

## MINUTES

TOWN COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
SOUTH WINDSOR TOWN HALL

REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, December 19, 2022  
TIME: 7:00 P.M.

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

The Town Council regular meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call**

4. **Mayor's Remarks**

Mayor Liz begins her remarks by wishing everyone Happy Holidays. South Windsor has a lot of heart and spirit, recently the Town honored the veterans that are buried within the community. The American Legion and donors are thanked for their efforts during this Holiday season.

5. **Adoption of Agenda**

Councilor Lydecker made a motion to approve the agenda as is. Councilor Evans seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

6. **Communications and Reports from the Town Manager**

Mr. Maniscalco opens by reporting on the Health Department. The State of Connecticut has made it clear that they would like an agreement for services entered into between the Town of South Windsor and the Town of Windsor. This is to offer support to our department until our director is eligible to be named the permanent director. Mr. Maniscalco is hopeful that he will be able to share the agreement at the next Town Council meeting in January.

On August 12, 2020 the town management group changed their hours to allow Town Hall to be open 50 hours a week to meet the needs of residents. With the pandemic having settled down, town management has received formal requests from 2 of their collective bargaining units to move their hours as the same hours as the management staff. These hours would be Monday 8am – 7pm, Tuesday-Thursday 8am – 4:30pm and Friday 8am – 1pm. All staff would still be required to work 37.5 hours and, if approved by the council, plenty of notice would be provided to the public. Many of the surrounding towns have already adopted a similar work week or have eliminated a 5-day work week, moving to a 4-day work week. Mr. Maniscalco believes this will significantly improve work morale for current staff. He is in favor of this recommended change. The council will be presented with a resolution at their next meeting for this change.

Mr. Maniscalco takes a moment to wish everyone Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year. He takes a moment to recognize the staff and volunteers that will be working during the holidays.

Councilor Koboski congratulates Patty Perry and the Finance Department for their work on the Audit Opinion. The report came back clean and he was very impressed by the work that was done.

Mayor Liz addresses the Civility Pledge that each councilor was presented with. This is a document that was sent to all the Towns in Connecticut, from the Conference of Connecticut Municipalities. Their mission is to get as many elected officials and municipalities to sign this pledge to encourage civility.

Mayor Liz would like to begin the new year with Citizen Community Engagement Initiative for the betterment of South Windsor. This initiative will offer the community opportunities to participate in various programs that will positively impact others. Mayor Liz asks the rest of the councilors to take a look at the initiative that she drafted. If they have any changes or recommendations they would like to add, she is open to ideas and suggestions.

7. **Public Input for Items on the Agenda**

Public Input shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. When recognized by the Mayor, the speaker(s) shall approach the lectern, give their name and address. Speakers shall avoid personal attacks or impugning or alleging an improper motive to any person. The speaker(s) may address the Council on any item on the agenda. The speaker(s) shall limit their speaking time to five (5) minutes.

Councilor Kozikowski made a motion for the following:

8. **Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**Approval of December 5, 2022 Town Council Meeting Minutes**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the South Windsor Town Council hereby approves the Minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting of December 5, 2022.

Councilor Evans made a motion for a friendly amendment. On page 17 of the previous meeting minutes February should be changed to November. Councilor Gamble seconded the motion. There is a roll call vote of 7 yeses (Evans, Koboski, Lopez, Paterna, Mayor Pendleton, Kozikowski, Gamble), 0 no's and 1 abstention (Councilor Lydecker). **MOTION PASSES.**

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

Councilor Evans speaks about the Parks and Recreation Commission. They had a meeting last Wednesday, December 14, 2022 where they began working on their master plan and what the community would like to see in the master plan. There was a vote to create a sub-committee that will work on creating the survey. It will then be brought back to the commission for review. On December 12<sup>th</sup> the Social Justice and Racial Equity Commission was able to meet for the first time. During the meeting they passed the calendar for next year. The commission will meet on the second Monday of every month. There was also discussion on how to move forward with membership. The Art Commission will be able to schedule a meeting, after the Town Council meeting there will be enough members for a quorum.

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Councilor Koboski attended the Public Building Commission meeting last week. During the superintendents update she encouraged everyone to go back and look at the enrollment projections that were presented at the November 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting. The school is still on budget and on time. The commission spoke about sediment control at the site and the continued issues. At this time there is a plan to dig an addition 4 feet to prevent overflow.

Councilor Kozikowski reports on the Planning and Zoning Commission. At their meeting last Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> they sat down with the chosen consultant for the updated Plan of Conservation Development. There was a discussion on the plans and a review of the 2013 plan.

Mayor Liz asks Councilor Evans about the end date for the Parks and Recs sub-committee to get back with recommendations for the survey that is set to go out. There is not set deadline at this time. The Strategic Planning survey will contain a few questions for Parks and Recs. The goal is to have feedback during the summer months. Councilor Evans estimates the survey will be sent out or completed by the middle of spring.

**10. Reports from Committees**

None.

Public Meetings are the time and place at which the Town Council conducts official business of the Town. The Council reserves the time and invites the public to be heard during **Public Input** of each Public Meeting, as follows:

**Item #7: Public Input on Agenda Items Only**

**In-Person Meetings:**

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**Item #15: Second Public Input - on any matter over which the Council has Jurisdiction**

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**11. Consent Agenda**

[All items listed under this section are considered routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and be considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.]

Councilor Gamble made a motion for the following resolution:

**A. First Reading**

**1) Resolution appointing Paul Mozzicato (R) as a member of the Patriotic Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby appoints Paul Mozzicato (R) as a member of the Patriotic Commission to fill the vacancy of Leigh Lovering for a term ending December 31, 2025, and postpones consideration of this motion until the Town Councils next regularly scheduled meeting.

Councilor Koboski seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote.  
**MOTION PASSES.**

Councilor Paterna made a motion for the following resolution:

**B. Second Reading**

**Motion to approve item 11 B 1 – 11 B 12 as a second reading on the consent agenda**

Councilor Evans seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote.  
**MOTION PASSES.**

**1) Resolution reappointing Virginia Macro (D) as a member of the Historic District Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Virginia Macro (D) as a member of the Historic District Commission for a term ending November 30, 2027.

**2) Resolution reappointing Joe Kennedy (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Joe Kennedy (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a term ending November 30, 2025.

**3) Resolution reappointing James Kupchunos (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints James Kupchunos (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a term ending November 30, 2025.

(consent agenda cont.)

**4) Resolution reappointing Craig Zimmerman (D) as a member of the Public Building Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Craig Zimmerman (D) as a member of the Public Building Commission for a term ending November 30, 2024.

**5) Resolution reappointing Craig Zimmerman (D) as a member of the Cable Advisory Board**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Craig Zimmerman (D) as a member of the Cable Advisory Board for a term ending June 30, 2024.

**6) Resolution reappointing Sandra Jeski (D) as a member of the Demolition Delay Committee**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Sandra Jesku (D) as a member of the Demolition Delay Committee for a term ending December 31, 2024.

**7) Resolution appointing Jeffrey L. Calissi (U) as a member of the Arts Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby appoints Jeffrey L. Calissi (U) as a member of the Arts Commission for a term ending December 31, 2023.

**8) Resolution reappointing Sandra Jeski (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Sandra C. Jeski (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a term date ending November 30, 2025.

**9) Resolution reappointing Cile Decker (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Cile Decker (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a term date ending November 30, 2025.

(consent agenda cont.)

**10) Resolution reappointing Barbara Kelly (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Barbara Kelly (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a term date ending November 30, 2025.

**11) Resolution reappointing Edward Kasheta Jr. (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Edward Kasheta Jr. (D) as a member of the Agricultural Commission for a term date ending November 30, 2025.

**12) Resolution reappointing Elizabeth McGuire (D) as a member of the Personnel Board of Appeals**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of South Windsor hereby reappoints Elizabeth McGuire (D) as a member of the Personnel Board of Appeals for a term date ending November 30, 2024.

**C. Miscellaneous**

None.

**12. Unfinished Business**

None.

**13. New Business**

Councilor Paterna made a motion for the following resolution:

**A. Resolution revising purchasing exemptions**

**WHEREAS**, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-53a allows the Commissioner of Administrative Services (the “Commissioner”) to serve as the contracting agent for a group of three (3) or more municipalities that seek to purchase supplies, materials or equipment, upon the request of the such group, provided that (1) the Commissioner determines that the group will achieve a cost savings through the Commissioner serving as the contracting agent, and (2) such cost savings are greater than the administrative costs to the State; and

**(13 A New Business cont.)**

**WHEREAS**, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-148v(b) allows the Town of South Windsor (the “Town”) to purchase equipment, supplies, materials, or services from the list of eligible entities listed in the statute; and

**WHEREAS**, The Town is constrained in its ability to purchase equipment, supplies, materials pursuant to the Town Charter Section 714 (“Section 714”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 714, the Town has a \$5,000 cap on purchases without the Town Manager inviting sealed bids or proposals or getting the Town Council to waive such bidding process; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 714 is a constraint on the Town’s ability to achieve cost savings because during the waiver process, supplies disappear, or the opportunity to implement cost savings has changed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has determined that requiring sealed bids for purchases greater than \$5,000 is not in the best interest of the Town.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR:**

**RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council authorizes the Town Manager to participate with the State of Connecticut contracting programs for the purchase of supplies, materials, or equipment pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-53a.

**RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council authorizes the Town Manager to purchase equipment, supplies, materials, or services from the list of eligible entities listed in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-148v(b).

**RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council has determined that the \$5,000 threshold requiring sealed bids for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials is an impediment to the efficient operations of the Town, and is not in the best interests of the Town, and hereby authorizes the Town Manager to waive the bidding requirements for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials for contracts valued at \$25,000 or less for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**RESOLVED**, that nothing in this resolution shall abrogate the provisions of Charter Section 1001 requiring disclosure of financial interests by any elected or appointed Town official, board or commission member, or employee.

Councilor Paterna opens the conversation by clarifying that this is going through the state purchasing agreement. These are all approved and have been through the bidding processes. Once a project goes over the \$25,000 limit there would be a need for an RFP.

Councilor Lydecker is concerned with enacting a resolution that is not first being brought to the council. She asks Mr. Maniscalco to list the projects that this purchasing exemption would be applied to. Mr. Maniscalco explains that these projects are all included in the budget statement that the council has already approved. The Town is staying within the charter. When



**(13 A New Business cont.)**

the charter was created, it was done in a way that would inhibit the town from conducting business in an efficient manner. Given the challenges of inflation, the supply line and other components, increasing the purchasing limit would help speed up the purchasing process. In the past the Town Manager has had to go to the council asking for a waiver. Mr. Maniscalco explains that in the past there have been many instances where he was close to missing out on opportunities because of the current cap.

Councilor Gamble references the time the Police Chief came forward asking for new protective gear for his officers. This instance is a good example of how the opportunity to buy the proper gear was almost missed due to the current purchasing exemptions.

Councilor Kozikowski references Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-53a, Mr. Maniscalco explains this statute states that municipalities can purchase off of state and regional contracting programs. The charter does not mention or specify where or whom these contracts can be made with. The second Resolved mentions Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-148v(b) which references groups the Town of South Windsor can purchase goods and services from. The only exception to this would be purchasing from a for-profit organization.

Councilor Lydecker clarifies that these exemptions apply to the remainder of the fiscal year, until the next budget cycle. This resolution would have to come to the council again at the beginning of the next fiscal year if they choose to use this exemption again. Councilor Lydecker asks if the Town Manager has looked into opening the charter, to which he replies that decision is for the council to make. Mr. Maniscalco says that once this resolution expires, the Town can re-evaluate. If this resolution is favorable for the Town, then a new resolution will be brought to the council.

Councilor Paterna reiterates that this is a chance to improve our purchasing exemptions. Like Mr. Maniscalco he thinks it is wise to re-evaluate at the end of this fiscal year.

Councilor Kozikowski makes a motion for a friendly amendment. Changing “**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has determined that requiring sealed bids for purchases greater than \$5,000 is not in the best interest of the Town”, to read as follows; **WHEREAS**, the Town Council has determined that requiring sealed bids for purchases less than \$25,000 may not always be in the best interest of the Town.

Councilor Paterna accepts the friendly amendment. Councilor Lydecker seconded the friendly amendment, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

Councilor Kozikowski makes another friendly amendment to the fifth Whereas clause so that it reads as follows; **WHEREAS**, Section 714 constraints the Town’s ability to achieve cost savings in current economic conditions because during the waiver process, supplies disappear, or other opportunities to implement cost savings has changed; and.

Councilor Koboski seconded the friendly amendment, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

**(13 A New Business cont.)**

Councilor Kozikowski makes another friendly amendment to strike the third Whereas clause. The rest of the council does not agree with this friendly amendment. Councilor Kozikowski withdraws his friendly amendment. Councilor Kozikowski points out that services are left out

of the clauses. Mr. Maniscalco explains that services are exempt from requirements of \$5,000 it is really only applicable to the purchase of materials and goods.

Councilor Kozikowski makes a motion for a friendly amendment. In the third Resolved clause to include the fiscal year 2022-2023. **RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council has determined that the \$5,000 threshold requiring sealed bids for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials is an impediment to the efficient operations of the Town, and is not in the best interests of the Town, and hereby authorizes the Town Manager to waive the bidding requirements for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials for contracts valued at \$25,000 or less for the remainder of the fiscal year 2022-2023. Councilor Evans seconded the motion which passes by unanimous voice vote.

**MOTION PASSES.** The new resolution with the friendly amendments will read as follows;

**WHEREAS**, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-53a allows the Commissioner of Administrative Services (the “Commissioner”) to serve as the contracting agent for a group of three (3) or more municipalities that seek to purchase supplies, materials or equipment, upon the request of the such group, provided that (1) the Commissioner determines that the group will achieve a cost savings through the Commissioner serving as the contracting agent, and (2) such cost savings are greater than the administrative costs to the State; and

**WHEREAS**, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-148v(b) allows the Town of South Windsor (the “Town”) to purchase equipment, supplies, materials, or services from the list of eligible entities listed in the statute; and

**WHEREAS**, The Town is constrained in its ability to purchase equipment, supplies, materials pursuant to the Town Charter Section 714 (“Section 714”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 714, the Town has a \$5,000 cap on purchases without the Town Manager inviting sealed bids or proposals or getting the Town Council to waive such bidding process; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 714 constraints the Town’s ability to achieve cost savings in current economic conditions because during the waiver process, supplies disappear, or other opportunities to implement cost savings has changed; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has determined that requiring sealed bids for purchases less than \$25,000 may not always be in the best interest of the Town.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR:**

**RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council authorizes the Town Manager to participate with the State of Connecticut contracting programs for the purchase of supplies, materials, or equipment pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-53a.

**(13 A New Business cont.)**

**RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council authorizes the Town Manager to purchase equipment, supplies, materials, or services from the list of eligible entities listed in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-148v(b).

**RESOLVED**, that notwithstanding Section 714, the Town Council has determined that the \$5,000 threshold requiring sealed bids for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials is an impediment to the efficient operations of the Town, and is not in the best interests of the Town, and hereby authorizes the Town Manager to waive the bidding requirements for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials for contracts valued at \$25,000 or less for the remainder of the fiscal year 2022-2023.

**RESOLVED**, that nothing in this resolution shall abrogate the provisions of Charter Section 1001 requiring disclosure of financial interests by any elected or appointed Town official, board or commission member, or employee.

Councilor Koboski made a motion for the following resolution:

**B. Resolution approving the detour plan around Pleasant Valley Road Bridge project**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of South Windsor and the State of Connecticut has deemed the bridge over the Podunk River in poor condition and in need of replacement, and

**WHEREAS**, the location, natural and manmade features around the bridge poses significant challenges to maintain traffic over the bridge during replacement, and

**WHEREAS**, after considerable analysis and evaluation of alternatives it has been determined that temporarily closing Pleasant Valley Road Bridge during replacement will allow this project to proceed in the shortest time frame and with considerable cost savings and will create the least negative impacts to the surrounding residents, and

**WHEREAS**, emergency services including Police and Fire have been consulted and support the temporary closure of this bridge.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Council supports the replacement of Pleasant Valley Road Bridge and temporarily closing Pleasant Valley Road at the Podunk River Bridge creating a temporary detour around the project site for the duration of the project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Council authorizes the Engineering Department to continue with developing the design plans for the replacement of the Pleasant Valley Road Bridge with a temporary closure of Pleasant Valley Road at this Bridge and a temporary detour around the project site.

Councilor Evans seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

**(13 B New Business cont.)**

Councilor Evans asks Mr. Doolittle how this detour would impact the schools, specifically the bus routes and schedules. Since the school bus schedule changes every year, Mr. Doolittle has not yet consulted with the school as he does not have a definite start date for this project.

This resolution has been brought to the council so that they are aware of the incoming changes. The road that is said to be worked on is highly trafficked and will impact many members of the community.

Mr. Doolittle mentions the public hearing on this Pleasant Valley Road Bridge Project that is set to take place Tuesday, December 20, 2023. This will give residents the chance to ask questions and understand the process of the construction. There will be another public hearing for the Inlands/Wetlands Agency that has been postponed for January.

Councilor Lydecker asks Mr. Doolittle how they plan on notifying the public of the detours and plans for construction of the bridge. There will be signs placed weeks ahead of time along with press release, posting on the town website and sending out letters to residents. During the time of construction, it will most likely overlap with busy season of VMP. The plan is to keep the park open and not interfere with the operation of VMP. This process will take a minimum of 6 months. It will likely overlap with summer season as well as months when school is in session.

Councilor Paterna thanks the engineering department for their hard work and ability to accommodate the residents of South Windsor. He acknowledges that this past summer of 2022 there were minimal disruptions to Main Street when that bridge went under construction.

Councilor Lopez makes a motion for the following resolution:

**C. Resolution approving the refund of taxes to forty-six (46) taxpayers for a total of \$22,093.56**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the South Windsor Town Council hereby approves a refund of taxes to forty-six (46) South Windsor taxpayers, the total of said refund being \$22,093.56 and as more fully described on attached exhibit A

Councilor Koboski seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

Councilor Kozikowski made a motion for the following resolution:

**D. Resolution submitting bridge and road reconstruction capital improvement projects to the Planning and Zoning Commission Pursuant to section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of South Windsor has a list of Road and Drainage Capital Improvement Projects that were approved for funding via the Town Capital Improvement Plan, by Bond Referendums that passed in March 2021 and November 2022, and by State Grants for part of the replacement of the Pleasant Valley Road Bridge over the Podunk River, the reconstruction

**(13 D New Business cont.)**

of Kennedy Road, the reconstruction of Dart Hill Road, and Sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, and Buckland Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the following projects are included on this list and are in the design and permitting stages:

Pleasant Valley Road Bridge replacement over the Podunk River,  
Pleasant Valley Road reconstruction between about Pepin Place and Clark Street,  
Kennedy Road reconstruction, sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, Buckland Road, and Dart Hill Road reconstruction; and

**WHEREAS**, any plan for improvements to Town streets, bridges, culverts, and drainage systems must first be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the projects listed above be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Councilor Gamble asks about the projects that are listed in the resolution. Mr. Maniscalco replies that it's a mix of projects that are funded from various grants and different sources.

Councilor Paterna seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

Councilor Gamble made a motion for a friendly amendment so that it reads as follows; **WHEREAS**, any plan for major improvements to Town streets, bridges, culverts, and drainage systems must first be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Councilor Paterna seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

Councilor Gamble made a motion for another friendly amendment so that the resolution reads as follows; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the projects listed including; Pleasant Valley Road Bridge replacement over the Podunk River, Pleasant Valley Road reconstruction between about Pepin Place and Clark Street, Kennedy Road reconstruction, Sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, Buckland Road, and Dart Hill Road reconstruction; be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Councilor Paterna seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

Councilor Evans asks about the Pleasant Valley Road reconstruction between Pepin Place and Clark Street. Mr. Doolittle plans on getting parts of these two projects done at the same time. However, they are separate projects. Pleasant Valley Road will be split into two phases. Councilor Evans makes a motion to change the wording of the second paragraph so that it reads as follows;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the projects listed including; Pleasant Valley Road Bridge replacement over the Podunk River,

**(13 D New Business cont.)**

Pleasant Valley Road reconstruction between Clark Street and near Pepin Place, Kennedy Road reconstruction, Sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, Buckland Road, and Dart Hill Road reconstruction; be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The resolution with the friendly amendments will read as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Town of South Windsor has a list of Road and Drainage Capital Improvement Projects that were approved for funding via the Town Capital Improvement Plan, by Bond Referendums that passed in March 2021 and November 2022, and by State Grants for part of the replacement of the Pleasant Valley Road Bridge over the Podunk River, the reconstruction of Kennedy Road, the reconstruction of Dart Hill Road, and Sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, and Buckland Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the following projects are included on this list and are in the design and permitting stages:

Pleasant Valley Road Bridge replacement over the Podunk River,  
Pleasant Valley Road reconstruction between Clark Street and near Pepin Place,  
Kennedy Road reconstruction, sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, Buckland Road, and Dart Hill Road reconstruction; and

**WHEREAS**, any plan for major improvements to Town streets, bridges, culverts, and drainage systems must first be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the projects listed including;

Pleasant Valley Road Bridge replacement over the Podunk River,  
Pleasant Valley Road reconstruction between Clark Street and near Pepin Place,  
Kennedy Road reconstruction, sidewalks on sections of Ayers Road, Nevers Road, Foster Street, Buckland Road, and Dart Hill Road reconstruction; and be submitted to the South Windsor Planning & Zoning Commission for a report pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Councilor Paterna seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor Liz explains that since Mr. Keohane is still an existing member of the Redevelopment Agency, there is no vacancy to fill at this time. Until his term expires, he cannot be reappointed. It is decided that the council will postpone this motion until his term expires.  
Councilor Evans makes a motion for the following resolution:

**E. Resolution reappointing William Keohane to the Redevelopment Agency**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the South Windsor Town Council hereby reappoints William Keohane to the Redevelopment Agency for a term ending December 31, 2026.

**(13 E New Business cont.)**

Councilor Koboski seconded the motion. Councilor Evans requests that the council postpone the reading until January. Councilor Kozikowski seconded the motion to postpone the reading until January, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.**

**14. Passage of Ordinance**

None.

**15. Public Input for Any Matter**

Public Input for any other matter shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. When recognized by the Mayor, the speaker(s) shall approach the lectern, give their name and address. Speakers shall avoid personal attacks or impugning or alleging an improper motive to any person. The speaker(s) may address the Council on any item. The speaker(s) shall limit their speaking time to five (5) minutes.

Dan Edwards 131 Hilton Drive references the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. The Republican Town Committee nominated someone for the Social Justice and Racial Equity Commission, however they do not appear on the agenda tonight.

Rich Balboni 23 Debbie Drive was nominated for a commission by the Republican Town Committee. He was removed from the agenda without explanation. Mr. Balboni speaks to his abilities and how he would have been an asset to the Social Justice Racial Equity Commission. Mr. Balboni suggests that nominations are being removed without good reasoning. He goes on to accuse the council of discrimination.

Audrey Delnicki begins her remarks by accusing the council of discrimination of republican nominations. She brings up Mr. Balboni's nomination to the Social Justice and Racial Equity Commission. Mrs. Delnicki points out that until Mr. Balboni was nominated to the SJ&RE Commission, there were no other nominations by the Republican Town Committee. Mrs. Delnicki remarks on the nomination forms that were missing from the agenda packet, they were included in the last agenda packet. She states that the council is trying to keep secrets and not share information with the public. Mrs. Delnicki goes on to say that the councilors are not acting or performing to her standards.

**16. Communications from the Council**

None.

**17. Executive Session**

(Please invite Town Manager, Michael Maniscalco, Assistant Town Manager, Mrs. Perry and Assistant Town Manager, Mr. Roberts and any other appropriate personnel deemed necessary).

None.

18. Adjournment

Councilor Lydecker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Gamble seconded the motion, which passes by unanimous voice vote. **MOTION PASSES.** The meeting adjourns at 8:45pm.