



**MINUTES
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC
HEARING**

October 7, 2024

7:00 PM - Town Hall - Council Chambers

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1. 6:30 PM - Public Hearing - Proposed Revisions to the Property Maintenance Ordinance

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, October 7, 2024, in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield Connecticut.

ROLL CALL

Present: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, 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.

The following Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Hartford Courant on Tuesday, September 24, 2024:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Enfield Town Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut on Monday, October 7, 2024, at 6:30 pm to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinion regarding the proposed revisions to the Property Maintenance Ordinance, Chapter 14 Article IV Sections 14-171 through 14-210. For more information, call the Economic and Community Development office at 860-253-6390.

This 19th day of September 2024

Sheila M. Bailey, Town Clerk

Chair Nelson announced the ground rules.

Community Development Specialist Kristine Koistinen and Director of Economic and Community Development Aaron Marcavitch gave an overview of the proposed revisions to the Property Maintenance Ordinance. Ms. Koistinen explained that in 2019, the Blight Review Committee was established by the Town Council. The last time the ordinance had been revised in its entirety was in 2012. The proposal will be presented to the Town Attorney for review after the Public Hearing when opinions and ideas have been discussed.

A copy of the proposed revisions are attached.

Ed Deni, 19 Aloha Drive

Mr. Deni brought forth his concerns regarding the condition of some properties located on Enfield Street. Mr. Deni believed that the ordinance did not need to be revised, but it needed to be enforced. He compared the blight problems to those of East Hartford.

Zach Zannoni, 6 Howard Street

Mr. Zannoni had questions pertaining to the language used to define "visibility in a public way" versus "public grade". He believed that by changing the wording, blight could be remediated, or a fence could be installed depending on the situation and severity. He hoped for less ambiguity and more concise language so that it didn't negatively affect those in agriculture. He is in support of hiring more than one Property Enforcement Officer and Maintenance Inspector, who would be objective and non-biased.

Linda DeGray, 3 Theresa Street

Ms. DeGray offered a suggestion for a change of verbiage to give the ordinance more impact. She believed replacing the word "may" with "shall" would cause residents to take blight offenses more seriously.

Jennifer Bruyette, 83 Park Avenue

Ms. Bruyette said she had some concerns about the inability to make an anonymous complaint. Ms. Bruyette believed there needed to be the ability to make an anonymous complaint or that the enforcement officer could initiate a complaint. She said the enforcement officers should be able to enforce the blight ordinance on their own, without the need for a neighbor to make a complaint. She did not agree with the Blighted Property Fixed Tax Incentive Program, which incentivized people to purchase homes in Enfield. Enfield has no excess real estate inventory, and therefore, there is no need to offer incentives.

There being no other members of the public who wished to speak, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 6:49 pm.

2. PRAYER - Jim Nasuta

A prayer was made by Councilor Nasuta.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

Also Present were Town Manager, Christopher Bromson; Assistant Town Manager, Steve Bielenda; Interim Town Attorney, Tom Tyler; Director of Public Works, Donald Nunes; Director of Finance, John Wilcox; Town Clerk, Sheila Bailey; and Registrars of Voters Tome Kienzler and Christina Tetreault.

5. FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Announced.

6. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

A. Special Meeting - September 16, 2024

MOTION #7034 by: Cynthia Mangini, seconded: Marie Pyznar.

Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #7034** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

B. Regular Meeting - September 16, 2024

MOTION #7035 by: Cynthia Mangini, seconded: Marie Pyznar.

Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **MOTION #7035** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

7. SPECIAL GUESTS

None

8. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS

George Hendrickson, 26 Roy Street

Mr. Hendrickson thanked the Enfield Police for monitoring the intersection of Booth and Roy Streets, discouraging cars from running through the stop signs. Mr. Hendrickson asked if they could patrol the area again during Halloween and provide electronic speed signs.

Mary Ann Turner, 7 Meadow Road

Ms. Turner, member of the Blight Committee, said that the public may not see the work that

they do alongside the town to address the many blighted properties in town. She encouraged residents to use the "See Click Fix It!" application on the town website to report quality of life issues in Enfield. She reminded residents that there may be underlying reasons causing a report to take longer to address. She explained the Blight Ordinance is going to help the town.

William Hosley, 30 Old Abbe Road

Mr. Hosley said the sixty-year endowment for Martha Parson's House was quickly coming to an end. It is his belief that the home's fate must be salvaged to prevent it from going for sale with the proceeds being dispersed. Mr. Hosley said he would be willing to donate his time and expertise to work alongside a civic and spirited team to market and raise funds to preserve the Martha Parson House. He hoped to return for the November 18th meeting where he would present to the Council and public his ideas for preservation.

Jeffrey Cross, 1116 Enfield Street

Mr. Cross spoke on behalf of his wife, Colleen Ann Reidy, who has been a member of multiple committees over the years. Mr. Cross said that Ms. Reidy submitted her application for reappointment to the Historic District Commission on August 6, 2024, to the Town Manager's office. He said that her reappointment had been removed from the September 16th Town Council agenda. It was brought to Ms. Reidy's attention that her seat on the commission was being filled and replaced by a "Republican newcomer", and that she may be offered a position as an alternate. He urged the Council to reconsider their stance and reappoint her as a full member to the Historic District Commission.

George Young, 8 Holly Lane

Mr. Young said that his ongoing request for the last eight to nine months had been to receive a copy of the financial statement of the certified audit for June 30, 2023. Mr. Young questioned why it was taking so long to respond to his request. He said that many large CPA firms are able to respond in a timely manner. He struggled to see why the financial report had not been completed now that another fiscal year had come to an end in June. He asked the Council to obtain a written report explaining why the audit has not been brought forward and ensure that the new auditors will not have any problems. Mr. Young said the Finance Department needs another accountant with a degree. He would like to retain the prior audit team, if they were willing, to complete the audit for the Board of Education.

He asked if the Finance Department had familiarized themselves with AI, stating the advancements are moving faster than those of the internet. He would like to see courses available now, so that the town is not behind in five years.

He thanked the Mayor for trying to get the dugouts and landscaping approved at Powder Hollow, since the high school team would not be able to play at the high school.

Donna Dubanoski, 23 Betty Road

Ms. Dubanoski wanted to make sure that drones would not be used on people's property with the implementation of the new Blight Ordinance, as it would be a violation of privacy.

Lucien LeFevre, 54 Kimberly Drive

Mr. LeFevre, Chair of the Enfield Veteran's Council, said that on September 29th, the Veteran's Council had the privilege of hosting the Annual Gold Star Family Luncheon. This luncheon helps honor the families and heroes lost defending our country. He explained the difference between Blue Star banners and Gold Star banners, stating that a blue banner represents a family who has a currently serving service member and a gold banner represents a family who has lost a loved one who served our country.

He reminded residents to save the date for the Veterans Day Parade, which will be November 10th. It will start at 1pm at the Enfield Street School and conclude at the Town Green. If the ceremony gets rained out, it will move to the auditorium at Enfield High School. Two-Star Retired Rear Admiral, Brian LaRoche, will serve as special guest speaker. He was also a 1978 graduate of Enfield High. The week prior to the parade, flags will be laid on Veterans' graves at Enfield cemeteries and any volunteers are welcome and are needed. There are over 5,000 veterans buried in Enfield, and he does not want to miss honoring any of them. For information on Veterans events, you may get more information at www.enfield-ct.gov by going to the "Veterans" tab, and all information and events will be listed.

Wreaths Across America will be held December 14th at St. Patrick's Cemetery and he encouraged the public to attend. There will also be a Veterans prime rib dinner sponsored by the Enfield Elks on November 8th at 6pm at their lodge at 138 North Maple Street. The cost is \$12 for guests and free for veterans. To attend the event, you must RSVP by November 4th to Laura Ennis at 860-394-8502 or lauraennisc21@gmail.com.

Tom Kienzler & Christina Tetreault, 359 Washington Road, 42 Green Manor Road

Mr. Kienzler and Ms. Tetreault, Registrars of Voters, wanted to let the public know about what to expect concerning Early Voting. They are expecting an 80-85% voter turnout for the Presidential Election. The Early Voting period is a fourteen-day period that starts on October 21st and runs through November 3rd. The hours are 10am-6pm, except for October 29 and October 31st, where the hours are 8am until 8pm. Early Voting will be held at Town Hall in the Enfield Room (basement level). They did a segment on the Senior Living channel,

discussing the different voting options available. Additional information may be found on the town website.

Joseph Golas, 31 Stardust Drive

Mr. Golas explained the composition of the earth, and what poses a threat to the planet. He stated that water is the largest threat. The money we use to create electricity should be used to create desalting plants all over the world. He explained how the recycling process of electronics is useless. He said the largest polluters are India and China, and China produces five times the amount of electricity out of coal as the US. In 2021, the last coal powered plant in Bridgeport was converted to natural gas. He stated that there are 500 years' worth of natural gas stores in Pennsylvania but is being used to create plastics instead.

George Young, 8 Holly Lane

Mr. Young suggested the Council reduce the amount of time they spend voting during meetings, and have it be included in the next Charter Revision. He would also like them to consider replacing verbal votes (for or against) with a raised hand in opposition or abstention. He was glad to see that there was a diverse group of members to be appointed to the Charter Revision Commission, and that the two Council members would be advisors and not voting members. He asked the Town Attorney to give a public opinion on whether the bare majority had been met. He wanted to know what impact, if any, the unaffiliated members would make. He asked that the resolution be tabled until they were able to get the answers he was looking for.

Joseph Golas, 31 Stardust Drive

Mr. Golas said China is the largest country that uses coal to make plastics, all while obtaining oil from other countries. He asked why the US was getting blamed for the environment, when China produces three times the amount of carbon dioxide. He said that each country uses the natural resources that are most abundant.

9. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Councilor Mangini thanked Mr. LeFevre for letting the public know about the Gold Star luncheon event, and said it's important to support our troops and veterans now more than ever. Ms. Mangini congratulated the area's Catholic churches whose congregants were confirmed at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford. She said it was a beautiful event. She welcomed L.L. Bean to town and said they had a great Grand Opening event. She asked about the status of the DEI committee, and if there were any interested applicants to fill vacant positions. The group is anxious to move forward, but they need direction.

Councilor Nasuta attended the Gold Star luncheon and said it was a very well put-together

event. Mr. Nasuta thanked the vendors and organizers of the Farmers Market, saying it was a huge success. He enjoyed seeing the crafts, farmers, and musicians.

Councilor Santanella acknowledged the Boy Scouts in the audience and was proud to see them working for their Citizenship in the Community Badge. Mr. Santanella thanked the public who showed up for the Blight Ordinance discussion. He said that the Blight Committee has put in a lot of work, time, and effort into the revisions, and he appreciated the public that came out to join the discussion. He said he would email the Town Manager with concerns surrounding the condition of the pickleball courts.

Councilor Cressotti thanked everyone for speaking this evening and said that he supported Ms. Reidy being a member of the Historic District Commission as more than an alternate. Mr. Cressotti said that last week Allied sponsored a fundraising walk for their athletic programs. He said that the state does not give money towards the programs that Allied Stars are involved in, and that is why they are always hosting fundraising events. In February there would be a gala, and details would be forthcoming.

Mr. Cressotti recognized the staff for the fantastic job they did putting together the Economic Business Breakfast event. The Capital Workforce Partners and Connecticut Job Fair put on an event that he said the whole town should be proud of. There were rooms designated for interviewing if a business at the event wanted to move forward with a candidate. He said that he would like to see Enfield be a part of the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM). Many state officials attended the events that Enfield hosted this past week, including the Enfield Together: Mental Health and Isolation. He said he had the privilege of participating in the Enfield Hall of Fame event honoring Fermi Girls Soccer for the years 1998-2000. They also honored Enfield High State Championship Basketball team from 2003-2004. He asked for an update on a CIRMA claim that went back to the end of September regarding Old King Street.

Councilor Rousseau thanked the Boy Scouts for leading the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rousseau recounted a story of his first time meeting new Superintendent Moccio. He believed that Mr. Moccio has strong leadership skills and hoped that he would also help fix the school budget. He wished him success in his new position.

Councilor Ludwick reminded residents of the 2021 storm that required help from the linemen from the southern states to restore power, and that now we would be returning the favor to assist those in the wake of Hurricane Helene by sending forty line crews from Eversource, along with twenty support crew. Mr. Ludwick recited a quote from the CEO of Eversource about mutual aid, and the importance of helping each other in times of need.

Councilor Hendrickson thanked the Town Managers office and Attorney Merman for their work with the Siting Council and hoped they would be getting the outcome they were looking for on November 10th. He looked for a response to the inquiry Warden Thibeault had about utilizing inmates for maintaining the grounds at the cemeteries. He asked for an update regarding the lower lights at Brainard Park, and whether they would re-purpose the older lights from the upper field. He asked that the Council refer to the DPW Subcommittee the task of obtaining an estimate of the cost to renovate-to-new the six elementary schools. He would also like to meet with the BOE to discuss possible expansions to the schools. He asked for assistance in adding the Farm Tax Abatement to a public hearing.

Mayor Nelson asked at what point they would need eight members or a vote to add a topic to a public hearing, and it was deferred to the Town Attorney and Town Clerk for clarification. It was explained that a consensus would be needed to make a decision. Mr. Bromson believed that 90% of the votes the Council makes are unanimous. Councilor Hendrickson made a motion to obtain a consensus to refer to the DPW subcommittee. Mr. Ludwick stated that if the subcommittees would only be discussing what was referred to them, then the policies and procedures needed to be updated to reflect that. It was agreed that a further discussion was needed to solidify the rules surrounding referrals and public hearings. Councilor Cekala did not believe that it should go to the DPW Subcommittee because it was already studied and discussed at the School Modernization Committee. Ms. Cekala also stated that it was currently being worked on by Joint Facilities, because DPW has no Board of Education presence. Councilor Santanella asked why it wouldn't be better suited to refer it to the School Modernization Committee, but it was explained that they were interested in building three new schools and not just in upgrading the six existing, which would exhaust the budget and the bond rating. Mr. Nelson stated that the DPW has a list of ongoing repairs within the schools.

Town Clerk Bailey provided information with regard to the subcommittees. Ms. Bailey explained that the subcommittees are under the umbrella of the Town Council, and those subcommittees need to discuss the issues given to them through the Council and make recommendations to add something to an agenda. They need a charge from the Council to work on a particular concern and also a consensus from the Council. Other stand-alone committees, such as the Blight Committee, have their own charge and may make recommendations to the Council based upon the goals of that committee.

Mayor Nelson asked for a consensus to send the cost of renovating the six elementary schools to the DPW Subcommittee.

Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS**, a consensus was obtained. Yes: Bob Hendrickson, Michael

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

Deputy Mayor Pyznar said that the Gold Star Luncheon is one of the most moving events she attends and will continue to attend even if she is not a Council member. She also attended the Allied Walk and said it was a fantastic event. She congratulated the Economic Development staff on the job they did putting together the Economic Business Breakfast, saying that many of her friends are small business owners and everyone was in agreement that the event was well done. It was her hope that the breakfast could be a yearly event.

She told residents that there would be a legislative breakfast sponsored by the North Central Chamber of Commerce on October 17th at 8:30am at the Senior Center. The candidates will be there for a meet and greet and the cost to attend is \$40. She explained that the federal program which provides meals for programs such as Meals on Wheels, Mark Twain, and the Senior Center, will be experiencing funding decreases and will experience meal reductions. She asked to establish a Senior Services meeting to discuss solutions.

Mayor Nelson said it was a busy week for Enfield. The governor arrived on Thursday and then went to ECDC, where he delivered some exciting news for younger families needing help with daycare. Mr. Nelson said the star of the week was Town Manager Bromson. He said Mr. Bromson worked hard at the business breakfast, getting Capital Workforce Partners and the Job Fair together to make the event a success. He said Mr. Bromson dedicated a lot of time and energy to the array of events that Enfield was part of, including Enfield Together Coalition. Enfield is being recognized on a state and national level, thanks to Mr. Bromson's hard work. Mr. Nelson said he was honored to have Mr. Bromson as Town Manager.

10. TOWN MANAGER REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

Town Manager Bromson thanked the Mayor for his kind words, and said it was an incredible week. Mr. Bromson stated that Enfield was the "Gateway to Connecticut", which was echoed by the Mayor, Governor, Congressman Courtney, and Community Development Director Aaron Marcavitch. The Business Breakfast meeting at Asnuntuck was standing room only and gathered a crowd of hundreds of Enfield businesses. He said that Mr. Marcavitch had compiled a list of projects in Enfield which can be watched at [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=4NR8NX-C_NY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4NR8NX-C_NY) at the forty-four-minute mark.

Mr. Bromson said that the new L.L. Bean location in the Brookside Plaza is the largest in the country with a retail space of 25,000 square feet. The VP of L.L. Bean said they had been eyeing Enfield for three years, waiting for the right location. Based on their marketing

studies, Enfield was 5th in the United States and was the reason they were chosen. Mr. Bromson said the job fair at Asnuntuck Community College was a huge success, with a total of over forty-five vendors and 300 participants. The Enfield Together: Mental Health and Wellness event was also a success. It included many initiatives for lonely seniors. He said that many towns across the state and country look to Enfield as inspiration for these types of events. A slideshow of the week's events played in the background.

A copy of the presentation is attached.

Mr. Marcavitch announced that a group of twelve urban planners from around the country are coming here on behalf of the American Planning Association, along with twenty planners attending virtually to discuss the development of Thompsonville. On October 21st from 6-7:30pm in the Scitico Room, a public meeting will be held to gather opinions on the Thompsonville revitalization. On October 22nd at 5:30pm, there will be a public presentation of the gathered opinions. The location has yet to be determined.

Assistant Town Manager Bielenda explained that the reasoning for the delayed audit report was due to staff changes within the Finance Department coinciding with the budget season. Even with the setbacks, the draft report has been submitted, and the audit team expects to have it finalized within the next few weeks. Mr. Bielenda assured everyone that the next budget report will not experience delays.

Mr. Bielenda stated he did not have advertising money to budget for committees. He was not sure why some committees have more interest from the public than others, and whether it was due to the grassroots efforts of the Council or sitting committee members. They were willing to receive feedback on how to help staff these committees.

Councilor Mangini suggested that open volunteer positions could be posted on the town's news channel, to help generate interest and applications for different committees.

11. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

Interim Town Attorney Tyler provided an update on the Siting Council meeting, saying that Assistant Town Attorney Mark Cerrato and Legal Secretary Susan Roche did a lot of work alongside Attorney Jeff Merman. Mr. Tyler said they received the proposed findings of fact, and the brief filed on October 3rd. The second meeting with the Siting Council will be October 10th at 2pm and will be televised. At that time, they will review their draft of proposed findings page by page. They will then have a straw poll vote to approve it and discuss any reasonable conditions. Their staff will then have an opinion, decision, and order sent to the entire Siting Council for a final decision. In the event the outcome is less than desirable, there is an appeals process.

Mr. Tyler responded to Mr. Young's inquiry about his interpretation of CGS Sec. 7-190a. Mr. Tyler said it was a part of his legal opinion back on February 20th, and he would discuss it after the resolution was voted on.

Mr. Tyler spoke about a claim from a resident on Old King Street. He explained that the town has an insurance carrier to which any claims against the town get submitted. He said that comments about the outcome or resolution of a claim should not be spoken about with the claimant, for fear of the town losing coverage. Councilor Cressotti said that the claimant was looking to hear back from CIRMA and was assured the liaison would look into it.

12. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

Councilor Ludwick said that the Joint Insurance Committee met, and thanked Mr. Bielenda for setting up the meeting.

Town Manager Bromson announced that monthly meetings would start with the Superintendent, Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, and other appropriate staff to discuss common goals.

Councilor Cressotti thanked Jason and the recreation staff for their quick resolution to the suggested changes to the Recreation Policy. He believed it would help the Recreation Department, especially the volleyball program. An update has been made to the residency policy, and he believed it would accurately reflect the operations of the recreations department.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Resolution Approving the Revised Recreation Residency Policy (Tabled 9/16/24)(Updated)

RESOLUTION #7036 by: Cynthia Mangini, seconded: Robert Cressotti.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Chapter III Section 5 of the Town Charter the Enfield Town Council does hereby adopt the updated Recreation Residency Policy as attached.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7036** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None. ***A copy of the policy is attached.***

14. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda

RESOLUTION #7037 by: Cynthia Mangini, seconded: Marie Pyznar to approve consent agenda items 14A #1-4.

Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7037** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

Copies of the resolutions are appended to these minutes.

1. **Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Sign a Grant Application for Early Voting Funds**

2. **Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Sign an Acceptance Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation - Route 229 (Shaker Rd) at Henry Barnard Elementary School**

3. **Resolution Authorizing an Asset Disposal over \$6,000**

4. **Resolution Authorizing an Asset Disposal over \$6,000**

B. Appointment(s)–Town Council Appointed

1. **Historic District Commission** - The Term of Office of Colleen Ann Reidy (G) Expired on 8/31/24. Recommendation is Lynda Laureano (Alternate)(R) Until 8/31/29.

NOMINATION #7038 by: Marie Pyznar. By a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **NOMINATION #7038** adopted. Yes: Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala, Cynthia Mangini Abstain: None. The Chair declared the appointment adopted.

2. **Historic District Commission** - A Vacancy Exists for an Alternate Member. Recommendation is Colleen Ann Reidy (G) Until 8/31/26.

NOMINATION #7039 by: Michael Ludwick. By a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **NOMINATION #7039** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar,

Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None. The Chair declared the appointment adopted.

C. Resolution for Transfer of Funds to the Drainage/Erosion Control CIP Account - \$50,000

RESOLUTION #7040 by: Marie Pyznar, seconded: John Santanella.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Chapter VI, Section 8(f) of the Town Charter, the following transfer is hereby made:

FROM: CAPITAL NON-RECURRING

FHS POOL REHAB - EQUIPMENT	31008741	573000	\$ 12,000
FACILITY FEASABILITY/DEMOGRAHIC	- 31008337	533900	\$ 38,000
OTHER PROF SERV			

TO: CAPITAL NON-RECURRING

DRAINAGE/EROSION CONTROL	- 31008331	545000	\$ 50,000
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES			

I hereby certify that the above-stated funds are available as of October 4, 2024, by John A. Wilcox, Director of Finance

Director of Public Works, Donald Nunes, explained that there was a storm drainage sinkhole that took two weeks to repair and thanked the homeowner for his patience during and understanding while the repair was completed. It has been repaired and the damage to his property has been restored. Mr. Nunes stated that there is currently \$2,300 in the drainage and erosion account and therefore, he is asking the Council to fund the repair. Director of Finance John Wilcox stated that the funds were coming from savings realized from refurbishing the diving blocks at Fermi rather than replacing them as well as from funds not utilized for a feasibility study.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7040** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

D. Resolution for Transfer of Funds for the 4-Pack (Moody Road, Pheasant Hill, Taylor Road, and Windsor Court Pump Stations) - \$395,784.64

RESOLUTION #7041 by: Michael Ludwick, seconded: Cynthia Mangini.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Chapter VI, Section 8(f) of the Town Charter,

the following transfer is hereby made:

FROM: COVID-19 FUND

Sparkle Street Pump Station - Construction 24508328 545000 \$391,300.00
Services
Generator/Transfer Switch - Machinery & 24508229 573100 \$ 3,934.64
Equipment
Business Assistance - Miscellaneous 24508329 589000 \$ 550.00
Expenditures

TO: COVID-19 FUND

Pump Stations - 4 Pack - Construction 24508240 545000 \$395,784.64
Services

I hereby certify that the above-stated funds are available as of October 4, 2024, by John A. Wilcox, Director of Finance

Mr. Nelson stated that this would appropriate the remainder of the ARPA funds. Mr. Nunes stated that all the technical specifications and plans are completed, and it will be ready to go out to bid by Thursday and could be encumbered by the end of December as required to utilize the ARPA funds. The project was short this dollar amount according to the updated engineer's estimate and that is why he asked the Council for an additional appropriation.

Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7041** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

E. Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Enter into a Purchase Agreement for the Acquisition of 78 Main Street, Enfield, CT

This item was tabled by the Chair.

F.

Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Enter into a Purchase & Sale Agreement for the Sale of 5 Taylor Road

This item was tabled by the Chair.

G. Resolution Appointing Members to the Enfield Charter Revision Commission

RESOLUTION #7042 by: Cynthia Mangini, seconded: Bob Hendrickson.

WHEREAS, the Enfield Town Council initiated the Charter Revision process at the

September 16, 2024 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Enfield Town Council now must appoint members to serve on the Charter Revision Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Council of the Town of Enfield does hereby establish a Charter Revision Commission composed of eleven (11) members; and

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Enfield Town Council does hereby appoint the following individuals to the Charter Revision Commission:

Rob Anderson (R)
Lora Anderson (D)
Richard Stroiney (U)
Lewis Fiore (D)
Nikki Price (U)
Zach Zannoni (D)
Jennifer Bruyette (D)
Philip Dumond (U)
Annemarie Nasuta (R)
Patrick Tallarita (D)
Donna Dubanowski (R)

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council shall designate two (2) members of the Town Council to serve as primary non-voting liaisons to the Charter Revision Commission.

AMENDMENT #1 by: Marie Pyznar, seconded: Michael Ludwick to make the following amendment:

WHEREAS, the Enfield Town Council initiated the Charter Revision process at the September 16, 2024 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Enfield Town Council now must appoint members to serve on the Charter Revision Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Council of the Town of Enfield does hereby establish a Charter Revision Commission composed of eleven (11) members; including three (3) council members, Mayor Ken Nelson Jr., former Mayor Michael Ludwick, and former Mayor Robert Cressotti, plus eight (8) residents appointed by the Town Council.

Nikki Price (U)

Philip Dumond (U)
Annemarie Nasuta (R)
Thomas Cremona (D)
Seth Klase (R)
Zachary Zannoni (D)
Lewis Fiore (D)
Lora Anderson (D)

Upon a **SHOW OF HANDS** vote, the Chair declared **AMENDMENT #1** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7042** adopted as amended. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

H. Resolution to Authorize Non-Union Wage Increases for Full and Part-time Eligible Employees

RESOLUTION #7043 by: Marie Pyznar, seconded: Cynthia Mangini.

BE

IT

RESOLVED that the Enfield Town Council does hereby approve in accordance with the wishes of the Town Council and in adherence to the policy and procedure established by the Town Manager that:

Section 1: The aggregate sum of \$144,162.70 in COLA wage increases is authorized for all qualified non-union full-time employees of the Town of Enfield.

Section 2: The aggregate sum of \$36,699.96 in COLA wage increases is authorized for all qualified non-union regular part-time employees of the Town of Enfield.

Section 3: The application of the increases referenced above shall be applied retroactively to the date of July 1, 2024.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7043** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: None Abstain: None.

I. Resolution Regarding Electric Rates

RESOLUTION #7044 by: Marie Pyznar, seconded: John Santanella.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor is authorized to send a letter to the Governor and Legislators regarding electric rates.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7044** adopted. Yes: Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Michael Ludwick, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: Gina Cekala Abstain: None. ***A copy of the letter is appended to these minutes.***

J. Resolution Requesting an Increase in Registrar of Voters Budget

RESOLUTION #7045 by: John Santanella, seconded: Cynthia Mangini.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Enfield Town Council approves the Registrar of Voters' annual stipend of \$30,000 and the Deputy Registrar of Voters' annual stipend of \$14,000, resulting in a budget increase from \$68,000 to \$88,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Chapter VI, Section 8(f) of the Town Charter, the following transfer is hereby made:

FROM: GENERAL FUND

Miscellaneous State Revenue	10040000	\$21,136
	413699	

TO: GENERAL FUND

Registrar of Voters - Stipend	10150000	516000	\$20,000
Registrar of Voters - Social Security	10150000	522000	\$ 925
Registrar of Voters - Medicare	10150000	522100	\$ 211

I hereby certify that the above-stated funds are available as of October 4, 2024, by John A. Wilcox, Director of Finance

Registrars of Voters Tom Kienzler and Christina Tetreault explained that the Registrars are currently paid a stipend of \$25,000 annually and the Deputy Registrars receive a stipend of \$9,000 annually. Due to the passage and implementation of early voting within the State of Connecticut, the Registrars' annual workload has increased from approximately 600 hours per person to approximately 900 hours per person, resulting in an increase of 46%.

The Registrars stated that the town has received two grants this calendar year of approximately \$20,000 which would cover the first year's increase, however, even if the town had not received the grants, they would have come before the Council for the increase due to the increased hours demanded for early voting.

Upon a **ROLL CALL** vote, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #7045** adopted. Yes: Gina Cekala, Robert Cressotti, Bob Hendrickson, Cynthia Mangini, Jim Nasuta, Ken Nelson Jr., Marie Pyznar, Jeff Rousseau, John Santanella, Lori Unghire No: Michael Ludwick Abstain: None.

15. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

None.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING

None.

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

Christina Tetreault, 42 Green Manor Road

Ms. Tetreault said there would be a Winter Vendor Market at Enfield Square Mall, beginning October 27th and running through December 22nd. The hours are from 11:30am through 3:30pm. Any vendors that are interested can reach out to the Town Manager's office. She promised a better market, with no duplication of the types of vendors.

George Young, 8 Holly Lane

Mr. Young said he spent a lot of time reviewing all the applicants for the Charter Revision Commission. He was disappointed to find out that there would now be three Council members who would also be voting members. He believed the public needed a vote. He expressed his frustration at the change to the resolution.

Jennifer Bruyette, 83 Park Avenue

Ms. Bruyette recommended evening hours for the next job fair for the evening students and students who worked during the day. Ms. Bruyette was perplexed why the town would ask for additional help after reducing the non-profit budget by 15%. She said the Charter Revision Committee had the opportunity to have fifteen members but decided on eleven with three of them being Town Council voting members. She believed they were due an apology for posting a resolution with names of people who had not been voted on.

18. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

None.

19. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by: Cynthia Mangini, seconded: Marie Pyznar to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared the **MOTION** adopted unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 9:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Bailey, Town Clerk
Clerk of the Council

Lindsay Petrucci, Assistant Town Clerk
Secretary of the Council

PART IV - CODE OF ORDINANCES
Chapter 14 - BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS
ARTICLE IV. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

ARTICLE IV. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE¹

Sec. 14-171. Purpose and declaration of policy.

- (a) This article is enacted pursuant to C.G.S. §§ 7-148(c)(7), 7-148aa, and 7-152c as amended and is considered a blight ordinance.
- (b) This article prohibits any person in control of real property located in the Town of Enfield from allowing, creating, maintaining or causing to be created or maintained blighted premises. This article also establishes penalties for violations.
- (c) This article is enacted due to a number of real properties which are in blighted condition, and that the continued existence of such properties in a blighted condition contributes to the decline of neighborhoods, adversely affects the economic well-being of the Town of Enfield, and is in opposition to the health, safety, and welfare of the residents. Furthermore, many of these properties can be rehabilitated, reconstructed, reused, or demolished so as to provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing and commercial facilities, eliminate, remedy, and prevent the adverse conditions herein described, maintain and preserve the integrity of the Town neighborhoods, preserve and protect property values, and control visual blight.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-172. Definitions.

For the purpose of this article the following terms shall have the meanings set forth herein unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

Blight means premises containing any one of the following conditions ~~visible from a public way~~:

- (1) It has been determined by ~~the town building official, director of health, fire marshal, town engineer, zoning enforcement officer~~, a Town Building Official, Director of Health, Fire Marshal, Town Engineer, Zoning Enforcement Officer or other appropriate official, as designated by the ~~town manager~~ Town Manager, acting within the scope of their authority, that a condition exists that poses a serious or immediate threat to the health, safety or general welfare of the community.
- (2) ~~A structure that has:~~
 - (a) Missing, ~~broken~~, or boarded doors, screens, or windows; ~~that are in such a manner that the structure cannot be closed or secured~~, for a period of more than 90 days. Should boarded windows or doors be necessary for any additional period up to 180 days, a valid building permit is required.
 - (b) Collapsing, substantially damaged or dilapidated exterior features ~~and/or accessory structures~~ which may include, but are not ~~necessarily~~ limited to, ~~walls, roofs, floors, foundations~~, stairs, ramps, porches, handrails, railings, fences, hatchways, chimneys, metal smokestacks, attics,

¹Editor's note(s)—Ord. No. 12-1, adopted March 19, 2012, amended Art IV in its entirety to read as set out herein. Former Art. IV, §§ 14-171—14-184, pertained to similar subject matter and derived from Ord. No. 09-1, adopted June 1, 2009.

overhang extensions, awnings, stairways, canopies, signs, marquees, or vents ~~that any of which~~ are in a state of decay including but not limited to containing mold, moss, chipping paint, holes, fractures, breaks, loose materials, or other rotting materials.

- (c) Any roof missing exterior materials exposing plywood or sheathing.
- (d) Persistent garbage, refuse or trash.
- (e) A tarp on a roof in excess of 90 days; any deteriorated or unsecured tarp.
- (3) Premises that have:
 - (a) Parking lots in a state of disrepair or abandonment, evidenced by cracks, potholes, fractured asphalt and cement, overgrowth of vegetation within the surfaces, pavement or macadam, or medians and buffers.
 - (b) Shrubs, hedges, and plants that have been left in a neglected manner ~~by~~ and are covering, blocking, or growing over/into means of egress, driveways, sidewalks, streets, or any other public way.
 - (c) Dead, decayed, diseased, or damaged trees constituting a hazard or danger to adjacent premises or the occupants thereof or to public property or persons lawfully therein.
 - (d) Grass, weeds or similar growths reaching a height greater than 12 inches. ~~Not shall~~ The owner of any undeveloped premises may allow any grass, weeds, or similar growths thereon greater than 12 inches in height to remain within 25 feet of a street line or any adjoining property line of any premises with a building or dwelling ~~location~~ located thereon whether said building or dwelling is occupied or not. Maintained gardens, including flowers and vegetables, are excluded from this subsection.
 - (e) Graffiti or vandalism.
 - (f) The storage of an inoperable motor vehicle, or an unsightly motor vehicle, boat, or trailer.
 - (g) Vehicles that are not parked in a legal parking space or driveway.
 - (h) The storage of junk occupying ~~a total~~ at least a cumulative area of 100 square feet.
 - (j) Unsightly or dilapidated above ground or in-ground swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs posing a potential environmental, health, or safety hazard.

Building means any structure having a roof and intended for shelter, housing, or enclosure of person, animals or materials. Any other structure eight feet or more in height shall be considered a building, including a solid fence or wall, but excluding a public utility pole or flagpole.

Citation Hearing Officer means any individual appointed pursuant to C.G.S. § 7-152c to hear contested cases.

~~Decay means to weaken, corrode, rust, or decompose~~ *Decayed* means weakened, corroded, rusted, or decomposed to a point of ineffectiveness.

Dilapidated means in a state of disrepair or ruin as a result of age or neglect.

Driveway means a private way or road for cars, leading from a street or road to a garage, house, etc.

Graffiti means the unauthorized writing, drawing or spraying of words, slogans, symbols, initials on the wall of any public or private building or structure.

Housing Blight means residential premises containing any of the conditions enumerated in section 14-172~~(a)~~ and in violation of section 14-173 herein.

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Inoperable motor vehicle means a motor vehicle that is incapable of performing the function for which it was designed by virtue of missing parts or broken or severely damaged components.

Junk means a worn out, cast off, or discarded article or material which is ready for destruction or has been collected or stored for salvage or conversion to some use and/or material including but not limited to household appliances, parts of motor vehicles, furniture, equipment, building materials, and refuse.

Motor vehicle means a vehicle as defined by C.G.S. § 14-1, as may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited, to an automobile, truck, van, motor vehicle trailer, camper trailer, boat trailer, house trailer, mobile home, motorcycle, and/or any other motorized wheeled vehicle designated or used for highway purpose.

~~*Open area* means any area that is visible from any public way or adjacent properties.~~

Person means any individual, corporation, or other legal entity capable of occupying, owning or possessing real property.

~~*Premises* means a platted lot or part thereof or unplatted lot or parcel of land or plot of land, either occupied or unoccupied by any dwelling or non-dwelling structure and includes any such building, accessory structure or other structure thereon, or any part thereof. The term "premises," where the context requires, shall be deemed to include any building, dwellings, parcels or, land or structures.~~

Premises means any real property including, among other things, any dwellings, buildings, or other structures located thereon.

Property Maintenance Inspector means any individual appointed by the Town Manager for purposes of enforcing this article.

Public Nuisance means any premises containing any of the conditions enumerated in section 14-172~~(a)~~.

~~*Public Way* means any passageway, including but not limited to an any sidewalk, alley, road, highway, boulevard, turnpike or part thereof, open as of right to the public and designed for travel by vehicle, on foot, or in a manner limited by statute.~~

Structure means anything constructed or erected which requires location on the ground or attached to something having location on the ground, including signs and billboards, but not including fences or walls used as fences, provided such fence or wall is less than eight feet in height.

Unightly motor vehicle means a motor vehicle which is substantially damaged, vandalized, dismantled, and/or partially dismantled.

Town means Town of Enfield.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-173. Blighted premises prohibited.

- (a) No person owning real property shall cause or allow blighted premises to be created, nor shall any such person allow the continued existence of blighted premises. Blighted premises are prohibited. Such creation or maintenance of blighted premises shall be considered a public nuisance and shall be prohibited and shall subject such person to enforcement and penalties pursuant to this ordinance.
- (b) Any building, structure, premises or any part of a structure that is a separate unit, in which exists any one or any combination of the conditions defined as blight in section 14-172 shall be deemed to be blighted.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-174. Exemptions.

- (a) The following properties shall be exempt from the application of Section 14-172 ~~(a)(3c) and (3d)~~:
- (1) Agricultural lands pursuant to C.G.S. § 22-3(b).
 - (2) Land dedicated as public open space.
 - (3) Land preserved in its natural state through conservation easements or conservation restrictions.
 - (4) Areas designated as buffers by land use agencies.
 - (5) Upland review areas, wetlands and watercourses.
 - (6) ~~These lots~~ Lots with slopes in excess of 15 degrees or escarpments left to grow wild provided they are keeping with the established setting and natural character of the neighborhood.
 - (7) Motor vehicle recycler's ~~yard~~, yards licensed pursuant to C.G.S. § 14-67i; that are not in violation of any zoning regulations of the Town of Enfield.
- (b) One inoperable or unsightly motor vehicle shall be allowed ~~in an of real property on any premises~~, provided:
- ~~(1) The~~ The motor vehicle shall be rendered safe. The motor vehicle's exterior shall be fully intact and shall be locked or otherwise secured. The motor vehicle shall be free of jagged, sharp, or protruding metal or glass parts. The motor vehicle shall be covered and secured by a motor vehicle cover designed for such use. Tarps or other plastic covers are not acceptable.
 - ~~(2) The motor vehicle shall be located behind the front line(s) of the any dwelling on the premises, which is the portion of the housedwelling that is closest to the street.~~
- (c) Farms are exempt from the application of section 14-172 ~~(17)~~ (3f).
- (Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-175. Designated enforcement officer.

The ~~property maintenance inspector~~ Property Maintenance Inspector is charged with the enforcement of this article and is hereby authorized to take such enforcement actions as specified herein. ~~The Town may employ more than one Property Maintenance Inspector at a time.~~

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-176. Violation complaints.

Complaints of alleged violations shall be submitted in writing, including electronic mail or citizen request procedure available at www.enfield-ct.gov, and shall be signed by the individual making the complaint, including electronic signature. ~~The Blight Ordinance may be enforced by the Town without the need for a formal citizen complaint.~~

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-177. Notice of violation.

(a) The ~~town~~-Town, through its property maintenance inspector, shall serve written notice to the person responsible for the blighted premises. The notice may be hand-delivered or mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested to the last known address of the owner, or such notice may be served by any other method authorized or required in Connecticut. A copy of the notice shall also be sent to the lien holder(s) of the property per C.G.S. § 7-148gg. Notices shall:

- (1) Be in writing.
 - (2) Set forth the violations of this chapter that are causing the premises to be considered a blighted premises.
 - (3) Specify a final date for the correction of any violation.
 - (4) Contain an outline of remedial action, which if taken, will affect compliance with the provisions of this chapter pursuant to the current violation and any appeals process.
 - (5) State that the penalties and enforcement provisions of this chapter will become effective on the final date set for the correction of any violation.
 - (6) State that the Town of ~~Enfield~~ may enter the premises to remediate the blighted conditions, and that in such cases, the Town shall then assess the costs incurred for such remediation upon the persons responsible as a lien on the premises.
- (b) Such notice shall ~~state also demand abatement of the violation and demand its abatement~~ within 30 calendar days. If the owner fails ~~within that time~~ to correct the violation or provide a written plan of correction ~~which that~~ may include a bona fide purchase and sale agreement which addresses the blighted condition that is acceptable to the property maintenance inspector, the property maintenance inspector may issue an enforcement citation as specified herein. ~~Any Notwithstanding the foregoing, any~~ violation which pertains only to grass, weeds, or similar growths reaching a height greater than 12 inches, or the accumulation of persistent garbage, refuse or trash shall be ~~given a ten-day corrective action period upon receipt of written violation~~ corrected within ten days.
- (c) If the ~~owner or other~~ person responsible for the blighted premises cannot be ascertained or does not accept delivery of the written notice, the notice shall be published once in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the Town. The notice shall include the name of the last known owner of the real property upon which violation has been found and the address of the real property.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Town Manager or his/her designee may elect to first provide informal verbal notice to the person responsible in an attempt to resolve the matter prior to formal written notice being sent.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 14-4 , 10-6-2014; Ord. No. 18-3 , 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3 , 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-178. Enforcement citation.

- (a) If any violation remains unabated after 30 days, the property maintenance inspector is hereby authorized to issue a citation to the violator in accordance with this article. The citation will require immediate payment ~~to the Town~~.
- (b) If any violation which pertains only to grass, weeds, or similar growths reaching a height greater than 12 inches, or the accumulation of persistent garbage, refuse or trash remains unabated after ten days, the property maintenance inspector is hereby authorized to issue a citation to the violator in accordance with this article. The citation will require immediate payment.

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- (c) Failure to remedy the violation shall subject the violator to criminal penalties as permitted by statute, including referral to the State's Attorney's Office for criminal prosecution.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 14-4 , 10-6-2014; Ord. No. 18-3 , 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3 , 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-179. Penalty for violation.

- (a) Violations of the provisions of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of no less than ~~\$75.00~~ **\$100.00** each day the violation continues after the date of the citation. Each day of each violation shall constitute a separate offense subject to the established ~~\$75.00~~ **\$100.00** fine.
- (b) If a hearing is requested pursuant to section 14-180 herein and the citation hearing officer finds liability, fines assessed shall accrue from the date of the issuance of the citation.
- (c) Violations arising from the condition(s) defined in Sections 14-172 (3b) and (3d) shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$100.00 each day the violation(s) continues after the date of the citation. The Town, at its discretion, may solicit quote(s) from its on-call list of contractors to remediate the violations. Remediation of these property maintenance violations shall be limited to lawn mowing; clearing as it pertains to small tree and brush removal; and the trimming of shrubs, hedges, grass, and plants. Once the Town remediates the violation(s), it shall impose a fine onto the owner equal to the cost of the clean-up in addition to any associated fees that include but are not limited to marshal fee, recording fee, etc. Such fine for cleanup costs will be in addition to the fine described in the first sentence of this subparagraph.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-180. Citation procedure.

Any person issued a citation pursuant to this article shall be entitled to a hearing to contest the citation pursuant to the provisions of C.G.S. § 7-152c. The request for a hearing shall be made to the Town Manager **within ten days of the date of the citation being issued and notice provided to the property owner at his last known address.** If any person so cited chooses not to timely request a hearing, he shall be deemed to have admitted liability. The Town Manager shall appoint a citation hearing officer. The citation hearing officer shall not be a police officer, any other ~~town~~-Town employee or any person who has the authority to issue citations. **The citation hearing officer shall announce his decision at the end of the hearing. If he determines that the person is not liable, he shall dismiss the matter and enter his determination in writing accordingly. If he determines that the person is liable for the violation, he shall forthwith enter and assess the citation fines against such person pursuant to this chapter. If such assessment is not paid on the date of its entry, the citation hearing officer shall send by first class mail a notice of the assessment to the person found liable.**

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3 , 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-181. Notice of penalty assessment with ~~clerk of superior court~~ Clerk of Superior Court.

If enforcement citation fines levied in accordance with this chapter are not paid within 30 days, despite proper notice to the person found liable, the citation hearing officer shall file a certified copy of the unpaid fines with the ~~clerk of the superior court. Notice with the clerk of the superior court shall be filed within 12 months. The clerk shall enter judgment in favor of the town. The judgment~~ Clerk of the Superior Court. Any judgment issued by **the Superior Court thereon** shall have the effect of a civil money judgment, and a levy of execution of such judgment may issue without further notice to such person.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

**Sec. 14-182. Appeal of penalty assessment to ~~superior court; blight review committee~~
Superior Court; Blight Review Committee.**

- (a) A person against whom a judgment has been entered is entitled to judicial review in accordance with the provisions of C.G.S. § 7-152c; or
- (b) After the appeal period pursuant to C.G.S. § 7-152c has passed, any person having been issued a citation may seek relief ~~of from~~ enforcement citation fines from the Blight Review Committee by contacting the ~~town manager's~~ Town Manager's office.

(Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Editor's note(s)—Ord. No. 18-3, adopted Dec. 17, 2018, repealed the former § 14-182 and enacted a new section as set out herein. The former § 14-182 pertained to appeal of penalty assessment to ~~superior court~~ Superior Court and derived from Ord. No. 12-1, adopted March 19, 2012.

Sec. 14-183. Recording of ~~lien~~ liens.

- (a) Any unpaid ~~fine~~ imposed ~~fine~~ for blight violations shall constitute a lien upon the real estate in accordance with C.G.S. § 7-148aa. Each lien shall be continued, recorded and released as provided for in C.G.S. § 7-148aa. ~~Each such lien shall take precedence over all other liens filed after July 1, 1997, and encumbrances, except municipal taxes, and may be enforced in the same manner as property tax liens. Said lien may be foreclosed upon by the Town as specified in Sec. 14-184. The Town is hereby empowered to place a lien on the land records in the manner as specified by Connecticut General Statutes provided a copy of said lien is mailed by first class mail to the last known address of the owner.~~
- (b) Any unpaid imposed fine for a blight or public nuisance violation, other than housing, shall be enforced in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes, including the filing of a judgment lien when appropriate.
- (c) Any unpaid costs associated with bringing the premises into compliance per section ~~14-184~~ 14-179 herein shall constitute a lien upon the real estate in accordance with C.G.S. § 49-73b. Each lien shall be continued, recorded and released as provided for in C.G.S. § 49-73b.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-184. Foreclosure of liens for blight violations.

- (a) ~~The Town may foreclose on property maintenance liens in the same manner as it does with property tax liens. The Town reserves the right to proceed with the foreclosure of property maintenance liens an amount of \$20,000 in unpaid imposed fines for blight violation(s) has been reached or 180 days, whichever comes first.~~
- (b) ~~The Town may serve written notices as specified below upon the owner at his last known address by hand-delivery, first class mail, certified mail, return receipt requested, or any other method authorized or, required, or permitted in Connecticut.~~At its discretion, the Town may also serve notices upon any other person(s) responsible for the blighted premises. A copy of the notice may also be sent to the holder(s) of any recorded liens encumbering the blighted premises pursuant to C.G.S. § 7-148gg. The following notices may be served prior to the commencement of any foreclosure with the purpose of encouraging voluntary compliance without the need for legal action:
 - (1) A First Warning Notice of Foreclosure Action may be issued by the Town to the owner once the unpaid imposed fines have reached \$10,000.
 - (2) A 2nd Warning Notice of Foreclosure Action may be issued by the Town to the owner once the unpaid imposed fines have reached \$15,000.

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- (3) A Letter of Foreclosure Action may be issued by the Town to the owner once the unpaid imposed fines have reached \$20,000.

Sec. 14-185. Municipal performance.

- (a) The ~~town~~-Town may take such steps as are necessary to abate blight on any premises in violation of this article.
- (b) In addition to any civil or criminal penalties as permitted by statute, the property maintenance inspector is authorized to institute any and all legal proceedings before the superior court to compel compliance with this article.
- (c) In the event that the property maintenance inspector prevails in any legal proceedings provided for herein, the violator shall be liable for all costs of bringing the property into compliance and shall further be liable for all legal costs incurred by the town in bringing the property into compliance, including its reasonable attorney's fees.
- (d) The Town ~~of Enfield or~~ and its ~~agent~~ agents shall have the right to enter on to any premises to cut the grass, trim the vegetation, and make repairs to the structure should the grass, vegetation or building structure be in violation of this article, providing that:
- (1) A citation has been issued to the persons responsible in compliance with Section 14-177; and
 - (2) No corrective action has been taken within 10 days of the date of the citation or the date specified for repair in said citation, whenever is later and no hearing has been requested in accordance with Section 14-182; and
 - (3) The citation specified that should the Town or its agent need to abate any blight a lien shall be placed on that property to recover the cost of the work and any fines that may have accrued; and
 - (4) Upon completion of any remediation work done by the Town or its agent, the Town shall have the right to lien the subject premises and/or insurance proceeds in accordance with CGS 49-73b or a lien; and
 - (5) Where a hearing has been requested per Section 14-182, no corrective action shall be taken until the proceeding has been completed.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-186. Pending special permit, site plan or property sale exception.

- (a) Any blighted premises for which a building permit, special use permit, or site plan application is required in order to remediate the blighted premises shall be exempt from the provisions of this ordinance for a period of 30 days in order for the property owner or his designee to apply for any required building permit, special use permit or site plan approval, and shall be further exempt therefrom during the pendency of the review of such application by the municipal agency having jurisdiction.
- (b) Any blighted premises which has been sold to a bona fide purchaser shall be exempt from the provisions of this ordinance for a period of 30 days from the date of sale for any remediation work not requiring a building permit, special use permit, or site plan approval.
- (c) Any blighted premises which has been sold to a bona fide purchaser and which requires a building permit, special use permit or site plan approval for required remediation work, shall be subject to the provisions of subsection (a), above, commencing on the date of sale.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

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(Supp. No. 16, Update 1)

Sec. 14-187. Blighted Property Fixed Tax Incentive Program.

The Town seeks to incentivize interested parties to purchase, rehabilitate, and ultimately reside in properties recognized as blighted. To do so, the Town hereby establishes a program that will freeze the assessment of eligible properties at their pre-rehabilitation assessment for five years after the rehabilitation has been completed and verified by town staff.

- (a) At their discretion, the Supervisor of Assessment & Revenue Collection shall be empowered to freeze the assessment of an eligible property that is determined to be blighted by the Enfield Town Council, Supervisor of Assessment & Revenue Collection, Office of Economic & Community Development, Property Maintenance Inspector, Citation Hearing Officer or the Enfield Blight Review Committee as stated in subsection (c) and pursuant to C.G.S. §12-121e, provided all other criteria established in this section are met.
- (b) Prior to any work commencing and before such premises will be considered for a freeze under this section, an "Application for Fixed Tax of Blighted Property" shall be filed with the Town's Assessor's Office which application shall include:
 - (1) Property Address and Owner Information;
 - (2) Current blight violation(s) on the property;
 - (3) A description of the proposed improvements thereon and intended use;
 - (4) An itemized estimate of the cost of those improvements from a licensed contractor; and
 - (5) A timetable detailing the schedule of improvements.
- (c) For a property to be considered eligible for a fixed assessment under this section, the following criteria shall be met:
 - (1) At time of application, the property must be in violation of at least one blight condition defined in Sec. 14-172.
 - (2) The property must be a residential single family, multifamily (two to four units) **or condominium**;
 - (3) It must be the owner's intention to reside in the property as his or her primary residence;
 - (4) The cost of improvements must be at least 30% of the assessment at the time of application;
 - (5) All improvements or other work must be completed within one (1) year of the approval of the application;
 - (6) Town staff will perform a final inspection to confirm that the rehabilitation has been completed;
 - (7) All blight conditions must be corrected before the final inspection;
 - (8) All taxes and sewer use fees must be current before the final inspection; and
 - (9) The owner must obtain and close out all necessary building, zoning, wetlands and any other permits before the final inspection ~~completed by town staff.~~
- (d) After the rehabilitation has been completed and confirmed by town staff, the fixed tax assessment will begin and will continue for five years. The five year period commences from the time the application is submitted. If at any point throughout the five years any of the following occur, the Town has the right to immediately terminate this fixed assessment:
 - (1) The property is in violation of the blight ordinances;
 - (2) Taxes and sewer usage fees due to the Town ~~of Enfield~~ are no longer current;
 - (3) The property is no longer the primary residence of the owner; and/or
 - (4) The property is sold or the title has been transferred in any way.

Sec. 14-188. Minimum standards.

- (a) The provisions in this article shall not be construed to prevent the enforcement of other statutes, codes, ordinances or regulations which prescribe standards other than are provided for in this article.
- (b) In any cases where a provision of this article is found to be in **irreconcilable** conflict with a provision of any zoning, building, fire, safety or health ordinance, regulation or other code of the town or state, the provision which establishes the higher standard for the promotion and protection of the health and safety, and property values of the residents shall prevail.
- (c) This article shall not affect violations of any other ordinance, code or regulation existing prior to the effective date of this code, and any such violations may be governed and continue to be punishable under the provisions of those ordinances, codes or regulations in effect at the time the violation was committed.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-189. Responsibility for compliance.

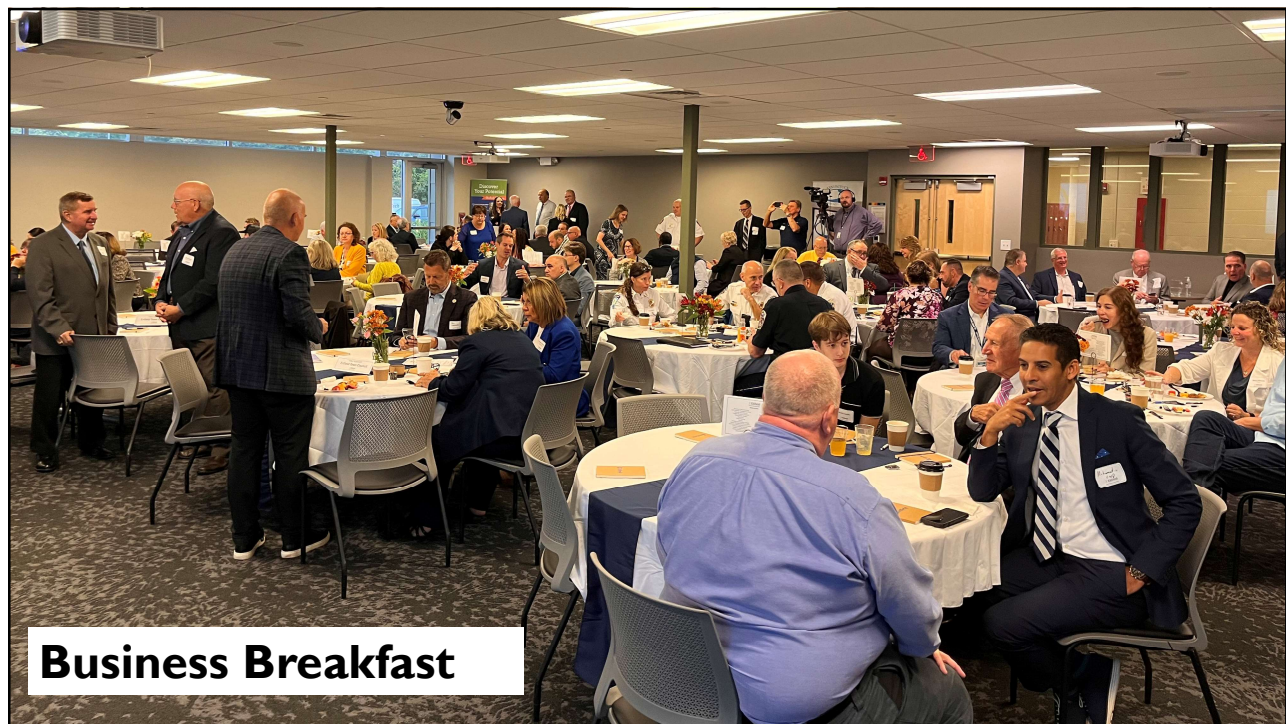
All persons subject to this article shall be jointly and severally obligated to comply with the provisions of this article. Whenever the person, as herein defined, is a corporation or other legal entity, the officers thereof shall be jointly and severally responsible with that corporation or other legal entity.

(Ord. No. 12-1, 3-19-2012; Ord. No. 18-3, 12-17-2018; Ord. No. 19-3, 7-1-2019)

Sec. 14-190. Applicability.

Every privately owned property in the Town, including but not limited to, residential, nonresidential or mixed occupancy buildings and the land on which they are (or were) situated, used or intended to be used for dwelling, commercial, business or industrial occupancy, shall comply with the provisions of this article. Such compliance is required whether or not such-buildings have been constructed, altered or repaired before or after the enactment of this article. Such compliance further is required irrespective of any permits or licenses issued for the use or occupancy of the buildings or premises, for the construction or repair of the buildings, or for the installation or repair of equipment or facilities prior to the effective date of this article. This article shall also apply to mobile home parks.

Secs. 14-191—14-210. Reserved.



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Recreation Division
RESIDENCY POLICY

Enfield Recreation programs are for the enjoyment of Enfield Residents. ~~The Town of Enfield will give preference to Enfield residents participating in Recreation Division activities.~~ An Enfield resident is defined as a citizen whose primary residence is in Enfield. This privilege will be extended to **minor** dependent children of Enfield residents, even if the children live in another town. **Program registration may be extended to non-residents, for certain programs, at a higher fee. If so, the non-resident rate will be listed in the program details.**

Enfield residents will be allowed to register for all programs ~~and Recreation Division sponsored sports leagues~~ at the initial registration date ~~for all seasonal offerings.~~ Proof of residency will be required at the time of registration. Acceptable forms of ID are: valid driver’s license, tax bill, utility bill, and renter’s/homeowner’s agreement.

Registrations for non-residents will be accepted **for select programs**, if space is available, ~~one~~ **two** weeks ~~after the initial program and Recreation Division sponsored sports leagues registration date~~ for Enfield residents. A 25% surcharge will be added to the user fee, for each individual registration. ~~Non-residents are not eligible for enrollment in free programs or for season passes.~~

~~Recreation Division sponsored adult sports leagues team rosters will be required to follow the membership chart listed below:~~

<u>Number of Players</u>	<u>Number of Non-Residents</u>
1-4	0
5-9	1
10-14	2
15-19	3
20-24	4
25+	5

~~Maximum number of 5 non-residents per team roster~~

Effective: _____ September 1, 2019



TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: October 7, 2024

Title: Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Sign a Grant Application for Early Voting Funds

- Pursuant to Public Act 24-81, the State of Connecticut will provide a grant in the amount of \$10,647.87 to Enfield for costs related to implementing and conducting early voting.
- The Town must complete an application explaining how we intend to use these funds by October 8, 2024.
- The Town intends to use these funds to help offset the payroll costs and equipment for early voting for the November 2024 general election.

Budget Impact: There will be no impact to the budget.

Recommendation: That the Enfield Town Council approve this resolution

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council authorizes the Town Manager or his designee to execute and sign all documents necessary to apply for the Public Act 24-81 ARPA grant funds. Grant number SLFRP0128.

Date Prepared: 10/2/2024
Prepared By: Tom Kienzler, Registrar of Voters



TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: October 7, 2024

Title: Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Sign an Acceptance Agreement With the Connecticut Department of Transportation - Route 229 (Shaker Rd) at Henry Barnard Elementary School

- The State of Connecticut Department of Transportation is acquiring property for Route 229 (Shaker Rd) at Henry Barnard Elementary School Driveway.
- The State's offer is five hundred (\$500.00) dollars, based on an analysis of properties sharing similar utility.

Budget Impact: There is no impact to the budget

Recommendation: That the Enfield Town Council approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Manager or his designer is authorized to sign the acceptance agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation.

Date Prepared: 10/3/2024
Prepared By: Town Manager's Office



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September 11, 2024

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Christopher W. Bromson
Town Manager
Town of Enfield
820 Enfield Street
Enfield, CT 06082



Dear Town of Enfield:

Subject: File No.: 171-493-008
Owner(s): Town of Enfield
Town: Enfield

The State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (Department) is now acquiring property for Route 229 (Shaker RD) at Henry Barnard Elementary School Driveway. In connection therewith, we enclose our map dated July 2024, detailing the proposed acquisition.

The State's offer, as evidenced by the enclosed offer letter, is \$500.00. This offer is based on an analysis of properties sharing similar utility. A copy of the State's Estimate of Compensation will be made available upon request.

As is standard of real estate acquisitions of this type, the conveyance of "good and sufficient title" is required from the owners of record. Should the Department's title examination of your property reflect encumbrances that prohibit the transfer of adequate title, your assistance will be required. In this regard, a copy of our title report cover page is enclosed for your review and comment.

If the offer is acceptable, please execute the enclosed acceptance agreement and W-9 form and return them to my attention. **Kindly include a resolution or other documentation indicating the person(s) authorized to sign on behalf of Town of Enfield.** Oral representations or promises made during the negotiation process are not binding on the Department.

I am available to meet with you to review the offer, the construction plans, and answer any questions you may have. Please contact me directly at (860)-594-2469 or email me at Justin.Rutty@ct.gov by September 30, 2024.

Very truly yours,

Justin Rutty
Acquisition/Relocation Section
Division of Rights of Way

Enclosures

Bcc: Workflow File
Acquisition/Relocation

2800 Berlin Turnpike
P.O. Box 317546
Newington, CT 06131-7546
860-594-2469
Regular Town Council Meeting

CT.GOV/DOT

October 7, 2024

OWNER: Town of Enfield

PROPERTY FILE NO. 171-493-008

ADDRESS: 27 Shaker Road

TOWN: Enfield

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statute(s) and as required for Route 229 (Shaker RD) at Henry Barnard Elementary School Driveway, the Commissioner of Transportation finds it necessary to acquire from you the following property rights as described on the attached map; as dated July 2024.

Compensation payable to you for the proposed acquisition and all legal damages to any remainder is as follows:

Value of easement to be acquired: \$ 357.00

Total Compensation \$ 500.00 (Rounded)

Building, structure and other improvements: *N/A

Tenant owned improvements not covered in offer: N/A

The above represents an offer of just compensation for the property rights as developed by the Division of Rights of Way. Should you wish to accept this offer, please review and execute page two of this offer letter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Justin Rutty at the telephone number or address shown below.

Very truly yours,



Christina L. Smith
Transportation Principal Property Agent
Acquisition/Relocation Section
Division of Rights of Way
Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Attachment: Taking Map

bcc: Workflow File

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Property File No.: 171-493-008

Owner Name: Town of Enfield

Acceptance Agreement

It is understood that you agree to the State's offer in the amount of \$500.00. The following shall apply:

- The above award is in full settlement for all real property rights acquired and constitutes a full and final payment for any and all loss of value caused by this acquisition. *Construction Easements only – Should the use of the area exceed the intended timeframe, you may be eligible for additional compensation. You must notify this office in writing to begin the formal review process.
- This acquisition is in accordance with C.G.S. Sec. 13a-73(c), 13a-98e, 13b-36(a) & 13a-79; as applicable.
- This agreement is subject to final approval(s) in accordance with C.G.S. Sec. 13a-73(h)
- Pending the delivery of good and sufficient title, an Immediate Right of Entry is hereby granted to the State of Connecticut, and/or its agents to proceed with the construction of the subject project.
- Payment(s) will be made by check issued from the Treasurer of the State of Connecticut to the property owner and/or mortgagee (if applicable) at the time of closing.
- The owner agrees to assist in the securing of good and sufficient title and agrees to convey the same by instrument prepared by the Department.

Owner's Legal Signature _____ Date _____

Owner's Legal Signature _____ Date _____

Christina L. Smith, Principal Property Agent _____ Date _____

State Properties Review Board _____ Date _____

FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY

Invoice Date: _____ Invoice #: _____ CORE P.O. #: _____ CORE Receipt #: _____

Payee: (Name & Address)

Payee's FEIN/SSN:

Invoice Amount:

Property Location:

27 Shaker Road, Enfield, CT 06082

Coded By: _____ Reviewed By: _____ Date: _____

FUND	SID	Dept ID	Project No. DOTXXXXXXXXRW	Activity	Source Type	Account	Parcel No.	Detail Amount
12062	22108	DOT57125	DOT01710493RW	RW0000	RW201	55470	008	\$500.00

RECEIVED CHECK NO. _____

DATE _____

IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ _____

IN PAYMENT OF ABOVE.

BY _____



TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: October 7, 2024

Title: Resolution Authorizing an Asset Disposal over \$6,000

- On January 5, 2015, the Enfield Town Council passed Resolution #3002 adopting a formal policy for the disposition of town-owned surplus property.
- This policy requires Town Council approval for disposition of assets valued in excess of \$2,000.
- On August 6, 2018, the Enfield Town Council passed Resolution #4702 revising the formal policy to increase the limits from \$2,000 to \$6,000.
- DPW is requesting disposal of Truck #0652, a 2003 International Dump/Sander/Plow Truck. This vehicle has been replaced, the all-season dump body is nonfunctional and rusted through with holes, the internal side dump does not function and material spreader is nonfunctional and rotted.
- DPW estimates that repair costs are 10x the value of the truck.

Budget Impact: There is no impact to the town budget.

Recommendation: That the Enfield Town Council approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council authorizes the Department of Public Works to dispose of Truck #0652 per current policy as established by Resolution #3002 and Resolution #4702.

Date Prepared: 10/3/2024
Prepared By: Donald T. Nunes
Director of Public Works



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- DPW is requesting disposal of Truck #0677, a 2005 Kenworth Roll-off Truck. This vehicle has been replaced, and it has the equivalent of 496,020 miles, and the majority of the suspension will need to be replaced.
- DPW has spent \$52,000 in the last four (4) years to keep this vehicle on the road.

Budget Impact: There is no impact to the town budget.

Recommendation: That the Enfield Town Council approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council authorizes the Department of Public Works to dispose of Truck #0677 per current policy as established by Resolution #3002 and Resolution #4702.

Date Prepared: 10/3/2024
Prepared By: Donald T. Nunes
Director of Public Works



TOWN OF ENFIELD

October 8, 2024

Dear Governor and Legislators,

Electric rates in Connecticut are out of control. We, as the Enfield Town Council, representing a population of 44,000 residents and Eversource customers, urge you to reach out to your legislators and insist they come back for a special session to tackle the electric rate crisis that is decimating our families' budgets. We believe there are genuine proposals out there that can help provide immediate financial relief to our residents.

Based on recent decisions, we feel that PURA is no longer making decisions that are in the best interest of the ratepayers and this practice must stop. In order to ensure customers are at the forefront of all PURA related decisions, they need a representative that understands the enormous burden they have placed onto the backs of every single ratepayer in our state.

We as a council support clean air and clean water initiatives for our residents. However, the green initiatives being forced upon Connecticut's residents and our community need to be equally balanced with the affordability piece of implementing such policies.

Once again, we respectfully request you to call the legislature back for special session to address this crisis. This issue is far too important to put it off any longer.

Sincerely,

Ken Nelson Jr.
Mayor, Town of Enfield
On behalf of the Enfield Town Council