

WOLCOTT TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

Council Chambers, Wolcott Town Hall

7:30 p.m.

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Note: These are summary minutes; a tape recording of this meeting is on file in Commission Secretary's Office in Wolcott Town Hall.

Chairman Santogatta called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, and attendance was taken.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Michael Santogatta; Vice-Chairman Steven Olmstead, David Valletta, Michael Perrone, Randy Petroniro Sr., Gale Mastrofrancesco, Francis Masi, Charles Marsella, and Michael Bokon

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Thomas Dunn; Linda Bruce, Municipal Finance Officer; Brian Tynan, Town Attorney; Gary St. Amand, Dept. of Public Health Commissioner's Office; Bill Barratt, Wolcott Ambulance Chief; Jay Skerritt, Assistant Chief; Matt Howard, Deputy Chief & Paramedic; Michael Paonessa, Advanced EMT; Lt. David Hunt, Advanced EMT; Steve Andrade, EMT; Corky Mazurek, State Representative; Acting Police Chief Neil O'Leary; Joan Kane; et al.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

▪ Regular Meeting – June 1, 2010

Upon **MOTION**, by Francis Masi, seconded by Charles Marsella, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the minutes of the June 1, 2010 Regular Meeting.

TAXPAYERS' TIME: (Limited to Items on the Agenda)

No taxpayers came forward.

CORRESPONDENCE (on file):

1. Finance Office Transfers, submitted by Linda Bruce
2. Proposed Resolution: State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security- Federal Fiscal Year 2009 (Memorandum of Agreement attached)
3. Submitted by Bill Barratt, Wolcott Ambulance Chief, copy of letter dated April 29th to Mayor Dunn from J. Robert Galvin, Commissioner of the State of CT, Dept. of Public Health, advising that the Town of Wolcott has been designated a HEARTSafe Community (additional information attached)

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4. Memo dated June 2nd from Chairman Santogatta to various departments advising that the mill rate has been set at 22.68 mills for FY 2010-2011 (mill rate calculation attached)
5. Copy of Memo dated June 8th from Dolores Slater to Linda Bruce, regarding the Proposed Contract for Cott Systems for Indexing & Scanning (contract attached)
6. Letter dated June 10th from Linda Bruce regarding the proposed Contract for USI – Insurance Agent of Record for Workers' Compensation & Liability Insurance (contract attached)
7. Letter dated June 10th from Linda Bruce regarding the proposed Contract for Lindberg & Ripple – Insurance Agent of Record for Medical Benefits & Health Insurance (contract attached)
8. Board of Education Year to Date Budget Report dated 05-28-10
9. Town of Wolcott Expenditure Report, Revenue Report, & Trial Balance for month ending 5-31-10
10. Letter dated June 14th from Sewer & Water Dept. Regarding Collection of Delinquent Accounts
11. Copy of Memo dated June 14th from Linda Bruce to All Departments & Commission Chairpersons Regarding Timely Submission of Projects
12. Letter dated May 18th from the Democratic Town Committee recommending the appointment of Lynne Morytko to the Board of Ethics
13. Memo dated June 15th from Chairman Santogatta to Council members regarding the Appointments to the Board of Ethics
14. Town of Wolcott Approved Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011
15. Cash Flow Report for FY 2009-2010 dated 6-15-10, submitted by Linda Bruce

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Dunn came forward and reported the following:

- Senior Bus grant is secure for the new bus
- Youth Center construction is going very well and is ahead of schedule
- He appointed the Constables as Citation Hearing Officers per Ordinance #83, and they have been issued badges; they will be holding a workshop for them in a few weeks for training; he also noted that ordinance #83 needs to be revised as there are some contradictions contained in it.

Mr. Petroniro referenced the upcoming retirement of Fire Marshal Emons, who has done an outstanding job, and noted his concern with respect to hiring a person of quality in dealing with such a sensitive subject as public safety; it is

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also a paid position with a vehicle. He next questioned if the Mayor intends on making this position available to the entire Fire Dept. and/or opening it up to the State, and commented that transparency will be very important in selecting a candidate. Mayor Dunn replied that he will be putting the job out locally, as they have some assistants that have been here for a long time. The position requires specific certifications and he will be appointing someone who is fully qualified. Brief discussion followed.

FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT/TRANSFERS:

Linda Bruce came forward and advised that she has submitted a copy of the Town of Wolcott 2010-2011 approved budget to OPM, complying with Section 7-406b of the CT General Statutes. She next referenced the updated cash flow report that she submitted to the Council and advised that they are still within a \$130,000.00 range as far as a surplus. Blum, Shapiro was in Wolcott the week of May 25th to do a preliminary audit, visiting both General Government and the Board of Education. They are scheduled to begin the final audit on August 23rd, which will take approximately two weeks. Mrs. Bruce next advised that she submitted the following transfers for approval:

Upon **MOTION**, by Francis Masi, seconded by Randy Petroniro, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the following transfer; Highway – 311; from 01-3-311-4-4105 Fuel-Heating \$4,725.00, to 01-3-311-1-1400 Overtime \$4,725.00 (**see attached**).

Upon **MOTION**, by Francis Masi, seconded by Gale Mastrofrancesco, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the following transfer; Library - 551; from 01-5-551-1-1150 Custodians \$5,000.00, to 01-5-551-4-4420 Maint. & Repair – Building \$5,000.00 (**see attached**).

SUB-COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

Mr. Perrone: Finance Sub-Committee met regarding establishing a policy to bring their reserve fund to an acceptable level; they will reconvene soon and advise the Council.

Mr. Petroniro: The Board of Education is in preliminary negotiations with the custodial contract; he will report back when he hears something further.

Mr. Valletta: they are putting something together now with respect to revising the blight ordinance; they are about halfway through. Chairman Santogatta noted that he heard from a taxpayer who would like to address the sub-committee; he will furnish that name to him.

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Upon **MOTION**, by Gale Mastrofrancesco, seconded by Randy Petroniro, it was unanimously voted to **change the order of business**; move New Business up on the agenda so that precedes Unfinished Business, and change the order of New Business to the following: move Item #3 up to item #1, and move item #1 to item #3.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance – Presentation of HEARTSafe Community Award

At this time, Mr. Gary St. Amand from the Department of Public Health Commissioner's Office and Ambulance Chief Bill Barratt came forward. Mr. Amand stated that he was here this evening to present the HEARTSafe designation to the Town of Wolcott (**see attached letter from the Dept. of Public Health**). Mr. Amand proceeded to give a brief speech, noting that this designation represents a true community effort and stated that on behalf of the CT Department of Public Health, Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention Program, the Office of Emergency Medical Services, and the American Heart Association, he would like to congratulate the Town of Wolcott for achieving this designation and presented a plaque to Chairman Santogatta. Chief Barratt next thanked Mr. St. Amand, Assistant Chief Skerritt, his staff, and Dr. Galvin for recognizing the Town of Wolcott, at which time he proceeded to give a speech recognizing all of the volunteers, citizens, businesses, and Town departments involved that made this possible (**see full text of speech attached**). When Chief Barratt was through, he noted that he would like to introduce former Town Council Chairwoman, Joan Kane, who remembers when the Town of Wolcott did not have an ambulance in town, prior to 1973. At this time, Mrs. Kane came forward and described her experience with her husband when he needed medical help in 1961; there was no help. She also described an experience in 1990 with her Mother who had a heart attack. Years later, when she was on the Town Council, these volunteers came there trying to explain why they needed to charge people; so that there was a paramedic available at all times. She thanked all of the volunteers and the ambulance service of the Town of Wolcott for their extraordinary work. At this time, Representative Mazurek came forward and presented a citation from the General Assembly offering its sincerest congratulations to the Town of Wolcott and in recognition of their designation as a HEARTSafe Community. He next presented another citation from the General Assembly to the Wolcott Ambulance Association for their role in helping the Town of Wolcott meet these requirements and for their many hours of community service, commitment, and leadership.

Upon **MOTION**, by Michael Perrone, seconded by Charles Marsella, it was unanimously voted to take a 10 minute recess at 8:10 p.m.

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Chairman Santogatta called the meeting back to order at 8:25 p.m.

2. Resolution: State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security- Federal Fiscal Year 2009

Upon **MOTION**, by Michael Perrone, seconded by Gale Mastrofrancesco, it was unanimously voted to **adopt** the following resolution; RESOLVED, that the Wolcott Town Council may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that Thomas G. Dunn, as Mayor of the Town of Wolcott, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Wolcott Town Council and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents (**see attached**).

3. Set Summer Schedule

Upon **MOTION**, by Gale Mastrofrancesco, seconded by Charles Marsella, it was unanimously voted to **cancel** the first meeting in July (7-6-10) and the first meeting in August (8-3-10), and set the summer schedule to the third Tuesday in July (7-20-10) and the third Tuesday in August (8-17-10), and to also change the time of those meetings to 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m.

4. Discussion & Possible Action on Contract for Cott Systems for Indexing & Scanning

Upon **MOTION**, by Francis Masi, seconded by Randy Petroniro, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the Contract for Cott Systems for Indexing & Scanning (**on file**).

5. Discussion & Possible Action on Contract for USI – Insurance Agent of Record for Workers' Compensation & Liability Insurance

Upon **MOTION**, by Michael Perrone, seconded by Charles Marsella, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the Contract for USI – Insurance Agent of Record for Workers' Compensation & Liability Insurance (**on file**).

6. Discussion & Possible Action on Contract for Lindberg & Ripple – Insurance Agent of Record for Medical Benefits & Health Insurance

Upon **MOTION**, by Charles Marsella, seconded by Gale Mastrofrancesco, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the Contract for Lindberg & Ripple – Insurance Agent of Record for Medical Benefits & Health Insurance (**on file**).

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7. Discussion & Possible Action on Wolcott Police Union Contract

Upon **MOTION**, by Francis Masi, seconded by Gale Mastrofrancesco, it was unanimously voted to **table** 'Discussion & Possible Action on Wolcott Police Union Contract' to Executive Session.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding Proposed Water Fees

Upon **MOTION**, by Gale Mastrofrancesco, seconded by Steven Olmstead, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the water fee schedule as proposed by the Sewer & Water Commission (**as per attached letter dated 3-19-10**).

APPOINTMENTS:

▪ Board of Ethics

Upon **MOTION**, by Francis Masi, seconded by David Valletta, it was unanimously voted to **appoint** the following individuals to the Board of Ethics for three (3) year terms, commencing on July 1, 2010; Lynne Morytko and Nicole Grant.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

Chairman Santogatta advised to contact himself or the Clerk if anyone has any items.

TAXPAYERS' TIME:

No taxpayers came forward.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon **MOTION** by Michael Perrone, seconded by Randy Petroniro, it was unanimously voted to take a ten minute recess at 8:32 p.m. and then **enter** into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations matters, inviting Mayor Thomas Dunn, Town Attorney Brian Tynan and Acting Police Chief O'Leary.

Chairman Santogatta called the regular session back to order at 9:12 p.m.

7. Discussion & Possible Action on Wolcott Police Union Contract

Upon **MOTION** by Francis Masi, seconded by Randy Petroniro, it was unanimously voted to **approve** the Police Union Contract (as proposed) **{on file}**.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Upon **MOTION**, Michael Perrone, seconded by Charles Marsella, it was unanimously voted to **adjourn** the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

Elizabeth Gaudiosi, Secretary
WOLCOTT TOWN COUNCIL

Michael J. Santogatta, Chairman
WOLCOTT TOWN COUNCIL



TOWN OF WOLCOTT

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June 10, 2010

Michael J. Santogatta, Chairman
Wolcott Town Council
10 Kenea Avenue
Wolcott, CT 06716

RE: TRANSFERS WITHIN / BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS

Dear Mr. Santogatta:

In accordance with the provisions of the Wolcott Town Charter, I am hereby notifying you of the following transfers contained in Schedule A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Linda R. Bruce
Municipal Finance Officer

LRB/jes
Enclosure

MAYOR'S ACTION:
DATE: June 11, 2010

APPROVED BY:

Thomas G. Dunn, Mayor
Town of Wolcott

COUNCIL'S ACTION:
DATE: June 15, 2010

APPROVED BY:

Chairman, Wolcott Town Council

**SCHEDULE A
 TRANSFERS WITHIN / BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS FUND 01
 2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR - FOR REVIEW ON JUNE 15, 2010**

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
HIGHWAY - 311	TO 01-3-311-1-1400	OVERTIME	4,725.00	
	FROM 01-3-311-4-4105	FUEL - HEATING		4,725.00
Reason: To pay overtime costs through the end of the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year.				
LIBRARY - 551	TO 01-5-551-4-4420	MAINT. & REPAIR - BUILDING	5,000.00	
	FROM 01-5-551-1-1150	CUSTODIANS		5,000.00

Reason: To pay for repairs to the perimeter concrete walls.

TOWN of WOLCOTT

REQUEST FOR TRANSFER

DATE: 6/10/10

REQUESTOR: Linda R. Bruce

DEPT 311

The following budget transfer(s) is requested:

	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
TO	<u>01-3-311-1-1400</u>	<u>OVERTIME</u>	<u>4,725.70</u>
FROM	<u>01-3-311-4-4105</u>	<u>FUEL - HEATING</u>	<u>4,725.70</u>

**ALL REQUESTS FOR TRANSFERS MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE
TOWN COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL - PLEASE ENSURE
THAT ALL INFORMATION IS COMPLETE & ACCURATE**

The reasons the "to" account(s) are exhausted:

The unpredictable timing of winter weather conditions exhausted this account.

Transfer is needed for:

To pay overtime costs generated by events such as storm and and motor vehicle accident cleanups through the end of the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year.

The effect on the "from" account(s):

Funds are available for transfer as a result of the reduced cost of heating fuel.

APPROVAL L. Bruce.....

FINANCE OFFICE USE

DATE: 6/10/2010

TOWN of WOLCOTT

REQUEST FOR TRANSFER

DATE: June 8, 2010

REQUESTOR: Kathy Giotsas

DEPT.# 551

The following budget transfer(s) is requested:

	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
TO	<u>01-5-551-4-4420</u>	<u>MAINT. & REPAIR - BUILDINGS</u>	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
FROM	<u>01-5-551-1-1150</u>	<u>CUSTODIANS</u>	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>

**ALL REQUESTS FOR TRANSFERS MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE
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The reason the "to" account(s) is exhausted:

The potential cost of repairing the cracked perimeter concrete walls will exceed the account balance.

The transfer(s) is needed because of the following reason:

To pay for repairs to the perimeter concrete walls.

The effect on the "from" account(s):

The use of an outside non-profit organization for cleaning work has reduced expenditures and generated funds that are available for transfer.

APPROVAL: *L. Bruce*

FINANCE OFFICE USE

DATE: 6/10/2010

REPRODUCE THIS FORM AS NECESSARY

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH



J. Robert Galvin, M.D., M.P.H., M.B.A.
Commissioner

M. Jodi Rell
Governor

April 29, 2010

The Honorable Thomas G. Dunn, Mayor
Town of Wolcott
10 Kenea Avenue
Wolcott, CT 06716

Dear Mayor Dunn:

On behalf of the Connecticut Department of Public Health and the American Heart Association, congratulations to your community for having met the requirements of a designated HEARTSafe community.

This three-year designation recognizes your commitment to provide improved cardiac response and care to the residents of your community utilizing the "Chain of Survival" of early 9-1-1 access, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, defibrillation and advanced care.

We commend you on your efforts to save lives and improve the health of your community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Robert Galvin MD".

J. Robert Galvin, M.D., M.P.H., M.B.A.
Commissioner

Cc: William Barratt, Chief, Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance Association
Valerie Fisher, Nurse Consultant, Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program

Great Effort!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "MS".



News



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 3, 2010

Connecticut Department of Public Health
Contact: William Gerrish
(860) 509-7270

Wolcott Earns HEARTSafe Community Designation

HARTFORD – The Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH), along with the American Heart Association, announces that Wolcott has been designated a HEARTSafe Community.

“The HEARTSafe Communities program is designed to promote and recognize the efforts of local municipalities to provide improved cardiac response and care to its residents,” said DPH Commissioner Dr. J. Robert Galvin. “Wolcott has demonstrated its commitment toward ensuring that its residents and visitors receive the early lifesaving response proven to increase the chances of survival for heart attack victims.”

“I am honored not only as the Mayor of the Town of Wolcott but as a resident to know that we have such dedicated and caring individuals who are on the front lines of our safety. Most of these people are volunteers who give of their time and are truly concerned with the health and wellbeing of our community” said Mayor Thomas G. Dunn.

DPH began the HEARTSafe Communities program to foster community environments that improve the survival odds for people suffering sudden cardiac events, such as cardiac arrests or heart attacks. The key to the program has been dubbed by the American Heart Association as the *Chain of Survival*. The *Chain of Survival* has four vital links: early access to emergency care; early cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR); early defibrillation and early advanced care.

A HEARTSafe Community promotes and supports: CPR training in the community; public access to defibrillation through strategic placement of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) for use by public safety professionals and other trained community members; and early advanced care.

Wolcott met the program requirements for public placement of AEDs, trained community residents, and equipped, staffed and trained emergency responders. In addition, Wolcott is planning on continuing to provide community CPR training programs and expand the availability of AEDs in public locations.

Municipalities wishing to obtain designation as a HEARTSafe Community can download an application from the Connecticut Department of Public Health website at: www.ct.gov/dph/heartsafe or contact Gary St. Amand at gary.stamand@ct.gov or 860-509-7581.

The Connecticut Department of Public Health is the state's leader in public health policy and advocacy with a mission to protect and promote the health and safety of the people of our state. To contact the department, please visit its website at www.ct.gov/dph or call (860) 509-7270.

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HEARTSafe



Communities

The following Connecticut communities demonstrated a commitment toward ensuring that their residents and visitors receive the early lifesavings response proven to increase the chances of survival for heart attack victims by providing the four vital links of the "Chain of Survival:"

- ♥ Early access to emergency care;
- ♥ Early advanced care;
- ♥ Early cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR); and
- ♥ Early defibrillation.

2006 Connecticut Communities

- ♥ Greenwich
- ♥ Ledyard
- ♥ Lisbon
- ♥ Norwich
- ♥ Vernon
- ♥ Westport

2007 Connecticut Communities

- ♥ Chaplin
- ♥ Coventry
- ♥ Mansfield
- ♥ Norwalk
- ♥ Roxbury
- ♥ Sherman
- ♥ Somers
- ♥ Stamford
- ♥ Tolland
- ♥ Torrington

2008 Connecticut Communities

- ♥ Ellington
- ♥ Meriden
- ♥ New Britain
- ♥ New Milford
- ♥ Ridgefield
- ♥ Seymour
- ♥ Sterling
- ♥ Thompson
- ♥ Wallingford

2009 Connecticut Communities

- ♥ Ansonia
- ♥ Bozrah
- ♥ Bridgewater
- ♥ Burlington
- ♥ Darien
- ♥ Manchester
- ♥ Marlborough
- ♥ Naugatuck
- ♥ Oxford
- ♥ Prospect
- ♥ Shelton
- ♥ South Windsor
- ♥ Suffield
- ♥ Washington
- ♥ Westbrook
- ♥ West Hartford
- ♥ Woodbridge

2010 Connecticut Communities

- ♥ Bolton
- ♥ East Haven
- ♥ Farmington
- ♥ Hebron
- ♥ Middletown
- ♥ Salem
- ♥ Windham
- ♥ Wolcott

1. Thank-you Gary, on behalf of my Assistant Jay Skerritt and our staff we would like to thank Dr. Galvin and the staff @ DPH for this recognition and awarding our Town as a HEARTSafe Community. I believe there are approx. 30 out of 169 Municipalities currently designated with this status, so we appreciate the efforts of DPH, specifically Mr. St. Amand and his staff for all of their hard work and dedication to this program, it's wonderful to see the HEARTSafe Community program grow in Connecticut as it is across the Nation.
2. We would also like to thank the many people who have made this award possible, and there are many so please bare with us for a moment; first and foremost to our founding and charter members who began the Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance for the Town of Wolcott back in May of 1973, obviously without their vision, determination and commitment to our corps, none of this would be possible today. To all of our current and past members, our life members and staff, we thank-you for your dedication and hard work over the years keeping the ambulances' staffed 24/7, 365.
3. To the Citizens of Wolcott who support our cause day in and day out, year after year the outpouring of community support is second to none and we thank each and every one of you for this.
4. Thank-you to all of the Mayor's and Town Council members, past and present – without the support of the Mayor's and Council members we could not have achieved such a recognition from the State of Connecticut. Thank-you Mayor Dunn and to you Mr. Chairman for allowing us this time to receive this recognition.
5. I don't want to single out one specific volunteer, but for this occasion, I must. Unfortunately Dennis Cleary Jr is unable to be with us tonight, he happens to be covering the College World Series for his employer – ESPN. Dennis' employer Disney/ESPN has donated over \$6,000 dollars towards the purchases of AED's in Town over the last several years. By volunteering his time to our corps, Dennis is eligible to participate in the "Ears to You" program established by Disney to provide funds to volunteer organizations such as ours for giving back to his community and we cannot thank him enough, not only for his volunteer service to our Town but also for the financial support of his employer. Because of this we have continued to place Public Access Defibrillators throughout the Town. Should anyone wonder where the AED's in Town are located we've developed this HEARTSafe Community AED map of the Town of Wolcott. Currently there are Public Access Defibrillators: here at Town Hall, Farmingbury Hills Golf Course, the Wolcott Senior Center, at each of the 5 schools, two of which are housed at the High School, Woodtick Recreational Center on Nichols Road, each Fire House as an AED, at the ambulance training center on Todd Road, State Fire School on Boundline Road, the Police department and we have proposed future locations such as the Wolcott Public Library, the BAW, Soccer Fields on Spindlehill Road

and Peterson Park to name a few. With future donations and grants money we hope to expand our current Public AED access program in Town.

6. At this time I'd like to recognize a few local residents that have supported our cause...the year was 2001 and our service was faced with a difficult decision, to basically "go out of business" or to establish a 24/7 paramedic service for our town and its citizens. State of Connecticut Public Act 00-151 required dramatic changes to EMS systems statewide and Wolcott was not alone. After much discussion and investigating our options as an ambulance provider, with the overwhelming support and backing of then Mayor Mike DeNegriz, Council Chairman Russ Emons, Vice Chairman George Babcock, Minority Leader Joan Kane, Councilwomen & EMS Liaison Roberta Leonard, Councilman (and still a Councilman) Fran Masi and then Councilman Tom Dunn, they allowed for an approved the establishment of a 24/7 paramedic system that we currently have today. Literally thousands of lives each and every year are affected by their backing of our service, we thank them and the thousands of patients we treat each year thank them.
7. We are here tonight as a community accepting this award, this award is for the Town and Citizens of Wolcott. Together as a Team we stand ready to serve our townspeople whenever a medical emergency occurs...day or night, weekend or holiday we are on duty 24/7. We do not close, we cannot close just because it's the 4th of July or Labor Day or even Christmas Eve or Christmas day – 24/7 we must operate. This is an enormous undertaking, for 24 hours a day, 365 days per year at least two people have to be on duty ready and willing to respond – this certainly takes quite a toll on our volunteers and their families so please join with me and offering a round of applause for our staff and especially the spouses, children and families of our volunteers who unselfishly give of themselves to serve our Town.
8. I would like to thank our colleagues from the Police and Fire Departments also; this is truly a collaborative initiative. As we accept this award tonight we have heard about the "Chain of Survival" ...the men and women of our Police Department respond to nearly 100% of the medical emergency calls in Town as designated by the Department of Public Health's as Wolcott's Supplemental First Responders, so this award is very much a part of their daily duties too and we cannot thank them enough for their support and assistance on calls. To our volunteer Fire Department, thank-you for everything. No matter what type of assistance we need, anytime day or night, they are there helping us whenever called. Usually when we need fire assistance, it's because we have a difficult patient extrication and additional manpower and equipment is needed and they are always there for us, thank-you all very, very much!
9. To all of our training folks, be it Lt. Mark Franzese of the ambulance corps, Sgt. Chris Wihbey of the Police Department or anyone of a number of EMS-Instructors we have on

staff, we thank them, without their expert training this award would not have happened.

10. To the Superintendent of Schools and the Wolcott Board of Education, thank-you for the procurement of AED's for all of our schools. The ambulance corps donated the first unit and the following year they purchased additional units so they are an important part of our HEARTSafe Community.
11. To our medical director, Dr. Peter Jacoby, Chairman of the St. Mary's Hospital Emergency Department, his EMS Medical Director Dr. Robert Grant and their EMS Coordinator – Paramedic Paul Yeno, thank-you for your continued support of EMS and the WVAA.
12. Now for those of you here tonight or might be watching this on TV, you might wonder and even ask why do we need an ambulance in Town, can't an ambulance come from Waterbury or Bristol...they sure can, but at what price? Someone's life?
13. If I could now have the following personnel come up here I would like to recognize them for their live saving efforts...Wolcott Police Officer Mark Dressel, Paramedic and our Deputy Chief Matt Howard, Advanced EMT and a former Captain of the Ambulance Corps Michael Paonessa, Advanced EMT and former Assistant Chief and currently a Lieut. – Lt. David Hunt and EMT Steve Andrade... and with that I thought I would share with everyone tonight a story of a day in our Town...I was reading last month's Wolcott Community News when I came across an article written on behalf of the Wolcott Exchange Club...allow me to read a portion of this to you...it starts "On April 22, 2010 the Exchange Club of Wolcott lost one of its' most dedicated and hardworking members, Denis Desaulniers. He was taken from us at the very young age of 48, as a result of, what was believed to be cardiac arrest. Denis suffered a major heart attack on April 5th and was being treated and expected to be released on or about April 25th.
14. The reason I called these individuals forward is because these were the responders that call on Monday, April 5th at approximately 1221 in the afternoon, this would be much more than the reported "major heart attack". On this date, a 911 call was received for a patient "not feeling well". The patient complained of severe Chest Pains and became profusely diaphoretic (sweaty). The 911 call was answered at Wolcott Police and the Police dispatcher quickly transferred the call to Campion Ambulance dispatch while simultaneously dispatching Officer Mark Dressel to patients home. Campion dispatch provided the Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) pre-arrival instructions as required by law. As the dispatcher received the caller's information, Wolcott ambulance was dispatched. The primary ambulance crew consisted of Paramedic Matt Howard and Advanced EMT Michael Paonessa. Officer Dressel arrived approximately 45 seconds prior to the ambulance arriving, thereby Officer Dressel brought his department issued oxygen and AED to the patient's bedside. The ambulance arrived on scene at 12:26 or

5minutes from the time that the 911 call was placed. Officer Dressel found the patient to be unresponsive with a very weak pulse. As Officer Dressel attempted to apply his AED pads to the patient's chest, the ambulance crew arrived at bedside with their lifesaving equipment. Officer Dressel's AED pads would not adhere to the patient's chest because he was so diaphoretic. Paramedic Howard immediately applied his LifePak 12 cardiac monitor to the patient and quickly diagnosed the patient with a lethal cardiac arrhythmia called VENTRICULAR FIBRILLATION (**PCR**) and immediately administered a cardiac shock via his defibrillator. Initially they found the patient not to have a pulse and CPR was begun immediately, again Paramedic Howard recognized "V-Fib" and again administered a 2nd shock with his defibrillator and this time upon checking for a pulse, they discovered the patient had a pulse. Quickly they radioed for additional assistance on scene and Lt. Dave Hunt and EMT Steve Andrade acknowledged dispatch and responded to the scene to assist. They packaged the patient up, carried him to the awaiting stretcher and placed him into the ambulance, during such time he had a pulse and was beginning to breathe on his own. They transported him to St. Mary's Hospital and upon arrival at the emergency department some 26 minutes from the initial 911 call, he was immediately sent to the awaiting Heart Center at SMH. What the Wolcott Community News article does not tell the reader is that this patient actually died at home on Monday, April 5th at approximately 12:26pm – **Officer Dressel along with the EMS Crew of Paramedic Howard, AEMT Paonessa, AEMT Hunt and EMT Andrade – saved his life – brought him back to life!** The news article does tell the reader that the patient was expected to make a full recovery and was about to be discharged from the hospital after his cardiac event. Although the ultimate outcome was not what anyone would have wished for, I have been told, since his passing, by family members, that they are extremely grateful for the lifesaving efforts of these fine individuals you see before us tonight, as it gave his family and additional 16 days of life, the patient would never have had if not for our HEARTSafe Community. There is absolutely not doubt in my mind that if the ambulance was coming out of Waterbury or Bristol, the patient would have died on that Monday, April 5th at home. Which brings us back to the question – can't the ambulance respond from Waterbury – sure, but if you are in cardiac arrest and not breathing such as this scenario recalls...time is of the essence, which is why we are here tonight receiving this award from the Department of Public Health. At this time if I could ask Mayor Dunn to please present these "life savers" with a token of our appreciation...CPR Save Pins.

15. Lastly, but certainly not least, if I could call upon one of Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance Associations' biggest supporters and cheerleaders of our cause, former Council Chairwoman Joan Kane, she remembers all too well what the community of Wolcott was like before 1973 when the ambulances did respond from Waterbury...Joan...



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SEWER and WATER

March 19, 2010

Michael J. Santogatta, Chairman
WOLCOTT TOWN COUNCIL
10 Kenea Avenue
Wolcott, CT 06716

**RE: WOLCOTT WATER DEPARTMENT
CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE**

Dear Council Members:

As both the current and projected Water Department Budgets reflect deficits, and the trend analysis over the years continues to indicate usage fees billed and collected have been insufficient to meet the annual cost of operations, and the town auditors have been recommending reviewing and updating the fee structure for water usage in addition to establishing a funding policy sufficient to fund the cost of operations and the establishment of a reserve fund for contingency purposes, the Sewer and Water Commission voted to adjust the current fee schedule for next fiscal year as follows:

- 1) Increase permit fee from \$35 to \$50;
- 2) Increase application/connection fee from \$500 to \$700 (residential) and from \$2,000 to \$2,200 (commercial/industrial);
- 3) Increase basic service charge by \$25 (33%) annually; and
- 4) Increase usage rate 16% from \$3.04 p/ccf to \$3.54 p/ccf.

Please be advised, the quarterly water bill for a household of four with usage of 17 ccf will see their bill increase \$14.75.

Please note that these proposed adjustments are anticipated to cover the projected shortfall in next fiscal year's budget. Also, the budget's proposed expenditures were decreased by \$18,345 from this current fiscal year.

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Please be advised, since the onset of this Department in 1988, the permit fee was increased one time by \$10, the basic service charges have remained the same, the usage rate was increased one time by \$0.99 (49%) in 1998, and in 2005 the application/connection fees were increased by \$400 (single family), \$275 (multi-family), \$1,650 (commercial), and \$1,400 (industrial).

Please take into consideration that the system's infrastructure has increased since its onset to include the addition of two water booster stations and two 565,000 gallon water towers. Also, basic operating and maintenance costs have increased through the years due in part to overall expansion of the system and increased public health mandates for water quality monitoring and reporting. At this time, there are 565 customers, which computes on average to 1,576 people served.

The system, as built, has the ability to expand to accommodate three times its current service area. The Department has begun a plan layout that concentrates the next phases of expansion to be within the areas of town that can be serviced by the infrastructure currently in place. As the customer base grows, establishment of a reserve fund for contingency purposes can begin.

The Sewer and Water Commission hereby respectfully requests that the Wolcott Town Council take action in accordance with Section 7-239 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Should you require further information or have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 203-214-1904 (jpaolino@halloran-sage.com).

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of James Paolino in cursive script, with a vertical line through the 'l' in 'Paolino' and a horizontal line through the 'l' in 'JP'.

James Paolino, Chairman
SEWER AND WATER COMMISSION

JP/lb

cc: Mayor Thomas G. Dunn
Finance Officer Linda Bruce

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**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION
OF THE WOLCOTT TOWN COUNCIL**

CERTIFICATION:

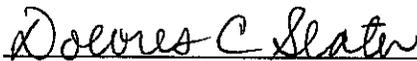
I, **Dolores C. Slater, Town Clerk, of the Town of Wolcott**, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the **Wolcott Town Council** at its duly called and held meeting on **June 15, 2010**, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, and that the resolution has not been modified, rescinded, or revoked and is at present in full force and effect:

RESOLVED, that the **Wolcott Town Council** may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that **Thomas G. Dunn, as Mayor of the Town of Wolcott**, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the **Wolcott Town Council** and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents.

The undersigned further certifies that **Thomas G. Dunn** now holds the office of **Mayor**, and that he has held that office since **November of 2003**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The undersigned has executed this certificate this **16th day of June, 2010**.



Dolores C. Slater, Town Clerk
Town of Wolcott

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