

JULY 6, 2005 SPECIAL MEETING

The Wethersfield Town Council held a special meeting on Wednesday, July 6, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Manager's Conference Room of the Town Hall.

Present: Councilors Adil, Czernicki, Forrest, Fortunato, Hemmann, Montinieri, Deputy Mayor Karangekis and Chairperson Morin.

Absent: Councilor Cascio and Bonnie Therrien, Town Manager

Also present: Don Moisa, Engineering, Rae Ann Palmer, Assistant to the Manager and Dolores G. Sassano, Town Clerk.

Chairperson Russell A. Morin opened the special meeting, explaining the meeting was called to enable the Town to prepare for the summer paving program. The Engineering department had anticipated presenting the bids at the Town Council meeting of July 5, 2005, which had been canceled. There are three bids for the Wethersfield Town Council to consider. Voting on them tonight would enable the Town to move forward as soon as possible with the fund from the 2006 Capital Improvements budget. Chairperson Morin said that Don Moisa from Engineering was present and would answer Councilors questions on the paving program and the bids.

Councilor Hemmann said she was pleased to see that Griswold Road was being done. She said that in reviewing the map and street list that the Councilors had received she would rather see the second phase done now as it appears to have more damage. She questioned if the Griswold Road project could be reversed with the more damaged section, Highland Street to Maple Street being done first and the other section, from Country Club Road to Highland Street, done the following year. Mr. Moisa said that the section being done first was being done with 2005 STP Urban money controlled by the State and it would not be possible to change the sections. The section scheduled for the second year is being done with funds from the 2006 Capital Improvements budget.

Councilor Fortunato asked if anyone from the Town checks or coordinates with the State Highway Department, the Gas Company or the other utility companies to be sure they are not going to interfere or tear up what is done by the Town. Mr. Moisa said Engineering does that before every project in the planning stage as well as again when it is closer to starting the work. He explained that Forest Drive was scheduled to be done last year but they found out that the Gas Company was replacing gas lines there so they held off until now.

Councilor Hemmann said that the Council should have known that when they were questioned last year about Forest Drive, it was information she thought was important to get out to the people there. She said it would have been an answer for them.

Chairperson Morin asked for a motion. Councilor Fortunato moved "TO AWARD THE ROAD PAVING CONTRACT FOR BITUMINOUS CONCRETE PAVING TO TILCON-CT INC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$600,000", seconded by Councilor Montinieri.

Councilor Czernicki asked if Tilcon was a subsidiary of Tomasso. Chairperson Morin said that he thought it was.

All those present, including the Chairperson, voted AYE. The motion passed 8-0-0.

Councilor Montinieri moved "TO AWARD THE ROAD PAVING CONTRACT FOR PAVEMENT MILLING/RECLAMATION TO GARRITY ASPHALT RECLAIMING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000", seconded by Councilor Adil. All those present, including the Chairperson, voted AYE. The motion passed 8-0-0.

Councilor Forrest moved "TO AWARD THE ROAD PAVING CONTRACT FOR MISCELLANEOUS PAVING PREPARATION TO GENERAL PAVING AND CONSTRUCTION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED

\$718,000", seconded by Councilor Adil. All those present, including the Chairperson, voted AYE. Deputy Mayor Karangekis ABSTAINED. The motion passed 7-0-1.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:15 p.m., Councilor Adil moved "TO ADJOURN THE MEETING" seconded by Councilor Forrest. All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 8-0-0.

Dolores G. Sassano
Town Clerk

Approved by vote of Council
7/18/05