

**MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
TOWN HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410**

Present

Chairman David Orsini; Vice-Chairman David Schrumm; Council Members Steve Carroll, Tod Dixon, Michael Ecke, Matthew Hall, Diane Visconti, and Timothy White.

Town Manager Michael A. Milone

Town Attorney John K. Knott

Parks and Rec Director Robert Ceccolini

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Introduction of Town Planner William Voelker.

Town Manager Milone introduced Cheshire's new Town Planner, William Voelker, to the Town Council, and highlighted his many years of municipal and planning experience. Council members welcomed Mr. Voelker, congratulated him on his new position as Town Planner, and wished him success.

Mr. Voelker commented on the wonderful welcome he has received in Cheshire, and thanked everyone on behalf of him and his family. He said he comes to Cheshire with extensive municipal and land use experience which he will put to work for the benefit of the community. Mr. Voelker invited Council members to visit him, at their convenience, in the Planning Department, and said he looks forward to working with the community.

B. Presentation of Cheshire Performing and Fine Arts Committee 2005 Arts Award.

CPFA Committee Chair, Hilary Rutberg, presented the annual Arts Award to Ron Gagliardi for his dedication and promotion of the Arts in Cheshire.

C. Acceptance of gift of artwork from the family of Fred Hitt.

Elaine Hitt presented a charcoal drawing of the Vietnam Memorial to the Town of Cheshire in memory of her husband, Fred Hitt. Mrs. Hitt commented on Fred's love for the Town of Cheshire, his many years of service to the community, and noted the significance of the artwork in Mr. Hitt's service as a Marine Corp Officer.

Council members thanked Mrs. Hitt for the memorial gift which will hold a place of honor in the Town Hall.

D. Veterans' Day Proclamation.

Chairman Orsini read the Veterans' Day Proclamation for the Town of Cheshire.

E. Great American Smokeout Proclamation.

Chairman Orsini read the proclamation for the Great American Smokeout Day in Cheshire on November 17th.

F. Presentation on Bangladesh project by Dr. A. Eshanul Hoque.

Dr. Hoque thanked Mr. Milone, Chairman Orsini, and the Council members for giving him the opportunity to speak about the Distressed Children International, Inc. (DCI) organization. Dr. Hoque distributed information on DCI and the Sister City proposal to the Council members.

In his presentation, Dr. Hoque displayed photographs of the children in Bangladesh who live in poverty, with no medical care, no education, no shelter, food, clothing and other necessities of life. Dr. Hoque explained that for \$10 a month a Bangladesh child can be educated and receive medical care. He also stated that the poor children are forced into manual labor at a very young age by their parents. With the \$10 per month donation, DCI can pay the families \$4 per month, the children can be educated and receive medical care for \$4 per month, and the remaining \$2 goes to administrative costs.

Dr. Hoque introduced the concept of a Sister City:Cheshire and Barisal (Bangladesh) to form a link between the cities, develop a spirit of peace and international understanding, and to enhance the quality of life of the two cities. The support of the Town Council and the community is needed to form the Sister City relationship which will greatly help the distressed children of Bangladesh. Dr. Hoque said he wants to work for his country and his mission is to do the job in a large way.

The Hoque Family lives in Cheshire, and Dr. Hoque commented on the wonderful life they are experiencing in the community. He noted that his young daughter saves her own funds to sponsor a child in Bangladesh for \$10 per month. Dr. Hoque stated he wanted to give the best life possible to his family and did so by coming to Cheshire to live.

Chairman Orsini thanked Dr. Hoque for his presentation to the Council, advising that no action could be taken at this meeting. However, the concept of a Sister City will be reviewed and considered by the Town of Cheshire, along with checking into whether Cheshire has such a relationship with another city.

Mrs. Visconti commended Dr. Hoque for his inspiring presentation, and asked if it was the first public appeal for his mission and DCI.

Before going to the schools or any other organization in Cheshire, Dr. Hoque said he wanted to make a presentation and appeal to the Town Council. He advised he would be going to Bangladesh to protest against the government for its use of child labor.

Chairman Orsini suggested that Dr. Hoque present his information about DCI to the Board of Education, Youth Services Committee, and other groups in Town. The Council looks forward to hearing from Dr. Hoque again upon his return from Bangladesh.

H. Public Comments.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-1

RESOLUTION #111505-1
CONSENT CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2005

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves the Consent Calendar for November 15, 2005 as follows:

- A. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$250.00 donation from the First Congregational Church to the Human Services Gift Account to assist Needy Cheshire residents.
- B. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$50.00 donation from Nor'easter Lacrosse to the Parks and Recreation Gift Account for general purposes.
- C. Authorization to execute the Cornerstone Administrative Service Agreement due to indemnification clause.
- D. Authorization to apply for, and acceptance and appropriation of, a State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant for partial Reimbursement of emergency management.
- E. Authorization to apply for, and acceptance and appropriation of, a State of Connecticut DOT Holiday DUI Enforcement Program grant.
- F. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$375.00 donation from the First Congregational Church to the Cheshire Fuel Bank.

- G. Acceptance and appropriation of a \$1,000.00 grant from the Naugatuck Savings Bank to the Library Gift Account for the Cheshire Reads program.
- H. Authorization to apply for a U.S. Department of Homeland Security Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) grant.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

5. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

6. OLD BUSINESS.

A. Discussion Re: Public Building Commission and Energy Commission Communication on the Cheshire High School Roof Project.

Mr. White reported that the Town Council received a letter back from the Public Building Commission responding to a letter from the Energy Commission regarding the high school roof project.

Last month, Mr. White said he read the letter and it did not directly address the intent of his motion from last month on the issues and concerns of the roof project.

Bill Kunde, member of the Energy Commission expressed appreciation for the communication from the PBC. The Energy Commission raised the issue about the pitched roof back in March in order to stimulate dialogue and discussion in order to provide the best possible solution for a Town building which the taxpayers must pay. The process did not go smoothly, and the concerns and ideas of the Energy Commission were not listened to by the PBC and the commission wrote the letter.

At this point in time, dialogue has started, and after the last Council meeting he learned there was a master plan for the schools written in 1999. Mr. Kunde made it clear that that there is no communication amongst the Town's boards and commissions, and this must be resolved.

Mr. Kunde said that nothing can be done about the pitched roof versus flat roof, but had it been known there was a master plan for the schools, the commission would have looked at it differently, made a different suggestion, and possibly given an extension to the flat roof to the point in time when the high school will need a second story addition.

Mr. Kunde hopes that the new Council will reinforce boards and commissions working better together, ask for input in order to provide the Town and the

people the best facility which will address the long term operating costs and ownership costs as opposed to the cheapest, installed purchase solutions. The Energy Commission will meet with the PBC and hopefully resolve this issue, along with being brought into projects and programs earlier so this does not happen again.

Mrs. Visconti asked Mr. Kunde about the school master plan and whether the Energy Commission has had an opportunity to review it and find out if there are other ideas to incorporate into this master plan.

In response, Mr. Kunde advised that the commission has not seen the plan, but will be getting a copy in order to have all the information.

Town Manager Milone advised that the PBC meets on November 16th, and at this point the roof project will be awarded, and come back to the Town Council for final approval on November 29th.

B. Status report re: Youth and Family Forum.

Mrs. Visconti reported that the forum will be held on November 30th, 7 -8:30 p.m. In Council Chambers; it will be televised; there are many participants including Town staff, Clergy, public health expert, Dr. Brenda Feton, and invitations will be sent out to applicable boards and commissions. The forum will discuss youth culture, challenges, and programs for youth in Cheshire.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and referral re: Volunteer Firefighters' tax abatement Ordinance sunset clause.

MOTION by Mr. Carroll; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-2.

RESOLUTION #111505-2

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council refers the volunteer firefighters tax abatement ordinance sunset clause to the Ordinance Review Committee and the Personnel Committee for their review and recommendation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council shall hold a public hearing to consider said ordinance amendment, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Manager shall cause a notice of said public hearing to be posted and published according to law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the date, time, and place or any postponements thereof shall be determined by the Town Manager with the approval of the Chairman of the Council.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

B. Discussion and action re: Approval of a Cooperation Agreement with The Cheshire Housing Authority.

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-3.

RESOLUTION #111505-3

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby authorizes the form, execution, delivery and performance of a Cooperation Agreement by and between the Town of Cheshire and Cheshire Housing Authority, all of Cheshire, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Manager and other proper officers of the Town are authorized and directed, on behalf of the Town, to execute said Agreement in the form and upon the terms and conditions as presented at this meeting and to execute and deliver such other certificates or instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to consummate said agreement, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the Agreement, as executed, and as filed on the land records of the Town of Cheshire, is hereby incorporated by reference as part of the minutes of this meeting.

Discussion

Mr. Schrumm explained this is the final step for abatement of taxes on property owned by the CHA, and for better management of the properties.

VOTE The motion passed 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained.

C. Discussion and action re: Amendment to Town Pension Plan Regarding return of contributions to employees who change Pension plans.

MOTION by Mr. Carroll; seconded by Mr. Schrumm.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-4

RESOLUTION #111505-4

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council refers a possible amendment to the Town Pension Plan regarding return of contributions to employees who change pension plans to the Ordinance Review Committee and the Personnel Committee for their review and recommendation.

VOTE The motion passed 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained.

D. Discussion and action re: Approval to hire Milone & MacBroom For a conceptual design for Bartlem Park improvements.

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-5

RESOLUTION #111505-5

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Resolution #091200-10, the Town Council authorizes the Town to hire Milone & MacBroom for the conceptual design for the Bartlem Park improvement project for \$4,500.00, and directs the Town Manager to execute said agreement.

Discussion

Mr. Schrumm explained that this is the final planning phase for the design for the park, including two additional ball fields.

Parks and Rec Director Ceccolini addressed the Council advising that this is the final phase for the park and ball fields. This plan lays out the fields, skateboard park, berm, and all the necessary pieces of the plan. It is on autocad for future modifications or changes.

VOTE The motion passed 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained.

E. Discussion and action re: supplemental appropriation and bonding Authorization fro \$168,900.00 for the Mansion Road Pump Station.

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-6

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THE RESOLUTION IS ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES.

Discussion

Mr. Schrumm stated this is an increase in the appropriation of \$168,900 for the Mansion Road Pump Station Rehabilitation Project. This money will cover any unexpected problems with contingency funds.

VOTE The motion passed 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained.

F. Discussion and action re: Assignment of the design for the South End Fire Station renovation project to the Public Building Commission.

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Hall.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves Resolution #111505-7

RESOLUTION #111505-7

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council, pursuant to Code of Ordinances Section 2-26 (5) assigns the South End Fire Station #3 renovations to the Public Building Commission for the schematic design.

Discussion.

Mr. Schrumm explained that this project was approved last August as part of the Five-Year Capital Plan. The \$110,000 is set aside for the expansion of the South Main Street Firehouse in FY 06-07 for \$650,000.

Mr. White proposed the following amendment to the motion; seconded by Mr. Schrumm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council directs the Public Building Commission to set a meeting with the Energy Commission in order to discuss Energy related opportunities with this project.

Discussion

Mr. White said his intention is to have dialogue between the PBC and the Energy Commission, and this would benefit everyone involved.

With reference to the PBC, Mr. Milone said that the ordinance, attached, requires that the Town Council transmit this with some general criteria, and he asked that it be the following:

- 1) Consideration be given to add two bays to the facility;
- 2) The project come in under \$650,000 per year 2 of the Capital Plan.

Mr. Milone explained that the two bays are needed because of the two large engine trucks sitting back to back, and the Fire Chief wants two separate bays

for each of the 3 vehicles at the firehouse, and to more efficiently move them in and out as needed. The 4th bay would be for the soon to be acquired generator for the south end of Town through a Homeland Security Grant.

Chairman Orsini said he thought it was written in the ordinance on how the PBC conducts business to work with the Energy Commission and other user groups. He asked whether this amendment would be redundant.

According to Mr. White, he spoke about this matter with the Town Attorney, who gave him the wording for the amendment.

Town Attorney Knott stated that the Energy Commission has an ordinance telling it to interact within its sphere, and the impact of the amendment is to make sure the PBC interacts with the Energy Commission. This amendment can be used as a reminder to the two bodies.

Stating he would support the amendment, Chairman Orsini requested the Ordinance Review Committee look at the PBC ordinance.

Mrs. Visconti agreed with Chairman Orsini, and suggested there be a liaison from The Energy Commission to the PBC.

The Council Clerk read the amendment on the floor to the Council, and Mr. Hall commented that it was very open ended.

Attorney Knott said the purpose of the discussion is for items that are proper to the jurisdiction of the Energy Commission. He stated there have been complaints at times that the Council thought that when something was referred to the PBC they expected to get X and got Y. Mr. Knott read an excerpt from the ordinance into the record; it says "building projects" and "Council criteria", and that is what the ordinance does. Once the PBC gets a project, it must meet the criteria cited in the ordinance.

VOTE on the amendment: 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained.

It was noted by Mr. Schrumm that during the tour of Town facilities this past Summer, there was discussion about 3 bays at the fire house.

Mr. Milone explained that there are 2 bays now, and we want to add 2 more Bays. Part of the conditions for the PBC are laid out in the ordinance for the particular project. The project must come back to the Council before the final design and bid.

Attorney Knott's strong recommendation is that the schematic come back to the Council before the final design.

With regard to the motion on the floor, Chairman Orsini questioned whether it needs to be amended to include the language for the criteria for the PBC to react.

The following amendment was proposed:

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. White.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the criteria for the project shall be two additional bays; and, the project cost shall not exceed \$650,000.

VOTE on the second amendment: Motion passed 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained.

VOTE on the amended motion: Motion passed 7-0-1; Mr. Carroll abstained

G. Discussion re: Settlement of Winter Ridge vs. Town of Cheshire (possible executive session)

8. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Monthly Status Report.

B. Departmental Status Report.

C Other Reports.

- FY '06 Quarterly Report and Monthly Report – Mr. Milone advised the Council that the operating budget is in a strong positive position with the healthiest revenue position in many years. \$500,000 more has come in from state aid than what was anticipated. Investment income is running significantly ahead with a generation of 68%. Revenue from the real estate conveyance tax in the Town Clerk's office is at \$126,000 through October, and last year the Town had \$750,000 from this revenue item.
- The expenditure side concerns are fuel costs which could result in a shortfall of \$80,000 to \$100,000 in the operating budget. There was a savings of \$70,000 in insurance costs.
- Pool Budget – the most difficult months are ahead for the cost of utilities; revenue is at +\$35,000 compared to last year with \$40,000 less in expenditures.
- WPCA budget – is well under expenditures and will generate a healthy surplus.

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Temporary Moratorium – Mr. Milone reported that he and Attorney Knott are very involved with this matter in conjunction with the WPCA. DEP representative, Bill Hogan, visited the Cheshire plant recently, and indicated that Cheshire should be looking at a 12, 18, 24 month periods of time to determine the remaining capacity at the plant. Cheshire is permitted at 3.5 million gallons, and WPCA must decide on allocation on the remaining capacity, after determination of the remaining capacity. Metcalf & Eddy reported that based on a 12, 18, 24 month period, the capacity is at 2.8 million gallons, and this leaves more capacity for the plant. At the WPCA November 30th meeting, Attorney Knott will provide a resolution for a “Capacity Allocation Plan”. The remaining capacity could be more than what was anticipated. In place of the moratorium WPCA will adopt the Capacity Allocation Plan which will work as a budget on the amount of capacity over a 12 month period. Each month WPCA will monitor how much capacity is being used; and then it will be allocated accordingly. It is estimated about 90,000 gallons annually could be allocated over 5 years. On average use over the last 5 years, with residential hook-ups, the capacity has totaled 13,000 gallons annually. With the significant initiatives being employed, i.e. house inspections cutting down on inflow, infiltration, imposition of a surcharge, it is possible to bring the current capacity flow to the plant down even lower, freeing up more capacity, extending the lifecycle beyond the 5 years. House inspections for 300 identified houses with sump pumps on sewer lines will begin in December, and hopefully reduce the amount of inflow.

Attorney Knott is working on the adoption of a surcharge, such that a homeowner in violation who cannot rectify the problem, will have a surcharge imposed, segregating these funds for the future plant expansion or dealing with other issues such as retrofitting equipment.

The report from Metcalf & Eddy will be received in December on the re-rating of the facility, which will state whether the plant has the capacity to on the 3.5 million gallons. Mr. Hogan, from DEP, was optimistic that the re-rating will demonstrate that the plant has more capacity than what it was built to. The delay involves this information going through the DEP, and it will take 6 months for the review cycle to re-rate the plant, formally change the permit, and get permission from the EPA.

It was noted by Attorney Knott that there are two factors to the NPDES permit. One is the quality of the effluent coming out of the plant, and the other is the volume. Cheshire has never had a quality problem, but did hit the 90% mark, and sometimes hit the 100% mark on the volume. At this time everything is positive; 2.8 million gallons is being discussed with DEP now to insure they are comfortable with it; and one that the WPCA can employ. When the facilities phase #1 is done, there is the possibility of re-certification of the plant, picking up another 150 gallons, and there is possibility of upgrading the 20 year old plant.

This could increase the gallonage by another 150,000 to 200,000, but this is unknown at this time. So, the 5 year window the Town would have to think about an addition, with additional information that will come in, could be extended out to 7+ years. The allocation plan is a moving target; it could be set up by January 1, 2006; and DEP and EPA can reallocate. Mr. Knott stated that the WPCA has been very responsive, and hopefully we will have a positive rather than negative plan at the end of the month.

- Leaf Collection – the program is being done by the Town during the week; the schedule bisects Route 10; the eastern side has been done as of November 7th, then the week of November 21st and December 5th. The west side of Route 10 is being done the week of November 14th, November 28th and December 12th.
- Road Reconstruction & Sidewalk projects – Sections of Mixville Road, Summit Road, Plank Road, and Wiese Road have had one coat, and it is hoped a second coat can be done before winter sets in. The sidewalk program includes small repairs throughout Town; the major project is the connection of the sidewalks along the east side of West Main Street which will be completed next week; the South Main portion from Sweet Claude's is being worked on and once completed there will be sidewalk connection from just beyond Elim Park all the way past East Mitchell Avenue.
- Residential Electronics Recycling Collection – to be held December 3rd at the Cytec Facility in Wallingford.
- Tree Trimming program – ongoing now by CL&P for another month on Town roads; homeowners can call Town Hall with any questions and for information.
- Thanksgiving Holiday – Town offices closed November 24th and 25th; Town Pool closed November 24th and reopens at 9 a.m. on November 25th.

Mr. Schrumm commented stated that the WPCA has always labored under the 6-month rule, and now DEP states it could be 12, 18 or 24 months rolling average. He asked if there is an anomaly here, or if the rules have changed because of the way the plant is running and we need a longer view.

There are two standards being applied, and Mr. Milone said the permit talks about the 6 month rolling average, saying that a year from the date a plan must be in place. It does not state a moratorium must be in place by a community, and simply says that now that this has happened, it is a triggering mechanism. DEP wants to know what the Town will do to deal with the situation, and Cheshire is doing a number of things. Apart from that, we know we have excess capacity, but how do we determine what is realistic with this excess capacity.

DEP is applying the methodology looking at a 12, 18, 24 month period because looking at the 6 month period there are some spikes. We are dealing with two different components of their operation – one being the triggering mechanism to develop a plan, and the other to come up with a reasonable methodology to figure out how much additional capacity can be allocated.

Attorney Knott said that the NPDES permit actually is managed by DEP, but controlled by the EPA. Providing the effluent meets the standards, which is primary, and you hit 80%, they will come down hard on the Town. As long as the quality of the effluent is met, the volume is less of a problem. Looking at the 12, 18 or 24 month average, the 6 month average is 3.5million gallons, and with a broader view the average is 2.8 million gallons.

Mr. Schrumm stated that Cheshire has spent many dollars inside its plant over the years, and our plant and its director have won many awards over the years, and good effluent reaps rewards.

With the 300 homes with sump pumps, Mrs. Visconti asked whether those homes will be looked at along with others.

At this point, Mr. Milone said it would not be cost effective to just send inspectors to randomly look at other houses because we may not identify many beyond these 300. Also, the cost could be excessive. The cost of the initiative will increase somewhat. Originally the plan was to go neighborhood by neighborhood, house to house in sequence, but now we have a list of houses which are not contiguous, and it will take more time and money. We want to keep this cost under \$12,000 per the Town Charter.

Mrs.Visconti asked what happens if someone will not permit the inspector into the house.

According to Mr. Milone there will be 3 attempts, and all information will be presented to the WPCA, and with the Town Attorney, they will develop a policy to handle the situation. A letter will go out to the homeowner; there will be a warning that without gaining access, the assumption is there is an illegally hooked up sump pump, and it is likely there will be a surcharge or fine imposed.

Mr. White suggested that the leaf collection program and holiday schedule be posted on the web site and access tv.

9. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS
Executive Session

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL.

A. Chairman's Report.

Chairman Orsini reported there will be a meeting on November 29th to review personnel issues and for the Council to take other actions, i.e. the CHS roof project.

B. Committee Reports.

Audit – Mr. Ecke reported that the audit went very well, and the Town is pleased with the new auditing firm; the report will be available in December.

Planning Committee – no report.

Budget – Mr. Schrumm reported that the committee met with a BOE representative on the BOE CNR projects and funding, along with the list reviewed for handling by the PBC or the BOE.

Personnel – no report.

Solid Waste – no report.

C. Miscellaneous

11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting of October 11, 2005; Special Meeting of October 18, 2005.

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Hall.

MOVED that the Town Council approve the minutes of October 11, 2005 and Special Meeting of October 18, 2005, subject to corrections, additions, deletions.

Corrections: October 11, 2005, page 16, change to read "not necessary"; page 9, change dates for the pool to 10/20 to 10/21.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

12. MISCELLANEOUS AND APPOINTMENTS

A. Liaison Reports.

Energy Commission – Mr. White reported that the commission continues with the lighting improvement project; the possible investment of another \$40,000 will have annual savings of \$12,000 with a two year payback.

WPCA – Mr. Schrumm reported that the board continues to do a great job, and Mr. Hogan from DEP congratulated the WPCA and the Town for the way the plant issues are being handled.

B. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

MOTION by Mr. Carroll; seconded by Mr. Hall.

MOVED to appoint Lelah Campo, (R), 5 Promentary Drive, to Economic Development Commission, to fill the vacancy of John Tauriello, term of office present to 1/31/09; and Kathleen Held (D) 180 Round Hill Road, to the Board of Assessment Appeals, to fill the vacancy of Martin Lambert, term of office current to 12/3/07.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

13. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS.

A. Letters to Council.

Mrs. Visconti commented on the letter to the Council from Mike Olsen regarding the woman killed by a speeding driver, and she encouraged people to drive more slowly and safely throughout Town. She also noted that the Police Department is dealing with the issue of speeders in Town.

B. Miscellaneous

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pending Claims and Litigation

B. Land Transfers

C. Personnel Matters.

MOTION by ; seconded by

MOVED that the Town Council enter Executive Session at 9:35 p.m. to include the Town Manager and Town Attorney for personnel matters, land acquisition, and pending claims and litigation.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

(Mr. Hall, Mr. Orsini and Mr. White left the meeting at 10:00 p.m.)

(Mr. Orsini and Mr. White returned at 10:25 p.m.)

MOTION by Mr. White; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

MOVED to exit Executive Session at 10:25 p.m.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

MOTION by Mr. White; seconded by Mr. Schrumm.

MOVED to appoint Emily Nastri, non-public high school representative (Sacred Heart Academy) and Jacob Conway, middle school representative (Dodd Middle School) to the Youth Services Committee.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Schrumm; seconded by Mr. Dixon.

MOVED to adjourn the Town Council meeting at 10:28 p.m.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk
Cheshire Town Council