



**MINUTES
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

May 20, 2024

7:00 PM - Town Hall - Council Chambers

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1. PRAYER - Gina Cekala

Councilor Cekala asked for a moment of reflection.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire

Absent: None.

Also present were Town Manager, Christopher Bromson; Assistant Town Manager, Steve Bielenda; Interim Town Attorney, Tom Tyler; and Town Clerk, Sheila Bailey.

4. FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

The fire evacuation was announced.

5. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

- Special Meeting - May 6, 2024

MOTION # 6949 by: Douglas Finger seconded: Cynthia Mangini to accept the minutes. Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #6949** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

- Regular Meeting - May 6, 2024

MOTION #6950 by: Marie Pyznar seconded: Michael Ludwick to accept the minutes. Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #6950** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

- Special Meeting - May 8, 2024

MOTION #6951 by: Cynthia Mangini seconded: Marie Pyznar to accept the minutes. Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #6951** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala,

Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

- Public Hearing and Special Meeting - May 13, 2024

MOTION #6952 by: Marie Pyznar seconded: Lori Unghire to accept the minutes. Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #6952** adopted. Yes: Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: Gina Cekala, Jim Nasuta.

- Special Meeting - May 13, 2024

MOTION #6953 by: Marie Pyznar seconded: Lori Unghire to accept the minutes. Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #6953** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: Jim Nasuta.

6. SPECIAL GUESTS

- Board of Education Leadership

Board of Education Chair Charlotte Riley and member Tina LeBlanc gave a brief explanation regarding the FY24 budget deficit and the plans to prevent it from happening in the future. Ms. Riley explained that in February 2022, the board was advised that the schools would now be in an Alliance District and could expect to receive \$1.4 million for such classification, which is what was presented to the Town Manager by the Superintendent. The budget they presented that year was based on them receiving \$1.4 million. Subsequently, the state said that they were not paying the Alliance carve-out funds after the town and Board of Education had budgeted to receive those funds, which left them in a deficit. The state then said that the board would be eligible for reimbursement for capital projects and, having learned this information, the BOE completed \$1.7 million worth of projects: the Barnard parking lot and two Enfield High athletic repairs. The reimbursement would be through the Bond and Alliance Money Fund, for which they were given applications and paperwork with which to apply for the grant. In July 2022, the BOE was notified they had been denied the grant because they did not have any tier four or tier five schools within the district. During the 2022-2023 school year, the BOE was able to cover the losses using Hartford Choice money and contingency funds with potential 2% carryover and leftover COVID money.

In fall 2022, the BOE was told by state leadership that they would rectify the Alliance District funding mistake and distribute surplus funds from the state. During the fall 2022 and winter

2023, the BOE was determining the budget for the upcoming school year. In January 2023, it was discovered that they had received \$2.5 million from the state labeled "Board of Education Surplus", which they assumed was the surplus money that had been promised. The funds were deposited on December 9, 2022. During the budget process for the school year 2023-2024, the BOE and the town needed to determine how to budget the ECS calculation. Due to reassurances from the state of Alliance District funds, the BOE and town budgeted with the carve-out of \$1.4 million. For this reason, the town reduced their ECS revenue by that amount and adopted a budget to reflect that. They were then notified by the state that Enfield would not be receiving the Alliance funds, yet again, causing them to start the school year \$1.4 million short. There was also an increase in special education costs. Noticing the deficit, the BOE decided to use the surplus funds which were no longer in the account. During this time, they learned they would also be shorted some of the Excess Cost reimbursement by about \$600,000. The special education costs were rising, and they would be short approximately \$4 million.

As of May 2023, the costs for special education have risen \$1.8 million due to new students in the schools. In total, the BOE was short approximately \$7.6 million between promised and undelivered Alliance funding for two school years, unreimbursed projects, unanticipated special education costs, and the reversal of state surplus money.

Ms. Riley said that in order to not repeat this shortfall, the budget that is approved by the Council for the 2024-2025 school year will be the only monies taken into consideration to adopt the budget. The BOE will work on that appropriation alone and not rely on the state for any Alliance carve-out, and those funds will be what they will operate with and nothing more. The BOE would also budget to receive no more than 67% of excess costs from the state for special education, and they will budget accordingly for any unexpected special education costs. The Council will receive quarterly updates from the BOE to expand communications, including unexpected special education costs. Ms. Riley asked the Council to cover the shortfall of the BOE. If there are surplus funds of more than a 2% carryover, they will be returned to the town.

Mayor Nelson commended Ms. Riley for being able to lower the deficit balance from \$7.6 million to \$3.9 million. He said that relying on state grant money is not the way to fund their budget. He explained that in order for him to support the town funding the \$3.9 million deficit, he would like a signed MOU agreeing to a full forensic audit of the BOE accounts for the last two years. He also stated that he would like the same audit performed for the town. He further asked for a line-item budget from the BOE going forward. He confirmed with Ms. Riley that the BOE was fully funded as promised by the town and that the ECS funds are reimbursable to the town for the money taxpayers allocated the BOE. He asked why the

BOE waited two years to discuss the shortage.

Mr. Nelson said there appeared to be sixty-seven new positions that were not budgeted for the previous year which he believed totaled about \$3.5 million in additional salaries. He also said that a 2% carryover should have covered the cost of the unexpected special education costs. He doesn't believe that there was a misuse of funds and believed that the money was truly spent for education purposes, but he believes a full forensic audit will help put peoples' minds at rest. He explained that the town cannot write a check for anything over \$800,000 due to Charter constraints, but the town will review expenditures with the Director of Finance, Town Manager, and Superintendent, and the town would assume some bills and pay them up to the \$3.9 million.

Councilor Ludwick clarified the timeline for when the surplus funds were received in December 2022 and when the BOE learned of the deposit in January 2023. He asked if the BOE's auditor had made recommendations in the past concerning the accounts and whether a policy would be put in place to help prevent these types of problems in the future. He also asked if they would be willing to adopt generally accepted accounting practices, even though it is not required. He is willing to support funding the \$3.9 million, but he would like to see the finance procedures tightened. Ms. LeBlanc responded that the way the BOE does their budget is backwards, in that they have to determine a budget in February, especially during a state year where the state wouldn't approve their budget until June. She also mentioned that one of the only things they cannot budget for is an influx of students, though they will do their best. That is what the contingency fund would typically be used for.

Deputy Mayor Pyznar agreed with making the BOE whole by funding the \$3.9 million, but she would also like to see a forensic audit of both sides. She is happy that they will receive quarterly reports. Councilor Santanella said he understood how the influx of students would contribute to the \$1.7 million deficit, but he is having a tough time understanding how the \$2.5 million could be deposited and then just disappear. He also supported a forensic audit because he is unsure how deposited funds could just disappear with no notes or documentation. He would also like to see safeguards put in place to prevent it from happening again in the future. He felt it is not unusual for the BOE to have budgeted for anticipated grants.

Councilor Cressotti said that during the past two years, the BOE had been funded properly and it's difficult to understand what they are dealing with now. Mr. Cressotti said it is important to find out where the \$2.5 million deposit went. He wished the Council had been alerted earlier than they were in order to help get the BOE back on the right track. He said

he is in favor of making them whole. Councilor Hendrickson said he would like to see safeguards put in place to help prevent this from happening again and wished they had known sooner. He agreed that quarterly meetings are important.

Mayor Nelson said he would be willing to schedule a special meeting to hold a vote to sign the MOU to get everything moving since the June deadline is fast approaching. Town Manager Bromson specified that an MOU must be signed by the Council and the BOE this fiscal year. The Town Attorney must be alerted to special requirements that need to be included in the MOU by the second week in June, so it could be acted on and be completed by July 1st.

Councilor Unghire explained that having a larger, more detailed budget book would be helpful to avoid these pitfalls in the future.

Director of Finance John Wilcox provided the Council with a bank statement showing the deposit of the \$2.5 million, which was from the Connecticut Short-Term Investment Fund. The town collects a significant percentage of their revenue during tax collection in July. They don't need to use all the funds immediately, so they invest them in short-term investments. This is one of the very few things that towns are allowed to invest in. Funds of the town are deposited in either the town account or the BOE account. The money was deposited in the BOE account due to confusion with the State of Connecticut title of "surplus" on the ACH transfer. The town confirmed with the state that the funds were from the Short-Term Investment Fund and subsequently moved them to the town account. Since it is a cash management account, it would be subject to regular auditing practices, but the movement of the money is nothing nefarious. Mr. Bromson stated that he is confident in the accuracy of the Finance Director's explanation.

7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS

Linda Allegro, 23 Vintner Place

Ms. Allegro, a former educator, said that back in the 1980s and 1990s when her children were in school, she fought for their education then and thought the town had been moving forward. Ms. Allegro urged the Council to vote in the best interest of students, the community, and the future. She said it was important to support the teachers and students by voting for the full budget. It is not ideal to teach or learn in a classroom of thirty plus students. She asked the Council to pass the original school budget.

Angelique Schoorens, 19 Sam Street

Ms. Schoorens spoke to the Council as a parent, taxpayer, and special education teacher. She thanked the parents and students for coming out to speak about the budget and voicing their concerns. She stated that her primary concern is how the current Council views special

education students as a "problem to be fixed" or the reason they are in a budget deficit. It was her belief that taxes had not been raised to keep up with student spending in surrounding towns. Instead, the town tried to keep up with political ideology versus raising taxes. She believed that if it had been about money, then there would have been caps on police overtime, pausing sports field makeovers, asking the state for more funding or finding ways to make housing and childcare affordable. She didn't believe the Council were listening to constituents and residents of the town.

Aiden Tetreault, 42 Green Manor Drive

Mr. Tetreault, an EHS junior, said that the budget has caused him much anxiety and worry. Mr. Tetreault stated that he is glad he will only have to deal with the ramifications for one more year, but for the other 4,000 students, that would not be the case. He believed that the town knows they have the money to support the budget, but some Council members would prefer to see the money remain in the bank. On the town's website there are budgets dating back to fiscal year 2010 and he studied the figures. He said that the BOE determines what they will need to survive every year and then scales back that figure, and that figure is what gets presented to the Council. If the 2010 budget had kept up with inflation over the last fourteen years, the current BOE budget should be \$91 million.

Mr. Tetreault denied that he was a pawn of the teachers and adults in his life and confirmed that he completed countless hours of research and wrote his own speeches as a rebuttal to previous Councilor remarks. He reminded the Council that many students will be of voting age for the next election, and they will remember who did and didn't vote in support of the budget.

Kiyo Bezzini, 105 South Road

Ms. Bezzini said that teachers are the building blocks for a better future, and they are safe spaces for some students. Ms. Bezzini stated that it was a terrible idea to get rid of teachers because of the budget and that getting rid of them it will not solve anything. Many students who come to school because of specific teachers may not come anymore if those teachers are not there. Many of the teachers who were pink slipped have given her the courage to speak in public and come out of her shell.

Paul Fitzsimmons, 12 Eileen Lane

Mr. Fitzsimmons, a lifelong resident, said that making education the forefront of budget cuts is short-sighted and a poor choice since it will hurt property values and the reputation of the town. It will also damage students because a struggling student during a fiscally poor year does not instantaneously improve once finances do. He also said that he was disappointed to hear that an already existing audit had not been reviewed by the Council, but another

forensic audit has been requested. The Councilors need to put aside political affiliations and work together to get the job done to support the students.

Claire Lisiecki, 62 Brainard Road

Ms. Lisiecki moved to her home in 2018 from Massachusetts and was told at the time that she must maintain clear walkways for ambulance assistance and safety. Ms. Lisiecki received another notice this year that there would be an inspection on May 13th at 9:45 am. She waited until 11:45am and still had not had a visit. She was later notified from her apartment complex that they had received a letter from the fire department saying an inspection had been done and there was no clear path. She was told that if there were any fines, the apartment manager would pass them along to her. She was promised that the manager of the building would look into it further. She asked what could be done if it was determined the fire department had falsified documents and asked how many other departments were falsifying documents.

Greg Schoorens, 19 Sam Street

Mr. Schoorens said that tonight would serve as a pivotal point for the future of Enfield based on the budget ruling. He said many believed that the teachers were indoctrinating the students and that the students couldn't figure out for their own the implications of a reduced budget. Enfield's preliminary SAT scores are significantly higher than the state average, and that is due to the hard work of teachers doing more with less. Culinary, music and robotics clubs and classes are getting national recognition, and that significant cuts will cause losses to these types of programs. He said many students feel like there are not enough places for them to hang out, such as a community pool. He is frustrated that the Council is trying to obtain \$20 million in funds from the state to build something that may bring money to the town but won't ask them to make up the difference for the education budget. He wished to see more Americans make sacrifices for the future of our younger generations, as has been done in the past. He would like to see more investment in people and less in property.

Chris Lange, 90 South Road

Ms. Lange said she was proud of the students and teachers for coming out to speak but found it criminal that they had to do so. She was a senior taxpayer who has no children, and she values a full BOE budget. She proposed the idea of a senior fund which would act as a revolving loan to help seniors in town. Currently, she lives in a home that she would like to see bought by a young family when the time comes. She would like to remain in town but has not found suitable housing. She said that the Council does not have a plan or vision and does not offer affordable housing to anyone.

Lucien LeFevre, 54 Kimberly Drive

Mr. LeFevre, Chairman of Enfield Veteran's Council, clarified that this year's Memorial Day Parade will be held Sunday, May 26th at 1pm. There were many signs posted around town that will be used for both the Memorial Day and Veteran's Day parades. Mr. LeFevre stated that he was proud that Enfield School's will participate in the parade. The Enfield High Honors Chamber Choir will perform the "National Anthem", the Chamber Choir of third through fifth graders will sing "America the Beautiful", the EHS band will play all the service songs including "God Bless America" as well as march down Route 5. He encouraged residents to join them at the Town Green following the parade. Best Buddies from JFK will also march in the parade, and he hopes they can encourage Best Buddies from EHS to join. Deputy Commissioner for the CT Veterans Affairs will be present as well. Weather permitting, there will be two Chinook helicopters doing a flyover over Route 5 and one of the pilots is a 2012 Fermi High graduate. The Connecticut National Guard will have a few vehicles present as well as a marching contingent. He stated that the Monster Truck from the Make-a-Wish Foundation will also be at the Town Hall. He thanked Buildings and Grounds for the installation of an additional flagpole at their monument to be able to fly all service flags, which now includes Space Force. He looked forward to seeing everyone at the parade on Sunday and at the wreath laying ceremony and speech.

Jennifer Bruyette, 83 Park Avenue

Ms. Bruyette asked for the whereabouts of the town's financial statements from 2023. Ms. Bruyette stated that the BOE audit is on their website, but the town's audit results are still unavailable for fiscal year 2023. She asked if they could receive the results of the towns paid for audit before having a forensic audit for the BOE.

Pamela Pasha, 8 Weymouth Road

Ms. Pasha said that just like in our private lives, sometimes "No" needs to be said, and tough decisions need to be made. Ms. Pasha said that she will respect whatever decision is made by the Council.

Angelina Vono, 21 North Maple Street

Ms. Vono, a former Suffield resident, said that Enfield has played a huge part in her life even before moving here in 2020. Ms. Vono recognized the importance of funding schools even though she does not have children. She stated that funding the schools properly is important and has lasting effects on the future.

Donna Dubanoski, 23 Betty Road

Ms. Dubanoski said she appreciated the work the Council has done to help determine the budget. Ms. Dubanoski has gone to every budget meeting this year and she did not believe

that the BOE was being drastically cut. She believed they are always adequately funded, and she cannot afford another tax increase. Teachers of Enfield should be speaking positively about the town to the students and not negatively. They should also attend town meetings regularly and volunteer in the community and town more.

Kelsey McGuire, 63 Neelans Road

Ms. McGuire said that many teachers do watch or attend the meetings. Ms. McGuire also stated that herself and many other teachers volunteer at many town events including the Enfield Fourth of July Town Celebration and Jack-O-Lantern Festival, as well as attend sporting events. She asked the Council if they were leaving Enfield better than when they found it.

Paul Fitzsimmons, 12 Eileen Lane

Mr. Fitzsimmons said that he has two daughters who are principals, one in Enfield and the other in Simsbury, and he understands how difficult the education field is. He mentioned that if class sizes increase, the unintended consequences for the town will be drastic, such as, increased behavioral issues and unfulfilled IEP plans resulting in lawsuits. While he understands the statement about returning to life before COVID, it is not possible as life has changed drastically since then. Cutting the education budget is not going to help. He speculated that the sixty-five new positions were more than likely those of classroom aids for special education classes, who were there to help so that teachers could teach. He said it was important to determine what is a want, and what is a need. Education is a need.

Aiden Tetreault, 42 Green Manor Road

Mr. Tetreault said that he can see the work that teachers put in. Teaching is only a fraction of their time. The rest is spent volunteering, grading, creating lesson plans and supporting students at events. He asked that people take a step back to see the entirety of what teachers do on a daily basis.

Kiyo Bezzini, 105 South Street

Ms. Bezzini said it was untrue that teachers do not spend time volunteering and helping outside of school hours. She mentioned Ms. Oppenheimer as an example who has volunteered with GSA and helped with donations to keep them afloat.

Micah Burnside, 27 Litchfield Drive

Mr. Burnside wondered why residents cannot pay their sewer bills online, if the servicing company in Lewiston, ME accepts online payments. As a software engineer, he offered his services to create an Open-Source program to be used to build a payment option gateway and provide a solution to the town at no cost. He said that members of the Buzz Robotics

team could probably assist with programming.

Vinny Pajor, 32 Glendale Drive

Mr. Pajor said he appreciates all the work his teachers do, and he does not want them to lose their jobs. Mr. Pajor finds his teachers to be helpful when he is having a rough day, and they will support him in whatever way he needs.

Jennifer Bruyette, 83 Park Avenue

Ms. Bruyette said that there was no need for interpretation regarding the volunteering. She stated that many people volunteer in ways that may not be seen by the public. She is a member of a board and a commission in town, a board member for a non-profit, and numerous other ways. She believed the teachers are also putting in numerous hours volunteering and said that those activities have not cost the taxpayers \$1.6 million by reducing assessments.

8. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Councilor Cekala thanked the students and teachers who came out to speak. Ms. Cekala is the mother to a senior at EHS. She read a list of programs and classes, twenty-nine total, that her two students had taken advantage of during their time in Enfield Public Schools. She said the vote tonight regarding the education budget was personal. She didn't believe that transitioning back to a seven-period day from the four period A/B days, would be beneficial to students to prepare them for secondary education. The BOE has unknown costs and some of those costs include the seventy-eight special education students who were new to the district, which totaled around \$1.8 million. She asked why it would make sense to cut the education budget knowing some of the variables and costs that they encounter. She said that any Enfield student who decides to go to a magnet school would have their tuition covered 100% by the town and there would be an influx taking this route if the budget passes. She stated that the Democratic caucus is in full support of fully funding the education budget, and she will not support the budget the way it is currently written.

Councilor Cressotti mentioned that the Council was invited to the EHS Spring Concert and the EHS Chorus and Orchestra, and he was in attendance for both. Mr. Cressotti said the basis of the band concert, under the direction of Ashley Schell, was a "unified sound" where special education students get paired with an EHS band member. He commended Mark Reppucci, music coordinator for K-12, and all the teachers and students who are involved in the program. Over 200 students are involved in the Chorus and Orchestra program, and he emphasized the importance of the arts within Enfield schools. At the 2nd Annual Unified Volleyball Tournament at EHS, they had firefighters, DPW, union workers, Enfield High and JFK students' Unified Teams and cheerleaders, Allied Stars were in attendance. Local 1029 made a generous donation to provide uniforms for the program. He said it was a wonderful

event, but unfortunately, it was not well attended.

Mr. Cressotti wished former Superintendent Drezek good luck in his new position in Old Saybrook, saying it was a pleasure to have worked with him. He said it is difficult to negotiate with a 0% increase, but he was in complete favor of the budget presented by the Town Manager. He believed it was a fair and equitable budget. He stated that the 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) was cut drastically, causing major cuts to EPS ground and facilities along with other town departments such as DPW, library, EMS, Police and Alcorn. It was determined that there would be no changes to the Facilities Use Plan, so all groups would be charged. He said no money has been set aside for school modernization. He stated no money had been set aside for roads, and ultimately, a referendum would need to be passed in order for them to be fixed. He believed the proposed budget to be irresponsible and unrealistic but remains in support of the Town Manager's budget.

Councilor Mangini stated that she has never experienced such a non-negotiation or lack of desire to work together in her over twenty years serving on the board. Ms. Mangini believed the budget to be fiscally irresponsible as well as Draconian for both the education and town budgets. She does not support the fact they will not honor what the BOE is asking for. She stated that when you take away teaching staff, you take away the ability to support students through paraprofessionals, tutor, or aids. Political differences should be put aside, and Councilors should work for the betterment of the residents of Enfield. She said many things were cut that may seem insignificant but have a large impact on the success of the town. She will not vote to support either budget.

Councilor Santanella said it's been difficult having to talk to parents of students regarding how the town has ended up in the position they are in. Mr. Santanella tells them that it goes back to the lack of voters back in November and not having vetted candidates. He believed Enfield is moving backwards from the direction residents are looking to see the town move. Enfield has taken zeroes for fourteen years and you cannot continue to run anything that way. He said that inflation and rising costs of goods exists and cannot be ignored, and neither can the debt the town has accumulated. Enfield has \$103 million worth of debt that has not yet been addressed, and he wondered who would address it and how it would get paid. He said the decisions that are made tonight would affect the future, whether it was about students, elderly services, or police. The vision and perception people have of Enfield is contrary to the town he grew up in. He said that it's not about the ability but the willingness to move the town forward. He would be voting no on all the amendments because he supported the budget the Town Manager proposed.

Councilor Finger mentioned that the bleachers at the Annex had been destroyed again. Mr.

Finger recently received communication from a JFK teacher expressing her opinions and he thanked her along with numerous other teachers who had reached out via email.

Mr. Finger said that Abbe Road was looking good and that the catch basin on Bush Lane will just require curbing to be complete. He reminded everyone that trash pickup would be delayed one day due to Memorial Day weekend, and on June 1st there will be yard waste pickup. He apologized for his absence during deliberations due to a family emergency but was able to catch up by watching the meetings. He thanked Ms. Riley and Ms. LeBlanc for speaking to the Council. He stood by his campaign promise to lower taxes, especially after the 3 mill increase last year. While people may not like it, he will stick to that promise. He said he would like to see more concentration on the people at the top (deans, etc.) versus the teachers and students. He asked if cuts could be made in some of those upper positions.

Councilor Unghire stated that a 0% budget increase does not equate to zero dollars. Ms. Unghire said there was not enough focus on what the town would get instead of on what they would not get. She made the residents aware that the oldest police vehicle in the fleet was a 2022. She is in support of taking money from the fund balance to pay for the pump stations. She also believed in supporting the contractual obligations for the teachers. She supports our teachers and Enfield.

Councilor Hendrickson thanked all the staff and department directors for making their presentations to help determine the budget. Mr. Hendrickson said when he ran for Council, he constantly heard from residents to not raise taxes and take politics out of the Council. He said that a 0% increase is a positive to a lot of people and having departments tighten their belts and determine how things can be scaled back and still make things better was a good thing. He said he would like to focus on all the good things and as his first time on the Council, he would like to work on Capital Improvements. He understood it would be a tough year, but he hoped that the revenue would increase and adjustments could be made to the budget in January. He was in support of the budget.

Councilor Ludwick reiterated that the BOE had received in full the dedicated education budget the town had allocated for. Mr. Ludwick said that when he helps create a budget, he makes sure that it is something the town can afford. He understands the value specific programs have to different people, these programs need to be taken in totality and that caused cuts of roughly \$3 million across the board. He stated that they are looking to balance all the wants and needs over many years, including School Modernization. It's important that the town maintains a solid bond rating so they can continue to get low interest rates. Affordability was important to him and to many other residents.

Deputy Mayor Pyznar said she views the town budget much like her own household budget. Ms. Pyznar stated that everyone she's talked to has said that an increase would hurt them. The past two years have seen the largest tax increases yet. She said that everyone has been affected by the rise of inflation and they take everyone into consideration. She confirmed that the Town Manager was asked to make cuts as well as all the department heads and staff. She didn't believe that Chief Fox would make cuts to his budget that would affect the safety of residents. They took a deep look at the existing budget to determine what they could cut out and still be able to function. She agreed that this would be tight year, but cuts were made all across the board. She hoped that for the following year the budget would be entirely different due to some new businesses coming to town generating revenue. She said she would vote for a 0% budget.

Councilor Nasuta thanked Lucien for all the work he does for the community with the Memorial and Veteran's Day parades. Mr. Nasuta said that budget deliberations, making cuts, and listening to the impacts on people is the hardest part of being on the Council. He thanked his fellow Council members for their help in getting the budget where it needed to be. He said that he would maintain his promise to those that elected him, and that's how he would be voting.

Mayor Nelson explained that they moved budget deliberations to live meetings so that residents could see what goes on. Mr. Nelson said that numerous times he asked for ideas regarding the budget and how it should be funded, and the response was they didn't have to. He asked how the \$3.9 million would have been addressed if the Republicans had not won. He said that 2% is going towards the contractual obligations of the teachers' union because that was the decision from the prior year. That, including the guards, made for the 8.4% of taxpayer funds being voted on tonight. He stated that they ran on a 0% increase because taxes had gone up 16% in two years and the town is still having difficulty operating on that amount. He said his goal was to fund the pump stations and ensure that they could operate efficiently. The people of Enfield voted for change to clean up the work of the previous administration. He wished he could fund everything that was asked for in the budget and more, but the taxes would need to triple to be able to afford them all. A balance between affordability and providing quality education needs to be kept. They were working together with the BOE to ensure that the \$3.9 million deficit was paid for and prevent the BOE members from personally being on the hook for the money. He said in January they would revisit the concerns with the police department and cruisers. He stated that the rainy-day fund currently only has \$3 million in it, and that was only due to cuts being made in the CIP to ensure that if a pump station does fail, there would be a way to fix it. He would support the proposed budget.

9. TOWN MANAGER REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

- Project and Activity Report

- None.

10. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

Interim Town Attorney Tom Tyler said that the Siting Council met last week to discuss the application for a solar farm on Town Farm Road. The applicant went forward and there was a cross-examination with the Siting Council led by Attorney Jeff Mirman, lawyer for the town. It was determined that the hearing would continue on June 4th with Attorney Mirman's cross-examination and the town would provide their witnesses. Mr. Tyler also asked that the Councilors email him and the Town Manager all pertinent information needed for the MOU so that nothing is left out.

11. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

Councilor Unghire thanked Lucien LeFevre and Pamela Townsend for all they do with Veteran's events, and it was her first time hearing that there would be a Chinook flyover and asked for a ride along if possible as a resident.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Abbe Road Sidewalks (Tabled 5/6/24)

Councilor Finger asked that this item be added to the next agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Pyznar. Mayor Nelson clarified that it is already on the agenda, and asked Doug Finger what he would like the resolution to say. Mr. Finger stated that he would like the resolution to authorize the removal of the sidewalks. Mr. Nelson stated that in other areas of town, the Council held a public hearing prior to installing sidewalks. That did not happen in this instance. Residents were given the promise that the sidewalks would be cleared of snow by the town and, therefore, they did not take legal action to prevent them from being installed. He stated that if the resolution were added to the next regular meeting agenda, the town and the residents would have two weeks to come to a resolution. Councilor Santanella asked whether they could hold a public hearing to hear how all the residents living on that area of Abbe Road feel about having them removed. He asked the Town Attorney if holding the public hearing now would negate the fact that one wasn't held prior to the sidewalks being installed, and Attorney Tyler responded that it would not. Councilor Cressotti requested a quote for the cost of removal. Councilor Ludwick stated that the installation should have been voted on at a Council meeting because the funds used were surplus funds from a roads project that the public had approved. Town Manager Bromson stated that he would re-issue the town attorney's previous opinion regarding the way the sidewalks were installed prior to the next meeting.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda - None

B. Appointment(s)–Town Council Appointed

1. **Enfield Culture & Arts Commission** - The Term of Office of Nzima Hutchings (D)
Expires on 6/1/24. Reappointment Will be Until 6/1/26.

NOMINATION #6954 by: Marie Pyznar

MOTION by: John Santanella, seconded: Marie Pyznar to close nominations. Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

By a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **NOMINATION #6954** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None. The Chair declared the appointment adopted.

C. Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for the 2024 Neighborhood Assistance Act

RESOLUTION #6955 by: Michael Ludwick, seconded: Marie Pyznar.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Enfield Town Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut on Monday, June 3, 2024 at 6:50 pm to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinion regarding the 2024 Neighborhood Assistance Act proposals. Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #6955** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

D. Budget Adoption

1. Introduction of Main Motion

RESOLUTION #6956 by: Michael Ludwick, seconded: Marie Pyznar.

RESOLVED, that page 4, General Fund Revenue Summary and page 8, Summary of Expenditure by Function of the Town Budget, as submitted by the Town Manager and the estimates for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 including

estimates of receipts and expenditures and recommendations of said Town of Enfield for:

Water Pollution Control (pgs. 74, 76-81);
Social Services Fund (pgs. 84-88, 90-109);
Department of Library Fund (pgs. 112, 114-123)
Insurance Fund (pgs. 126, 127-131)
Information Technology Fund (pgs. 134, 136-141)
Animal Control Fund (pgs. 144, 145-146)
Emergency Medical Service (pgs. 148, 150-153); and
Capital Improvement Funds (pgs. 156-158)

be accepted and approved along with the amendments specified on the attached schedule by the Town Council of the Town of Enfield. ***A copy of the amendment schedule is appended to these minutes.*** Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #6956** adopted. Yes: Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Cynthia Mangini, John Santanella Abstain: None.

Amendments to Proposed Town Budget

2. Adopt Resolution re: Capital Improvement Plan

RESOLUTION #6957 by: Marie Pyznar, seconded: Bob Hendrickson.

RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Enfield hereby finds and determines that each capital project for the 2024-25 fiscal year indicated as a Series or as a specific capital expenditure in the Capital Improvement Annual Budget shall constitute a single appropriation of funds for said Series or expenditure. Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #6957** adopted. Yes: Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Cynthia Mangini, John Santanella Abstain: None.

3. Adopt Resolution re: LOCIP

RESOLUTION #6958 by: Michael Ludwick, seconded: Marie Pyznar.

RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Enfield does hereby appropriate LOCIP Grand Funds in the amount of \$308,000 for the following purpose in accordance with the 2024-2025 Annual Operating and Capital Budget:

Roads 2021 Paving Projects \$308,000

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #6958** adopted. Yes: Douglas

Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Cynthia Mangini, John Santanella Abstain: None.

4. Adopt Resolution re: Education Block Grant

RESOLUTION #6959 by: Marie Pyznar, seconded: Bob Hendrickson.

RESOLVED, that the Town Schools' Budget adopted by the Town Council in the amount of \$77,429,555 included the anticipated revenue of \$29,823,645 from the Education Block (Cost Sharing) Grant and Special Education Grant. Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #6959** adopted. Yes: Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Cynthia Mangini, John Santanella Abstain: None.

5. Adopt Resolution re: Setting Tax Rate

RESOLUTION #6960 by: Michael Ludwick, seconded: Marie Pyznar.

RESOLVED, that a tax rate of 30.56 mills be set on the Real Estate and Business Personal Property Grant List of October 1, 2023 for the Town of Enfield and shall be payable in two semi-annual installments - July 1, 2024 and January 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a tax rate of 29.21 mills set on the Motor Vehicle Grand List of October 1, 2023 and shall be paid in full on July 1, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, however, that real estate and personal property taxes amount to \$100.00 or less shall be paid in full on July 1, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any motor vehicle, real estate or business personal property taxes in the amount of \$5.00 or less, shall be waived, pursuant to Connecticut State Statute § 12-144c.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #6960** adopted. Yes: Douglas Finger, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Cynthia Mangini, John Santanella Abstain: None.

14. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

None.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING

None.

16. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS/APPLIES ONLY IF PRIOR TO 11:00 p.m.

None.

17. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Mangini said that they had the privilege of having UConn come on Saturday, May 18th, to celebrate Rotary Day of Service. Joe Courtney was also in attendance. Ms. Mangini thanked Brandon from the Town Manager's office for being instrumental in bringing the group together, and she looks forward to having a nice garden. Ms. Mangini also read a proclamation about May being ALS Awareness Month, mentioning symptoms and life expectancy. While there is no cure, they are making advancements in the treatment of ALS.

Councilor Ludwick thanked Alex and the ETV team for making the room available for the public hearing with the Siting Council, and asked if they could reserve the Scitico Room for June 4th at 2pm. Mayor Nelson asked if progress with the Siting Council meeting could be discussed. Attorney Tyler stated that the town has not presented their side yet and has not completed a cross-examination. They can discuss the meeting, but it should not be during open session.

Deputy Mayor Pyznar explained that the new gardens at the Senior Center would be looking for help on Tuesdays and Saturdays. You can schedule your time through Civic Champ and choose the time frame that works best for you. Ms. Pyznar volunteered an hour of her time clearing out the shed so it would be ready when Home Depot arrived. She was also able to spend the rest of her day with Lucien and Pamela flagging the cemetery with the Girl Scouts. She enjoyed her time and looked forward to doing it again in November.

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by: John Santanella, seconded: Bob Hendrickson to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION** adopted unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 10:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Bailey, Town Clerk
Clerk of the Council

Lindsay Petrucci, Assistant Town Clerk
Secretary of the Council

Amendments to Town Appropriations

AMENDMENT #1

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment Schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
GENERAL FUND HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total General Fund accounts)	5,851,786	5,734,108

AMENDMENT #2

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 38 in accordance with the following schedule (Reduce SSO Program):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
SCHOOL SECURITY		
SALARIES - PART TIME	731,325	545,538
SOCIAL SECURITY (FICA)	45,343	33,824
MEDICARE	10,605	7,911

AMENDMENT #3

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 27 in accordance with the following schedule (Remove Assistant Collector):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
ASSESSMENT AND REVENUE COLLECTION		
SALARIES	529,994	459,994
HEALTH/MEDICAL INSURANCE	136,039	100,558
SOCIAL SECURITY (FICA)	31,647	27,307
MEDICARE	7,404	6,389

AMENDMENT #4

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 67 in accordance with the following schedule (CCM):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
NON-TOWN AGENCIES		
CT CONF OF MUNICIPALITIES	32,132	-

AMENDMENT #5

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 52 in accordance with the following schedule (DPW 1 RRM Driver):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL		
SALARIES	1,316,219	1,250,491
HEALTH/MEDICAL INSURANCE	379,145	346,456
LIFE INSURANCE	2,332	2,139
SOCIAL SECURITY (FICA)	74,996	70,921
MEDICARE	17,546	16,593

AMENDMENT #6

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 70 in accordance with the following schedule (CIP Adjustments - see schedule - Attachment B):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
NON-DEPARTMENTAL CHARGES		
TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL	3,995,372	2,420,772

AMENDMENT #7

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Departmental Expense Reduction schedule (Attachment C - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
GENERAL FUND VARIOUS ACCOUNTS		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES	1,140,179	1,011,158

AMENDMENT #8

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 70 in accordance with the following schedule adjust transfers for expense reductions to other funds:

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
NON-DEPARTMENTAL CHARGES - TRANSFERS OUT AND CONTINGENCY		
TRANSFERS TO IT	3,760,122	3,708,751
TRANSFERS TO SOCIAL SERVICES	2,870,164	2,823,235
TRANSFERS TO LIBRARY	2,780,686	2,741,221
TRANSFERS TO EMS	1,049,754	1,008,455
TRANSFERS TO DOG FUND	168,307	167,642

Amendment to Total Town APPROPRIATION

AMENDMENT #9

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 APPROPRIATION for the Town
as shown on page 8 by DECREASING from \$79,244,522 to \$76,796,888.

Amendment to Total School APPROPRIATION

AMENDMENT #10

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 APPROPRIATION for the Board of Education
as shown on page 8 from \$82,519,082 to \$77,429,555.

Amendment to Total Town and School APPROPRIATION

AMENDMENT #11

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 APPROPRIATION for the Total Budget
as shown on page 8 by DECREASING from \$161,763,604 to \$154,226,443

Amendment to Revenue Estimates

AMENDMENT #12

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget
as shown on page 5 in accordance with the following schedule (Adjust current year taxes and use of fund balance for new mill rate):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
GENERAL FUND REVENUE		
TAXES-REAL ESTATE	95,502,116	90,536,472
TAXES -PERSONAL PROPERTY	8,656,675	8,208,129
UTILIZATION OF FUND BALANCE	6,000,000	3,877,029

AMENDMENT #13

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Budget by DECREASING the Total
Revenue Appropriation as shown on pages 4 and 6 from \$161,763,604 to \$154,226,443

Amendments to Social Services Fund

AMENDMENT #14

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Social Services Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
SOCIAL SERVICES FUND/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total Social Services Fund accounts)	1,286,568	1,260,103

AMENDMENT #15

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Social Services Fund Budget
as shown on page 106 in accordance with the following schedule (Social Services Boards and Commissions - Reduce 15%):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY INITIATIVES		
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES	11,425	9,711
NETWORK AGAINST DOMESTIC ABUSE	20,000	17,000
AMPLIFY, INC	3,125	2,656
ED RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN	15,000	12,750
ENFIELD FOOD SHELF	20,000	17,000
KITE	12,375	10,519
ENFIELD PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE	15,000	12,750
ALLIED REHABILITATION CENTERS	15,000	12,750
ENFIELD HOME FRONT TEAM	10,000	8,500
LOAVES AND FISHES	14,500	12,325

AMENDMENT #16

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Social Services Fund Budget
as shown on page 84 to reduce general fund support to reflect Information Social Services amendments to appropriations

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
SOCIAL SERVICES FUND REVENUE SUMMARY (Page 84)		
GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	2,870,164	2,823,235

Amendments to the Library Department Fund

Amendment #17

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Library Department Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FUND/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total Library Department Fund accounts)	360,060	352,762

AMENDMENT #18

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Library Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Departmental Expense Reduction schedule (Attachment C - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
LIBRARY FUND VARIOUS ACCOUNTS		
VARIOUS LIBRARY FUND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES (Attachment C)	357,764	325,597

AMENDMENT #19

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Library Department Budget
as shown on page 112 to reduce general fund support to reflect Information Technology amendments to appropriations

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
LIBRARY DEPARTMENT REVENUE SUMMARY		
LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION - GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	399,398	398,641
LIBRARY - GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	1,763,929	1,741,197
LIB/LEISURE - SENIOR CENTER - GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	266,919	262,170
LIB/LEISURE - REC PROGRAMS - GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	322,416	315,953
LIB/LEISURE - SWIMMING - GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	28,024	23,260

Amendments to Information Technology Fund

AMENDMENT #20

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Information Technology Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total Information Technology Fund accounts)	219,423	214,910

AMENDMENT #21

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Information Technology Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Departmental Expense Reduction schedule (Attachment C - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND VARIOUS ACCOUNTS		
VARIOUS INFORMATION TECH FUND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES (Attachment C)	3,234,633	3,187,775

AMENDMENT #22

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Information Technology Fund Budget
as shown on page 134 to reduce general fund support to reflect Information Technology amendments to appropriations

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	3,760,122	3,708,751

Amendments to Animal Control Fund

Amendment #23

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Animal Control Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total Animal Control Fund accounts)	31,988	31,323

AMENDMENT #24

to amend the Manager's proposed 2023-2024 Animal Control Fund Budget
as shown on page 144 to reduce general fund support to reflect Animal Control Fund amendments to appropriations

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND REVENUE SUMMARY (Page 140)		
GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	168,307	167,642

Amendments to Emergency Medical Services Fund

Amendment #25

to amend the Manager's proposed 2023-2024 Emergency Medical Services Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total Emergency Medical Services Fund accounts)	649,238	635,939

AMENDMENT #26

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 EMS Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Departmental Expense Reduction schedule (Attachment C - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND VARIOUS ACCOUNTS		
VARIOUS INFORMATION TECH FUND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES (Attachment C)	256,514	256,514

AMENDMENT #27

to amend the Manager's proposed 2023-2024 Emergency Medical Services Fund Budget
as shown on page 148 to reduce general fund support to reflect Information Technology amendments to appropriations

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND REVENUE SUMMARY (Page 146)		
GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS IN	1,049,754	1,008,455

Amendments to Water Pollution Control Fund**Amendment #28**

to amend the Manager's proposed 2023-2024 Water Pollution Control Fund Budget
as shown on various pages in accordance with the Benefit Adjustment schedule (Attachment A - attached):

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FUND/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS		
HEALTH/MEDICAL ACCOUNTS (total Water Pollution Control Fund accounts)	377,851	370,052

AMENDMENT #29

to amend the Manager's proposed 2024-2025 Water Pollution Control Fund Budget
as shown on page 74 to reduce estimated Water Pollution Control Fund Revenue

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FUND REVENUE		
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	8,635,778	8,627,979

Town of Enfield Benefit Adjustment Schedule
Attachment A
FY25 Budget

GENERAL FUND		Budget Page	FROM	Reduction	TO
Org Code					
10120000-	521000 Town Manager	10	123,862	(2,585)	121,277
10130000-	521000 Town Attorney	12	61,022	(1,263)	59,759
10160100-	521000 Town Clerk - Administration	17	130,632	(2,676)	127,956
10161600-	521000 Town Clerk - Record Mgt	19	12,814	(262)	12,552
10170000-	521000 Human Resources	21	37,738	(757)	36,981
10180100-	521000 Finance - Administration	23	37,862	(790)	37,072
10181000-	521000 Finance - Treasury	25	73,959	(1,491)	72,468
10183000-	521000 Finance - Revenue Assessment and Collection	27	136,039	(2,774)	133,265
10184000-	521000 Finance - General Services	29	35,622	(723)	34,899
10620000-	521000 Building Inspection	31	130,480	(2,660)	127,820
10200250-	521000 Protection of Life and Property - Public Safety Comm	36	279,882	(5,626)	274,256
10200500-	521000 Protection of Life and Property - Police Services	33	2,200,619	(43,215)	2,157,404
10300100-	521000 Public Works - Administration	41	179,830	(3,718)	176,112
10300325-	521000 Public Works - Building Inspection	43	-	-	-
10300340-	521000 Public Works - Building & Grounds Maintenance	44	521,759	(10,727)	511,032
10300345-	521000 Public Works - Custodial/Maintenance	46	960,837	(19,493)	941,344
10300370-	521000 Public Works - Highway Maintenance	48	266,984	(5,465)	261,519
10300380-	521000 Public Works - Equipment Maint & Repair	50	172,317	(3,522)	168,795
10300390-	521000 Public Works - Refuse Collection & Disposal	52	379,145	(7,685)	371,460
10406100-	521000 Planning	54	61,331	(1,227)	60,104
10505100-	521000 Economic and Community Development	56	49,052	(1,019)	48,033
Total General Fund			5,851,786	(117,678)	5,734,108
SOCIAL SERVICES FUND					
22040001-	521000 Social Services - Administration	91	115,147	(2,294)	112,853
various	521000 Social Services - Adults & Elderly	97	259,172	(5,572)	253,600
various	521000 Social Services - Child, Youth and Family	100	850,837	(17,406)	833,431
22040418-	521000 Social Services - Care Coordination	104	61,412	(1,193)	60,219
Total Social Services Fund			1,286,568	(26,465)	1,260,103
LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FUND					
22505500-	521000 Library Department - Lib/Leisure - Admin	114	36,238	(757)	35,481
22505510-	521000 Library Department - Lib/Leisure - Library	116	239,219	(4,842)	234,377
22505520-	521000 Library Department - Lib/Leisure - Senior Center	118	37,196	(749)	36,447
22505530-	521000 Library Department - Lib/Leisure - Recreation	120	47,407	(950)	46,457
Total Library Department			360,060	(7,298)	352,762
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND					
24012100-	521000 Information Technology - Information Technology	136	219,423	(4,513)	214,910
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND					
25120075-	521000 Animal Control Fund	145	31,988	(665)	31,323
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND					
25222000-	521000 Emergency Medical Services Fund	150	649,238	(13,299)	635,939
Total Reductions			8,399,063	(169,918)	8,229,145
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FUND					
25120075-	521000 Water Pollution Control Fund	76	377,851	(7,799)	370,052

Town of Enfield
Schedule of Capital Funding Changes
Attachment B
FY 2025 Budget

PROJECT	From	To	Reduction
Enfield Public Schools - Gymnasium Resurfacing (1 annually)	40,000	-	(40,000)
Enfield Public Schools - Misc School Facilities	75,000	-	(75,000)
Town Property/Buildings - Misc Town Facilities	75,000	-	(75,000)
Town Parks/Fields - Misc Sport Field Upgrades	75,000	-	(75,000)
Alcorn - Replace PIP Rubber Playground Surface	150,000	-	(150,000)
Alcorn - Gym Floor Replacement	75,000	-	(75,000)
Library - Replace PIP Rubber Playground Surface	300,000	-	(300,000)
Library - Loading Ramp	25,000	-	(25,000)
EMS Standby Generator	100,000	60,000	(40,000)
Police - Cruisers - reduce by 10	750,000	-	(750,000)
Police - EJOC Equipment	-	50,000	50,000
DPW Scrubbers	19,600	-	(19,600)
	-	-	-
Total	<u>1,684,600.00</u>	<u>110,000.00</u>	<u>(1,574,600.00)</u>

Town of Enfield Benefit Adjustment Schedule
Departmental Expense Reduction Schedule
Attachment C
FY25 Budget

GENERAL FUND	Budget Page	FROM	Reduction	TO
Town Manager				
10120000- 512000 Salaries - Part Time	10	62,588	(2,000)	60,588
10120000- 589000 Miscellaneous Expenditures	10	34,000	(5,000)	29,000
Town Attorney				
10130000- 533200 Legal Fees	12	143,000	(4,100)	138,900
Town Clerk				
10160100- 550000 Other Purchased Services	17	8,100	(8,100)	-
Human Resources				
10170000- 558000 Travel	21	2,200	(1,600)	600
10170000- 581000 Dues & Fees & Subscriptions	21	7,950	(500)	7,450
Finance				
10183000- 573300 Furniture and Fixtures	27	11,200	(11,200)	-
10184000- 511000 Salaries	29	172,382	(8,922)	163,460
Police Services				
10200500- 532200 Professional Development	33	91,769	(16,075)	75,694
10200500- 533300 Health Services	33	35,820	(1,510)	34,310
10200500- 543200 Equipment Repair and Maintenance	33	43,600	(5,500)	38,100
10200500- 543300 Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance	33	31,000	(3,000)	28,000
10200500- 553500 Postage	33	4,500	(500)	4,000
10200500- 554000 Advertising	33	1,000	(250)	750
10200500- 558000 Travel	33	25,000	(6,500)	18,500
10200500- 559000 Other Purchased Services	33	8,500	(1,500)	7,000
10200500- 560000 Supplies/Materials	33	75,000	(5,000)	70,000
10200500- 561600 Safety Supplies	33	5,500	(430)	5,070
10200500- 563000 Food	33	15,900	(1,000)	14,900
10200500- 564300 Publications and Periodicals	33	6,500	(500)	6,000
10200500- 565000 Uniforms	33	232,416	(16,116)	216,300
10200500- 573300 Furniture and Fixtures	33	2,500	(500)	2,000
10200500- 573900 Other Equipment	33	66,073	(15,000)	51,073
Planning				
10406100- 543200 Equipment Repair	54	279	(279)	-
10406100- 555000 Printing	54	350	(50)	300
10406100- 558000 Travel	54	3,000	(3,000)	-
10406100- 561200 Office Supplies	54	1,000	(100)	900
Economic Development				
10505100- 521000 Health/Medical Insurance	56	49,052	(10,789)	38,263
Total General Fund		1,140,179	(129,021)	1,011,158
LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FUND				
Library				
22505510- 561300 Technological Services	116	43,615	(1,500)	42,115
22505510- 555100 Copying	116	1,200	(200)	1,000
22505510- 561200 Office Supplies	116	7,704	(504)	7,200
22505510- 564200 Library Books	116	170,886	(14,686)	156,200
22505510- 564300 Periodicals	116	11,900	(1,000)	10,900
Senior Center				
22505520- 533900 Other Professional Services	118	59,620	(4,000)	55,620
Recreation				
22505530- 533900 Other Professional Services	120	37,190	(5,513)	31,677
Swimming				
22505540- 513000 Salaries Temp/Seasonal	122	23,825	(4,426)	19,399
22505540- 533000 Social Security	122	1,478	(274)	1,204
22505540- 522100 Medicare	122	346	(64)	282
Total Library Department		357,764	(32,167)	325,597
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND				
24012100- 532200 Professional Development	136	8,500	(3,500)	5,000
24012100- 533400 Technological Services	136	2,426,133	(25,108)	2,401,025
24012100- 573400 Property/Technical Equipment	136	800,000	(18,250)	781,750
Total Information Technology		3,234,633	(46,858)	3,187,775
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND				
25222000- 532200 Profesional Development	150	11,073	(3,000)	8,073
25222000- 550000 Other Purchased Services	150	35,893	(3,600)	32,293
25222000- 561900 Other Supplies/Materials	150	167,263	(15,000)	152,263
25222000- 565000 Uniforms	150	15,500	(1,000)	14,500
25222000- 573900 Other Equipment	150	17,075	(4,000)	13,075
25222000- 581000 Dues/Fees/Subs	150	9,710	(1,400)	8,310
Total Emergency Services		256,514	(28,000)	228,514
Regular Town Council Meeting				
Grand Total		4,989,090	(236,046)	4,753,044