



**TOWN COUNCIL
WATERTOWN, CONNECTICUT
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2011
REGULAR MEETING – 7:30 P.M.**

**WATERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL
LECTURE ROOM
324 FRENCH STREET
WATERTOWN, CT 06795
MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Elaine Adams
Richard DiFederico
Richard Fusco
Linda Masayda
Raymond Primini, Chairman
Paul Rinaldi
Mary Ann Rosa, Vice Chairman

ABSENT:

Katherine Duplissie
Thomas Winn

OTHERS PRESENT:

Charles Frigon, Town Manager
Frank Nardelli, Assistant Town Manager/Finance Director

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Primini called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Ms. King, Secretary executed the roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Participation

Sandra Greenwood – 156 Belden Street, Watertown

Ms. Greenwood asked why there was one public participation on the agenda.

Raymond Primini that was just an oversight.

Richard Wick – Northfield Road

Mr. Wick made a brief comment on item 8e the proposed ordinance relating to charges. On page 5 a charge was proposed for making a electronic copy for a voice recording and \$30.00 is a little high for burning a CD. Mr. Wick stated it would be a good idea for those who are going to access these charges to feel as though they are reasonable and to explain how the various charges are reached and reached in a consistent manner and one that nobody can argue with.

David Minnich – 319 Thomaston Road

Mr. Minnich said we look forward to the opportunity for Planning & Zoning Commission to explain the fees and we can certainly justify the \$30.00. I do remind the Town Council that we requested several years ago and you granted it through the budget use of a laptop computer in which we record all of the minutes. All of those minutes are then electronically filed which replace the small cassette tapes. As part of the agreement that we had with Town Council you wanted us to reduce the cost of the minutes and what we did was to have that version available for anyone to listen to free of charge. When they wish to keep it themselves that is where the fees are involved and in doing so the minutes themselves are more condensed than they were before and not verbatim minutes.

Bruce Emerick – 990 Guernseytown Road

Mr. Emerick apologized for not attending the Charter Revision meeting. One thing that caught my attention in Section 703 what is proposed to eliminate the budget town meetings and I am not really clear as to what is meant by that. If that is the meeting where all of the boards present their budgets to the town I would definitely not support seeing that meeting eliminated because it is so informative and it is much better than just getting something in writing.

Raymond Primini what happened was we still have the budget town hearing and we found out what we were doing wrong all these years by charter is that every time we set another referendum, if the budget went down the first time we had to have town meeting. What we would have to do as the Town Council is set the town meeting because you have to have it posted for five days and then at the town meeting we would have to vote on the referendum. I am lucky to get five people to show up at those meetings and what could technically happen three people could pass the budget at one of those meetings. (inaudible) We would have to go through the signature process to get 200 signatures and we might not have enough time to do that and this would speed up the referendum process.

4. Minutes

a. Public Hearing – July 18, 2011

(Richard Fusco sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to approve the Public Hearing minutes dated July 18, 2011.

Motion passed unanimously

b. Regular Meeting – July 18, 2011

(Richard Fusco sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to approve the Regular Meeting minutes dated July 18, 2011.

Motion passed unanimously

5. Chairman's Report

a. Correspondence

1. Letter from Dave LeBlanc re: Watertown Housing Authority, dated August 8, 2011
2. Chairman Primini attended the first meeting regarding Heminway School and said it was on schedule and he thanked town employees for their hard work

6. Subcommittee Reports – none

7. Town Manager's Report

1. Sean Williams and Rob Kane submitted a letter of support to the Office of Policy and Management on behalf of Watertown supporting the reallocation of funds that were for the indoor recreation facility that was proposed for Veterans Memorial Park.
2. A grant application was filed with FEMA for Sunset and Wheeler Streets regarding water issues. The town would have to contribute 25% of in kind services such as engineering design and administrative services.
3. Dial-a-Ride has been extended for the rest of this fiscal year.
4. Heminway Park School work is progressing as planned. The Planning & Zoning, Health Department and the Building Inspection offices should be moved in by next week. To date the cost encumbered is approximately \$40,000 which has been utilized towards carpeting and equipment. Public Works Department is anticipating cutting the front driveway within in the next couple of weeks.

8. New Business.

a. Consider appointments to boards and commissions.

(Mary Ann Rosa sec. Richard Fusco) I move to nominate Mary Colangelo of 612 Middlebury Road as a regular member of the Park and Recreation Commission for a term to expire January 31, 2014. This appointment is to fill the unexpired term of John Woermer.

Discussion: none

Motion passed unanimously

(Mary Ann Rosa sec. Richard Fusco) I move to nominate Donald Stepanek of 75 Highland Avenue as a regular member of the Park and Recreation Commission for a term to expire January 31, 2012. This appointment is to fill the unexpired term of Matthew Baker.

Discussion: none

Motion passed unanimously

(Mary Ann Rosa sec. Richard Fusco) I move to nominate George Sacchi of 320 Georgetown Drive as a regular member of the Public Building Committee for a term to expire January 1, 2012. This appointment is to fill the unexpired term of Mario Mancini.

Discussion: none

Motion passed unanimously

b. Discussion and vote on Draft Report of Charter Revision Commission including possible recommendation to the Commission to conduct additional review of Charter Section 710.

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to charge the Charter Revision Commission with further review of proposed Charter Revision Section 710.

Attorney Joe Summa after we gave you our draft report I had a discussion with Frank Nardelli which focused on new bonding that would require next July the payment of that bond which was not this July. Mr. Nardelli noted that although we changed that language to allow greater flexibility, it would not allow the flexibility to cover something like that. What the Charter Revision Committee had done was to tie each month into the same month of the previous fiscal year and that provided greater flexibility than the old charter did which limited us to one twelfth of whatever the budget was despite the fact that those were high expense months. The Charter Revision Committee would like to correct that, Mr. Nardelli's input was to have the language provide that the budget would be the same as the previous year and to leave the language like that and to give the council some flexibility but still have the restriction that is in there.

Raymond Primini our time line is that we have the right language into the state by September 2nd.

Attorney Joe Summa September 8th I believe. The commission is prepared to meet tomorrow night with whatever feedback you give us tonight to take and correct that section. I will be prepared to resubmit a final report to you by Wednesday evening. I talked to Attorney Jessell today about his preference and his preference would be that I also draft for you draft ballot questions. I could put that as a separate document that would be submitted to the council as part of the final report.

Raymond Primini would the council have another public hearing?

Attorney Joe Summa not a public hearing, you will need to have a meeting to accept the final report and to approve the questions for the ballot and then the town clerk takes it from there.

Charles Frigon September 2nd is the deadline.

Raymond Primini we would have to have a special meeting.

Mary Ann Rosa I just need to clarify the fact that we don't need to vote on each section tonight if it is coming back to us again. The only thing we need to do tonight in referring it back to the Charter Commission is to indicate what area we want them to look at like this Section 710 is that correct.

Attorney Joe Summa You have to either accept the others with reservation on this item. You want to vote on it at the next meeting rather than this one.

Mary Ann Rosa I would prefer instead of talking and discussing each section twice this meeting and at the next meeting to do it when it is going to be final.

Attorney Joe Summa I agree, the only issue is the timeline. Tonight it would be appropriate to have any discussion that you need because once we give you our final report that is it, no more changes that can be made.

Elaine Adams there are three things that I would like to put on the record and bring up. One of them is Section 202 Officers and Elections where it talks about the council members going from the two year terms to four year terms. Those of us who have sat on the council know that it would be a lot easier just to campaign every four years vs. every two years. But I look at it from the point of being an elector and a voter and I look at our state government you have two year terms for the senate, the house and for the house representatives. What really gets me more than anything is the senate having six year terms. My opinion here is that it is almost self serving to vote for ourselves to vote for four years vs. two years. That is just my opinion here I think that two years give the voters that choices that four year terms you are basically voted us in and it is a

long time. The second thing in looking at this was Section 602 Finance. We know there has been talk that any expenditure over \$4,000 has to go out to bid and it is kind of low and they changed it to \$10,000 and that is a little high and maybe some sort of compromise \$7,500.00 before anything needs to go out to bid. The third thing that has been brought up at public hearings with the Charter Revision Commission and they need to take look at minority representation in a couple of different ways. We have had our battles here regarding who is going to serve, if the Republicans are going to appoint a Republican or Democrat and not give the Independents any seats we had that issue. I think one of the big issues that is here is potentially and it could happen this November you can end up with a council that is three Republicans, three Democrats, three Independents that in itself brings up some logistics now you have no major party that is going to caucus and say let so, so Ray this time you be Chairman . In a case like that I really think it needs to be taken a look at where you have perhaps when no party has a clear majority of five, that perhaps the top vote getter is Chairman of that person decides I will do it and if not he steps back and the second highest something to be applied to this so we are not potentially sitting here without a chairman. A suggestion, I know that when the Registrar of Voters decide how we go on the ballot the order of our names, is we draw lots and maybe something along the lines of the town committee chairs get together in the Town Managers office and everyone draws what potential board or commission that is open, draws out a name their party can put forward the nomination. It is better to deal with it now when you don't have an issue is potentially down the road you could have an issue.

Linda Masayda I want to comment on the four year term in general. I know serving on the council certainly is a big commitment and we all understand that. I would hate to think that we are going to loose good people in town who might want the opportunity to try it but might not want commit to that amount of time. (inaudible)

Attorney Joe Summa if I might address that with you what the commission's logic was. they felt it was important to have staggered terms so that the governing body will have some continuity and that was the motivating factor. So once they thought that staggered terms were a very good idea the only other option if we kept two year terms it would mean that you would have that election every single year and everybody thought that would be too much. So the logic of the four year term comes from the desire to have staggered terms and some continuity going through time.

Mary Ann Rosa I am going to take the opposite point of view. I served on the Board of Ed for 16 years, there was staggered and it was the greatest thing. There were some of us that were new and there were people there to show us the way in the beginning. Elaine and I remained we were there to show others that came to give some stability. I think it is really important that some people with some experience remain to say to us at times we have done that, we have investigated that or have spent money on that and whatever the issue might be I am very much in favor on the staggered terms. Unfortunately you can't do it when you keep the two years, so I will support the four year terms and I think if someone really is interested in serving the community that one four year term is not going to deter

them and I think they will still come forward. That is not to say that the individuals that spoke to this don't have good points. I have a problem with being on board for a year and a half and it is time to go and campaign now because suddenly the election is coming up. That is what they do on the state national level and I resent that greatly. We elect them to serve us in Washington and they have their time on the road raising money for their campaign to run again. I don't like that concept and I think when you only have two year terms you are into that already and you are already thinking about election time and that detracts from what we are suppose to be doing and thinking about. I don't have any trouble with any other section except Section 406 the Removal of Appointees I had a lot of trouble with that one and I will say right now I will not support it. I am not sure where that one came from, to my knowledge it was not a recommendation of the Charter Commission members, it was not a charge of the Town Council or it might have been a recommendation from a member of the public.

Attorney Joe Summa it originated from the Police Commission.

Mary Ann Rosa but their recommendation only had to do with attendance.

Attorney Joe Summa in the course of discussion it expanded and what happened was that we have an ordinance over here that deals with zoning now you want something for the Police Commission they are all political appointees and we should have one procedure for everybody.

Mary Ann Rosa but the one for appointees does even begin to address attendance.

Attorney Joe Summa in the discussion about attendance there were some recommendations to put in three meetings and for someone who deals in labor law for a living that is basically useless. If I am out three meetings because I am going to chemo therapy that is one thing, if I miss three because I have gone fishing that is something else or if I missed three meetings out of fifty seven vs. three meetings out six. We very quickly got away from labor and employment relations the automatic three number type things. It is just like any other type of this employment this gives each individual board the right what they want to put in their own rules of conduct or what is acceptable for them and they can do it.

Mary Ann Rosa well has I said I will not support it.

Raymond Primini Woodbury has a procedure for missing three. I agree what you are saying but there have been cases where somebody has been appointed and hardly ever shows up for any meetings and unless they resign the town committees has no recourse.

Attorney Joe Summa under this procedure you do, anybody from the Town Manager to a fellow commission member to a Town Council member to a citizen can go to the Town Manager now and can say Joe Summa has not shown up for six meetings that we had so far I think is inappropriate and I am signing this complaint and would like you to investigate it. The Town Manager gets together with the Town Attorney they conduct an investigation if they think there is reasonable cause to proceed they then bring it to the Town Council.

Mary Ann Rosa and every time somebody doesn't like a individual on a board or commission they are going to be running in and making a complaint try to get them removed.

Attorney Joe Summa but then what they would have do is go to the Town Manager and the Town Attorney who together has to decide is this worth proceeding. If you had that type of gate previously you wouldn't have racked up hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees. You are going to have litigation there is going to be people that anger people and it is going to happen. What we have tried to do is put the town and your attorney in a very position. When you don't have rules you have to make them up as you go along and so what happens as any good attorney is going to advise his client is to be as conservative as possible because we can't step over the line. Having this procedure vs. not having one will make it a lot easier to deal with whatever the problem is.

Mary Ann Rosa thank you for your comment.

Richard Fusco when you say in Section 406 the words we use are if such an appointee has engaged in misconduct detrimental to the best interests of the Town that is up to the majority council members to know or say what is detrimental...

Attorney Joe Summa there are two aspects to it the first is misconduct. Someone may not like the positions I vote on all the time that is not misconduct so that does not even come under the prevue of it. It is misconduct that you're Town Manager and Town Attorney thinks is serious enough to go forward with and then it is a majority of this board deciding that yes it is misconduct of a nature that we should remove this person and it is the same majority it takes to appoint the person.

Richard Fusco I have a problem because there too much politics involved in that. The majority of the people are one party and the manager is hired by that one party and they want to remove that person.

Attorney Joe Summa who should have the authority to remove a person that they appointed. The Town Council appoints your representatives and so the question is who should have the power to say we no longer want you representing us.

Richard Fusco what we had in place and used in years.

Attorney Joe Summa you had nothing in place so what you had to do was improvise a procedure that cost you hundreds of thousands of dollars which tied up time and energy and was ridiculous. This is an orderly procedure to deal with the problem that is going to come up and what we have done is tried to get a efficient and effective procedure. I have said this at the public hearings I think if you had this ordinance when the whole thing happened with Planning & Zoning it would have gone to your Town Manager and Town Attorney and that would have been end of it and the council could have freed up 15 nights. That is what this is meant to do and not to go out and target anybody its meant to put a procedure for a problem that has and will come up that makes sense and is efficient and doesn't cost an arm and a leg.

Richard Fusco I still have a problem with it and it seems to smell of politics.

Mary Ann Rosa who is going to decide what is misconduct and what is not is there a definition.

Attorney Joe Summa initially the Town Manager and the Town Attorney they would then present the case to the Town Council and five members of the council would have to agree with that, that it was. You have to prove misconduct and you have to prove that it is not in the best of the town. For example you have a Town Attorney and that is probably the most important appointed position you have in this town and it is also the most political, you can remove the Town Attorney because you want to by five votes. If you can remove your Town Attorney because you want to why would give more protection to the other appointees. You are at least saying here is the standard it has to be misconduct that is not in the best interest of the town and that is a pretty good standard.

Mary Ann Rosa the other question that came up at the hearing that was held was with regards to cost by members of various commissions that they have to defend themselves and that is a big concern to people serving on boards and commissions.

Attorney Joe Summa because there was a lot of rumors going around that now I will get sued and have to defend myself. There is a state statue if anybody is on a board or commission in that capacity they get sued they are indemnified by the town and there is a state statue for the employees of the town.

Mary Ann Rosa but that is suing, this wouldn't be sued.

Attorney Joe Summa this is not a third party, this is the people that appointed someone saying to that person I don't think you are doing a good job or I think you are doing a bad job and we have to do something about it. Why would you pay for their lawyer?

Mary Ann Rosa if someone wanted to defend themselves.

Attorney Joe Summa then they can go out and hire a lawyer. These are appointees they are non paid jobs and someone may feel it is important enough to hire a lawyer and good for them. The town should not be paying for it not when it is the town saying to this appointee I think we have a problem with you, you don't do that to your employees.

Mary Ann Rosa in my mind you are missing a step if an individual fills out a complaint, takes it to the Town Manager and the Town Attorney to investigate and there is the potential that the Town Manager would bring it forth to us, you are talking about someone's behavior, you are talking about their reputation.

Attorney Joe Summa they have legal rights, they can sue somebody that slanders them. You can't pay for the attorney. Has an employer or as a political entity you can't pay for an attorney for employees you are trying to fire. This is the same situation, as matter of fact this is less because that employee has a property right in that job, that is his livelihood and that is how he supports his family. You are talking here an unpaid appointed position. None of you on the Town Council are out to slander somebody I would guess someone would have to go pretty far off the reservation to have this process go through. Think about what they have to go through if they got to that point it is what it is. The person can always say I am out here this is crazy and I don't want it. What the commission was concerned about was if you ever had another situation like you had that it didn't turn into the three ring circus.

Richard Fusco the person that is being removed from the board that they are bringing charges against the person who files the charges against him he can do that through an attorney, am I correct.

Attorney Joe Summa if he wants to hire an attorney to file a charge he can hire an attorney to file a charge. But the attorneys for the other parties will not have any participation in this process, this is your process as a town and no other attorneys are going to be involved. If the Town Manager and the Town Attorney decide they want to pursue this either of them could present it or the Town Attorney could decide because he may have a conflict to have someone else present it. In terms of individual parties that may have initially brought the complaint having representation absolutely not. They might be called as a witness depending on what the circumstances were but there is not going to be other lawyers for a Town Council proceeding.

Richard Fusco I still have a problem with it and I didn't read the whole thing through because I thought we were going on to the next meeting to approve it going through it step by step.

Attorney Joe Summa I understand it is a difficult question and your better of having some process then having no process and that is what we tried to do and make it as fair as we could.

Paul Rinaldi all the years that I have been on this council, if we have to remove someone from a board or commission it has to be uniform for all boards and commissions that is the only fair way to do it. I keep hearing tonight politics, politics I would like to believe that all of us here tonight are here doing what is in the best for the town. I don't think that if I have to make a decision in that area that I would base it on politics. I would base it on the facts and hopefully decide what happened and what didn't happen. I would also like to think that with this procedure in place that a lot of it would die right with the Town Manager and the Town Attorney and without that step politics gets in. I think it would be a good and uniform procedure and it is fair and it takes a lot of politics out of it. Most of the people in this town if you read the papers are politically astute in some areas and if something did become political you would know real fast. So I would like to think that we rise above that as a council and make fair decisions based on facts and personality of people. Just to respond to Mary Ann you raise a good point, you said how do you define misconduct and we have in place now the ordinances they use words like largesse and misconduct there is no definition for any of them. We made the procedure and the process is good with this and I think we will avoid a lot of problems, a lot of cost, hopefully a lot of politics and I think that at this point the best way to go.

Mary Ann Rosa ultimately the people are going to vote on this anyway.

Richard Fusco when it goes back to the Town Manager and the Town Attorney what if one agrees to do it and one disagrees to do it.

Attorney Joe Summa generally the Town Manager is your executive position and the attorney is someone who advises him and this says the Town Manager in conjunction with Town Attorney I would like to think that whatever the issue is they can get together on it.

Richard Fusco usually it is those two people who bring this case before the council. What do they do flip a coin yes we are right and the man's reputation is rolling on that. There are a lot of people that are going to get off boards because we are depending on two people who are going to agree and who are not going to agree.

Attorney Joe Summa what I am saying its normally an attorneys role is to advise his client. In drafting this we assume that was the role but it does say they have to believe they should go forward. If they don't believe I guess...

Raymond Primini from what you are saying the Town Manager and the Town Attorney agrees to go forward would it go to our ethics ordinance.

Attorney Joe Summa no, that would be a separate. The same conduct could result in an ethics Complaint which could result in someone requesting removal. This is separate from your ethics procedure. What could happen is the Town Attorney and the Town Manager could say this does not warrant removal but we think this an ethical violation and we are going turn it over to the ethical committee, I could see that happening.

Raymond Primini how would this differentiate from an ethics ordinance.

Attorney Joe Summa because this is the Town Manager and the Town Attorney concluding that this person's conduct and he should be removed from office, you can have an ethical violation that maybe a result of someone removed from office these are two separate procedures. You could have ethical violations that do not warrant removal from office that you shouldn't say that in a public meeting. So this is a procedure just when someone is seeking the removal of a political appointee.

Raymond Primini a concern I have that has been going on right now is somebody files an FOI complaint against someone and it was done totally unintentionally he was wrong but it was unintentional how do you interpret that.

Attorney Joe Summa that has nothing to do with this.

Raymond Primini I do not see any guidelines here.

Attorney Joe Summa what we said is give the first shot to the Town Manager and the Town Attorney to sort this out, what kind of violation is it. Rather than having an individual citizen have the right to run in front of the Town Council and start proceedings you cannot have that. We thought long and hard what is the best way to funnel this, this is what we came up with and maybe there is a better way to do it, this is the best solution we came up with.

Motion passed unanimously

b1. (Elaine Adams sec. Linda Masayda) to add to the agenda 8b1 Section 202 to leave it as is.

Elaine Adams withdrew the motion.

b2. (Elaine Adams sec. Paul Rinaldi) to add to the agenda 8b2 to look at Issue 11 party representation on boards where no political party has a clear majority to set a policy.

Elaine Adams: I am not sure exactly where in the charter but it has to do with minority representation on the boards Issue 11 and it is not only that, it is also the issue with a lack of clear majority on the council, with chairman, with majorities on boards and commissions.

Attorney Joe Suma again so we are on the same page what you currently provide is you follow state statutes. What the state statute says is that no one party gets more than anything else. It does not provide for any minority protection all it does a majority party.

Elaine Adams Dealing with an issue now which could potentially become a reality in November you have three Republicans, three Democrats, three Independent council who is Chairman number one and is it not better to have this all spelled out so we are not sitting here for a while trying to decide a Chairman because it is our call of the meeting the first Monday after election. Secondly it comes down as the board of commission appointments, when it comes to our places on the ballot we don't decide as a party who is

going first second or third, we draw lots.

Attorney Joe Summa I think you need a procedure to select your Chairman, generally if that is what you want to do. Once you say we want to have these ratios it is Pandora's box.

Elaine Adams I think we are looking for something that is not going to tie government up, where you can function based on your charter.

Joe Summa If nine people are in a room and they have to come out with a Chairperson I think they will come out with a Chairperson.

Aye: 3

Nay: 4

Abstain: 0

Motion defeated

c. Consider authorizing an appropriation in the amount of \$23,000 from the Sewer Capital Fund balance to Sewer Capital, Repair, Replacement and Rehabilitation for the Mason Avenue Sanitary Sewer Project.

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to appropriate \$23,000 from the Sewer Capital Fund balance to Sewer Capital, Repair, Replacement and Rehabilitation for the Mason Avenue Sanitary Sewer Project.

Paul Rinaldi I checked the maps this is the old fire district and it is funded properly and I will support this.

Charles Frigon you have a memo in your packet this is the section of the sewer that is a concrete lined pipe that is failing they have made some temporary repairs to it and they want to replace it.

Motion approve unanimously

d. Consider the referral of a proposed ordinance regulating building on unaccepted streets to the Ordinance Subcommittee for review and recommendation for full Town Council action.

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to refer the proposed ordinance regulating building on unaccepted streets to the Ordinance Subcommittee for review and recommendation for full Town Council action.

Richard DiFederico announced a meeting September 8th and will try to schedule it at Heminway Park School at 7:00.

Motion passed unanimously

- e. Consider the referral of a proposed ordinance establishing fees and reimbursements for Planning and Zoning, Zoning Board of Appeals, Inland Wetland Agency and Aquifer Protection Agency for processing of applications to the Ordinance Subcommittee for review and recommendation for full Town Council action.**

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to refer a proposed ordinance establishing fees and reimbursements for Planning and Zoning, Zoning Board of Appeals, Inland Wetland Agency and Aquifer Protection Agency for processing of applications to the Ordinance subcommittee for review and recommendation for full Town Council action.

Paul Rinaldi we will have both of them on that same night.

Elaine Adams I think the fees are outrageous.

Motion passed unanimously

- f. Consider an appropriation in the amount of \$5,149 from the General Fund to the Police Criminal Investigation account for ongoing criminal investigations. Funds have been deposited from the New England State Police Information Network for the investigation of illicit narcotics cases.**

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to approve an appropriation in the amount of \$5,149 from the General Fund to the Police Criminal Investigation account for ongoing criminal investigations.

Discussion: none

Motion passed unanimously

- g. Consider a resolution authorizing tax refunds.**

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to approve the resolution authorizing tax refunds.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Taxpayers have made application for the property tax refunds in accordance with Section 12-129 Refund of Excess Payment; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends that the refunds be made in accordance with the provisions of Section 12-129;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves the following tax refunds:

- 3,525 CORELOGIC AMOUNT OF REFUND 103.10
REFUND DEPT TYPE: R
PO BOX 961250
FORT WORTH TX 76161 0250
REASON FOR REFUND: DUPLICATE PAYMENT.
- 3,639 VITONE JOSEPH M AMOUNT OF REFUND 173.20
TYPE: M
78 BEACH AVE.
WATERTOWN CT 06795 2002
REASON FOR REFUND: PER BRD OF ASSMNT APPEALS, ASSESSED
VALUE DECREASED
- 3,667 DAIMLER TRUST AMOUNT OF REFUND 254.78
TYPE: M
PO BOX 685
ROANOKE TX 76262 0685
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR: ACCOUNT PRORATED
- 3,668 ELY ROBERT F OR AMOUNT OF REFUND 23.74
ELY AMBER L TYPE: M
42 SEMINOLE RD
WATERTOWN CT 06795 2380
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR, ACCOUNT DELETED.
- 3,669 SAVARD SUSAN A AMOUNT OF REFUND 16.08
TYPE: M
40 CLIFF ST
WATERTOWN CT 06795 2715
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED
- 3,676 DCFS TRUST AMOUNT OF REFUND 90.72
REFUND DEPT TYPE: M
2050 ROANOKE RD
WEST LAKE TX 76262 9616
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED

- 3,684 NAVE CLAUDIO DBA AMOUNT OF REFUND 261.51
LORENZO IMPORT CO TYPE: M
300 CHASE RIVER RD
WATERBURY CT 06704 1440
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED
- 3,685 NAVE CLAUDIO DBA AMOUNT OF REFUND 411.17
LORENZO IMPORT CO TYPE: M
300 CHASE RIVER RD
WATERBURY CT 06704 1440
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED
- 3,686 NAVE CLAUDIO DBA LORENZO AMOUNT OF REFUND 583.36
TYPE: M
102 REGENCY HILL DR
WATERTOWN CT 06795 3079
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT DELETED.
- 3,695 BRAXTON MANUFACTURING AMOUNT OF REFUND 15.30
TYPE: M
ECHO LAKE RD
WATERTOWN CT 06795 0000
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.
- 3,696 BRAXTON MANUFACTURING AMOUNT OF REFUND 18.77
TYPE: M
ECHO LAKE RD
WATERTOWN CT 06795 0000
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.
- 3,697 CUTRALI MICHAEL B AMOUNT OF REFUND 19.50
CUTRALI LUCIA F TYPE: M
104 NORTHWEST DR
WATERTOWN CT 06795 2043
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.
- 3,698 GERMAIN ALBERT E OR AMOUNT OF REFUND 41.53
GERMAIN MARGARET A TYPE: M
255 MORRIS TOWN LINE RD
WATERTOWN CT 06795 1013
REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.

3,699	GILHOOLY CHARLES F JR 376 NORTHFIELD RD WATERTOWN CT 06795 1527 REASON FOR REFUND: DUPLICATE PAYMENT.	AMOUNT OF REFUND 9.01 TYPE: M
3,700	KOGAN MIKHAIL OR KOGAN IRINA 146 MOUNT FIAR DR WATERTOWN CT 06795 1670 REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.	AMOUNT OF REFUND 21.34 TYPE: M
3,701	MARANO ALBERT R 51 EASTHILL RD WATERTOWN CT 06795 2316 REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.	AMOUNT OF REFUND 10.77 TYPE: M
3,702	PERUGINI JOSEPH 162 TARBELL AVE OAKVILLE CT 06779 1622 REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.	AMOUNT OF REFUND 5.60 TYPE: M
3,703	TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP REFUND DEPT 19001 SO WESTERN AVE EF20 TORRANCE CA 90509 0000 REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.	AMOUNT OF REFUND 66.72 TYPE: M
3,704	VW CREDIT LEASING LTD REFUND DEPT 1401 FRANKLIN BLVD LIBERTYVILLE IL 60048 4460 REASON FOR REFUND: PER ASSESSOR; ACCOUNT PRORATED.	AMOUNT OF REFUND 65.72 TYPE: M

TOTAL FOR ALL REFUNDS: 2,191.92

Dated at Watertown, CT this 15 day of August, 2011

RAYMOND F PRIMINI, CHAIRMAN

Discussion: none

Motion passed unanimously

h. Consider the establishment of a sick bank for a member of the Watertown Police Department.

(Richard DiFederico sec. Mary Ann Rosa) I move to establish a sick bank for a member of the Watertown Police Department.

Richard Fusco is this part of the charter that says we have to vote on the people that want to give their sick pay away.

Charles Frigon there are union contracts that are in place.

Motion passed unanimously

9. Adjournment.

Motion: (Mary Ann Rosa sec. Richard Fusco) to Adjourn the Regular Meeting at time 8:50 p.m.

Discussion: none

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond F. Primini, Chairman
Watertown Town Council

Susan King, Clerk