

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY
May 24, 2022
6:30 P.M.

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 was called to order at 6:31 p.m. There was a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were Autumn Allinson, Samuel Carmody, Craig Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, Joseph A. Marrone, III, Christina Tatta, Vincent Testa, Jason and Chairman Vincent Cervoni. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., Town Attorney Gerald E. Farrell, Sr. and Comptroller Tim Sena were also present.

- 3a. Consider and approve Tax Refunds totaling \$111,978.39 (#1056-#1115)
Acct. #1001001- 41020 - Tax Collector
- 3b. Acceptance of overtime funds for work on Federal Taskforce and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$519 to Misc. Revenue,
Acct. #1009052-47040 and to Police Overtime, Acct. #10020050-51400 – Police Dept.
- 3c. Acceptance of overtime funds for work on Federal Taskforce and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$703 to Misc. Revenue, Acct. #1009052-47040 and to Police Overtime, Acct. #10020050-51400 – Police Dept.
- 3d. Acceptance of (2) Reflex Student Guardian violation funds and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$325 from Court Motor Vehicles Fines, Acct. #1002001-45124 to Police Operating Expense, Acct. #10020050-58735 – Police Dept.
- 3e. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$50,000 from Regular Salaries & Wages, Acct. #10020150-51000 to Replacement Pay, Acct. #10020150-51500 – Fire Dept.
- 3f. Consider and approve Budget Transfer in the amount of \$7,150 from Administrative-Injuries and Damages, Acct. #925 to Administrative-Property Insurance, Acct. #924 – Electric Div.
- 3g. Consider and approve Budget Appropriation of \$52,000 from Retained Earnings, Acct. #N/A to Various-Spreadsheet attached – Electric Div.
- 3h. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$259,889 from Contingency-Accrued Exp., Acct. #10019000-58821 to Various – (See Attached Accounts) – Comptroller
- 3i. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$500 from Regular Salaries & Wages, Acct. #10010650-51000 to Overtime, Acct. #10010650-51400 – Town Clerk
- 3j. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$3,817 – Town Clerk

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| \$3,817 | From: Regular Salaries & Wages | Acct. #10010650-51000 |
| \$3553 | To: Cap. Exp. – Server | Acct. #10010650-57000-01059 |
| \$ 264 | To: Cap Exp. – Scanner | Acct. #10010650-57000-01058 |
- 3k. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$2,500 from Office Expense & Supplies, Acct #10010650-56100 to Maintenance of Equipment, Acct. #10010650-54325 – Town Clerk
- 3l. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$6,000 – Human Resources
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| \$4,000 | From: Prof. Svcs.-Consulting Svcs. | Acct. #10012000-56774 |
| \$2,000 | From: Prof. Svcs.-Labor/Grievances | Acct. #10012000-56812 |
| \$6,000 | To: Office Expense & Supplies | Acct. #10012000-56100 |
- 3m. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$5,000 from Unemployment Insurance, Acct. #10012100-52970 to Professional Services, Employment Exams, Acct. #10012000-56728 – Human Resources
- 3n. Consider and approve Revised Job Description for Economic Development Specialist – Human Resources
- 3o. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Animal Control - Mayor
- 3p. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for BOE - Mayor
- 3q. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for EDC - Mayor
- 3r. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Engineering - Mayor
- 3s. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Finance - Mayor
- 3t. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Fire Dept. - Mayor
- 3u. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Human Resources - Mayor
- 3v. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Police Dept. - Mayor
- 3w. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Public Works. - Mayor
- 3x. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Town Attorney - Mayor
- 3y. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Town Clerk - Mayor
- 3z. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Utilities - PUC - Mayor

- 3aa. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Utilities - Electric - Mayor
- 3bb. Consider and approve FY 2022-2023 Bid Waiver request for Utilities - Water/Sewer - Electric
- 3cc. Consider and approve FY 2022-23 Bid Waiver Request for Hardware Items, Executive Chevrolet/Dealer only OEM parts and service, Eversource, Frontier Telecommunications Service - Mayor
- 3dd. Approve Town Council Minutes of Special Town Council FY 2022-2023 Budget Meetings of April 14, 2022, April 19, 2022 and April 20, 2022.

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

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: ALLINSON
VOTE: 6 AYE
FISHBEIN: NAY
ZANDRI: NAY
CARMODY: ABSTAIN
MOTION: PASSED

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

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD**

Bob Gross, Long Hill Road, asked if we are in the red or the black this year and Mr. Sena replied it's impossible to tell.

Mr. Gross feels the Mayor hasn't looked for ways to save money and remarked we are not unique. He went on to state if you don't override the veto then you are not putting citizens first.

- 6. Discussion and possible action on the Fire Department consultant – Councilor Marrone - ***Removed***
- 7. Discussion and possible action regarding finalizing ARPA Applications – Councilor Laffin - ***Removed***
- 8. Possible Item: Discussion and action regarding Mayoral Veto of 2022-2023 adopted budget – Mayor

Councilor Tatta referenced her Motion made at the prior Town Council meeting and talked about the cost difference between the two budgets.

There was lengthy discussion with regard to the budget.

MOTION WAS MADE TO OVERRIDE VETO ON 2022-2023 BUDGET.

**MADE BY: TATTA
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI**

There was discussion with Councilors, Mayor and Mr. Sena with regard to budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

ALLINSON: NO	TATTA: YES
CARMODY: YES	TESTA: YES
FISHBEIN: YES	ZANDRI: YES
LAFFIN: NO	CERVONI: NO
MARRONE: YES	
6-AYE	
3-NAY	
MOTION: FAILED	

9. Executive Session pursuant to CGS Section 1-225(f) and Section 1-200(6)(B) to discuss pending litigation in the matter of *Town of Wallingford v. Maria Davidson* – Law Dept.

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:44 P.M. to discuss pending litigation in the matter of *Town of Wallingford v. Maria Davidson*

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

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

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

Time of Executive Session 8:44 p.m. to 8:50 p.m.

Attendance at Executive Session:

ALLINSON	MAYOR WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
CARMODY	TOWN ATTORNEY GERALD E. FARRELL, SR.
FISHBEIN	
LAFFIN	
MARRONE	
TATTA	
TESTA	
ZANDRI	
CERVONI	

10. Discussion and possible action regarding the matter of *Town of Wallingford v. Maria Davidson* as discussed in Executive Session – Law Dept.

MOTION WAS MADE TO SETTLE THE MATTER OF TOWN OF WALLINGFORD V. MARIA DAVIDSON AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moss
Council Staff
Meeting digitally recorded



Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

12 July 2022

Date



Deborah McKiernan, Town Clerk

July 13, 2022

Date

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Deborah McKiernan TOWN CLERK