

Approved
REGULAR MEETING
May 2, 2016

The Wethersfield Town Council held a meeting on May 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall.

Present: Councilors Bello, Hemmann, Hurley, Latina, Martino, Rell, Spinella, and Mayor Montinieri.

Absent: Deputy Mayor Barry; Councilor Latina left early at 8:00 p.m.

Also Present: Kathy Bagley, Director of Parks & Recreation; Erica Texeira, Assistant Director of Social & Youth Services; Michael O'Neil, Director of Finance; Fire Marshal Anthony Dignoti; Ken Lesser and Martha Conneely; Mary Glassman from CREC; Chris Monroe, Senior Vice President of USI Insurance Services; Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering for the MDC; Nicole DeRaleau, Project Manager for Goff Brook Overflow Closure; Eric Muir, Design Engineer from CH2M; Jeff Bridges, Town Manager and Dolores Sassano, Town Clerk.

All stood for the pledge of allegiance to the flag which was led by Councilor Martino.

Ken Lesser stated that on Friday, June 3, 2016 will be the first annual Mayor's Charity Ball at the Wethersfield Country Club to benefit the Wethersfield's Food Pantry. A great night for a great cause and it is a non-partisan event. In response to the problem of hunger in this town they formed a Hunger Action Team (HAT) last fall. Currently 23% children are eligible for free and reduced lunches. We have doubled the amount of food people can now get. The problem is growing and by educating people in the community about this problem and how they can help and by working together on this, we will turn the corner on this but we have a long way to go.

Presentation by Martha Conneely. To view go to [Hunger Free Wethersfield](#).

Presentation by the MDC on the Goff Brook Overflow Closure.

HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RESOLUTION THE TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN CT PRIME, INC. (Program of Regional Insurance for Municipalities and Education)

No speakers on this item - Hearing declared closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gus Colantonio of 16 Morrison Avenue he thought he would put some numbers together, on a flyer. It shows Morrison Avenue, Hillcrest Avenue, Silas Deane and Wolcott Hill Road. He has asked more than once [why he cannot have a stop sign on Morrison Avenue] and the only reason he has received is because he doesn't have enough traffic and there are too many stop signs in Wethersfield. The only two reasons he has which he disagrees with completely. He is not going away. The kids cross Morrison Avenue between Orchard Street and Tifton Road. That is the most unsafe place for the kids attending Silas Deane Middle School to cross. When they decided to put the sidewalk on the north side of Morrison Avenue just east of Orchard Street, it was completely wrong. The reason that the sidewalk was never there was because we did not want to encourage students to cross on Tifton, where you cannot see the

traffic. The traffic headed east on Morrison Avenue cannot see the kids crossing Morrison Avenue. This is unsafe.

John Console of 38 Ivy Lane commented he thinks this is the first time ever that more people have voiced their opinion for a zero budget increase both board of education and the town compared to any kind of increase at all. Since 2008 the tax base has gone up an average of 2.5% a year which over eight years is 20% increase in taxes not compounded whatsoever. Many people that are moving to this town are saying that it's a given that every year if you buy a home in this town you are going to be guaranteed a tax. We are a billion dollars in the red with the State; hopes Wethersfield does a much better job on tax increases or holding the tax line. Cutting back on public safety which is one area we probably should never cut back on. He didn't think people were aware that the City of Hartford is down over 100 police officers and Wethersfield is picking up a lot of the overtime and the slack for crimes that are going on between Hartford and Wethersfield. Wethersfield helped to fuel the deficit of the State of Connecticut by getting the 15+ million dollars to finish the high school. Things like that keep compounding. He hopes the Council is thinking about how we are going to do things in the future. Once the high school is finished the next thing down the pike will be the elementary schools. There has been talk about the surpluses in the budgets but he has not heard yet how that is going to affect the budget this year. We cannot keep raising taxes. Hartford is starting to look at ways to start having other towns share costs. They are also looking at a separate tax that will be implemented for all the people who live outside of the city and work in Hartford. The grand list in Hartford is down to 3.8 billion dollars. Whereas the grand list in West Hartford, a good town is up to 5.5 billion. Our town can do some of the same types of structural changes is we put our minds to it. He hopes it gets down to a zero increase.

Mike Cuddigan of 49 Westlook Road commented that on item B3c on the termination of cold mulch sealing process is an excellent idea. This presents lots of problems to the people that live on those streets. Lots of dirt and junk in their yards and last year on Nott Street from Ridge Road down there was zero visibility for at least two or three weeks. Something was done wrong with clouds of dust and it was real unsafe to drive through there. Even now a year or two later it's a washboard and he thinks it should be redone in some fashion. He is glad to see that you are going to stop doing this and he hopes you do that permanently. 706 Nott Street is in the news again and he was wondering what the status was on that and what you are going to do next.

David Caruk of 149 Broad Street spoke that he was here with what happened with the cove and the overflow and the sewage. There was a big controversy and the MDC was the villain and now they finally got a solution. It took years of figuring it out how to pay. He wasn't exactly sure how they were going to pay. Look at your water bill you will see a surcharge that we are all paying for it. He hopes that it is distributed equally amongst towns so that we are not paying more than anybody else. He knows that the MDC got state bonds, state loans, state and federal grants but he is glad that they came here. They informed the public of what was going to happen to their community. He can see this happening all over the country as the sewage pipes start having problems. He is glad it has finally been resolved with the MDC.

Robert Young of 20 Coppermill Road stated that he was looking at the agenda online and noticed that the MDC was going to be giving a presentation. The Social & Youth Services and Parks & Recreation is going to ask for a grant to support a partnership between Hartford Foundation of Public Giving, Town of Wethersfield, Wethersfield's Board of Education and the Wethersfield Early Childhood Collaborative (WECC) to expand and sustain a coordinated early childhood infrastructure in Wethersfield. \$49,000 grant the Town and the Board of Education has to pony up with so many dollars. So here we go again. Go out, get a grant -good for three years, get a program started. Then the taxpayers have to carry it on. He urged they vote no because we don't need more grants. He questioned whether the MDC will provide the staging site for whoever is doing the work to park their vehicles and equipment. Has that letter to the

MDC about the Niagara Bottling Company been produced, has it gone out and he would like a copy of it if possible. The State of Connecticut's deficit is pretty ugly closing out this year. Does the Town of Wethersfield have a plan or at least what you think you are going to have to do? Spending more money needs to stop. We need to pull back. With what is going on with the budget a couple of words keep popping up like new economic reality and volatile 2015 calendar year. We are the ones taking the hit and this is not right.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Rell reported that the Historical Society met and they wanted to express their appreciation to the public for their Taste of Wethersfield event which was very successful. There will be more fundraisers coming up during the spring and summer including their Keeney Cooler concerts on Main Street and a number of other events they have planned.

Councilor Martino reported that the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission met and they are continuing to work on their May 12th event, KISS (Keep it Simple for Seniors), where there will be speakers there regarding solar panels and other things. There will be the Info Shed truck there where people can drop off bags of paper that they need shredding. Anybody interested in going should contact Lisa at the Senior Center and she will put you on a list so they can have a head count on how many are coming. The Public Works Committee met and there was a concern about the access to Cottone Field with the construction but that issue will be solved come September once the construction is finished so that was put on hold because it was just a couple of month thing that they couldn't do anything with. The cold mulch sealing process was reviewed and voted on unanimously by the committee members. The Budget and Finance Committee has been meeting with all the departments and the Board of Education going over all of their stuff and starting on May 4th they will be reviewing things to see where deductions can be made.

Councilor Bello reported that the Memorial Day Parade Committee met and the parade is scheduled for Saturday, May 28th at 9 a.m. They are finalizing the parade marshals and the speakers and they have bands coming and they are on schedule for a good parade. The rain plans will be the new Wethersfield High School auditorium and gymnasium if they have to go that route but let's all hope for a sunny day. The Pension Committee met and they discussed the quarterly updates for the defined benefit update and the prudential quarterly update and they received the distribution of the plan actuarial evaluation.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Hemmann stated that she attended the Arbor Day ceremony at the Pitkin Community Center on Saturday and there was a quite a good turn out from the elementary students and parents. The Colonel John Chester Fife and Drum Corp, a representative from DEEP and a reporter were there. It was a beautiful tree that was planted and Corey gave us some nice facts about the type of soil that was there and it was a nice event.

Councilor Hurley said that the Taste of Wethersfield, for the price, there was a ton of restaurants there and you don't go out of there hungry. There are also wine vendors and next year he hopes to see an even bigger crowd so they can make more money because it is a great event. When you go, you will be going every year, once you go once. On his favorite subject of the Weight Watchers, there was a press conference on October 30, 2015 in this room on the development of the Weight Watcher's property on the Silas Deane Highway. During that it was said that a deal had been made and it had been worked on for the last three months. A mailer went out the next day stating that thanks to the Wethersfield Democrats, Weight Watcher's is finally being torn down, promises made, promises kept. This happened a few days before the election. It has now been nine months, three months prior to that date plus another six months and no promises have been kept and it appears to be a political ploy and he would like to know where the

Weight Watchers thing is.

Councilor Martino wanted to thank the Parks & Recreation Department, the MDC, UNICO and the Wethersfield Game Club for the Fishing Derby that was held on Saturday, especially the Wethersfield Game Club. There were close to 20 of their members there: helping the kids bait their hooks, showing them what to do, and went through the process of fishing with them. It's a free event that is put on by sponsorship by these other organizations with no cost on the town for it. He thought everybody enjoyed themselves there.

Councilor Spinella commented that the Youth Advisory Board is sponsoring a fundraiser on Wednesday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m. at Lucky Lou's in support of the Wethersfield Camp Fund.

Mayor Montinieri stated that obviously the State activity is something that we are all following closely. It is very much up in the air which impacts us as we deliberate on the budget. We continue to do the work with a full budget workshop day and we had a joint meeting with the Board of Education and the Councilors to talk about scenarios in light of what is happening with the State, which impacts us with the ECS Funding. There are several different ECS impacts being reviewed as we speak; and he understands that the Governor came back with a revised proposal today and we have also talked with our delegation about ECS impact, revenue sharing impact and the impact on the town. At our lead up to the joint meeting with the Board, we asked the Town Manager to come up with some scenarios on the town side. Our discussion with the Board was clearly looking at the scenarios that we would respond to asking for assistance from the Board in light of any potential ECS cuts. So there are scenarios that we are envisioning that would require additional cuts from the requested 1.97 that is on the table today. We are hoping to have guidance on it. That it will be firm and hopefully a budget passes at the State level that will provide hard numbers for us that will then guide us with where we come in at the end of the day. We do not expect to raise our taxes in response to any cuts from the State. We expect to have to accommodate it by virtue of trimming and cutting across the board wherever it can be done and we have the support of the Board for that in theory at this point because we initiated that discussion last week. As for an update on the Weight Watchers matter he has been involved with the project every week in some capacity since November. He has attended a dozen meetings and construction meetings. The latest revised construction plan by the potential buyer is a revision of the front building with a change in the back. We have identified an additional tenant in the back that has interest in the back building. He would anticipate that that construction project plan will be finished in the next week or two and then they will be meeting with the seller again. In the interim he has had two offers outside of our discussions with Weight Watchers and Ashley. The owner of the property has been kind enough to be patient to see these construction plans come to fruition knowing that it's a greater job creation than these other two offers. He certainly appreciates Councilor Hurley's skepticism and he respects a great deal that if in fact we don't deliver on what we proposed and worked on then that skepticism would be well deserved and served and he hoping that will not be the case so he continues to work very hard on it and he's sure Councilor Hurley can appreciate what we are trying to do but he also understands how he feels.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager Bridges stated that in the package tonight are two power point presentations, one is a MDC in which they did a lot of analysis on their long term obligations as it relates to the clean water project, the water and sewer rates, their off line or their off water project construction and maintenance programs and the impacts to the towns. The other presentation is from MIRA which use to be CERA did a presentation on their status, where they are going, and DEEP's program to find a new alternative for their process. We had a good meeting with MIRA and they have a new board made up of mostly local elected officials which is new to them. They are doing some more education but the recycling market is in the tank so we will not see any recycling revenue, just getting them to take it is a bonus at this point.

Mayor Montinieri indicated that with respect to Mr. Young's point about the MDC, he had asked the Town Manager to put the MDC presentation on the agenda for two reasons. First the project is going to start up in the next couple of weeks and we are in the middle of the budget and we have a busy agenda coming up and he didn't want to lose that opportunity for them to do that. The MDC is planning on having several public hearings with all the neighborhood groups as they progress through the project and there will be opportunities for public input, but the MDC is very willing to hear from the community at any time and has general information numbers on their website and on the postings and power points if you have any concerns as that project unfolds.

Town Manager Bridges indicated the property on 706 Nott Street that they were going through foreclosure and it was supposed to go to auction Saturday, but they declared bankruptcy again which halted the auction. We actually had them on the list for tax sale this fall. They were behind two years on the taxes and according to our policy, once you get two full years behind, we put it on the tax sale. They also have at least \$13,000 of property maintenance liens and we have been trying to foreclose and so their simple act of declaring bankruptcy makes that a moot process. The last time they went to bankruptcy several years ago we went to the bankruptcy court and forced them out of bankruptcy in an effort to get the house finished but they did manage to settle with their creditors which prevented the house from being torn down at that time. It looks like we will go back through some kind of process with that structure.

TOWN CLERK COMMUNICATION

This is the first year the Clerks have a bill move forward and if it is signed, will bring more money to the Town. Whenever the State increases its' fees, the amount that remains in Town does not increase. So for collecting and certifying liquor permits, hunting/fishing licenses, burial permits, we still collect a minimal amount for the work and reporting that we have to do.

COUNCIL ACTION

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, APPOINTMENTS FOR ACTION

Councilor Hemmann moved to **"TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF DAN MONTANO EFFECTIVE APRIL 12, 2016 AND GAVIN LAMB EFFECTIVE MAY 2, 2016 FROM THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION"**, seconded by Councilor Hurley.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Hemmann moved to **"ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENTS OF ALEX J. GRAVER FOR THE TERM OF 4-12-16 TO 6-30-2018 AND BRUCE W. GRAVER FOR THE TERM OF 5-02-16 TO 6-30-16 TO FILL VACANCIES ON THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION"**, seconded by Councilor Rell.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Spinella moved to **"ADOPT THE RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION BY THE TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD IN THE CT PRIME INC. STOP LOSS INSURANCE CAPTIVE"**, seconded by Councilor Bello.

Town Manager Bridges stated that Mary Glassman from CREC is here to answer any questions regarding the captive and Chris Munroe who is our health insurance agent of record has been working with the town's Insurance Committee on reviewing this process and Finance Director Mike O'Neil has been part

of the captive discussion since day one and they are here to answer any questions on the information in the packets. The Insurance Committee met on this and is recommending the town participate. It is a option for stop loss. We are self-insured so any claim over \$125,000 we receive dollar for dollar back from a reinsurance company. This captive will be a municipal owned reinsurance company similar to CIRMA in terms of workers compensation, auto and liability insurance.

Mary Glassman was invited to the podium. She explained that about a year ago CREC started an office for regional efficiencies to come up with ways to save towns and schools money. One of the things they looked at was the cost of self-insured stop loss insurance which has been rising over the last few years. In January of 2015 they started looking at ways to go out and create a cooperative purchasing program for the stop loss. They started meeting with towns and schools and she thanked Town Manager Bridges and Mike O'Neill for all their time and working with CREC to come up with this program. They met with the Department of Insurance and under the new laws of the State of Connecticut that towns can not only go out for cooperative purchasing of stop loss but, by forming a captive, which is similar to what CIRMA provides, the towns could experience the savings as well. CIRMA which Wethersfield participates in, by state law, cannot offer insurance programs, so CREC is offering program similar to the CIRMA model where all the towns go out to cooperative purchasing and then keep and retain some of the dividends. She thanked Chris Monroe and the Insurance Committee for a thorough discussion and review of the program and appreciates the time that they took. The program of CT Prime is comprised of members, they created bylaws and it would be made up of the members of the towns. Should Wethersfield become a member tonight we have nine CREC communities that will start to purchase stop loss as a group beginning on July 1st. The reason the program was created was to stabilize cost and coverage for self-insured communities. If you are not a self-insured community then you cannot participate in this program. We also saw a longer term benefits for towns and schools working together. We think this is a platform for towns to look at other things together like group purchasing of student accident insurance, purchasing of employee assistance programs. There is no question that by leveraging the numbers of employees rather than town by town or town by school, the towns and schools are getting a better price. The group will be purchasing stop loss insurance above the individual stop loss limits so Wethersfield self-insures up to \$125,000 and as a group the towns will self-insure up to \$500,000 and then buy reinsurance over that amount so we are basically, as a pool, bumping up the self-insurance amount which means you will get a better price. We will be regulated by the State of Connecticut Department of Insurance so on an annual basis we will make sure that the members know how much they are saving in the reinsurance and how much the group is retaining. The towns will be offered a 5% premium discount and CREC is putting in the capital reserves totaling \$500,000 to get this program started because they didn't want the towns to make up the capital.

Chris Monroe was invited up to the podium and he explained that there is a lot of value in moving forward. This is an opportunity to partner up with those that have similar positive claim experiences but the real value is to drive long term price stability.

Vote: After discussion all Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilor Bello moved to **“AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A STATE GRANT FOR A POLICE AND YOUTH PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO \$10,000”**, seconded by Councilor Spinella.

Director Kathy Bagley and Assistant Director Erica Texeira were invited up to the podium to explain that this is a police and youth grant that we currently have in effect now for the first year and we have the opportunity to apply for a second year for the grant. It is through federal funding and it allows a youth in town to work with police officers to do a variety of different activities, both fun and community service activities where they are benefiting the community and they are working together and interacting with each other.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Bello moved to **“AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SUBMIT THE GRANT TO THE HARTFORD FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC GIVING FOR THE WETHERSFIELD EARLY CHILDHOOD COLLABORATIVE TO SUPPORT EARLY CHILDHOOD INITIATIVES”**, seconded by Councilor Martino.

Director Bagley stated that this is a partnership grant with the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving along with the Town of Wethersfield and the Board of Education to look at expanding and sustaining an early childhood infrastructure in Wethersfield. We have been working with the Early Childhood Collaborative (WECC) for a few years now on improving early childhood programs, health and well-being of children in town and this gives us another opportunity to move forward. It also puts us in a position, where down the road; there may be future funding available to us as we begin to develop initiatives to implement initiatives and get them going in the Town of Wethersfield for the kids. It currently depends on proposed funding in fiscal year 2016-17 so it really is just a motion to apply for the grant.

Mayor Montinieri commented that the grant is dependent upon that funding when we get budget passage.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted. The motion passed 6-1-0; Councilor Hurley voting NO.

Councilor Martino moved to **“TERMINATE THE USE OF COLD MULCH SEAL ON TOWN ROADS”**, seconded by Councilor Hemmann.

Town Manager Bridges explained that overall the process does do what it is expected to do which is to prolong the life of the roads but the impact to the community overcomes that benefit. A couple of years from now when we do the road management update we will have to evaluate the lack of the program and how it is impacting the long term viability of the roads, but at least the \$50,000 that we spend on this process will move over to the hot crack seal and still continue to cap these roads.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Bello moved to **“REQUEST REVIEW UNDER C.G.S. 8-24 THE PROPOSED NEW PLAY SCAPE AT THE EMERSON WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL”**, seconded by Councilor Spinella.

Town Manager Bridges indicated that the Emerson Williams PTO is looking to donate a playground for the kindergarten and first grade. For that to happen the Council needs to get a referral from Planning & Zoning and that is the request tonight. Miss Mattatall is here to answer any questions.

Miss Mattatall stated that they are looking to add a new second playground for the kindergarteners and first graders. They have a separate playground on the opposite side of the school. It's a seventeen year old playground equipped to handle twenty five kids and at one time 60 to 70 children are out there

playing and so they are crammed onto this tiny plays cape so we are looking to add an additional play scape next to that just to expand their play area. The older children have recess on the other side of the school so they will not be in the same area.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

BIDS - NONE

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, APPOINTMENTS FOR INTRODUCTION - NONE

MINUTES

Councilor Bello moved **“TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2016”**, seconded by Councilor Spinella.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 6-0-1; Councilor Hurley abstained as he was not in attendance.

Councilor Bello moved **“TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 18, 2016”**, seconded by Councilor Spinella.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Clynych of 903 Ridge Road commented he was going to be the bad guy here but the previous thing that happened Memorial Day as we all know and all you people participated in it and it's a day that we honor the falling of the men who made the ultimate sacrifice. A couple of years ago, Wethersfield and the Chamber of Commerce decided to have fireworks on Memorial Day and he was violently opposed to it and he wrote letters to the editor but the town and the Chamber of Commerce thought it would be a great thing to do. Somebody told him that it happened for two years and somebody said that they decided that they were going to do it on another day now which pleased him. Councilor Hurley said that there was a wine tasting at the Keeney Center for this Taste of Wethersfield. He thought there was an ordinance that no drinking on town property whether it be the parks or the buildings, but he could be wrong. He seems to him that in recent years we have become a little loose in that but most towns have ordinances where drinking is banned on public property. It's maybe a good fundraiser but it's not good for the town.

Gus Colantonio of 16 Morrison Avenue commented that he has been here for over 40 years now. There is no comparison anymore. It seems like it is deteriorating and the quality of life is going down. The pavement on Church Street and Main Street, the cross walks, the old, the new, the precast concrete at the joints has a little bit of mortar and he asks why. It is because it was not built correctly. He thinks the quality of work that is done is poor. A pothole, Morrison Ave is still there, maybe two more shovels full of the luminous to make it better. He asked about the arrangement between Wethersfield Avenue and Silas Deane months ago and wanted to know if someone asked the state to look into it? He also questions the speed limit signs and what the procedure is for the speed limits in town? Do we care? Are we accountable? Sometimes he questions it.

Tom Mazzarella of 600 Wolcott Hill Road commented that he was shocked and stunned at the first presentation on the amount of use that the food pantry gets in town. He thinks everybody should take a hard look at that. There are a lot of residents that are struggling. These are people who have a lot of pride

and it's great that they are allowed to make a private appointment. They don't have to be embarrassed to go to the food pantry. We are talking about a basic need; we are talking about people eating. Please consider that when you finalize your budget. A couple hundred dollars tax increase for most people is not a big issue but there are people that it is just going to put them over the edge. If this ECS money gets cut you apparently have made provisions already. That you are not going to pass that increase onto the taxpayers is a great thing. But what it does tell him is that you do have the ability to work both the town and school budgets to absorb that loss if it were to happen. He doesn't see why you can't just absorb the loss now and go in with a lesser amount of money.

Robert Young of 20 Coppermill Road commented that earlier he spoke about the MDC and the question about where a staging site location. He should have mentioned what was with this ongoing 2.1 billion dollar clean water project. He doesn't see on any websites at the MDC regarding the spending that has going on for this. He has looked and made requests for the numbers because they haven't put them out and he thinks it is extremely important. This is a regional operation that is not transparent whatsoever. He was happy that they voted on the termination of the cold mulch sealing process. Tonight more grant money and that has to stop. We are never going to get out of this mess. We have a spending problem and it all starts right here and then it goes up to Hartford.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilor Bello moved **"TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION,"** at 9:10 p.m., seconded by Councilor Martino.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Bello moved **"TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION,"** at 9:35 p.m., seconded by Councilor Martino.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:35 p.m., Councilor Bello moved **"TO ADJOURN THE MEETING"** seconded by Councilor Martino.

Vote: All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Dolores G. Sassano
Town Clerk

APPROVED BY VOTE OF COUNCIL
May 16, 2016
(5-0-2 Deputy Mayor Barry absent & Councilor
Latina left early)