

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Town Council Chambers
September 13, 2106

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Meeting of the Wallingford Town Council on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, was called to order at 6:34 P.M. The opening Prayer was given by Rabbi Bruce Alpert, Beth Israel Synagogue and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were: Chairman Vincent Cervoni, Craig Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, John LeTourneau, Joseph A. Marrone, III, Christopher K. Shortell, Vincent F. Testa, Jr., Jason Zandri and John J. Sullivan. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr., and Town Attorney, Gerald E. Farrell, Sr., were also present at the meeting.

- 3. Consent Agenda
 - 3a. Consider and Approve Tax Refunds totaling \$24,218.51 (#214-223)
Acct. #1001001-41020 – Tax Collector
 - 3b. Acceptance of donation and Consider and Approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$50 to Donations, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Y&SS
 - 3c. Acceptance of donation from Operation Fuel and Consider and Approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$580 to Donations, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Y&SS
 - 3d. Acceptance of donation from Connecticut Street Rod Association and Consider and Approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$1,000 to Donations, Acct. #2134002-47152 and to Expenditures, Acct. #21340100-58830 – Y&SS
 - 3e. Acceptance of Grant from Workforce Alliance, Inc. and Consider and Approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$34,244 to Revenue, Acct. #2274002-47010 and to Expenditures, Acct. #22702017-51000 -Y&SS
 - 3f. Acceptance of Federal/State Highway Safety Grant and Consider and Approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$4,093 to Revenue Highway Safety, Acct. #1002001-45208 and to Police Overtime, Acct. #10020050-51400 – Police Dept.
 - 3g. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount \$3,020 from Police Operating Expenses, Acct. #10020050-58735 to Gas Mask Replacement, Acct. #TBD – Police Dept.
 - 3h. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$2,200 from Contingency, Acct. #10019000-58820 to Capital P.C.'s, Acct. #TBD – Town Clerk
 - 3i. Acceptance of Donation from Pet Valu Inc. and Consider and Approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$1,260 to Misc. Donations, Act. #1009052-47040 and to Vet: Exps., Acct. #10020100-56742 – Animal Control

- 3j. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$500 from Capital Fund – Server, Acct. #10010700-57000-00564 to Purchased Svc. Secretarial, Acct. #10010700-56702 – Planning & Zoning
- 3k. Consider and Approve a Budget Amendment increasing Account #46300395 – (2016-2017 FY) - Sewer Division
- \$17,000 To: Laboratory Equipment Acct, #46300395
\$17,000 To: Appropriation from Cash
- 3l. Consider and Approve a Transfer in the amount of \$500 from Taxes, Acct. #408 to Loss on Disposition of Plant, Acct. #411-7 (2015-2016 FY) – Electric Division
- 3m. & 3n. Consider and Approve Appointment of David Desjardins as a regular member of the ZBA to fill a five year unexpired term effective immediately and expiring January 8, 2018 – Chairman Cervoni.
- Consider and Approve Appointment of James Hine as an Alternate member of the ZBA to fill a three year unexpired term effective immediately and expiring January 8, 2018 – Chairman Cervoni
- 3o. Consider and Approve Appointment of Michael Caruso as a regular member of the Inland Wetland Commission to fill a five year unexpired term effective immediately and expiring March 1, 2020 – Chairman Cervoni
- 3p. Consider and Approve the Appointment of Jean Garcia as Alternate on the Historic Properties Commission for a five year term effective immediately and expiring March 27, 2021 – Chairman Cervoni
- 3q. Consider and Approve the Appointment of Maria R. Santiago as an Alternate on the Historic Properties Commission for a five year term effective immediately and expiring March 27, 2021 – Chairman Cervoni
- 3r. Consider and Approve the Appointment of Robert Prentice as an Alternate on the Historic Properties Commission for a five year term effective immediately and expiring March 27, 2021 – Chairman Cervoni
- 3s. Consider and Approve the Appointment of the Plan of Conservation and Development Implementation Committee members as follows: James Seichter, P&Z; Mary Heffernon, Conservation Commission; James P. Wolfe, EDC; Don Crouch, Recreation Commission; Patrick Reynolds, BOE; Patrick M. Birney, PUC; Maria Harlow; SCOW; Elizabeth Landow, WCI; Richard L'Heureuz, Wallingford Land Trust – Chairman Cervoni
- 3t. Approve Town Council Minutes of August 23, 2016
- 3u. Consider and Approve use of Parade Grounds in front of 41 South Main Street on Saturday, September 24, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. – Chairman Cervoni

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 3a.-3r. and 3t.- 3u.

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN

VOTE: 9-AYE,
MOTION: PASSED

4. *Items Removed from the Consent Agenda:*

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ADDENDUM TO CONSENT AGENDA

- 3s. Consider and Approve the Appointment of the Plan of Conservation and Development Implementation Committee members as follows:

Three additional members:

James Fitzsimmons, P&Z
Thomas Laffin, Town Council
Christopher Shortell, Town Council

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE ADDENDUM WITH CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS.

MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: MARRONE

Larry Morgenstein, South Main Street, commented that he was glad to see that two councilors were added.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	SHORTELL: ABSTAIN
FISHBEIN: YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN: ABSTAIN	TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU: YES	ZANDRI: YES
MARRONE: YES	CERVONI: YES
7-AYE: MOTION: PASSED	

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

Bob Gross, Long Hill Road, questioned why the Electric Division gave Bristol Meyers a discount.

Chairman Cervoni responded that they were adjusted to be consistent with other rate payers in Town.

Don Kennedy, Bull Avenue, pointed out that we need to replace a flag on one of the utility poles that is torn and tattered and then he noted that a flag was found in the gutter.

Michael Sletcher, Pomeroy Avenue, spoke about tree damage to his property.

Will Fritz, Clinton, asked if there will be public comment on item #6.

Rick Bergeron, 7 Ortense Drive, spoke about his poorly constructed home. He claims the building inspectors signed a Certificate of Occupancy and never looked at it.

Closed Public Question and Answer Period at 7:05 P.M.

6. Discussion and Possible action on renaming Yalesville School the Mary G. Fritz Elementary School - Town Council

**MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE TO RENAME YALESVILLE SCHOOL TO
THE MARY G. FRITZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**MADE BY: FISHBEIN
SECONDED BY: SULLIVAN**

Councilor Laffin read two letters of correspondence against changing the name.

Councilor Fishbein noted that changing the name of the school does not change the name of the village and indicated that he knows no reason why we shouldn't do this.

Councilor Sullivan stated that he does not agree with the letters and expressed how good it would be to see Mary G. Fritz on the school when driving down Rte. 68.

Councilor Sullivan noted that the Board of Education should be recognized. They agreed unanimously to change the name.

Councilor Shortell stated that he is the only Yalesville resident and he would be honored.

Councilor LeTourneau disagrees with the letters. He indicated that Mary Fritz was a unique person and explained how she called him after his first swearing in to say anything she could do to help just call. He also noted how great it will be 50 years in the future - kids will ask who was Mary Fritz and her legacy will live on.

Councilor Testa remarked to Councilor LeTourneau that was well spoken and went on to say that this is someone who truly warrants having the school named after her.

Chairman Cervoni stated that since he's been Chairman, Mary always reached out to let him know what was going to impact Wallingford. He then noted how she always responded herself and not through a staff member.

Councilor Fishbein spoke about the sign issue and Chairman Cervoni indicated that we will fund it in the new Budget in May.

Mayor Dickinson explained that we will find out costs and appropriate funds once we know the figure.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Betty Torre, Brownstone Road, stated that she admired Mary Fritz and that she deserves this school to be named after her.

May, Mary Fritz's young granddaughter, thanked the Council.

Bill Fritz thanks the Council for agreeing to this.

Will Fritz, Clinton, thanks everyone for all their support of his mother.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	SHORTELL: YES
FISHBEIN: YES	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN: YES	TESTA: YES
LETOURNEAU: YES	ZANDRI: YES
MARRONE: YES	CERVONI: YES
9-AYE:	
MOTION: PASSED	

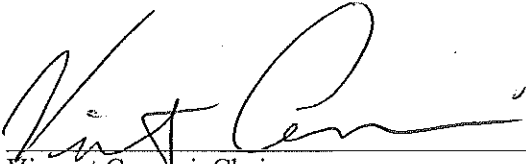
7. Executive Session pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the CT General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property – Mayor – Withdrawn

MOTION TO ADJOURN
MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN
VOTE: ALL-AYE
MOTION PASSED

The Council adjourned the meeting at 7:24 P.M.

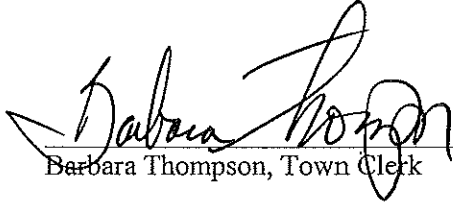
Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moss
Council Staff
Meeting digitally recorded



Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

9/27/2016
Date



Barbara Thompson, Town Clerk

9-28-16
Date

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Barbara Thompson TOWN CLERK