

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 14, 1996

6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

Blessing - Rev. Terry Frizzell - Wlfd. Church of the Nazarene

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the 4/9/96 Town Council Meeting
 - b. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the 4/23/96 Town Council Meeting
 - c. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#296-306) - Totalling \$3,890.82 - Tax Collector
 - d. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$1,240 from Regular Salaries & Wages Acct. of Which \$540 is Transferred to Telephone Acct., \$300 is Transferred to Meetings, Seminars & Dues Acct. and \$400 is Transferred to Transportation Reimbursement Acct. - Youth Service Bureau
 - e. Consider and Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Make Application to the State of Connecticut Department of Education for a Youth Service Bureau Grant for F.Y. 1996-97
 - f. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$7,300 from Regular Salaries & Wages Acct. of Which \$1,300 is Transferred to Telephone Acct. and \$6,000 is Transferred to Maintenance of Vehicles Acct. - Dept. of Police Services
 - g. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$2,400 from Park Beautification Acct. to Telephone Acct. - Parks & Recreation Department
 - h. Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to Date
 - i. Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved by the Mayor
3. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

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A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held on Tuesday, May 14, 1996 in the Robert Earley Auditorium of the Wallingford Town Hall and called to Order by Chairman Robert F. Parisi at 6:35 P.M. All Councilors answered present to the Roll called by Town Clerk Rosemary A. Rascati. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr.; Corporation Counselor Adam Mantzaris and Comptroller Thomas A. Myers were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

A blessing was bestowed upon the Council by Reverend Terry Frizzell of the Wallingford Church of the Nazarene.

ITEM #2 Consent Agenda

ITEM #2a Approve and Accept the Minutes of the April 9, 1996 Town Council Meeting

ITEM #2b Approve and Accept the Minutes of the April 23, 1996 Town Council Meeting

ITEM #2c Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#296-306) Totalling \$3,890.82 - Tax Collector

ITEM #2d Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$1,240 from Regular Salaries & Wages Acct. #012-9000-101-1000 of Which \$540 is Transferred to Telephone Acct. #012-9000-201-2000; \$300 is Transferred to Meetings, Seminars & Dues Acct. #012-9000-701-7990 and \$400 is Transferred to Transportation Reimbursement Acct. #012-9000-300-3201 - Youth Service Bureau

ITEM #2e Consider and Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Make Application to the State of Connecticut Department of Education for a Youth Service Bureau Grant for F.Y. 1996-97

ITEM #2f Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$7,300 from Regular Salaries & Wages Acct. #001-2005-101-1000 of Which \$1,300 is Transferred to Telephone Acct. #001-2005-201-2000 and \$6,000 is Transferred to Maintenance of Vehicles Acct. #001-2005-501-5000 - Dept. of Police Services

ITEM #2g Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$2,400 from Park Beautification Acct. #001-4001-901-9018 to Telephone Acct. #001-4001-201-2000 - Parks & Recreation Dept.

ITEM #2h Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to Date

ITEM #2i Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved by the Mayor

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Centner.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM #3 Withdrawn

ITEM #4 PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville stated his objection to placing so many items on the consent agenda which prevents the public from discussing the items and learning the facts surrounding the requests.

Mr. Parisi responded, the idea of the consent agenda was originally proposed by Councilor Doherty back in 1988. Mr. Melillo can contact the department heads submitting the requests to obtain the answers or information he needs.

Mr. Melillo referred to the Town's street improvements plan and the estimated cost of \$1.8 million to perform work on the area between N. Elm Street and Route 5, stating that, in his opinion, it was a waste of taxpayer's dollars. It would be much more practical to allocate the money for an ice rink for the youth of the Town.

ITEM #5 Presentation by Veterans Memorial Medical Center (VMMC) on the Proposed New Healthcare Facility in Meriden and a Report Out on the Specific Uses of the Town's Contributions to VMMC as Requested by Councilor Stephen W. Knight.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Hear the Presentation, seconded by Mr. Centner.

Susan Albano, Vice President of Planning and Norman Robillard, Director of Facilities Development for Veterans Memorial Medical Center conducted a slide presentation for the Council which depicted many different aerial views and perspectives of the proposed site for the new healthcare facility. The presentation first addressed the tract of land that has been chosen for the proposed site. Ms. Albano explained how careful planning and consideration was given to maintaining as much of the existing natural berm and wooded buffer areas surrounding the site.

The goals of the Planning and Development teams with regards to designing the new facility were as follows:

- to bring forth an innovative design with regards to delivery of care systems and health care planning;

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4. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD
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6. PUBLIC HEARING on an Ordinance Appropriating \$900,000 for the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Municipal Capital Improvements 1996-97 - 7:45 P.M.
7. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$45,000 from Furnaces & Boilers Acct. and \$45,000 from Prime Movers & Generators Acct. for a Total of \$90,000 to Overhead Lines Expense - Electric Division
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11. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(2) of the CT. General Statutes With Respect to Pending Litigation - Town Attorney
12. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(4) of the CT. General Statutes with Respect to the Sale of Real Estate - Mayor's Office

- to remain flexible to accommodate/adapt to the ever-changing shifts in healthcare and its associated technologies;
- to maintain efficiency in staff/operations as well as equipment and infrastructure;
- to establish ambulatory care prominence by placing the facility which delivers this aspect of healthcare at the first level of the structure in an area which will accommodate future growth capability;
- to integrate a physician medical office building on campus with dedicated medical suites;
- to minimize patient movement while maximizing patient's dignity and privacy;
- to exhibit coherent campus organization by creating efficient vehicular circulation and parking patterns and independent entry ways;
- to create the atmosphere of a healthcare village with a main street and functional pavilions;
- to provide clear circulation systems for the public/outpatients as well as the inpatients/staff/services allowing "same day" patients to access services without encountering inpatients;
- to provide for future growth capacities;
- to relocate yet retain existing commuter lots on site;
- to honor its obligation to the community by exhibiting an appropriate image which responds to community culture.

Vice President of Development, Kristin Plashinski-Zivnuska, was next to address the Council, thanking them on behalf of VMMC for their tremendous support of their community's medical center exhibited by the Council's recent approval of the hospital's 1996 Annual Appeal request of \$25,000. The support will assist the medical center to continue its mission of providing medically necessary care to all regardless of ability to pay.

In F.Y. 1994-95 VMMC provided in excess of \$5.5 million in charity or uncompensated services to residents in our local community.

- In 1994-95 fiscal year, 43 Wallingford families were provided uncompensated care and services totaling \$109,895.
- In 1993-94 fiscal year, 30 Wallingford families were provided with uncompensated care and services totaling \$127,084.

Ms. Plashinski-Zivnuska went on to say, at the time of the hospital's request letter dated February 14, 1996, VMMC had provided \$58,059 of uncompensated care to 30 families in Wallingford. As of April 30, VMMC has provided \$128,020.12 to 67 families in Wallingford, exceeding last years support in half the time and will continue to provide this support. The funds that are raised through the Annual Appeal campaign are solely used for capital equipment; the hospital does not raise money for operating dollars. There are approximately \$12 million worth of requests for capital equipment at the new building. The bond issue has approximately \$5 million of it allocated toward purchasing the equipment. It is necessary for the staff and volunteers of the hospital to reach out to the community for help in raising funds to close the gap between the present balance of funds and the remaining funds needed to purchase the capital equipment.

Once again, she extended her grateful appreciation on behalf of the entire staff of VMMC to Wallingford for their kindness and generosity.

Mr. Parisi thanked the staff of VMMC for taking the time to appear this evening so that the Council and viewing audience would gain a better perspective on how the Town's contribution is utilized by the facility.

No Action was taken.

ITEM #7 Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$45,000 from Furnaces & Boilers Acct. No. 512-2 and \$45,000 from Prime Movers and Generators Acct.#513-1 for a Total of \$90,000 to Overhead Lines Expense Acct. #593 - Electric Division

Due to a number of severe storm incidents expenses for straight time and overtime labor within this account have exceeded original projections. It is anticipated that an additional appropriation of \$90,000 to the Overhead Lines Expense Account will be adequate through June 30, 1996.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys, seconded by Ms. Papale.

William Cominos, General Manager of the Electric Division stated that the division has projects that are scheduled to start July 1st and should the Council approve the transfer this evening it will prevent the delay of those projects starting on time. Next month is the beginning of hurricane season and the tree-trimming program will not only prevent some outages but will also aide the division is restoring power to its customers in a timely manner.

Mr. Zappala asked if the division places the work out to bid? He sees the same firm performing all the tree-trimming (Asplundh). Is that firm the lowest bidder, is that why they always get the

work?

Mr. Cominos responded, that is correct. This bid is a three to five year bid that can be renewed after three years. If his memory serves him correctly three firms bid on the work and this contract is currently in its third year with the utility.

Mr. Farrell asked, has the division ever looked into amortizing our above ground wires so that we would not have this kind of vulnerability during bad weather? I realize it will cost a lot of money but is it something that we have looked into for the long term?

David Gessert, Public Utilities Commissioner responded, underground utilities usually suffer a lot less damage than overhead utilities do. The negative side is that it costs an awful lot of money to install and when there is a problem it is harder to find where it is. The division is consistently reviewing options to assure that our system is run as efficiently as possible.

Mr. Farrell stated that economically it effects all businesses when a power outage occurs. Many offices process a good deal of their workload through computers. His office was recently effected by the last power outage as he can imagine many others were as well.

Mr. Cominos stated, he would like to see a fund started that would build over several years time to be used for the "undergrounding" of electric lines. You would save the customers a great deal of expense that is normally incurred when electrical service is torn off of their houses/offices and they must hire an electrician to reconnect them. Many avenues are currently being explored. He would like to begin a program to plan for the "undergrounding" of lines but he has not yet presented the idea to the P.U.C. He will be making a recommendation, however, to the P.U.C. before the end of this calendar year to "underground" all new services.

Mr. Gessert stated, some of the new subdivisions on the outskirts of Wallingford have located their utilities underground. It not only results in a savings to the homeowner if a major storm should occur but it also saves the Town money by eliminating that subdivision from its tree-trimming program.

Mr. Doherty stated, according to Mr. Cominos' correspondence the funds being transferred out of the Pierce Station maintenance accounts will not be expended this year due to the current operating status of the plant. He asked, how much more money is in the various maintenance accounts associated with the Pierce Station that will not be expended this year and will be "left over" as of June 30th?

Mr. Gessert responded, he reviewed the Electric Division's budget very closely during this past budget review period. One of the items that he looked very closely at was the amount of money budgeted for Pierce. He saw various accounts with numbers that had decreased as much as 80% over the previous years figures. It is ironic that we are taking some money from furnaces and boilers because presently we are very close to spending a lot of money on those furnaces and boilers and that bill will be picked up by Northeast Utilities (NU). They are very interested in getting those two units up and running and capable of producing electricity over the summer and they are willing to invest in that plant to try and bring those two units back to life.

Mr. Doherty asked, have we signed an agreement with them (NU) to do that?

Mr. Gessert responded, we have an agreement that has been passed on to us from CMEEC, there are still some details to be worked out to it that we want to get in writing but they are definitely interested in absorbing any additional costs to bring that plant on line this summer.

Mr. Doherty asked, how much are we talking about?

Mr. Gessert responded, between \$250,000 to \$500,000. plus incidental costs of operation, fuel, operating labor, etc.

Mr. Cominos informed Mr. Doherty that the transfer will clear out both the furnace and boiler accounts.

Mr. Doherty stated, in reading one page of the personnel budget it shows close to \$500,000 in personnel costs for this particular fiscal year for the Pierce Plant. It strikes me as a little unusual that a plant that we pretty much have shut down we are spending \$500,000 on personnel costs for it.

Mr. Gessert informed Mr. Doherty that there is maintenance work that is done in the plant, there is also a switching function that has to be manned twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week that keeps track of all of the electricity coming into the Town and there is also a dispatch function that is manned seven days a week twenty-four hours a day for people to call into with emergencies, outages, problems, etc., so there is a customer service role there. The maintenance function is the smaller over the other two functions. There is a minimum number of people on staff that has been cut by at least 50% over what it was a number of years ago. If you closed the plant tomorrow and moved everyone out of the building, many of those staff would still be with us for the dispatching and switching functions.

Mr. Doherty asked, what would the personnel page read if we suddenly open up this plant and start producing electricity? How much more would the personnel page increase?

Mr. Gessert responded, a lot.

Mr. Cominos stated, if we were to place the plant in operation twenty-four hours a day three hundred sixty-five days a year you would need double the staff that we currently have. If we establish new generation at the plant, using new technology you would need less than the amount of people you would have right now operating Pierce.

Philip Wright, Sr., 160 Cedar Street stated, we have spent nothing out of these two accounts all year long and are now taking all of it out. Is that correct?

Mr. Cominos responded, yes.

Mr. Wright asked, what is the total in the account for tree-trimming that we are adding \$90,000 to?

Thomas Sullivan, Office Manager of the Electric Division responded, account #593 was budgeted for \$530,000.

Mr. Cominos added, those funds are not entirely for tree-trimming.

Mr. Wright asked if the \$90,000 requested this evening will be used specifically for tree-trimming?

Mr. Cominos responded, yes, in order to keep the tree-trimmers here we are going to need the \$90,000. That will cover us through the end of the fiscal year. We currently have four crews from Asplundh here whereas we normally only have two. They are doing work out in Northford because that is one of the projects that is going to take off effective July 1st.

Mr. Wright asked, how did we miss an estimate for budgeting an account by more than 20%? If we had a lot of hurricanes, etc., that would explain the need for more funds but we did not lose limbs here and there.

Mr. Cominos stated, I could have sent them (Asplundh) home; I don't have to pay them nor keep them. I could have them come back July 1st. I would like to keep them here to accomplish the task that we have scheduled for July 1 and continue with the program. It is easier to continue then to stop and then re-start.

Mr. Wright asked, is this \$90,000 that we are spending this year in essence saving us from spending \$90,000 next year?

Mr. Cominos responded, that is correct.

Albert E. Killen, 150 Cedar Street asked, do the Asplundh crews know the difference between trimming and de-facing?

Mr. Cominos responded, some of them do.

Mr. Killen stated, some of them don't. They are not doing us a favor when they are taking our money and taking the beauty of the trees along with it. I wish someone would watch the crews closely. There is an area near the historical society on Ward Street where the electrical lines were deliberately raised up and extended so that the crews would not have to trim; we also saved some trees on South Main Street. The trees will not grow back tomorrow; this \$90,000 may seem to be a lot to some people but you can come back tomorrow and get another \$90,000 and the Town will not go bankrupt but these trees will not be put up again in a hurry.

Mr. Cominos assured Mr. Killen that he will monitor the crews closely.

Mr. Killen then asked, how did this particular item escape being placed on the consent agenda?

Mr. Parisi responded, we wanted to have discussion on the item, it was necessary.

Mr. Killen responded, that is what I wanted to hear. For in the course of discussion you did not merely talk about the \$90,000 or the tree-trimming; you learned a little bit of something around the Pierce Plant as well. You have five new members of the Council learning something as you go along. He could understand why Mr. Melillo was so upset when so many items were placed on the consent agenda. To see a whole horde of them be passed and no one has any questions regarding them? I look at that in conjunction with the fact that the budget was adopted so quickly (without numerous budget workshop hearings as was traditional in the past) he wondered how any of the new Councilors learned anything. Does everyone assume that everyone else knows the answer and will not lead the Council astray? Some questions have to be asked to learn as you go along.

Dennis Ouimette, 25 Pine Glen Terrace asked if Item #4 could be revisited so that he could ask some questions since he was late in arriving to the meeting.

Mr. Parisi responded, that he was sorry but Item #4, Public Question and Answer Period, had concluded. He could not bring the item back again.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville asked, with the present negotiations going on with Northeast Utilities, are we going to find that we have given them control over the lines from the Pierce Station? Are we going to lose control of our asset?

Mr. Cominos responded, no, Pierce Station will not be owned or operated by Northeast Utilities and they will not have any claims to the property.

Mr. Melillo asked, isn't it wiser to eliminate a lot of the trees so that we don't have to spend the money on tree trimming?

Mr. Parisi explained how sensitive people are when it comes to working on power lines around the trees. People are very concerned that the trees will be damaged in some way. It is a subject that is very touchy with a great many people. It would not be a very popular thing to do.

Mr. Killen asked, if the deal goes through with Northeast Utilities who will be operating the facility?

Mr. Gessert responded, Wallingford personnel will. We will be reimbursed for any additional costs for the operation of the plant, i.e., overtime, labor, oil, fuel, etc.

Mr. Killen asked if those costs were included in the new budget?

Mr. Gessert responded, no.

Mr. Killen stated, then something will have to be worked out on that issue.

Mayor Dickinson clarified some remarks made earlier by saying that the Electric Division is actually ahead of schedule for tree trimming for this year and they have a desire to keep the Asplundh crews here. That does not mean that the division is going to reduce next year's tree trimming budget by \$90,000. The division plans on continuing with the same schedule, looking to build on what would be an additional amount of trimming this year.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

Mr. Gessert asked that the Council consider scheduling a special meeting within the next few weeks to discuss the status of the energy supply in the State this summer.

Mr. Parisi asked that the P.U.C. place their request, in writing, to the Chair of the Council.

ITEM #6 PUBLIC HEARING on an Ordinance Appropriating \$900,000 for the Planning, Acquisition and Construction of Municipal Capital Improvements 1996-97

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Approve the Ordinance and to Append a Copy of it in its entirety to the Minutes, seconded by Mr. Knight.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville asked if this work will benefit big business in the area at all?

Henry McCully, Director of Public Works responded, the road will be widened so that it exhibits a uniform width throughout. Additional drainage will be put in; a full depth reclamation will take place to prepare the sub base; four inches of paving will be applied after that. It is a dangerous situation that requires attention that is why the work is being performed.

Mr. Killen asked how this item differs from Item #10 which is setting a public hearing on appropriating funds for a capital item, the Recreation Center renovations? It belongs in the capital budget just as much as the road improvements do. In looking through the six year capital budget all I see are road improvements. There is nothing in the six year plan to address the Wooding/Caplan property, Community Pool, the Recreation Center; all capital projects. Where is the planning ahead? The purpose of the capital and non-recurring fund is to try and estimate what you are going to need in the future. When are we going to get back to planning?

Mr. Parisi responded, you have heard this question asked many times over the years. First the criticism was that the items are placed in the capital and non-recurring budget and then are never acted upon. Whether they are included or not there is always a question as to when or will they be dealt with. The items that are on the plate are very clearly demonstrated and have been over the past three or four months.

Mr. Killen stated, the Town has been very well aware that there was going to be renovations performed on the Recreation Center. Right now the fire house cannot be done, if that project had been put in this fund we may have had extra funds in there because there are excess funds in there and you could have done that. You would not have to come up with those funds elsewhere.

Mr. Parisi responded, it is all a matter of opinion. It is your opinion that the work should have been done now, other opinions are that it should not be done right at this very minute.

Mr. Killen could not buy that response since the only items that have been placed in the six year capital and non-recurring plan in

the past twelve-fourteen years have been roads and bridges. Yet, every big project that has been done has gotten done one way or another with mid-season bonding like we do now. What kind of planning is that?

Mr. Parisi stated, I will admit readily that I do not have the answer to your question but I am not going to tell you that this year was any worse or any better than any other year. I remember many years items were put in there and they never got done and that was the criticism. South Elm Street was in the budget for fifteen years before it got done. All of us supported those changes too but somehow it took an awful long time and a lot of frustration for those people before it got done. I can ask you the very same question, why is it that it did not get done? I don't honestly know, we supported it at the time we put the budgets together. So they didn't get done. Putting them in does not guarantee anything getting done. That is the bottom line.

Mr. Killen stated, the point is, what is being proposed are roads when we know that other projects have to be done; you are going to turn around in the mid-season and say that we will have to bond a project that has to be done.

Mr. Parisi responded, I understand and respect what you are saying but this is the way it was done and this the way it was supported to be done. It may not be, in your opinion, the right way to do it and you are entitled to your opinion.

Mr. Killen stated, the people out here deserve to be served and they are not being served by something such as placing so many items not being questioned on the consent agenda.

Mr. Parisi informed Mr. Killen that there is a procedure that the public can follow if they wish more information on the consent items; they can call the departments or any Councilor for an answer to their question.

Mr. Killen stated that not everyone receives an agenda. There are some very knowledgeable people who, without prior notice of an item's appearance, would have no way of knowing that an item will be discussed therefore robbing many of us of their expertise and/or knowledge on an issue that can enlighten and teach many of us about the subject matter. The Council can use all the help it can get, I felt that I could use it all the time that I sat on the Council as well. How do you feel that you are above that?

Mr. Parisi responded, we are not above it at all. There are a lot of ways to approach the Council. If anyone is so interested I am sure they will find a way to approach us to give us their expertise. If they are going to sit home and just wait for us to come to them that may not happen.

Philip Wright, Sr., 160 Cedar Street asked, how much is in the capital improvement budget?

Mayor Dickinson responded, the expenditure is \$900,000.

Mr. Wright stated, I understand that but we have other funds in the budget for municipal capital improvements have we not?

Mayor Dickinson answered, it is basically \$900,000 that is why we are adopting the ordinance.

Mr. Wright asked, is that all we are going to expend for capital improvements?

Mayor Dickinson responded, on this road. What we are adopting authorizes the money for this highway, Yale Avenue to Route 5 to Town Line.

Mr. Wright asked, how many more capital items are in the budget? How much is in the budget that I am paying my taxes for?

Mayor Dickinson responded, there is an additional \$200,000 for improvements to local roads in the Public Works' budget. There are other amounts in the Engineering budget. There is probably another \$500,000 on roads in this coming budget.

Mr. Farrell referred to Sections 2 & 4 of the Ordinance which specifies Robinson & Cole as the Town's bond counsel and asked, how is it that they are the only people who are qualified?

Mr. Myers responded, they are not the only people qualified. They are the people who act as the Town's bond counsel. This is the firm we choose to use.

Mr. Farrell asked, do we bid out the service?

Mr. Myers responded, no.

Mr. Farrell asked, how does their hiring come about?

Mr. Myers answered, it is a bid waiver that is presented to the Council yearly in the budget package. They draft the ordinances, handle all of our legal representation when we go to the bond market with regards to taxes and status of the bonds, disclosure requirements in our official statement, etc.

Mr. Knight asked, is part of the reason you are starting at Route 5 is because a lot of work has been done when the developments have taken place?

Mr. McCully responded, the State of Connecticut has installed lights and trip wires and their work has taken them a considerable way off of Route 5; 100 yards +-.

Mr. Knight asked, is it true that the entrance and exits from Route 15 are going to be relocated so that they abut or finish at Yale Avenue?

Mr. McCully answered, with the discussions that I have had with John Costello (Town Engineer) and the State of Connecticut, at this point there will be no impact to Route 5. The State wanted to build the exit ramp out onto North Main Street and the Town would not agree to that.

Mayor Dickinson added, there was a plan by the State to put the ramp out onto Yale Avenue. John Costello indicated that the Town was opposed to that as it would create a real problem at the Yale Avenue, Main Street Ext. intersection. That proposal has now been abandoned. I don't know what the plan is now.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

ITEM #8 Consider and Approve a Waiver of Bid to Award Contract to the Segal Corporation to Provide Health Insurance Consultation Services - Personnel

Motion was made by Mr. Rys, seconded by Mr. Centner.

Terrence Sullivan, Personnel Director stated, the dollars speak for themselves. The Segal Corporation has been with the Town for a while; they recently negotiated a ten percent (10%) reduction in rates effective May 1st. They were also instrumental in reducing the rates that the HMOs charge as well; it has been a downward spiral the last few years mostly do to the efforts of the consultants. He recommended that the Council waive the bid for this firm for the upcoming budget year.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville stated that he usually is opposed to the Council waiving the bid on items. He asked, how long is the contract for?

Mr. Sullivan responded, it is a one year contract.

Mr. Melillo asked, how much did this firm save the Town?

Mr. Rys responded, Segal Corporation has saved the Town \$1,250,000 in premiums, according to Mr. Sullivan's correspondence to the Council.

Mr. Sullivan explained, that (savings) covers the Town, the utilities and the Board of Education for the past three years.

Mr. Melillo asked, how did Mr. Sullivan arrive at that figure (\$1,250,000)?

Mayor Dickinson responded, the consultants know how to read the insurance companies reports and can properly evaluate what the experience has been; how much money has been paid out on claims. They have the ability to understand those reports and have had a very positive effect on what the Town pays for insurance coverage. We are amazed by the savings ourselves so we want to continue to enjoy it.

Mr. Doherty asked if the ten percent (10%) reduction in insurance premiums recently negotiated by Segal was figured into the new budget?

Mr. Sullivan responded, yes, the new rates were negotiated back in February which allowed his department to incorporate them into the new budget figures for the upcoming fiscal year.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

The Chair declared a brief recess at this time.

ITEM #9 Consider and Approve Adoption of the 1996-97 Budgets of the Town of Wallingford and Set a Rate of Tax for F.Y. 1996-97

(see proceeding pages for individual motions and votes formally approving/adopting the F.Y. 1996-97 Budget of the Town of Wallingford)

The following questions/comments were offered by the public and/or Council during the process of approving the budget. Preceding each comment will be the item number to which the comment pertains.

ITEM I. - Adopt General Fund Revenue Budget

Mr. Doherty stated, I will not vote in favor of adopting the general fund revenue budget of \$84,205,320 for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1996 because I do not think that the budget increase of .3 mills is necessary. If we worked very hard at it we could have cut \$600,000 from that budget so that there would be no mill increase at all. This Council did not make a concerted effort to do that. The tax increase that is being proposed for this coming fiscal year is there to produce a surplus and to me that is over-taxation. I do not plan to vote for it.

ITEM II. - Adopt General Fund Expenditure Budget

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville asked, of the entire budget of the Town what percentage is directly attributed to the Board of Education's budget?

Mayor Dickinson responded, approximately sixty to sixty-one percent (60-61%). That figure includes the bonded indebtedness on the school project, insurance costs, etc.

Mr. Melillo voiced his displeasure with the Board's practice of transporting students via taxi service. In his opinion it is a waste of taxpayer's dollars.

Mayor Dickinson stated, you are referring to the special education students and I believe that taxis are not the primary means of transportation. He asked Karen Hlavac, Chairman of the Board of Education, if taxis are still utilized?

Mrs. Hlavac responded, yes, taxis are still utilized for transporting some pupil personnel services individuals, however, they are more cost-effective than other means of transportation, that is why they are used.

Mr. Melillo asked where the Town stood with regards to the amount it spends on meeting each child's educational needs? I believe that Wallingford students are below-average and have been for years, isn't that correct?

Mayor Dickinson responded, to my knowledge I think you are referring to the minimum expenditure level and I believe we are well above the minimum amount; five or ten percent above that level. The Wallingford school system is one of the few that has expanded over the last few years and we are adequately funding education.

Mr. Melillo was of the opinion that the educators should volunteer to have their wages and benefits frozen.

ITEM III. - Establish Property Tax Rate

Dennis Ouimette, 25 Pine Glenn Terrace stated that he was very disappointed in the budget. Five years ago he came to Wallingford and three years ago he began to invest in property in Wallingford. He was very impressed the year before the last election when the tax base was reduced, that is why he began investing in the town. He thought it was a great town to invest in for the long term, however, after election the taxes are now being increased. I am very disappointed. Before election you reduce the taxes, after election you increase them three times over. It is a real disappointment. You are the biggest employer in Town, perhaps if

you keep tighter controls on your employees maybe you would not have to increase taxes, maybe if you have better control over how much money you spend you would have to raise less taxes. The population has increased therefore your tax base has increased and your expenses have increased but you don't have to increase the mill rate because you have more money coming in from more people. If you have a good government you don't have to increase the taxes.

Mayor Dickinson responded, you have good points, however, you have to keep in mind some of the areas where we have had serious increases in costs and the debt burden is an example. Our debt has gone up over \$1 million for some well-known projects. All of that is not covered by grand list increases. The economy is not good and the grand list increase does not cover all of the increase in cost.

Mr. Ouimette asked, how come you can plan last year so that there is a decrease in taxes? How come you could not plan two years ahead?

Mayor Dickinson responded, the difference is the amount of revenue that comes in. That revenue stream is not as good, the money from the State last year was more than we are projecting for this year and we had a larger grand list increase last year. There was more new revenue coming in, this year we do not have that. As a result there is an increase in the taxes of 1.3%; with the cost of living rising at 2.7%-3% we are well below the cost of living at a time when you review what is happening in other communities, we are avoiding some serious problems that exist elsewhere. Is it perfect? No.

Mr. Ouimette stated, last year I experienced a \$24 decrease in my taxes. This year, as projected, I will have an increase of three times that amount; an extra \$75.

Mayor Dickinson answered, that is not true. Mathematically, that is not correct. Give my office a call and we can let you know but I don't think the mathematics is correct.

Philip Wright, 160 Cedar Street agreed with Mr. Doherty. We have been rolling money around here fooling the public..I think some of them, maybe many of them...by thinking that we have a well-run town when, indeed, we budget every year for what is a surplus. Then we say to people, things are great in Wallingford! We have a surplus! Meriden is in the hole, North Haven is in trouble, everybody else....we make comparison between ourselves and everyone else. I don't think that is the way it ought to be done. We ought to be comparing ourselves against what we could be, not what someone else is. It is interesting to note that Mr. Melillo had more of an opportunity to speak tonight than he did in the entire budget process which I believe is a farce because the public is basically

excluded. The public is not given enough time to examine the budget prior to the public hearing.

Mr. Parisi responded, the public hearing was handled in the same manner in which it has always been done and if someone has any suggestions the Council is always open to them. He pointed out that everyone has been free to speak tonight without any time limit imposed upon them.

Mr. Farrell stated that he invested a great amount in reviewing the budget and found it to be very worthwhile. He is sure that his colleagues spent just as much time on the budget as he.

Albert E. Killen, 150 Cedar Street protested approving the total general fund expenditure budget stating that the Council did not, in his opinion, spend as much time as should have been spent on the budget. It is a lot easier to stay home and do your homework but you can gain a great deal of enlightenment by asking a question of a department head or in front of someone else or learning something from a question that someone else asks. It was the biggest opportunity for this Council with five fresh new faces on it to sit down and learn a great deal even if it meant that in the final analysis you came up with the same budget that the Mayor did, you would have at least acquainted yourselves with how it was arrived at, why it should or should not be changed. It also gives you a better understanding when department heads appear before you during the course of a year seeking transfers. It helps you to better understand where you could have made changes to avoid the transfers in the end.

Dennis Ouimette, 25 Pine Glenn Terrace ^{reference to that study} ~~asked if~~ the Town will have better control over its employees to try and reduce an increase in taxes.

ITEM Va & Vb. - Waive Bids for Town Auditors, Pension Fund Portfolio Mgrs., Financial Advisors, Bond Attorney

Albert E. Killen, 150 Cedar Street was of the opinion that the Town should change auditors. There is nothing wrong with the job that Levitsky and Berney is doing but familiarity breeds contempt.

Mr. Myers stated, the team of financial advisors and portfolio managers are an extension of our own in-house management. Continuity plays a very important role in keeping that management team together. If we were dissatisfied we would be looking to make change; but we are not dissatisfied and the fees are competitive.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville was concerned that some of the Town's investments were in derivatives, explaining how risky that would be.

Mr. Myers responded, we have in writing from our investment managers that they will use no derivatives. He, personally, has conversations monthly on the issue of derivatives and overall our investment strategy is one that is very conservative. We look to have the risk factor slightly below the Standard & Poor's 500 and being rated as less risky than S&P's 500, it can be characterized as a very conservative portfolio.

Mr. Doherty asked that Item V. be divided into two separate motions for he is willing to vote in favor of waiving the bids for some firms that the Town currently does business with but was opposed to appointing the firm of Levitsky & Berney as the Town auditors. He stated that the portfolio pension fund managers have done an excellent job, \$93 million, and they deserve a yes vote. With regards to the auditors, however, he feels that the Comptroller's Office has become very comfortable with them. This is the reason that he will vote against re-appointment of Levitsky & Berney. You don't want your auditors to be comfortable with the Town's Finance Department for after so many years if there is too much comfortability then it is time to change.

Mr. Farrell agreed with Mr. Doherty and Mr. Killen on this issue stating, casting no aspersions on the Comptroller's Office, I think that from time to time changing auditors would not be a bad idea. To quote John 23, "It is good to open the windows and let in the air".

ITEM VII. - Adopt the Budgets of the Public Utilities

Mr. Doherty stated, because of the shorter budget workshop schedule he spent most of his time on the general fund budget of the Town since that is what affects the tax rate the most. The utility budgets do not impact the tax rate for they are enterprise funds. He asked the Mayor if he cut any significant items/amounts from any of the utility budgets?

Mayor Dickinson responded, the Public Utilities Commission made some significant changes in some of the items prior to it reaching the Mayor's Office for review. There were no changes made to the Water/Sewer budgets and no increase in their rates. A reduction in the electric rates went into effect at the beginning of this calendar year.

ITEM VIII. - Adopt the Budget of the Capital & Non-Recurring Expenditures Fund

Mr. Centner asked, why is there a difference of \$548 between the revenues and expenditures of this budget?

Mr. Myers stated, the revenues exceed the expenditures by that small amount. It will remain a balance in the fund.

Upon conclusion of all motions and votes Chairman Parisi made the following comments:

Chairman Parisi: I personally feel that the people on the Council did make an effort, a strong effort, to analyze this budget and to bring forth their comments. It was a different way in a different year for approaching the budget. I make no apology for what we did, sometimes when you pioneer a new process you are subjected to criticism which may be justified and again, I take any criticism as an opinion. That is what America is all about and that is what democracy is all about; we can disagree and we can certainly maintain our friendships and our camaraderie and yet, when we get to this table we are supposed to do what we believe is right. When you are out there you are supposed to speak up and comment on what you think is right. For those who disagree, I feel badly that you do and I respect your opinion. For those who approve of what we have done and we may have done something different, I don't say it should be done every year but this Council did review this budget and found it to be in proper order and in their view it was acceptable. There were those in the minority (vote) and they did express their opinion, they were given the time to. I commend them for their stand; they certainly did not get any pressure nor did they feel that they had to buckle under to me. I think that everyone here voted their consciences and I commend everyone for the work they did. Thank you.

(recorded motions and votes are listed on the following pages)

Town of Wallingford
Annual Budget Adoption
For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1996

I. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET OF \$84,205,320 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996.

Mr. Farrell seconded the motion.

VOTE: Doherty no; all others, aye.

Motion Passed

II. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE BUDGET OF \$84,205,320 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996.

Mr. Centner seconded the motion.

VOTE: Doherty, no; all others, aye.

Motion Passed

III. Mr. Rys

MOVED: ESTABLISH THE PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996 AT 24.8 MILLS.

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES IN EXCESS OF \$100 SHALL BE MADE IN TWO INSTALLMENTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS DUE JULY 1, 1996, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1996. THE SECOND INSTALLMENT SHALL BE DUE JANUARY 1, 1997, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 1997. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES OF \$100 OR LESS SHALL BE PAID IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 1996 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1996 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144.

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE MADE IN ONE INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 1, 1996 AND PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1996 AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-144a. DELINQUENT MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES SHALL BE PAID ONLY IN CASH OR BY CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER AS AS PROVIDED BY CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE, CHAPTER 204, SECTION 12-146.

CHECKS IN PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES WHICH HAVE BEEN RETURNED BY THE BANK SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FIFTEEN DOLLAR (\$15.00) HANDLING FEE.

Mr. Knight seconded the motion.

VOTE: Doherty, no; all others, aye.

Motion Passed

IV. Mr. RYS

MOVED: TO APPROVE THE COMPTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATIONS OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD AS LISTED IN HIS LETTER TO MAYOR DICKINSON DATED May 2, 1996 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996, COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

Mr. Centner seconded the motion

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

Va. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED: a. THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL DEEM IT TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO WAIVE THE BIDDING PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER VII, SECTION 4, SUB-PARAGRAPH 8 OF THE TOWN CHARTER, IN THE SELECTION AND HIRING OF THE FOLLOWING:

TOWN AUDITOR	
TRINITY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CORP.)	Pension Fund
FLEET INVESTMENT SERVICES) Portfolio Mgrs.
FLEET BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION)	Financial
EVENSEN DODGE, INC.) Advisors
ROBINSON & COLE	Bond Attorney

Ms. Papale seconded the motion

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

Vb. Mr. Rys MOVED:

THAT THE COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE APPOINTMENT OF Levitsky and Berney AS THE TOWN AUDITOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996.

Mr. Renda seconded the motion.

VOTE: Doherty, Centner and Farrell, no; all others, aye.

Motion Passed

Town Council Meeting

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May 14, 1996



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

THOMAS A. MYERS
COMPTROLLER

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
P.O. BOX 67
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT 06492
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2040

May 2, 1996

The Honorable William W. Dickinson
Mayor, Town of Wallingford
45 So. Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Dickinson:

In accordance with Section 7-401 of the Connecticut General Statutes entitled, "Designation of bank depositories and deposits therein," the financial institutions listed herewith are recommended as official Town of Wallingford depositories for the fiscal year July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997:

1. Fleet National Bank
2. First Union Bank of Connecticut
3. Bank of Boston Connecticut
4. Dime Savings Bank of Wallingford
5. Chase Manhattan Bank

Trinity Investment Management Corporation and Fleet Investment Services are portfolio managers for a portion of Town of Wallingford Pension Trust Fund assets and as such agents are hereby reported as a depository of town funds.

It is a pleasure to make these recommendations to you. If you have any questions or require further clarification, I will be available.

Very truly yours,

Thomas A. Myers
Comptroller

TAM/mgn

cc: Town Council Chairman
Town Treasurer

VI. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, THAT THE TREASURER AND THE COMPTROLLER, OR EITHER OF THEM, ARE AUTHORIZED TO INVEST FUNDS IN TRUST FUNDS AND CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 112 OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES.

Mr. Renda seconded the motion.

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

VII. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGETS OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996 AS HEREIN STATED:

Electric Enterprise Fund

Operating Revenues	<u>39,277,500</u>
Operating Expenses	<u>35,913,824</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>3,363,676</u>
Non-Operating Revenue	<u>409,650</u>
Non-Operating Expenses	<u>143,751</u>
Net Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers In (Out)	<u>3,629,575</u>
Operating Transfers In (Out)	<u>(1,794,548)</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>1,835,027</u>
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	<u>4,469,734</u>
Uses of Funds	<u>4,469,734</u>

Water Enterprise Fund

Operating Revenues	<u>5,778,890</u>
Operating Expenses	<u>4,259,713</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>1,519,177</u>
Non-Operating Revenue	<u>418,650</u>
Non-Operating Expenses	<u>1,067,960</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>869,867</u>
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	<u>2,696,154</u>
Uses of Funds	<u>2,696,154</u>

Sewer Enterprise Fund

Operating Revenues	<u>4,107,312</u>
Operating Expenses	<u>4,514,093</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>(406,781)</u>
Non-Operating Revenue	<u>564,175</u>
Non-Operating Expenses	<u>498,605</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>(341,211)</u>
Working Capital: Sources of Funds	<u>1,869,354</u>
Uses of Funds	<u>1,869,354</u>

Mr. Renda seconded the motion.

VIII. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURES FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,012,540 REVENUES AND \$2,011,942 EXPENDITURES.

Mr. Renda seconded the motion.

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

IX. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Mr. Renda seconded the motion.

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

X. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO APPROVE SPECIAL FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1996 AS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Mr. Centner seconded the motion.

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

XI. Mr. Rys

MOVED: TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THREE COPIES OF THE FINALIZED BUDGET, TWO TO BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND ONE TO BE PLACED ON FILE IN THE WALLINGFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Mr. Renda seconded the motion.

VOTE: All ayes.

Motion Passed

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT						
SPECIAL FUNDS BOARD OF EDUCATION - SUMMARY						
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997						
	FY 6-30-95	1-31-96	1995-96	1996-97	MAYOR	COUNCIL
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	APPROVED	REQUEST	APPROVED	APPROVED
CAFETERIA						
Revenue	1,269,403	667,231	1,413,525	1,513,939	1,493,939	
Expenditure	1,209,321	615,712	1,413,525	1,513,939	1,493,939	
CHAPTER I						
Revenue	231,853	150,000	197,075	197,075	197,075	
Expenditure	223,122	174,499	197,075	197,075	197,075	
CHAPTER I PROG IMP						
Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	
CHAPTER I ESEA-CAPITAL EXP						
Revenue	4,000	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	1,752	0	0	0	0	
CREDIT UNION GRANT						
Revenue	0	1200	1,200	0	0	
Expenditure	0	0	1,200	0	0	
CHAPTER II						
Revenue	33,136	20,000	33,136	33,661	33,661	
Expenditure	28,250	4,835	33,136	33,661	33,661	
TITLE II						
Revenue	16,101	10,000	16,101	16,856	16,856	
Expenditure	6,819	3,556	16,101	16,856	16,856	
DRUG FREE SCHOOLS						
Revenue	30,765	15,000	31,765	28,770	28,770	
Expenditure	12,439	34	31,765	28,770	28,770	
VOCATIONAL ED (PERKINS)						
Revenue	39,903	25,000	39,903	38,264	38,264	
Expenditure	34,280	20,335	39,903	38,264	38,264	
VOC ED (EQUIPMENT)						
Revenue	62,528	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	62,528	0	0	0	0	
ADULT ED TUITION						
Revenue	100,636	54,613	139,700	100,000	100,000	
Expenditure	86,100	35,634	139,700	100,000	100,000	
LONG ISLAND SOUND GRANT						
Revenue	0	0	500	0	0	
Expenditure	0	177	500	0	0	
ADULT BASIC EDUCATION						
Revenue	212,033	143,905	230,118	215,329	215,329	
Expenditure	212,033	96,066	230,118	215,329	215,329	
ADULT ED ACTIVITY						
Revenue	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	
Expenditure	2,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	
FAMILY LITERACY						
Revenue	24,500	20,000	24,500	0	0	
Expenditure	24,410	12,186	24,500	0	0	
PRIVATE INDUS COUNCIL						
Revenue	25,408	6,788	25,408	0	0	
Expenditure	24,987	5,544	25,408	0	0	
TITLE VI, PART B						
Revenue	262,080	175,000	240,000	235,950	255,960	
Expenditure	261,178	121,062	240,000	255,960	255,960	

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT

SPECIAL FUNDS BOARD OF EDUCATION - SUMMARY

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997

	FY 6-30-95 ACTUAL	1-31-96 ACTUAL	1995-96 APPROVED	1996-97 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<u>SNET GRANT</u>						
Revenue	0	5,000	5,000	0	0	0
Expenditure	0	0	5,000	0	0	0
<u>PRE-SCHOOL HANDICAPPED</u>						
Revenue	28,340	20,000	28,340	23,100	23,100	23,100
Expenditure	21,664	4,191	28,340	23,100	23,100	23,100
<u>VO-AG EQUIPMENT</u>						
Revenue	0	0	183,615	0	0	0
Expenditure	0	103,245	183,615	0	0	0
<u>OUTSIDE SERVICES</u>						
Revenue	22,763	12,327	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Expenditure	22,763	22,517	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
<u>SUMMER SCHOOL</u>						
Revenue	12,151	12,605	13,010	13,010	13,010	13,010
Expenditure	12,044	11,908	13,010	13,010	13,010	13,010
<u>DRIVER EDUCATION</u>						
Revenue	16,365	6,310	24,000	27,600	27,600	27,600
Expenditure	20,687	10,138	24,000	27,600	27,600	27,600
<u>ACHIEVEMENT GRANT</u>						
Revenue	0	0	30,306	0	0	0
Expenditure	0	0	30,306	0	0	0

SPECIAL FUNDS TOWN GOVERNMENT - SUMMARY

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997

	FY 6-30-95 ACTUAL	1-31-96 ACTUAL	1995-96 APPROVED	1996-97 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<u>SCOW</u>						
Revenue	28,576	30,765	36,919	51,610	51,610	51,610
Expenditure	28,576	26,146	36,919	51,610	51,610	51,610
<u>SSBG</u>						
Revenue	5,327	2,753	5,507	5,507	5,507	5,507
Expenditure	5,327	0	5,507	5,507	5,507	5,507
<u>YSB (DCYS)</u>						
Revenue	192,115	15,342	221,443	209,084	209,084	209,084
Expenditure	192,115	124,924	221,443	209,084	209,084	209,084
<u>COUNCIL ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE</u>						
Revenue	18,221	1,506	5,983	12,500	12,500	12,500
Expenditure	8,002	2,500	5,983	12,500	12,500	12,500
<u>CRRA (SERVICE CONTRACT GRANT)</u>						
Revenue	24,196	20,775	27,700	28,400	28,400	28,400
Expenditure	21,500	12,176	27,700	28,400	28,400	28,400

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT

SPECIAL FUNDS TOWN GOVERNMENT - SUMMARY

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997

	FY 6-30-95 ACTUAL	1-31-96 ACTUAL	1995-96 APPROVED	1996-97 REQUEST	MAYOR APPROVED	COUNCIL APPROVED
<u>TOWN AID ROAD</u>						
Revenue	185,732	93,118	186,235	186,235	186,235	
Expenditure	219,456	155,574	186,235	186,235	186,235	
<u>DRUG ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM</u>						
Revenue	28,993	0	36,417	35,000	35,000	
Expenditure	28,993	2,129	36,417	35,000	35,000	
<u>SMALL CITIES</u>						
Revenue	74,783	0	0	0	0	
Expenditure	74,783	0	0	0	0	
<u>LOCAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</u>						
Revenue	281,769	0	305,728	306,434	306,434	
Expenditure	281,769	305,626	305,728	306,434	306,434	
<u>MEALS ON WHEELS</u>						
Revenue	19,264	14,409	19,409	19,000	19,000	
Expenditure	5,003	2,486	19,409	19,000	19,000	
<u>RECREATION DEPT PROGRAMS</u>						
Revenue	302,565	144,784	352,500	374,753	374,753	
Expenditure	302,565	168,011	352,500	374,753	374,753	
<u>MUNICIPAL LIGHTING GRANT</u>						
Revenue	27,022	27,022	33,558	0	0	
Expenditure	27,022	27,022	33,558	0	0	
<u>DEP RECYCLING GRANT</u>						
Revenue	305,700	290,291	382,050	0	0	
Expenditure	305,700	360,703	382,050	0	0	
<u>FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM</u>						
Revenue	21,000	0	21,000	20,850	20,850	
Expenditure	7,545	7,920	21,000	20,850	20,850	
<u>OFF SYS LOCAL ACCIDENT REDUCTION PRGM</u>						
Revenue	10,800	0	84,600	0	0	
Expenditure	2,570	2,419	84,600	0	0	
<u>NARCOTICS FORFEITURE</u>						
Revenue	6,491	4,299	0	0	0	
Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	

ITEM #10 SET A PUBLIC HEARING for May 28, 1996 at 7:45 P.M. on an Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Appropriating \$1,400,000. for the Acquisition of 6 Fairfield Boulevard and the Planning, Design and Construction of the Building's Conversion to a Town Recreation Center

The purpose of the ordinance is to increase the appropriation and bond authorization by \$1,154,000 from \$1,400,000 to \$2,554,000 to provide for costs of construction of the building conversion.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys, seconded by Mr. Knight.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

WAIVER OF RULE V Motion was made by Mr. Knight to Waive Rule V of the Town Council Meeting Procedures for the Purpose of an Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(5) and 1-19b(9) of the CT. General Statutes with Respect to Collective Bargaining.

Seconded by Mr. Centner.

VOTE TO WAIVE RULE V: All ayes; motion duly carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Enter Into Executive Sessions Pursuant to Sections 1-18a(e)(5), 1-19b(9) as stated above and the following executive sessions listed below:

ITEM #11 Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(2) of the CT. General Statutes with Respect to Pending Litigation - Town Attorney

ITEM #12 Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(4) of the CT. General Statutes with Respect to the Sale of Real Estate - Mayor's Office

Seconded by Ms. Papale.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

Present in the Executive Session pursuant to Section 1-18a(e)(5) were all Councilors; Mayor Dickinson; Corporation Counselor Adam Mantzaris and Personnel Director, Terrence Sullivan.

Present in Executive Sessions pursuant to Sections 1-18a(e)(2) and 1-18a(e)(4) were all Councilors; Mayor Dickinson (who left during discussions pertaining to Section 1-18a(e)(2) and then returned) and Corporation Counselor Adam Mantzaris.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Exit the Executive Sessions, seconded by Mr. Renda.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Centner.

VOTE: All ayes; motion duly carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:31 P.M.

Meeting recorded and transcribed by:

Kathryn F. Milano
Kathryn F. Milano
Town Council Secretary

Approved by:

Robert F. Parisi
Robert F. Parisi, Chairman

5-28-96

Date

Rosemary A. Rascati
Rosemary A. Rascati, Town Clerk

5-28-96

Date

Appendix I

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$900,000 FOR THE PLANNING, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF MUNICIPAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS 1996-1997 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$900,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Section 1. The sum of \$900,000 is appropriated for the planning, acquisition and construction of municipal capital improvements 1996-1997 as set forth hereinafter and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs related thereto, said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof.

Roadway Reconstruction

Yale Avenue	\$900,000
Route 5 to Town Line	
Total	<u>\$900,000</u>

Section 2. To meet said appropriation \$900,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the twentieth year after their date. Said bonds shall be issued in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the project determined after considering the estimated amount of the State and Federal grants-in-aid of the project, or the actual amount thereof if this be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in bearer form or in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford. They shall bear such rate or rates of interest as shall be determined by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law

relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of bonds to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds shall be determined by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold upon sealed proposals at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, provisions of the purchase agreement shall be subject to the approval of the Town Council.

Section 4. The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, pursuant to Section 7-373 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for

such purpose.

Section 5. Resolution of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures with Borrowings. The Town (the "Issuer") hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to §1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and after the date of passage of this ordinance in the maximum amount and for the capital project defined in Section 1 with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Bonds") authorized to be issued by the Issuer. The Bonds shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Issuer hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Comptroller or his designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of reimbursement bonds, and to amend this declaration.

Section 6. The Mayor, the Comptroller and the Town Treasurer, or any two of them, are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to nationally recognized municipal securities information repositories or state based information repositories (the "Repositories") and to provide notices to the Repositories of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance. Any agreements or representations to provide information to Repositories made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.