

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 9, 2001

6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

Blessing

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call
2. Correspondence
3. Consent Agenda
 - a. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#376-439) – Tax Collector
 - b. Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved by the Mayor
 - c. Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to date
 - d. Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$2,000 From Regular Wages & Salary Acct. #001-4001-101-1000 to Overtime Acct. #001-4001-101-1400 – Department of Parks & Recreation
 - e. Consider and Approve an Appropriation of Funds in the Amount of \$29,400 to State Grants – Miscellaneous Acct. #001-1040-050-5520 and to Purchased Services Engineering Consultant Acct. #001-5010-901-9040 – Mayor
 - f. Consider and Approve Appropriating Funds From the Following Grant Accounts Into the Program Expenditures Account of the Board of Education:

<u>Grant Title</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
Title I	\$ 17,182
Title VI	2,246
Title VI – Class Size	15,980
Title II	6,842
Voc Ed (Perkins)	\$ 22

- f. Consider and Approve Appropriating Funds From the Following Grant Accounts Into the Program Expenditures Account of the Board of Education: (cont.)

<u>Grant Title</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
IDEA	\$ 50,326
AE on Common Ground	19,500
School Wiring	46,544
School to Career	\$ 18,964

- g. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the September 24, 2001 Special Town Council Meeting
- h. Approve and Accept the Minutes of the September 25, 2001 Town Council Meeting
4. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda
5. Consider and Approve an Agreement Between the Town of Wallingford and the Educational Secretaries Contract; AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Local 1303-173 of Council 4, Effective October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2005 as Requested by the Superintendent of Schools
6. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD
7. Consider and Approve a Resolution Commending AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps Volunteers as Requested by Chairman Robert F. Parisi
8. Discussion and Possible Action on a Request by PPL Wallingford Energy LLC to Explore the Feasibility of Entering Into an Assessment or Tax Fixing Agreement Between the Town of Wallingford and PPL Wallingford Energy per State Statute as Requested by Chairman Robert F. Parisi
9. Consider and Approve Payment of a Claim by the Internal Revenue Service for Late Payment of Withholding Deposits by the Town of Wallingford, Department of Finance as Requested by Corporation Counsel
10. Executive Session Pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the CT. General Statutes Pertaining to the Purchase, Sale and/or Leasing of Property – Mayor

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6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Wallingford Town Council was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2001 in the Robert Earley Auditorium of the Wallingford Town Hall and called to Order by Chairman Robert F. Parisi at 630 P.M. Answering present to the Roll called by Town Clerk Rosemary A. Rascati were Councilors Brodinsky, Farrell, Knight, Papale, Parisi, Rys & Vumbaco. Councilor Zappala was tending to an ill relative and therefore could not attend the meeting. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. arrived at 639 P.M.; Corporation Counselor Adam Mantzaris arrived at 6:34 P.M.; Comptroller Thomas A. Myers was also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag.

Item#2 No items of correspondence were presented.

ITEM #3 Consent Agenda

ITEM #3a Consider and Approve Tax Refunds (#376-439) – Tax Collector

ITEM #3b Note for the Record Anniversary Increases Approved by the Mayor

ITEM #3c Note for the Record Mayoral Transfers Approved to date

ITEM #3d Consider and Approve a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$2,000 from Regular Wages & Salary Acct. #001-4001-101-1000 to Overtime Acct. #001-4001-101-1400 – Department of Parks & Recreation

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ITEM #3g Approve and Accept the Minutes of the September 24, 2001 Special Town Council Meeting

ITEM #3h Approve and Accept the Minutes of the September 25, 2001 Town Council Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Rys to Approve Consent Agenda Items #3a-g as presented, seconded by Mr. Farrell.

VOTE: Centner and Zappala were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #4 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

ITEM#3h - Withdrawn

ITEM #5 Consider and Approve an Agreement Between the Town of Wallingford and the Educational Secretaries Contract; AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Local 1303-173 of Council 4, Effective October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2005 as Requested by the Superintendent of Schools

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

Appendix I is a summary of the contract "package"; salary increases; health insurance co-payment premiums and life insurance adjustments.

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

VOTE: Centner and Zappala were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Robert Sheehan, 11 Cooper Avenue asked for a report out on how the Town's pension investments are doing, especially in this declining market period?

Comptroller Thomas Myers assured Mr. Sheehan that the pension portfolio is diversified enough to expose the funds to the least amount of volatility as possible. Although the returns are not at the level they were at during the exemplary market conditions of the recent past, the downturn has not exceeded the benchmarks used to monitor activity. The plan is in excellent financial condition and will require no contribution on the part of the Town for the fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03.

Geno Zandri, 37 Hallmark Drive brought to the attention of the Council a hazardous condition that exists each weekend at the Redwood Flea Market on South Turnpike Road. Due to the location at which the vendors place their tables, patrons park their cars adjacent to them, causing them to jut out past the shoulder and out into the travel portion of the road. He has placed calls to the Police Department nearly every weekend that he travels through the area. Unfortunately, by the time the police are able to respond, the vehicles are moved. He would like to see someone contact the owner of the flea market to ask that he have his vendors set the tables up approximately 3-5' further in away from the road. This will allow the cars to pull farther in and off of the road.

Mayor Dickinson will speak with Chief Dortenzio about the matter.

Gary Linsley, 520 Ward Street Extension stated, I had a letter sent to all council members last week. I have a few statements I would like to make concerning that letter and something else. With regards to the School Building Committee, my wife and I were reading the paper a while back and it came to our attention that we did not feel that there was enough oversight of the project, based upon what has happened in the past. Usually the past is a pretty good indication of how things go in the future; how those things are changed. In that letter it mentions how papers having to do with the previous building committee were taken out of town and kept in someone's house for ten years. We had a building service department operating without site plans, moving things around the property without site plans for ten years. These records were supposed to be turned over to the town and were not. I had meetings with different individuals; ran myself ragged for six months trying to find the records. Finally, when they found them, they were supposed to be given to the Town for their care and custody. Complete copies can't be found. It came to my attention that everything had been put on microfilm and when checked into, it was learned that part of the microfilm was missing. Now, all a sudden we have a situation where, we find the microfilm, no one knows who found it, when it was found, under what condition it was found. The information on that microfilm is what I need to verify whether or not there is a problem going on; a problem in the past that should not be carried over to the future. I don't know if you have had any opportunities to look into that or not, but, I find it highly irregular that we don't have more control, not less. What kind of training do the volunteers who serve on the building committee have? Are they trained on the rules, statutes, regulations, laws, accounting procedures, what records to keep, when to turn them over to the

Town, if at all? Do the people have any training? They are handling and accounting for taxpayers' money; there has to be some accounting procedure.

Mr. Parisi stated, they do have the various Town departments available for assistance for them. They do not just run all by themselves. Where are the records from the original committee? Do I have to go through each building committee to see if the records have been turned over like they are supposed to be? All of the records are not there. All these financial records are missing. When they found this tape, a lot of information is missing. It is very difficult for someone who comes in to look at it and say, here is the invoice, here is the check, this is what we paid and this is the kind of work we got done. Those are the kind of bookkeeping procedures that are supposed to be followed so that anyone who comes in looking could do the same thing; sit down with an adding machine, add it all up and come up with the correct number. I understand that the State does an audit at the end of it but they audit the bottom line, not line items.

Mr. Rys stated, I served on a committee when we put the portable classrooms onto the schools, a good ten years ago. We had a secretary; all the papers were filed like they were supposed to be. The accounting part of that was taken care of by myself, as Chairman, and the Accounting Department. Those records are available on that.

Mr. Linsley asked, where are all the records at?

Mr. Rys answered, Accounting should have all the records of all the expenditures.

Mr. Linsley answered, it sounds good, but that is not the truth.

Mr. Rys asked, on that particular committee?

Mr. Linsley answered, I'm not sure about that one. If you are talking about ten years ago; 1988-1993, and the school renovations, those records are unavailable, pure and simple. I have run myself ragged everywhere in this town looking for records. Finally, the final straw was, I was told by a gentleman in the Comptroller's Office that it would take about six months and that he was very busy and he would get back to me. He didn't even know the basics about the timeframe in which the Town must reply to an F.O.I. request. After a while you get tired from getting the runaround.

Mayor Dickinson stated, the Town Attorney has been dealing with Mr. Linsley and every effort is being made to comply with his requests.

Mr. Linsley replied, I understand that every effort is being made to reply to my request but that does not give me the records. The records are missing. Those are Town property and are not

supposed to be missing. If anything has been destroyed, the Town must first get a approval from the State and proper signatures obtained before the information can be destroyed. Either you have the records or you don't. If you don't have them, why not? It is simple; not complicated.

Mayor Dickinson repeated, the Town Attorney is dealing with this subject and efforts are being made to provide records that are not immediately available.

Mr. Linsley asked, where do we stand on this? Are the records going to be found?

Mr. Parisi replied, they said that they are in the process of trying to get the records.

Mr. Linsley answered, this has been 1 ½ years, sir.

Mr. Parisi answered, well, if that is it takes, that is what it takes.

Mr. Linsley replied, these records are available to the public; that doesn't mean that you just stall for 1 ½ years.

Mr. Parisi answered, I don't think it is a stall, I think they are trying to find them. How long ago the project was....

Mr. Linsley stated, I understand that but these microfilms were not done until August, 2000, ten years after the project closed. The only time the information was put on microfilm is when I started investigating the matter and asking a few questions. Then they had them microfilmed and lost a lot of records; they can't find a lot of records. What is the answer?

Mayor Dickinson answered, it is not 1 ½ years. This is an evolving type of thing. A record is found and then there is a request for something additional so then there is a search for the additional and that is supplied and then there is another request. It is an evolving thing; it is not as though one thing was requested and 1 ½ years went by and it has kind of languished since then. It evolves as things are supplied and there is a request for something else.

Mr. Parisi asked that Mr. Linsley get on to the next item because there are other questions.

Mr. Linsley stated, I have a situation with the P.U.C. (Public Utilities Commission). I had a problem with my electric meter being way out of kilter. There is a situation going on where they say they are going to destroy the tapes after six months over there. I want you to understand that those tapes may be needed. I think you should hear those tapes because those people are getting money from you to run their organization. You pay their salaries. I think you should see how they treat the public. The information is on those tapes and if you were to

listen to them, you would understand how the public can get a little bent out of shape sometimes. It behooves everyone in this organization to have those tapes brought forward and played, the ones at which I appeared at the P.U.C. meeting. Then you would understand what the situation is in town.

Mr. Parisi asked, Mr. Linsley to get on to the next item because other people are awaiting their turn.

Mr. Linsley asked, will you honor that request to listen to those tapes? I want those tapes brought before the public and I want the public to hear what is on those tapes.

Mr. Parisi answered, if anyone from the public wants to hear the tapes, they can go down there and listen to them, I imagine. If they feel they want to, that's fine, they can.

Mr. Linsley replied, what I am saying that you (Council) are the overseers. You handle the money in town. You give money for raises but when it comes time for someone to come in and ask questions....

Mr. Parisi answered, I have many people tell me they are treated very well, so it must be an individual basis. Maybe for some reason you feel that you are not treated properly.

Mr. Linsley asked, tell me, after you have listened to the tapes, if you are happy with that.

Mr. Parisi answered, I have attended several meetings and have found them to be run in the proper manner. I don't know what to tell you. Would you get on to the next item, please?

Mr. Linsley stated, you should also be aware that I intend to file affidavits with the State's Attorneys Office on the situation in the Assessor's Office. We had a problem before and the problem is worse now than it ever was before. I have been dealing with Atty. Mantzaris for about 1 ½ years on the same situation. I have tried everything; I have gone from one person to the next, right on up the line. I have not jumped from one person to another, I have gone right to the chain of command. I have even had meetings with the Mayor. The situation is such that there is a problem in the Assessor's Office, just like there was before. It has not been corrected in 1 ½ years and I intend to file affidavits with the State Attorneys Office. I did not want to have to come here and say that, I thought we had a situation where someone would go down and look at the books. They are writing stuff on legal journals in pencil, give me a break. I don't know where you stand on these things but somebody has got to know this stuff.

Mr. Parisi answered, I am not dealing with it so I don't have much to stand on. I don't totally know the whole situation so I don't know what you are talking about.

Mr. Linsley answered, maybe we should look into it. I will sit down and listen to the other speakers.

Jack Agosta, 505 Church Street, Yalesville referred to an article about the Planning & Zoning Commission in which there appeared information about a "Town Plan" of development. He asked, is that available to the public?

Mayor Dickinson answered, yes, the Plan of Development with regards to zoning is available at the Planning & Zoning Office.

Mr. Agosta stated that he attended a P&Z meeting approximately one month ago at which time they discussed a moratorium on building. Ms. Bush stated at that time that 18% of land in the Town is open space. He asked, do we have a goal as to how much open space the Town is looking to secure? Is so, how much?

Mayor Dickinson answered, I think the Conservation Commission encouraged a goal of 21%.

Mr. Agosta asked, doesn't the Town Council and Mayor make that decision? Are you saying the Conservation Commission makes that decision for the Town?

Mr. Parisi replied, it is in the form of a recommendation, not a decision. The Council, as they have in the past, buys land when it is affordable and available and what ever else.

Mr. Agosta stated, Governor Rowland set the State's goal for open space at 21%. We are not very far off with 18%. We must be careful with future purchases because 3% is not much land.

Mr. Parisi asked, did you see in the article that Gov. Rowland is looking for some belt tightening also? The condition of the market is causing consideration for a possible budget deficit.

Mayor Dickinson explained, I don't think the Town of Wallingford owns 18% open space in town. I believe that may be the total amount of acreage that is open as far as private and public. The Town does not own 18% open space in town. It is land that is undeveloped at this point.

Pasquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville suggested that, on the next Town Council Meeting Agenda, an item appear to have the School Building Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education and the Mayor be present to coordinate the various Town departments and their specialized skills for the renovation project.

Philip Wright, Sr., 160 Cedar Street made the following statement; I read several articles in the paper today that made one feel glad to be an American. I thought about how the Town handles

itself at this time and has ever since the incident of 9/11/01. I would say that we do ourselves proud in this town, as far as our loyalty and all the rest. The Town looks good. I come up here and beat on things an awful lot of times but this time I would like to throw a few praises out to the town. I am glad to be a citizen in this town. I am patriotic myself and my dear wife was one who would be out at the first sound of a march or the showing of a flag; she would be out there. My children have been instilled with the same sort of thing and I am glad of that.

Jack Agosta, 505 Church Street, Yalesville, asked if the back taxes owed the Town by the Wallingford Housing Authority had been straightened out?

Mayor Dickinson replied, no, not at this point.

Mr. Agosta asked, has the Town sent out a tax bill to them every year since 1992?

Corporation Counselor Adam Mantzaris replied, no, the taxpayer was the bank that sold the property to the Housing Authority. The bills had not been going out to the Housing Authority. The situation should have been explained to them at the closing when they purchased that property. Apparently, it wasn't.

Mr. Agosta hoped that the situation can be resolved so that the Housing Authority could purchase the building. He suggested that the \$500,000 state grant discussed at the last meeting be used for elderly housing. He asked if the Mayor has looked into the matter?

Mayor Dickinson answered, we are in the process of reviewing the grant and what is possible to be applied for. That may be possible.

Mr. Agosta asked, will there be any money coming back to the Town from that building or are we just giving them the building for elderly housing?

Mayor Dickinson replied, the housing authority proposal was basically no money back to the Town.

Masquale Melillo, 15 Haller Place, Yalesville asked, does the American Legion building qualify as an historic site?

Mayor Dickinson answered, the building is on the state registry of historic sites.

Mr. Melillo asked, what is the difference between what you said, and what I asked before?

Mayor Dickinson answered, there is a legal meeting to being on the State Registry of Historic sites. I don't know that there is a legal meeting to just being an historic site. There is a legal meaning to being on the State Registry of Historic sites.

Mr. Melillo asked, it can be considered an historic site?

Mayor Dickinson answered, it can be considered that if you follow the state registry.

Mr. Melillo asked, is anyone on the Town Council interested in pursuing that as far as discussing it relative to not putting it on the market and keeping it there and making sure the building isn't torn down for any reason; the Town will have to keep it for an historic site? I would like to hear the pros and cons of that because I know that there was a disagreement between at least a few of you up there. If no one is interested in preserving that building as an historic site, I think we should put that building on the market and give the taxpayers a big break to help alleviate the taxes for the average taxpayer in Wallingford. It seems as though the interest has been lost with regards to preserving it as an historic site.

Philip Wright, Sr., 160 Cedar Street stated, MLK Day is going to roll around pretty soon, what are we going to do this year? Is the Town going to have any services here or are we going to go back to having the service over at the church? Who can answer that for me?

Mayor Dickinson stated, we are in the process of planning for the program here, at noon, on Martin Luther King Day.

Mr. Wright asked, and we are going to bring out the kids from the schools?

Mayor Dickinson stated, we are working with the schools – we are in the midst of planning it. I would hope that the various groups from the schools would be participating.

Mr. Wright asked, and if they are not, what will happen?

Mayor Dickinson answered, at this point the Superintendent is working on the project and I would expect the schools to be involved.

Mr. Parisi concluded the Question and Answer Period at this time.

ITEM #7 Consider and Approve a Resolution Commending AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps Volunteers as Requested by Chairman Robert F. Parisi

Lois Doherty, 6 Reynolds Drive, member of the Quinnipiac Linear Trail Advisory Committee, read the resolution into the record at this time (Appendix II).

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

Mr. Parisi asked the Mayor to mail each Americorps volunteer the resolution in recognition of their service to the Town.

VOTE: Centner and Zappala were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

ITEM #8 Withdrawn

ITEM #9 Consider and Approve Payment of a Claim by the Internal Revenue Service for Late Payment of Withholding Deposits by the Town of Wallingford, Department of Finance as Requested by Corporation Counsel

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

Mr. Brodinsky asked for an explanation of what happened.

Thomas Myers, Comptroller, explained, Wallingford, along with other large employers, would remit federal withholding taxes by paper check to the federal government. We would also make a remittance for any social security and Medicare tax that was withheld from employees' pay plus the matching share of those taxes that the community, the Town of Wallingford was responsible for. There was legislation passed that required several things, one, an electronic payment rather than a paper check. We did not have a choice. Because of our size, we have to pay those taxes electronically. No longer can we pay by check. In addition, we could not pay the Medicare and social security which had been monthly was moved to weekly. There was some transition involved going from paper to electronic. In addition, Wallingford had, at the time, these changes were eminent or had been put in place by legislation. We had four individual taxpayer identification numbers. We weren't doing payroll based on one Town of Wallingford. There were four separate divisions or entities within the Town which would require four separate electronic transmissions. This information is being provided for historical purposes. We moved from taxpayer identification numbers to eliminating electric water and sewer, merging that into the general town and we ended up with the Town and the Board of education. This particular instance occurred in February of 2000. Seeing everything was rather new, we attempted to have it abated with the IRS. We were unsuccessful at our office level and we still felt that we should try further. We just didn't want to pay the fine. We turned the matter over to the Law Department who, in turn, corresponded with the IRS who was unwilling to forgive the Town of Wallingford the fine. On February 17, 2000, the Board of Ed payroll had a federal tax liability of just short of \$172,000. The payroll was dated the 17th of February, we should have sent the funds by wire transfer on the 18th, we sent them on the 19th, one day late. Monday was a holiday and the feds did not receive the money until February 23rd. We have not had another such occurrence since February, 2000. I feel that we have sufficient internal controls. It was just human error; a lot going on, a lot of changes. I feel comfortable

that we have the proper systems in place. Could it happen again? It could happen again just because of the human factor.

Mr. Parisi stated, I appreciate your honesty, Mr. Myers.

Mr. Myers replied, in the private sector, this would just be a fine or a penalty dealt with during the course of business. Because we deal with public money, it is here before the Council. We have a very dedicated staff of men and women in the Department of Finance which comprises several divisions. I applaud them for their work effort and I have always operated on the principle that if we make a mistake, we own up to it. Human beings make mistakes. I would want to encourage everyone to continue doing what they do; they do it well. You can't take the human factor out of processing business transactions.

Robert Sheehan, 11 Cooper Avenue asked, how much is the fine?

Mr. Myers answered, \$2,884.02.

Mr. Sheehan asked, is that a negotiated fine?

Mr. Myers answered, no, we have been negotiating with them for a while and the fine has been increasing.

VOTE: Centner and Zappala were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

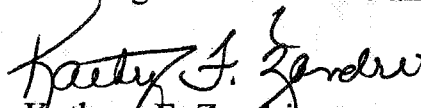
ITEM #10 Withdrawn

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

VOTE: Centner and Zappala were absent; all others, aye; motion duly carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

Meeting recorded and transcribed by:


Kathryn F. Zandri
Town Council Secretary

Approved:

Robert F. Parisi (by PK)
Robert F. Parisi, Chairman

10-23-01
Date

Rosemary A. Rascati
Rosemary A. Rascati, Town Clerk

10-23-01
Date

**SUMMARY OF NEGOTIATED CHANGES IN
EDUCATIONAL SECRETARIES CONTRACT
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2001**

The following represents a summary of the package:

- I. **Salary:** Year 1 – 3% (effective October 1, 2001)
Year 2 – 3% (effective October 1, 2002)
Year 3 – 3% (effective October 1, 2003)
Year 4 – 3% (effective October 1, 2004)

II. **Insurance Co-payment**

	<u>CAPS</u>
Year 1 - \$300.00	None
Year 2 – 4%	Single - \$220 Two-party - \$375 Family - \$500
Year 3 – 5%	Single - \$295 Two-party - \$500 Family - \$625
Year 4 - 5%	Single - \$400 Two-party - \$625 Family - \$750

(Presently, this union pays \$286 per year.)

III. **Life Insurance**

Increase from \$27,500 to \$30,000 (in second year of contract)

Resolution of the Wallingford Town Council

Whereas, eleven AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC)-Fire 1 volunteers came to Wallingford from September 13th to September 27th, 2001, sponsored by the Quinnipiac River Linear Trail Advisory Committee (QRLTAC) and the Quinnipiac River Watershed Association (QRWA) and

Whereas, these volunteers brought a positive attitude, good humor and solid work ethic to our environmental community project encompassing the Community Lake area and

Whereas, these team members improved the Quinnipiac River by clearing the waterways of trash and debris, cutting and removing fallen logs to allow passageway for canoes and kayaks and

Whereas, these participants enhanced the Quinnipiac River Linear Trail by providing additional access from the paved trail to the river by creating three soft paths through the woods, built fences to protect environmentally sensitive areas, painted water-sealant on pressure-treated benches and railings and

Whereas, this group worked in all kinds of weather without monetary compensation and

Whereas, these young men and women exhibited a willingness to help others at a difficult time in our country's history.

Therefore, be it resolved:

The Wallingford Town Council publicly commends the following team members, headed by Noah Goyette:

Theresa Bassen, Rachel Gilles, Lisa Hutchison, Laura Lins, Jeremiah Rodriguez, Jon Rossitto, Maranda Rousseau, Elizabeth Stickman, Laura Swirer, and Maria Vacarella, for their commitment to their country and their contributions to the Town of Wallingford.

Be it further resolved the above named men and women will always be welcome in Wallingford as AmeriCorps*NCCC volunteers, as visitors or, hopefully, as residents.

October 9, 2001

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