

**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Town Council Chambers
December 1, 2016**

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Special Meeting of the Wallingford Town Council on Thursday, December 1, 2016 was called to order at 6:33 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were: Chairman Vincent Cervoni, Craig Fishbein, John LeTourneau, Christopher K. Shortell, Jason Zandri and John J. Sullivan. Joseph A. Marrone, III arrived at 7:09 p.m., Thomas Laffin arrived at 6:35 p.m. and left at 7:15 p.m. Councilor Vincent F. Testa, Jr. was absent. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. was also present at the meeting.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Tentative Agreement between the Town of Wallingford and AFSCME Co. 4, Local 1570 covering Police Officers effective July 1, 2016-June 30, 2018 - Personnel

*In Attendance: James Hutt, Personnel Director
William J. Wright, Chief of Police*

Chairman Cervoni questioned why this is a good contract.

Chief Wright replied that concessions were made that are important to the Town such as eliminating longevity pay for new hires, issues regarding sick leave were addressed, and a new light duty program was added.

Councilors asked for more information on holiday pay, health insurance co-pays and the new light duty program.

Councilor Fishbein questioned retroactive pay from July 1, 2016 and asked from what budget it will come out of.

Mr. Hutt responded that he did not have a figure and indicated that this is in his budget.

There was discussion between councilors and Chief Wright regarding the use of an officer at the corner of Main Street and Center Street.

The majority of councilors approve of the police presence downtown.

Councilor Sullivan stated he had discussions with Chief Wright and crime statistics are down. He also had conversations with officers and morale is high. He then went on to say this is a good contract.

MOTION WAS MADE TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT AS PROPOSED.

MADE BY: LETOURNEAU
SECONDED BY: SULLIVAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:	SHORTELL: YES
FISHBEIN: NO	SULLIVAN: YES
LAFFIN: YES	TESTA: ABSENT
LETOURNEAU: YES	ZANDRI: YES
MARRONE: YES	CERVONI: YES
7-AYE:	
MOTION: PASSED	

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

4. Consider and Approve a Budget Amendment in the amount of \$195,300 – Water Division:

\$194,200	To Maintenance of Transmission & Distribution Lines	Acct. #43100673
\$ <u>1,100</u>	To Employee Pension & Benefits	Acct. #43100926

\$195,300 From Emergency Maintenance Reserve

In Attendance, George Adair, Director, Public Utilities

MOTION WAS MADE TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE ADJUSTED AMOUNT OF \$125,000.

MADE BY: LETOURNEAU
SECONDED BY: SHORTELL

George Adair explained the road damage on North Street and determined that the amount needed to make repairs could be reduced to \$125,000.

Gina Morgenstien asked if there was anything in place to review other possible infrastructure problems.

George Adair responded yes and began to address years ago. He then went on to state that the water main replacement program is very active based on knowledge of materials that were used in the projects.

Larry Morgenstein inquired about where this project is on the list and Mr. Adair responded he did not have an answer at this time.

5. Consider and Approve a Bid Waiver for SPX Transformer Solutions ("SPX") for Emergency Repair of No. 3 Transformer at Wallingford's East Street Substation - Electric Division

In Attendance: George Adair, Director, Public Utilities

MOTION WAS MADE TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE A BID WAIVER FOR SPX Transformer Solutions ("SPX") for Emergency Repair of No. 3 Transformer at Wallingford's East Street Substation.

**MADE BY: LETOURNEAU
SECONDED BY: SHORTELL**

George Adair described leaks in a tank in a transformer that need to be repaired before winter peak.

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

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

The Council adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moss
Council Staff
Meeting digitally recorded

Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

Date

Barbara Thompson, Town Clerk

Date