator position and Mr. Holmes explained that the Chief of Shift position at today's rates, without any changes, is \$33,446. The Utility Operator position, by comparison is currently \$28,392. As they are moving today, these positions are basically all included in the upcoming budget at a maximum in their classifications because the people have trained through to be at that point. A little over a year ago, they had vacancies for a Chief of Shift and 2 Switchboard Operators. At that time, Mr. Walters came before the Council, requesting a similar budget amendment to fill the higher level classifications with the lower level Utility Operators. That was approved and that was accomplished.

Mr. Holmes asked what a Switchboard Operator does when the plant is not running and Mr. Michael Holmes explained that the people are manning the switchboard for the town, which is a 24 hour-a-day job, on 8 hour shifts. They are also performing all of the maintenance within Pierce Station (excluding the large projects contracted out).

Mrs. Papale asked why the Electric Division felt it was necessary to change these positions and Mr. Holmes explained that these positions are needed to operate the plant properly and it cannot be done with 1 Chief of Shift. Mr. Holmes made the Council aware that Mr. Walters, Mr. Smith and himself are reviewing now, a restructuring of classifications at Pierce Station.

Mr. Raymond Rys, 96 Pierson Drive, asked if this position was in the budget already and Mr. Holmes explained that it was originally in the budget and they could not hire someone to fill it so, they temporarily filled it with a lower level classification.

Mr. Bradley asked what the Utility Operator is making now and what the amount of difference is when he is promoted to Chief of Shift and Mr. Holmes explained that there is a \$5,000 annual difference.

Mr. Killen explained that what they are doing is amending the budget to reflect changes in the position.

VOTE: Holmes voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 2. Public Question and answer period.

Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road, pointed out that back in February, the residents of East Main Street, appeared before the Council and it was his understanding that at that time, Mr. Doherty indicated that he would be coming back to the Council with a request for considering an Ordinance to designate East Main Street as a scenic roadway. Many people spoke in favor of it. Mr. Marriott asked for a status report. Mr. Doherty explained that he tried to get this issue on the March agenda but there are no Ordinances. We are at the point where we have to construct our own. There are a couple in the works right now. The Ordinance Committee has set a meeting for April 14, 1988, where it will examine the two different ordinances and come up with one that will be submitted to the next Council Meeting (April 26, 1988) to set a Public Hearing.

Mayor Dickinson pointed out that the road must be made larger because of the drainage problem, and all of the residents will be notified prior to a final draft and they will be able to look at it at the Public Hearing and understand what is exactly going to happen.

Mr. Dwayne Braithwaite, 26 Kingsland Avenue, commented, that about 6 months ago, the Council took action to take property rights from him, and PUC also had a Public Hearing at that time. To this date, he has not heard anything and asked if they were still planning to take any action. He added that property rights have to be taken within 6 months. Attorney Mantzaris explained that when he met with Attorney Gallagher, who is handling the cases of Renfrew and Braithwaite, they decided that they were going to pursue those cases and not the condemnation and if more than 6 months has gone by, they will have to come back to the Council for new permission to condemn. At this point, the condemnation cases are not being pursued. Mr. Braithwaite added that he has felt harrassed in this matter.

Mr. Braitnwaite asked if he could petition the court for a declaratory judgment and Attorney Mantzaris explained that he does not think the cases have reached that stage yet.

Mr. George Soltez, 7 Russell Street asked if there was going to be a Public Hearing regarding East Main Street and Mayor Dickinson explained that the residents will have an opportunity to view the proposed design before any work commences. Mr. Soltez added that he is in favor of the Town of Wallingford and the Town Engineer, of widening the road. He has lived there 27 years and he has seen several accidents because the road is very narrow. He added that he was told, 8 years ago by a Council Member that this money was going to be put in the budget.

Mr. Peter Gouveia, 39 Lincoln Drive, commented that he agrees with Mayor Dickinson's appointment of a woman to fill the Assistant Town Attorney position and it should not stop there. He feels that the administration should look into getting more women involved in town government. 23 of 28 key positions in town government, belong to men. He added that he feels they should also look into pays awarded to men and pays awarded to women in equal positions.

Mr. Killen thanked Mr. Gouveia for his comments.

ITEM 10. Consider acceptance of \$1,500 worth of Computer equipment given to the Civil Defense Department, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Mr. Michael Staines, Communications Officer for the Town of Wallingford, explained that they received 2 Radio Shack Computer Systems, not quite up to date, complete with keyboard and monitor, 3 disk drives and 1 professional printer. They also received supplies and a special interface box which allows them to tie into some of the radio equipment that they have and it also allows them to start networking some of the computers together. Just one use for the computer, would be a full time management system, which is a computer system which will be connected together via radio equipment, to allow us to open up an Emergency Shelter either for evacuations or for crisis relocation and will allow people with proper computer equipment to enter into our computer system at the Civil Defense, the names and pertinent information of medical problems of all of the people entering shelters. When the crisis is past, they will be able to keep track of who is at what shelters and what resources they are expending. The other one will replace a computer that is in the process of collecting meteorological data. The state currently has several radio operated weather gauges throughout the state (approx. 700) and it collects rain data. Wind speed and direction can also be taken.

Mr. Staines added that they have quite a few donations in the pipeline. The donations that will be coming to the Council soon are several pieces of radio equipment and materials and labor to help rebuild a 1959 old lighting and salvage unit, reacquired from the Fire Department.

VOTE: Holmes was not present for the vote; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 11. Consider transfers totalling \$5,305 requested by Town Clerk:

- (a) \$1,760 from Computerized Indexing to Roller Shelves
- (b) \$ 650 from Computerized Indexing to Steel Tables
- (c) \$195 from Computerized Indexing to Chairs for Vault
- (d) \$1,600 from Computerized Indexing to Map Files
- (e) \$ 750 from Computerized Indexing to Bases for Rolling Shelves
- (f) \$ 350 from Computerized Indexing to Bookcase

Total of \$5,305 from Computerized Indexing #001/6030/600/6500

Item 11 was moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Ms. Wall explained that she apologizes because, back in February she stated that she needed the money in computer indexing and microfilming. At that time, they were almost out of money in both of those accounts and some of the funds will be used in those accounts for the rest of the next 3 months. Some of the money is being used to pay bills now. A lot of this had to do with her being new and not anticipating this. Land records have dropped dramatically. They are ahead in their land records for what they have taken in for the Spring of 1986 and are down for the Spring of 1987.

The following letter of explanation for the transfers was submitted by Ms. Wall:

Increase account #001/6030/999/9905 for Rolling Shelves from \$1,150. to \$2,910. This is an increase of \$1,760. Also an increase in the number of Rolling Shelves purchased from two (2) to seven (7). One set of four Rolling Shelves will be needed to house our Town Records/Minutes. Currently the records are housed in a wooden cabinet and metal shelves. The cabinet should not be in the vault, with the upcoming move this is the time to replace it. The balance of the three rolling shelves will be incorporated into the current ones housing our land records. These shelves will be used to house our indexes, which are currently on top of metal cabinets which are not going to the new office.

A transfer to a new account to purchase steel tables for the new vault is also needed. Currently the vault has three (3) tables. In the new vault one table will be placed in vital statistics, a second one in the map area. This leaves us with only one table for the land records. The tables are priced at \$327.00 so a transfer of \$650.00 is needed.

With the new table we will also need chairs, a minimum of three chairs are necessary. Each chair will cost \$65.00. A transfer of \$195.00 to a new account is also necessary.

Also in regard to the move, maps showing the old Buroughs are currently housed under the map viewer. This should also be corrected. A transfer to a new account of \$1,600. is needed.

Another transfer for \$750. should be done to create bases for Rolling Shelves in the vault which currently are not up to State Statutes. The State requires a base of four inches for the Rolling Shelves, several sets do not have this base. Also some of the Rolling Shelves were placed on the metal cabinets which are not coming in the move.

The last transfer is for a bookcase which will house the PUC minutes and Planning and Zoning minutes. Currently the PUC minutes are in the vital statistics and the Planning and Zoning minutes are on top of the land records. The bookcase is \$350.

The total amount of transfers is \$5,305. The money is available in account #001/6030/600/6500.

Mr. Bradley asked if the bases in the roller shelves are considered one unit or two. Ms. Wall stated that she believes that they are two separate units and they are bolted in.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 12. Consider and approve a transfer of \$3,985 from Education Insurance to Special Ed-Excess Costs 1987, requested by Mayor Dickinson, Jr. moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Nelson Kari, Board of Education, explained that this was the first check that they received as far as this catastrophic expense. The check was received in January of 1987 and it was not until September that the Board of Education received an explanation as to what the check was for. The State explained that it was for expenditures for the 1985-1986 school year. The State explained that if this was not applied to any expenditures, they would ask for the money back.

Mr. Killen asked where the check is now and Mr. Myers explained that the check is in the General Fund.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 13. Consider approval of Mayor Dickinson's appointment of Mr. William J. Farrell to the Pension Commission, for a six year term effective immediately upon Council approval and expiring December 31, 1993, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

Referring to the Town Charter, Mr. Bradley pointed out that it

states that the applicant should have financial experience and training. Mayor Dickinson told Mr. Bradley that Mr. Farrell is a C.P.A. and felt that his accounting expertise would be a benefit to the Board.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 14. Consider approval of Mayor Dickinson's appointment of Attorney Earl F. Dewey, II to the Personnel & Pensions Appeals Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Joseph Blichfeldt. Term to commence immediately and expire on December 31, 1990, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Parisi.

Mr. Bradley asked Mayor Dickinson if Mr. Dewey, II meets the qualifications stated in the Town Charter and Mayor Dickinson stated that he does not believe that he does (political experience), and they would have a hard time finding anyone who will meet all of the qualifications.

Mr. Killen explained that he spoke with Mr. Seadale and he explained that the State has stated that there is another member of this Board other than what is called for in the Charter. It is a 5 man Board and another man sits in whenever there are matters on pensions. Mr. Killen added that they should have more information on this before going any farther than this. Mayor Dickinson suggested that this item be tabled and Mr. Killen agreed.

A motion to Table Item 14 was made by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM 15. Discussion and approval to abandon the temporary construction easement on the property of Richard E. and Amalia V. Figlewski, South View Drive, requested by the Town Attorney, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Holmes.

Attorney Mantzaris explained that this should have been released a long time ago and never was. The property owners now wish to refinance and do something with their property and the addition of the construction easement makes it a problem. He checked with the Engineering Department and there is no need to hold the construction easement because the work was done.

Mr. Killen asked what the original purpose for this was and Attorney Mantzaris explained that this was to permit equipment to go in and around the area where the actual easement was constructed, which is usually done in easement work. The only portion of the easement being released is the construction portion.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Killen called a recess at 8:44 p.m. and the Council returned at 8:54 p.m.

ITEM 16. STATUS REPORT by Mayor William W. Dickinson on his meeting with the State DEP on the ash situation at the Meriden Landfill, requested by Councilman Bradley.

Mayor Dickinson explained that he has not had any meetings with the State since the meeting back in March. Mayor Dickinson added that the State's position, as stated at that prior meeting, was that they would approve placement of ash in the Meriden Landfill. His response was that he did not understand how they were taking that position and he wants to understand better what the regulations are and how they are enforcing them, which is the reason for another meeting. This is what was conveyed at that meeting to all of us.

Mr. Bradley asked if the State now feels that since their funding looks like it is coming this way, they can put the ash there and Mayor Dickinson stated that he does not think it has anything to do with the Grant because, their position was stated before there was any Grant. Mayor Dickinson added that he believes that it relates to the regulations and he thinks that they feel the regulations, the classification of ground water, is based upon whether or not there is treatment for the ground water. Since there will be

permissible. which was stated at the previous meeting. Mayor Dickinson added that he would like to meet with Mr. Robert Moore and the Commissioner and go over it.

Mr. Bradley asked if the Town of Wallingford will be held responsible if the ash becomes classified as hazardous waste or will CRRA or the State of Connecticut be liable.

Mayor Dickinson explained that CRRA has no assets, other than what is paid into the project so any liabilities are shared by the participants of the project, which would be the five town plus potentially, the operator if he is found also to be negligent, unless it is shown that others are liable for having wrongfully or improperly dealt with the waste in some way. Mayor Dickinson added that as far as he is concerned, the whole discussion about the ash overlooks the great liability that the town has alone, for what is already there and he doubts if there is anyone in the environmental movement, who would argue that the ash is anymore toxic than the raw waste.

Mr. Bradley asked how you would split up that liability vs. the ash that was already there, and Mayor Dickinson explained that it is based upon a percentage of what has come in new vs. what was already there and it is the same situation with the Meriden Landfill. Gradually, liabilities of the regional project become greater as the amount of space taken up by the refuse deposited by the region gets larger.

Mr. Bradley commented that the liabilities keep on building up.

Mayor Dickinson commented that Ohio is now looking to enact legislation to prevent the importation of out-of-state waste and you may see every state in this union enact legislation to prevent any waste, hazardous or otherwise, from any other state. At that point, this state is going to have to show some leadership. It has to go someplace, and it is most probably going to end up within the borders of the State of Connecticut, which means that someone is going to have to make a decision, because it has to be put someplace. It doesn't matter what form you put it in, whether it is ash, raw garbage, or whatever residue is left from any process that you come up with, there is something hazardous. It has to go somewhere.

Mr. Zandri pointed out that the ash is a more concentrated form of hazardous material than raw garbage. Mayor Dickinson disagreed with Mr. Zandri and explained that ash is a far more stable molecular composition. When treated with the lime, it will not breakdown in a way that raw garbage will. Raw garbage contains oils, oven cleaners, etc. Everything gets dumped straight into the ground and percolates into the soil. When you burn something, that ash has a fairly stable molecular structure and in my opinion, it will not provide the kind of hazards that raw garbage does.

Mayor Dickinson felt that the liming of landfills will help to control whatever effluent and other types of pollution arguably can come from the ash and the cost of liming a landfill is estimated at \$500,000 per acre! When given quotes of what the tipping fee would be, it didn't incorporate limed landfills and it didn't incorporate shipment. If there is not space in and around our area for this waste, Mayor Dickinson felt that we would see that tipping fee go right off the Richter Scale--it will go from \$30 to \$60 to \$90 to maybe \$120 a ton. If other states say, "We're not going to take your waste, Connecticut," someone is going to have to make some decisions in this state. Wallingford shouldn't have to take the state's waste, but the General Assembly and the Governor and the departments in Hartford are going to have to wake up and someone is going to have to say, enough, this is what we are going to do and Mayor Dickinson felt that until that happens, the tipping fees will go right up. The recycling system will not take the hazardous waste and that must go someplace. Last year, the town paid around \$30,000 for the hazardous waste collected for 1% or less of Wallingford's waste and the Mayor asked everyone to imagine what the cost will be at the point we are handling everything that way, straight out of all of our pockets.

Mayor Dickinson wanted everyone to be aware that if we are not going to use our landfills, the entire community must be aware that it's not going to disappear and our costs are going to

escalate measurably. Mr. Zandri pointed out that if there is hazardous material out there, it should be disposed of properly, regardless of the cost because we are protecting our future, our groundwater, because in the long run, Mr. Zandri feels that there will be as much problem, if not more, with the ash than we have in the landfill alone and if there is discussion about liming our landfills, there is scepticism about the stability of that particular material. Mayor Dickinson added that regulations for the disposal of ash require liming but if you have any conversation with DEP officials, they are also saying is what we should have is limed landfills for raw garbage too but this has not been put in regulations. Mayor Dickinson felt that the cart was put before the horse, in his opinion. Everyone likes to get on an emotional bandwagon and head off in a direction that seems popular, but that cost is going to come back and that is what the Mayor is trying to highlight to the Council and, ultimately, the community--that cost is going to come back regardless of what system is used--our costs are going to go way up from what they are--name the system and our costs are going to go up. Mayor Dickinson felt it is too bad, part of it is the way the whole issue has been handled, part is lack of leadership at the state and part is a lot of things but the Mayor wants everyone to be aware that we are headed for some major cost factors on garbage disposal.

Mr. Killen asked Mr. Bradley if he was satisfied with this explanation and Mr. Bradley agreed he was.

ITEM 17. Consider a motion to recognize the health problems that Wallingford residents have experienced and associated with high levels of manganese in Well #3, moved by Mrs. Papale and seconded by Mr. Bradley. (Motion revised on page 13.)

Mr. Killen did not believe that was a specific motion and he asked what form Mr. Bradley wished this to take. Mr. Bradley explained that his intent here is to have somebody in the Town of Wallingford (he hoped it would have been PUC) that could have recognized this and this is the reason he is bringing it before this body and the motion is as stated for this Council to recognize the health problems that have been associated with Well #3.

Mr. Holmes indicated that a newspaper article reported that a group of experts would be looking into this problem. Mayor Dickinson said the Health Board is made up of at least three medical doctors, and three dentists on the Health Board, and included is Delbert Smith, M. D., Assistant Health Director and Mayor Dickinson has asked that they meet and review the situation with an interest obviously to protecting the public health.

Mr. Killen requested a formal motion on this.

Mr. Bradley moved that the Town Council recognize the health problems that Wallingford residents have experienced and associated with high levels of manganese in Well #3, seconded by Mr. Doherty. (Amended on page 18, paragraph 4 by Mr. Doherty.)

Mr. Bradley read the following statement:

pe we don't have to debate the well issues again this evening. We have
t several hours discussing this issue, and we have also heard from the
ic on three occasions, February 9 th., through correspondence to this
cil, and also at our March 3 rd., and March 22 nd. meetings. The
dents concerns have all been centered around health issues associated

gan levels of manganese in our water supply or manganese intoxication.

This is not a new problem, but a problem that has been known since 1980, maybe longer. Concerns were raised back in 1981 as to the manganese problems, and no action was taken. that's right people, 1981 ---- seven years ago, and here we are today. Wouldn't it have been nice if they had listened then?

I am darn tired of hearing that familiar phrase echoed by our PUC and other town officials, "the town water meets all the requirements". Are we to ignore the petitions that were signed by 377 town residents who stated that they suffered the symptoms of manganese intoxication (gastrointestinal irritation or headaches)? Are we to ignore 6 year old kathy who suffered from headaches and tummy aches or 5 year old katie who suffered from tummy aches. Would they or their parents understand that familiar phrase "the town water meets all the requirements"? They have since switched to bottle water and have no more complaints.

When will our PUC recongize that there is a problem? Will it take 2,000, 3,000, or 5,000 signatures on a petition,? I hope not, but then again, this problem has gone on for such a long period of time, I am convinced they truley feel there is no problem. The title of their board is the " PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION " and I empahise the word "PUBLIC". It's not the water utility commission, nor electric utility commission, nor the sewer utility commission. It is the PUBLIC'S Utility Commission and I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME THEY ACTED IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC! IT'S RATE PAYERS!

The residents have a right to know what's in there drinking water and as rate payers they have the right and should demand clean safe drinking water.

I know this is not an easy decision that you are faced with tonight, I just hope that this legislative body can agree that a health problem exists.

End of speech prepared by Councilman Edward R. Bradley.

Mr. Bradley knows this is not an easy decision the Council is faced with tonight; he just hopes that this legislative body can agree that a health problem exists.

Mr. Killen doesn't see that we can say that the PUC is not aware of the problem; if they were not aware of the problem, we wouldn't have gone out to bonding for the greensand filter and the airstripping tower.

Mr. Killen said the PUC has consistently told the Council that they need the pressure and they are using it to the best of their ability, using it to a minimum, drawing as much as they can now without disturbing too much of the water because, if we have a drought in the summertime, they would have to pump constantly and then there would be more manganese. Mr. Killen added that they are working with experts in the field and they are aware and doing the best they can; time seems to be against everything. Mr. Killen does not know what Mr. Bradley wants from this body but that is all he could say on behalf of the PUC.

Mr. Bradley understands that the well is currently shut down right now but he does not know if pressure problems exist now. Mr. Bradley asked Roger Dann if he, as Water Division Department head, recognized that there is a health problem associated with Well #3. Mr. Dann recognizes that there is a concern on the part of the public with regard to the manganese which is present in the water coming from Well #3. Mr. Dann stated that he is not a health expert but relies quite heavily on people in the health field.

Mr. Dann provided additional information regarding manganese. Manganese is not an uncommonly occurring compound--it's a naturally occurring compound and it's present in a large percentage of water supplies. Mr. Dann added that it's also present in a considerable amount of our food; in fact, water consumption contributes only approximately 2% or 3%, based on the information he has been able to obtain, to the average daily intake of manganese. Mr. Dann stated that approximately 98% of what any adult intakes in terms of manganese comes from food sources and he provides this information so that we can sort of keep a frame of reference with regard to the contributions we are talking about from well sources. Mr. Dann summarized information he was able to obtain from a number of surveys which have indicated that daily intake is anywhere from 1.1 to as high as 8.8 mg. of manganese per day, a range some of which are estimated based on a number of surveys. However, Mr. Dann said all the surveys have based somewhere within that range, total intake of manganese in any given adult's daily consumption of both food and beverage. Mr. Dann added that based on a 1978 FDA study referenced, it was found an average of 3.8 mg. per day for teenagers, 3.7 mg. per adults and in that same survey, they found approximately 57% of the contribution to be through sources such as grains and cereal products, fruits and vegetables 22%, beverages including water 11%, oils, fats, shortening, etc., dairy, meat and poultry an additional 10%. In order to provide somewhat of a frame of reference and a little bit of overview to this problem, Mr. Dann provides that information to enable you to see that perhaps that a contribution from water, even though it may be in excess of the 0.5 standard which applies on the basis of aesthetic concerns still does not represent a significant contribution relative to the normal daily intake. Mr. Dann added that the Food and Nutrition Board of National Research Council has indicated a range of 2.5 mg. to 5 mg. per day adequate and safe for manganese. Mr. Dann said that one particular survey indicated only 11% to be from all beverages, including water and all other beverages.

Mr. Bradley said taking these numbers and compounding them by the so-called guideline of 0.5 mg. per litre, you get up to 48 in one instance, or .65. Mr. Dann stated that the annual average for last year was a .48. Mr. Bradley asked how much more we are compounding the problem--are we more or less expanding those numbers out, raising those levels? Mr. Dann felt that any additional manganese is obviously contributing to the intake of any given individual. However, that individual's intake is also based on consumption from many other sources for which there would be no information available.

Mr. Bradley asked if Mr. Dann recognized the overall general concern of the people and Mr. Dann thought that quite a bit of concern has been expressed by people regarding the potential for health effects and what Mr. Dann is attempting to provide is some information from which the Council can make their own conclusions as to the significance of the well contributions to any individual's daily intake and, therefore, to the potential for any health problems associated with that. Mr. Dann stated that he was not a doctor and not a health official and he thinks that the Mayor has recommended that another source

of information would be... group of people who could look at it from a perspective of the health community and Mr. Dann certainly endorses that work and looks forward to seeing what that group of people can provide in addition.

Mr. Zandri said there has been testimony here at several meetings that people have suffered problems from the water and after having stopped drinking the water, these problems seem to go away. Mr. Zandri asked if the water has been tested for substances other than manganese? Mr. Dann said it's obviously tested for any number of additional compounds; it is a requirement to monitor for a considerable number of additional compounds. Mr. Zandri asked if something else in the water was causing the problems and Mr. Dann said there is nothing that he is aware of.

Mr. Killen asked if the same tests were taken at Well #2 and Well #3 and Mr. Dann said that was correct.

Mr. Musso does not like people accusing the water as being the source of their illness because it has not been proven and it could be a weakness of any given person's particular system.

Mr. Holmes asked if the town has received any blood tests of people who were diagnosed of having excessive amounts of manganese levels. Mayor Dickinson said the town has not had any blood analyses done on anyone and any health care has been provided by private physicians.

Mr. Holmes noted in reviewing the minutes that there were some references that Mr. Hetzel made to people who had gone to a doctor and had blood work done and he wondered if any results had come back.

Mr. Adams finds it very difficult to put himself in a position to make a judgment on something on which he has no background. He would feel very comfortable if he could have a doctor or health expert say, yes this can be attributable to that particular thing.

Mr. Adams finds that he is in a position here representing every citizen in town and to make a judgment he has no right to do, he could not explain to people. Mr. Adams felt that if he could have a medical expert here to simply come out and say, yes, it's very possible or yes, drinking this water is attributable to, then he would have no problem making a judgment on this motion. Mr. Adams feels for the people concerned but he would prefer to have a doctor substantiate this. He feels that something has to be done about this and he would prefer to see the health directors take an active role in looking into this to be able to make a judgment based on someone's expertise.

Mr. Holmes thought that everyone in the room tonight is concerned about the quality of water or the supposed lack of quality, a situation we live in when the governments impose limitations on pollutants that we know are harmful. There is always a nagging doubt about consuming things which may be harmful. Mr. Holmes felt that everyone is concerned by the fact that we are expediting the air stripping tower and the greensand filtration, as well as our water treatment facility. Mr. Holmes said we can't discount the signatures on the petition but shutting down the well. . . perhaps a rewording of the motion might be in order to recognize the concerns of the residents. Mr. Killen felt that the key word is "health" and Mr. Adams touched on that-- it's pretty hard to do.

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Mr. Parisi thought that the money that has been appropriated for the greensand filter and the airstripping tower should certainly be more than adequate to acknowledge that there is an existing problem and, hopefully a remedy coming down the road--how many times do you kill someone? Mr. Parisi accepts the advice that Well #3 cannot be shut down and the problem has been acknowledged with the \$2.2 million committed.

Mr. Solinsky asked if the people who are experiencing problems have had their individual water tested at their homes. Mr. Hetzel said the town tested his water on February 5, 1988 and came up with .39 mg. per litre in his tap. Mr. Solinsky said it is possible that there could be some other problems such as a cross connection on a home boiler. Mr. Holmes felt that the power of suggestion may be taking some people in also because he has had complaints from residents recently in spite of the fact that Well #3 was shut down.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road indicated that the state has deemed the manganese level safe and people should not simply blame the water but consider everything else in their lifestyle.

Mr. Nunn said Well #3 is shut down because of repair to the Oak Street Bridge, not shut down because of the manganese problem and that was done to undertake bridge repairs, the best time of the year because the water supply is the highest and it doesn't impact the pressure as much as it would in mid summer.

Mrs. Papale disagrees with the comments made about the PUC not doing their job because of the greensand filter and the airstripping tower and with the Mayor getting the Wallingford Health Board involved, she feels that we want to know exactly what is going on. She understands that people are frightened and something has to be done and she wishes Whitman and Howard could get their study completed quicker. Mr. Smith has asked them to expedite the process and specifications are being prepared for the equipment which is a longer term delivery item but there is a design process to go through. In the

meantime, we are going to go in with a blending program endorsed by the state, added Mr. Smith, because the PUC is anxious to get this out of the way to alleviate the fears of everyone. The media has developed this almost into a "hyper" situation and they have been given all the information the PUC has on the subject.

VOTE: (Amendment on page 18) Councilmen Adams, Doherty, Holmes and Zandri voted aye; Bradley, Killen, Papale, Parisi and Solinsky voted no; motion did not carry.

VOTE: (Original motion on page 13) Councilmen Bradley and Zandri voted aye; Adams, Doherty, Holmes, Killen, Papale, Parisi and Solinsky voted no; motion did not carry.

ITEM 18. Mr. Bradley moved to shut down Well #3 until an alternative solution is brought forward while the water treatment facility is being completed, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

Mr. Holmes asked about the "blending program" which the State Department of Health thinks is feasible. Mr. Smith said they have met with the Department of Health Services somewhat over a week ago and that question was asked. The well would be considered as a single source; the water would be tested once it gets blended in the discharge side of the pump. If and when it would be necessary to shut one of the wells down for maintenance, etc., then at that point it would revert back but we would also have to notify the state before doing that, continued Mr. Smith. For purposes of reporting, it would be considered as a blended or single source point Mr. Smith explained.

Mr. Bradley asked Mr. Smith if he could guarantee on the blending that he would get the manganese level down to .05 or lower mg. per litre and Mr. Smith said he could not guarantee that. He did not know what it would be if it starts out at a .03, hopefully, as soon as the piping is completed, it will be tested.

Mr. Bradley asked for a reason why Well #3 cannot be shut down and Mr. Smith explained that it's an integral part of our supply-- Wells #2 and #3 traditionally together supply about 22% of our drinking water over the course of the year. Mr. Smith said it will be used judiciously and, as indicated now, we are not using it at the present time: (1) to cut back because the state has received a number of calls on the issue and they are succumbing to the pressure. It is needed for drinking water, to supply customers and for fire protection, especially during peak demand periods and it must be used. Under peak load conditions, pressure is lost when it is taken out of service. Mr. Bradley said that to provide adequate fire protection on the East side, we rely on the Fire Department's tanker trucks.

Mr. Adams felt that Well #3 would only be used to meet demand and Mr. Smith agreed. Mr. Smith commented that we don't want to get caught in the corner by draining the reservoir supply in the summer and having to run Well #3 24 hours a day which will be counterproductive. Judicious use throughout the spring and summer will minimize its impact.

Mr. Doherty asked if there was any type of report from the Water Department regarding water tankers. Mayor Dickinson said there was a report which the Council will have in the next day or two and it would involve significant expense and the recommendation was that we not go into a program and it is outlined pretty thoroughly in the report. Mr. Nunn said there could be more serious problems with water storage in a tank, if the water is 2-3 days old, there is bacteria growing and the cure could be worse than the original problem and this was highlighted in the report. Mr. Smith indicated that the cost from a vendor was \$200,000+ for one year, using bottled water and a stainless steel tanker, delivered to a location where containers could be filled and the Water Division would provide 1 gallon plastic containers as needed. This was based on 1,215 accounts, not restricted to Yalesville.

Mr. Smith felt that another option would be if the Water Division purchased stainless steel tanks or polypropylene tanks and put them on an existing trailer, an estimate of \$95,000 a year, not buying water but using reservoir water. There is a question of the plastic containers being sterile. Mr. Killen felt that everybody should read the report first.

Mr. Holmes suggested that taking Well #3 out of service and increasing the demand on Well #2, it may be conceivable that the pollutants will increase with the demand on Well #2 and Mr. Smith said that is always a danger and that is the reason for blending, to minimize the impact from both sources. Mr. Dann added that the materials for the blending are either on site or will be within a day or two and actual pipe installation will be completed at about the same time that the pipe work associated with the Oak Street Bridge construction is completed, probably by the end of next week. Mr. Dann said that after the piping is completed, the pipe must be disinfected to be sure that it is properly prepared. Mr. Zandri requested a report on the testing of that blend of water and Mr. Smith said he would make that available. An initial test will be done to satisfy the state and then proceed with a regular quarterly testing program and Mr. Smith will make the results available to the Council.

Mr. Hetzel commented that at the PUC meeting last week, Mr. Poirier indicated that a 50/50 blend could not be achieved and several weeks ago, he said he couldn't guarantee that the blending would lower the manganese to a point where people wouldn't become ill. Mr. Hetzel asked if there had been a water test on Well #3 since November 18, 1987. Mr. Dann added that Mr. Poirier in his statement based that upon continuing pumping of Well #3 at the existing rate which is probably 750 gallons per minute and to continue to pump that rate vs. about 550 gallons per minute from Well #2, obviously, a 50/50 dilution could not be achieved. Mr. Dann's intention, however, is to cut back the pumpage from Well #3 to achieve close to the 50/50 balance, based on reduction of the pumpage from Well #3. Mr. Nunn added that if you did that, that would assume that Well #2 had no manganese; if you took a .3 and blended it 50/50, if there is any manganese in Well #2, it would be up by that much. Mr. Nunn suggested that if it was .02, a straight line ratio, your average would be about .16. Mr. Dann felt that it should be pretty much of a straight ratio. Mr. Nunn said these are approximations because we do not know how consistent the manganese is and it depends on pumping levels because if you pumped greater amounts, you could conceivably have higher manganese levels.

Mr. Dann said the last analysis performed on Well #3 was done on March 7, 1988 and the results were .3 mg. per litre.

Mr. Adams suggested that it be determined how many people have a need for water and how many have their own wells to work out a schedule to provide drinkable water for those people with the problem. Mr. Adams would certainly be willing to provide water from his well for someone whose water is not as drinkable. He felt that we could do something in the right direction.

Mr. Edward Musso, 56 Dibble Edge Road felt that Mr. Adams' suggestion was a good one and he would be happy to share the water in his well with someone who wanted it rather than having the town go to the expense of providing the water since the cause of these problems has not been determined.

Mr. John Marriott, 33 Grieb Road is a resident whose well was contaminated by TCE and he knows what it is to be concerned about water. He would hope that the Health Department would have at least a preliminary report to say whether or not it looks like there may be a health problem.

Mr. Killen asked the Mayor when he expected to meet with the Health Board and the Mayor said a date is set for next week sometime and after they meet, the Mayor will ask the Water Department officials to come in and provide all the information on the water quality tests, complaints received and they will have to develop a procedure they are comfortable with.

VOTE: Councilman Bradley voted aye; Adams, Doherty, Holmes, Killen, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky and Zandri voted no; motion did not carry.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

Meeting recorded by Susan M. Baron
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Susan M. Baron and Delores B. Fetta

Approved Albert E. Killen
Albert E. Killen, Chairman

April 26, 1988
Date

Kathryn J. Wall
Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk

April 26, 1988
Date

VOTE: (Table page 123A) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried
(Solinsky not present for vote).

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Meeting recorded by:
Delores B. Fetta, Council Secretary

Meeting transcribed by:
Susan M. Baron, Council Secretary

SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

April 21, 1988

6:30 p.m.

A special meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held in Council Chambers, called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Albert E. Killen. Answering present to the roll called by Town Clerk Kathryn J. Wall were Council Members Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, Zandri and Killen. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Thomas A. Myers, Comptroller and Adam Mantzaris, Town Attorney were not present for the meeting. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

Mr. Killen explained that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss and select members to serve on the Historic District Study Committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to nominate Mary I. Annis as a regular member, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

A motion was made by Mr. Holmes to nominate Gerald E. Farrell, Jr. as a regular member, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to nominate Peter J. Fresina as a regular member, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

A motion was made by Mr. Zandri to nominate David H. Barkin, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

A motion was made by Mr. Solinsky to nominate Steven Lazarus as a regular member, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to nominate Arthur J. Goodearl, Jr. as a regular member, seconded by Mr. Parisi.

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to close the nominations for the regular members, seconded by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: (to close nominations) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VOTE: (Mary I. Annis) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VOTE: (Gerald E. Farrell, Jr.) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VOTE: (Peter J. Fresina) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VOTE: (David H. Barkin) Doherty, Holmes, Papale, Parisi, Solinsky, and Killen voted no; Zandri voted yes; motion did not carry.

VOTE: (Steven Lazarus) Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

VOTE: (Arthur F. Goodearl, Jr.) Zandri voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Papale to nominate David H. Barkin as an alternate, seconded by Mr. Solinsky.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Solinsky to nominate Mildred M. Dorsey as an alternate, seconded by Mrs. Papale.

VOTE: Doherty voted no; all other ayes; motion duly carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to nominate Robert Till as an alternate. NO SECOND

A motion was made by Mr. Parisi to nominate Alice M. Leighner as an alternate, seconded by Mr. Doherty.

VOTE: Unanimous ayes; motion duly carried.

Regular

Mary I. Annis
Gerald E. Farrell, Jr.
Peter J. Fresina
Steven Lazarus
Arthur F. Goodearl, Jr.

Alternates

David H. Barkin
Mildred M. Dorsey
Alice M. Leighner

Mr. Killen commented that he will ask Mary I. Annis to be temporary Chairwoman.

A motion to adjourn was duly made, seconded and carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Meeting recorded by:
Delores B. Fetta, Council Secretary

Meeting transcribed by:
Susan M. Baron, Council Secretary

APPROVED

Albert E. Killen
Albert E. Killen, Council Chairman

May 10, 1988
Date

Kathryn J. Wall
Kathryn J. Wall, Town Clerk

May 10, 1988
Date