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COUNCIL CHAMBERS – SOUTH WINDSOR TOWN HALL

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Anwar called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

4. Roll Call

Members Present: Mayor M. Saud Anwar
Deputy Mayor Andy Paterna
Councilor Mary Justine Hockenberry
Councilor Karen Lydecker
Councilor Lisa Maneeley
Councilor Liz Pendleton
Councilor Matthew Riley
Councilor Janice Snyder

Members Absent: Councilor Audrey Delnicki

Others Present: Matthew B. Galligan, Town Manager

7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby approves the Minutes of the following Town Council Meeting: Special Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2018.

Was made by Councilor Snyder

Seconded by Mayor Anwar

The motion passed on a roll call vote of 7-0 with Councilor Hockenberry abstaining

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby approves the Minutes of the following Town Council Meeting: Regular Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2018.

Was made by Councilor Snyder

Seconded by Mayor Anwar

The motion was approved, unanimously

8. Public Petitions

None

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9. Communications from Liaisons, Officers, and Boards Directly Responsible to Council

None

10. Reports from Standing Committees

None

11. Reports of Temporary Committees

Mayor Anwar informed the public that starting on January 10, 2019, homeowners affected by crumbling foundations can email info@crumblingfoundations.org to get information and/or help regarding insurance coverage.

13. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Agenda Items 14C. (*) through 14. M. (*) and 15. A. (*) as the Consent Agenda.

Was made by Councilor Hockenberry
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Paterna
The motion was approved, unanimously

14. Unfinished Business

***C. Resolution Reappointing Gary Pitcock (D) to the Historic District Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Gary Pitcock (D) to the Historic District Commission for a term ending November 30, 2023.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

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14. Unfinished Business *(Continued)*

***D. Resolution Reappointing Louise Neary (D) an Alternate to the Historic District Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Louise Neary (D) an Alternate to the Historic District Commission for a term ending November 30, 2023.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

***E. Resolution Reappointing Dwight Johnson (D) to the Housing Authority**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Dwight Johnson (D) to the Housing Authority for a term ending November 30, 2023.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

***F. Resolution Reappointing Michael Paré (D) to the Human Relations Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Michael Paré (D) to the Human Relations Commission for a term ending November 30, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

***G. Resolution Reappointing Arshad Mehmood (D) to the Human Relations Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Arshad Mehmood (D) to the Human Relations Commission for a term ending November 30, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

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14. Unfinished Business (Continued)

***H. Resolution Reappointing Daria Plummer (D) to the Patriotic Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Daria Plummer (D) to the Patriotic Commission for a term ending December 31, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

***I. Resolution Reappointing Ken Lewis (D) to the Patriotic Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Ken Lewis (D) to the Patriotic Commission for a term ending December 31, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

***J. Resolution Reappointing Roger Anderson (D) to the Patriotic Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Roger Anderson (D) to the Patriotic Commission for a term ending December 31, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

***K. Resolution Reappointing Peter Anthony, Sr. (D) to the Patriotic Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Peter Anthony, Sr. (D) to the Patriotic Commission for a term ending December 31, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

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14. Unfinished Business (Continued)

- *L. Resolution Reappointing Sandra Jeski (D) to the Demolition Delay Committee**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Sandra Jeski (D) to the Demolition Delay Committee for a term ending December 31, 2020.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

- *M. Resolution Reappointing Arthur Jennings (D) to the Inland Wetlands Agency/Conservation Commission**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints Arthur Jennings (D) to the Inland Wetlands Agency/Conservation Commission for term ending December 1, 2021.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

15. New Business

- *A Resolution Appointing Councilor Karen Lydecker (D) to the Pension Committee and Postponing Consideration of this Motion until the Town Council's Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting**

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby appoints Councilor Karen Lydecker (D) to the Pension Committee for a term ending November 11, 2019, to fill the unexpired term of Jeffrey Glickman and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Council's next regularly scheduled meeting.

(Approved by Consent Agenda)

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14. Unfinished Business (Continued)

A. Discussion Item: Hiring Process for the Position of Town Manager

Mrs. Vanessa Perry, Director of Human Resources/Assistant Town Manager came forward and explained that the Town has received ten applications for this position so far and the position closes on January 21, 2019.

B. Discussion Item: Changing the Age for the Purchase of Cigarettes, Vapor, Tobacco, and Paraphernalia (*requested by Mayor Anwar*)

Mayor Anwar explained that this is an on-going discussion item. The Town Attorney has drafted an ordinance for the Council to review.

15. New Business (Continued)

C. Discussion Item: 2018 Audit Report (*requested by Town Manager, Matthew B. Galligan*) (*Patricia Perry to be present*)

Town Manager Matthew B. Galligan requested that this item be discussed later in the meeting. If there is not enough time, it could be discussed at the next Town Council meeting.

D. Resolution Accepting the Favorable Review by the Planning & Zoning Commission for the Purchase of Approximately 7+ Acres of Property from St. Francis of Assisi Church Corp.

WHEREAS, the South Windsor Town Council referred the purchase of approximately 7+ acres of property fronting on Ellington Road and Long Hill Road, owned by St. Francis of Assisi Church Corp., to the Planning & Zoning Commission pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes at their November 19, 2018 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission, at their November 27, 2018 meeting, forwarded a favorable review of the above mentioned proposed purchase

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15. D. (Continued)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby accepts the favorable review by the Planning & Zoning Commission to purchase this property.

Was made by Councilor Riley
Seconded by Councilor Anwar
The motion was approved, unanimously

E. Resolution Accepting the Favorable Review by the Planning & Zoning Commission for the Purchase of Approximately 2.2 Acres of Property from Barbara J. Burnham

WHEREAS, the South Windsor Town Council referred the purchase of approximately 2.2 acres of property on the easterly side of Ellington Road, owned by Barbara J. Burnham, to the Planning & Zoning Commission pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes at their November 19, 2018 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission, at their November 27, 2018 meeting, forwarded a favorable review of the above mentioned proposed purchase

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby accepts the favorable review by the Planning & Zoning Commission to purchase this property.

Was made by Councilor Lydecker
Seconded by Councilor Maneeley

Answering questions from the Council, Mr. Galligan explained that this property would not be purchased with open space funds.

Mayor Anwar called for a vote on the motion; it was approved, unanimously

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15. New Business (Continued)

F. Resolution Accepting the Favorable Review by the Planning & Zoning Commission for the Purchase of Approximately 7 Acres of Property from Mario and Rosa DiLoreto

WHEREAS, the South Windsor Town Council referred the purchase of 7 acres of property on the northern side of Burgess Road, owned by Mario and Rosa DiLoreto, to the Planning & Zoning Commission pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes at the November 19, 2018 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission, at their November 27, 2018 meeting, forwarded a favorable review of the above mentioned proposed purchase

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby accepts the favorable review by the Planning & Zoning Commission to purchase this property.

Was made by Councilor Maneeley

Seconded by Mayor Anwar

The motion was approved, unanimously

G. Resolution Setting a Time and Place for a Public Hearing to Receive Citizen Input on an Amendment to Article III, Division 2, Section 70-111 to Section 70-116 (Forbidding the Sale of Tobacco to Persons Under 18 Years of Age; and Providing Notice on Cigarette Vending Machines) (Ordinance #114)

BE IT RESOLVED that the South Windsor Town Council hereby sets Tuesday, January 22, 2019, at 8:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the South Windsor Town Hall, 1540 Sullivan Avenue, South Windsor, Connecticut as the time and place for a Public Hearing to receive Citizen Input on an Amendment to Article III, Division 2, Section 70-111 to Section 70-116 (Forbidding the Sale of Tobacco to Persons Under 18 Years of Age; and Providing Notice on Cigarette Vending Machines) (Ordinance #114).

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15. G. (Continued)

Was made by Deputy Mayor Paterna
Seconded by Mayor Anwar

Answering questions from the Council, Mr. Galligan stated that the Town Manager would designate the Town staff that would enforce this ordinance. Mr. Galligan said he would probably designate the Health Department. The Town Attorney drafted this ordinance.

Councilor Snyder stated that in this ordinance under Legislative Authority there is language that is subjective. It may be facts at this time, but in the future it may not apply, and wondered if it is necessary to have this language in the ordinance. Mr. Galligan stated that the language is explaining the intent for this ordinance. In the future, the State of Connecticut may move forward with legislation on this issue.

Councilor Snyder felt that the intent could be put in the ordinance, but the remainder of the language could be deleted. Mr. Galligan suggested that at the public hearing, the Council request that this language be taken out when the Town Attorney is present.

Councilor Hockenberry explained that this language tells the history of why the policy is being brought forward.

Answering further questions, Mr. Galligan explained that as long as there are not drastic changes to the ordinance, it could be done at the public hearing without requiring an additional public hearing.

Mayor Anwar called for a vote on the motion; it was approved, unanimously.

16. Passage of Ordinance

None

17. Public Input (Any Matter)

None

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18. Communications and Petitions from the Council

Councilor Snyder read a letter from Carolyn Mirek, 48 Sele Drive, into the record, as shown in attached **Exhibit A**.

Mr. Galligan gave a brief summary of the Audit Report and stated that it would be discussed in depth at the next Town Council meeting.

Councilor Snyder made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:10 p.m. Councilor Maneeley seconded the motion; and it was approved, unanimously.

19. Executive Session

At 10:57 p.m. Deputy Mayor Paterna made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a draft agreement which would result in disclosure of public records or information which is exempt from disclosure at this time pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-210(b)(1), (Gedrim Property at 534 Barber Hill Road). Mayor Anwar seconded the motion; and it was approved, unanimously.

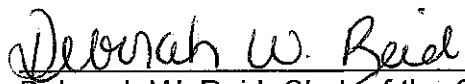
The following individuals went into Executive Session: Mayor Anwar, Deputy Mayor Paterna, Councilor Hockenberry, Councilor Lydecker, Councilor Maneeley, Councilor Pendleton, Councilor Riley, Councilor Snyder, and Town Manager Matthew B. Galligan.

At 11:10 p.m. Deputy Mayor Paterna made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session. Councilor Pendleton seconded the motion; and it was approved, unanimously.

20. Adjournment

At 11:11 p.m. Deputy Mayor Paterna made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Councilor Maneeley seconded the motion; and it was approved, unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Deborah W. Reid, Clerk of the Council

One of my initiatives while serving on the Town Council and as Mayor, was suggesting and following through on our town's implementation of a textile recycling program. In one year about 18 tons of textiles and shoes were saved from dumping and were recycled through placement in various bins located around town at our schools recreation department and community center. The places which host these recycling containers get their share of \$100 per ton in rebates.

The numbers aren't all in yet but as of the end of October the rebates are:

TE: \$197

Eli Terry: \$144.50

Orchard Hill: \$238.25

PRS: \$142.50

PV: \$355.25

Comm center: \$320.25

Rec center: \$340

Total rebate: \$1737.75.

Tony Manfre, our Superintendent of Pollution Control, told me that the projection for 2019 is 20 tons. I wonder how much this saves in our tipping fees for garbage collection. Many people I speak to are still unaware of this textile recycling program.

For many years our Town Manager, Matthew Galligan, has always bragged with pride that the South Windsor community is one of the best towns in regards to recycling. But I find there is still some degree of uncertainty of about what is exactly is recyclable and what people put in recycling (in an effort to be eco-conscious) that can contaminate the recycling process rendering it ineffective. I believe that education is power and that we can do better before considering drastic measures. If film type bags, bottle caps, wrapping paper, pizza boxes, and other items are still put in recycling that could possibly contaminate the whole batch, it defeats the purpose and good intentions. I would not want to see more questionable items going to recycling when there's a pay per bag fee.

I also let Mr. Manfre know my thoughts of promoting a townwide campaign to educate residents and provide materials to help us all do better in our efforts as a community to minimize waste and increase recycling in an efficient manner to reduce costs. I know there are some community groups that would help promote the effort. I'm in favor of setting a baseline and goal to work towards before considering radical change. Our residents deserve the opportunity.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Mirek
Former Mayor of South Windsor