

**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP
ROBERT F. PARISI COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MARCH 30, 2016

RECORD OF VOTES AND MINUTES

The Special workshop of the Wallingford Town Council was called to order at 6:33 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were: Chairman Vincent Cervoni, Craig Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, Joseph Marrone, Christopher Shortell, John Sullivan and Jason Zandri arrived at 6:45 P.M. Councilors LeTourneau and Testa were absent.

Chairman Cervoni stated that we would deal with the addendum item number 3 first.

3. Interview of Candidates and Discussion and Possible action on appointment of Regular member to the Historic Properties Commission.

Candice Brashears, 90 North Airline Rd and Ray Ross, Silver Pond apartments were asked numerous questions from the council. After much discussion back and forth Chairman Cervoni concluded that this appointment would be put on the April 12th agenda.

2. Discussion and possible action with respect to the Charge to the Charter Revision Commission.

Chairman Cervoni opened the discussion with his own concerns regarding the Charter. The appointment of the Town Clerk, there is a need to establish continuity in the office; it takes more than two years to earn the certification. Chairman Cervoni will entertain a motion to consider the appointment process of the Town Clerk.

Motion: Chapter 4 Section 1 to consider the appointment process of the Town Clerk.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: SULLIVAN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION: PASSED

Chairman Cervoni then discussed the appointment of the Fire Marshall, we delegate oversight to the Fire Chief, and perhaps we should delegate appointment to the Chief as well.

Motion: Chapter 10 Section 4 to consider appointment for hiring of Fire Marshall by the Fire Chief.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: SULLIVAN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION: PASSED

Motion: Chapter IV Section 3 consider removal or abolishment of Board of Tax Review.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: MARRONE
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION: PASSED

Motion: Chapter V Section 3 to consider the need for a Board of Selectman.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: LAFFIN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION: PASSED

Motion: to consider amending language in Charter to be gender inclusive where appropriate.

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: LAFFIN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION: PASSED

Motion: Chapter II Section 2 Elections Board of Education to serve a term longer than Two years.

Discussion back and forth between Councilors
Councilor Zandri made an amendment to the motion:

Amendment: four year flat term for all elected officials.

AMENDMENT MADE BY:	ZANDRI
SECONDED BY:	SHORTELL
VOTE:	FISHBEIN YES
	LAFFIN YES
	MARRONE NO
	SHORTELL YES
	SULLIVAN YES
	ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI	YES
AMENDMENT:	PASSED

Amended motion: Chapter II Section 2 Elections, consider all elected officials for a four year term.

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI

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VOTE: FISHBEIN YES
LAFFIN YES
MARRONE YES
SHORTELL YES
SULLIVAN YES
ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI YES
MOTION PASSED

Motion to explore expanding the Public Utilities Committee beyond 3 members.

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI
VOTE: FISHBEIN YES
LAFFIN YES
MARRONE YES
SHORTELL YES
SULLIVAN YES
ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI NO
MOTION PASSED

Motion to establish the need for Town Constables

MADE BY: SULLIVAN
SECONDED BY: LAFFIN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION PASSED

Motion Chapter 12 & 16 to consider removing the School Budget completely from the Municipal budget and allowing the Board of Education to set the tax rate for their budget.

MADE BY: SULLIVAN
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI
VOTE: FISHBEIN NO
LAFFIN YES
MARRONE NO
SHORTELL NO
SULLIVAN YES
ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI NO
MOTION FAILED

Motion Chapter XI Section 3 Department of Welfare to consider continued existence Of the department.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: LAFFIN
VOTE: ALL AYES – 1 OPPOSED - SULLIVAN
MOTION PASSED

Motion Chapter XIV Section 13 Oversight Public Utilities Commission, consider Town Council's oversight of PUC to Veto action of board within 15 days after Due Notice to Town Council.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: LAFFIN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION PASSED

Motion to consider regionalization or multi town board of review of Ethics.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI
VOTE: FISHBEIN YES
LAFFIN YES
SHORTELL YES
SULLIVAN NO
ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI NO
MARRONE ABSENT
MOTION FAILED

Motion to consider integrating electronic publication into the Charter where appropriate.

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI
VOTE: FISHBEIN YES
LAFFIN YES
SHORTELL YES
SULLIVAN YES
ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI NO
MARRONE ABSENT
MOTION PASSED

Motion Chapter VIII Section 3 consider validity and legality of Building Inspector as Zoning Officer.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: ZANDRI
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION PASSED

Motion Chapter IV Section 4 Constables consider need for this chapter because we currently are operating under state statute.

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: SULLIVAN
VOTE: ALL AYES
MOTION PASSED

Motion to add a new section to the Charter, on Land Use and Economic Development to account for the EDC and Town Planner.

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: LAFFIN
VOTE: FISHBEIN NO
LAFFIN YES
MARRONE NO
SHORTELL YES
SULLIVAN YES
ZANDRI YES
CHAIRMAN CERVONI NO
MOTION FAILED.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN
ALL AYES

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Thompson
Town Clerk

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AT 4:00 AND RECEIVED BY
Barbara Thompson TOWN CLERK

Chairman Vincent Cervoni Date

Town Clerk Barbara Thompson Date

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