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# TOWN OF NEWINGTON

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**MAYOR STEPHEN WOODS**

## MINUTES

**NEWINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Conf. Room L-101 (Lower Level) – Town Hall**  
**131 Cedar Street**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**February 24, 2015**

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The Town Council held an Executive Session re: Personnel at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Woods called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

### **I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **II. ROLL CALL**

Councilor Borjeson  
Councilor Castelle  
Councilor DelBuono - arrived at 7:10 p.m.  
Councilor Klett  
Councilor Marocchini  
Councilor McDonald –arrived at 7:10 p.m.  
Councilor Nagel  
Mayor Woods

Staff Attendees:

John Salomone, Town Manager  
Andy Brecher, Economic Development Director  
Lou Jachimowicz, Chief Finance & Operations Officer  
Jaime Trevethan, Asst. to the Town Manager – Administration  
Linda Irish-Simpson, Clerk of the Council

### **III. AWARDS/PROCLAMATIONS**

#### **A. Volunteers of the Year - 2014**

##### **1. Ann Marino**

The Mayor moved the following:

**WHEREAS, each year the Town Council recognizes someone who has voluntarily dedicated time and/or resources for the benefit of others and the community at large; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Ann Marino is being recognized for her active and continuing involvement with so many volunteer organizations; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Marino has been a member of the Newington's United Church of Christ where she has held multiple leadership positions where she has served as Church Moderator and Chair of the Deaconate; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Marino is a member of the Friends of the Lucy Robbins Welles Library and serves on the Advisory Board. She also chairs the Membership Committee and the Book Sale Committee which involves many hours of volunteering; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Marino devotes her time as a volunteer to the Town of Newington's Human Services Department; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Marino is involved with the Core Leadership Team with Family Promise of Central Connecticut which is an organization that helps homeless families; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Marino was one of the originators of the ICAN Program in Newington; and**

**WHEREAS, Ms. Marino has been a valuable asset to the many organizations in which she has participated and continues to offer her time, talent and gifted direction, while graciously and rightfully considering the opinions of others;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Newington Town Council hereby designates Ann Marino as its 2014 Volunteer of the Year in recognition of her volunteer activities for the welfare of the community and for serving as a positive role model and an example of all that can be accomplished through the spirit of volunteerism.**

Ms. Marino thanked everyone for nominating her and said it had been her joy to work with the Town of Newington in the various volunteer organizations over the years. She appreciated the people who were at the meeting to watch her get the award.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Borjeson and the motion passed 8 – 0.

## **2. Robert Newbold**

The Mayor moved the following:

**WHEREAS, each year the Town Council recognizes someone who has voluntarily dedicated time and/or resources for the benefit of others and the community at large; and**

**WHEREAS, this year Mr. Robert Newbold is being recognized for his active involvement with Newington Community Television (NCTV) promoting upcoming Town of Newington events; and**

**WHEREAS, Mr. Newbold has been a dynamic member of the Newington Rotary, twice serving as president and working on committees that have brought the Rotary successes such as the annual “Breakfast with Santa”, Rotary Golf Tournament, Alex’s Lemonade Stand and charity nights; and**

**WHEREAS, Mr. Newbold convinced his employer of 35 years, Thomas Fahy Insurance Associates, to co-sponsor the annual Newington Night of Lights; and**

**WHEREAS, Mr. Newbold volunteered as a coach for both his son’s soccer and baseball teams in the Newington Public School system; and**

**WHEREAS, Mr. Newbold epitomizes the most powerful traits of a volunteer: working a little harder than the rest, encouraging others to do the same, never seeking recognition or acclaim and always with a kind word and smile on his face; and**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Newington Town Council hereby designates Robert Newbold as its 2014 Volunteer of the Year in recognition of his volunteer activities for the welfare of the community as a whole and for serving as a positive role model and an example of all that can be accomplished through the efforts of volunteers.**

Mr. Newbold thanked Andy Brecher for nominating him and felt fortunate to be selected since there were so many volunteers in the Town. He has enjoyed working with everyone in Town and encouraged others to volunteer.

Councilor Borjeson stated it was the first year there were two volunteers of the year but since they were both wonderful it was a good decision. Councilor Nagel said that both showed the true attitude and experience that a volunteer should have. One of the individual's who worked quietly behind the scenes and the other in a more public role. Mayor Woods agreed with the Councilors' comments.

Bob Randich, 43 Brook Street: As a past Mayor, he wanted to congratulate both of the volunteers for joining a select list of volunteers from the past. He felt that Mr. Newbold gave a tremendous amount to the Town and hoped the Volunteer of the Year program would continue for years.

Gail Whitney, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce: She wanted to congratulate the volunteers and in particular Mr. Newbold. He gave a lot of time to the car show, 7 a.m. Network and wanted to thank him for all that he did. She stated she saw Ann all over Town as well and wanted to thank both for all their volunteerism.

Dave Morrison, Maple Hill Avenue: He wanted to congratulate both of the volunteers for all their efforts.

Councilor Marocchini seconded the motion and the motion passed 8 – 0.

#### **IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – IN GENERAL**

Havital Miltz: She stated she had sent an email to the Town Manager regarding the chemicals used in Town Hall since she was bothered by some of them and in particular the Library bathroom. She would like to get a response from someone. She felt there were many items not managed correctly like leaking roofs at the middle school, pensions funded at less than 50% and other facilities not maintained properly. She was not in favor of using any open space and felt most residents would agree with her. She was against the survey sent to town residents at a cost of \$15k and that the Town Manager was not always pleasant to the people who paid his salary, which she felt should not be raised.

(Inaudible): She was concerned that the Open Space Committee was to be disbanded and thought it should be reconstituted with fewer individuals, which would make it easier to get a quorum and to get things done.

John Slusarski, 40 Grandview Drive: He indicated with budget season coming the Town Council could not afford to include everything and hoped each item would be looked at carefully since although most things were nice to have, the Town could not afford all things. Mr. Slusarski stated that during the Library presentation it was shown that volume was up. However, he wanted the Council to look carefully since the numbers indicate the volume was actually down 14.5% from 2009.

Rose Lyons, 46 Elton Drive: She congratulated both of the volunteers for all they did for the Town. She wanted an update on the status of Joint Committee of Community Safety in the near future.

Jim Gilbert, 58 Coolidge Avenue: He was not in favor of the proposed increase for the Town Manager.

John Bachand, 58 Maple Hill Avenue: He congratulated both of the volunteers who were honored and thought the Town should get back to basics, which volunteering was. He felt the Town was at a crossroads and felt a moratorium should be put in place to evaluate the path the Town should go down. It would give the Town time to evaluate high density, low income and other housing options that might work for Newington. He felt the Conservation Commission was premature in approving an application because it was against zoning rules. He would like to see less regionalization by the Town and that the Open Space Commission should remain in place and not be disbanded.

Roy Zartarian, 25 Stuart Street: he indicated there was already in place a component for regional service management and wanted to know if it was being used by residents and if Town staff were following up on it correctly. He did not understand the need for another study on the busway with housing components. He was concerned CROCOG was usurping the Town's planning responsibility. He felt that more housing would not produce a magic money tree to solve the Town's fiscal problems.

Gail Budrejko, 21 Isabelle Terrace: She felt the residents had valid concerns regarding housing in Town and wondered why the sudden rush for housing. The impact of housing on schools, services, traffic, etc. should be studied and was a valid concern. She felt the busway would not attract business and wanted Newington to retain the characteristics that attracted people originally. She asked for leadership, vision and political will to make balanced development decisions.

Patty Foley, 51 Crown Ridge: She wanted to congratulate the volunteers and felt they were both great choices. She felt the Open Space Commission should be preserved to maintain the current lifestyle in Newington.

(inaudible): She congratulated the volunteers and stated she felt that raises should be kept to a minimum, even zero percent, as they used to be in the '90's when the Town was in fiscal trouble. She also wanted to keep the Open Space Commission open.

**V. CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS**  
**A. Town Manager Evaluation**

Councilor Borjeson moved the following:

**RESOLVED:**

**That reflective of the Town Manager's performance from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, the Town Council; hereby authorizes a salary increase of 2% on the current salary of the Town Manager, John L. Salomone for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014.**

Councilor Borjeson stated the Evaluation Committee had completed the review for the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. All Town employees for that period of time had received a 2% increase.

Councilor McDonald wanted the public to know the raise was for 2013 – 2014 and some of the items mentioned during public participation would not relate to the period of the increase but would for the period 2014-2015.

Councilor Nagel agreed with Councilors McDonald and Borjeson regarding the review being late. There had been lively discussion in Executive Session regarding what happened during the period the review covered.

Councilor Castelle stated the three goals given to Mr. Salomone had been met during the period of the evaluation and there were four separate commendations for performance suggested and agreed to by the members of the committee.

Councilor Klett expressed concern about sharing information from executive session and hesitated to comment further because she wanted to respect the process. Councilor Castelle thought it was important for the public to understand how the committee reached their decision. The Mayor indicated the document the Council received in executive session was a public document and would be placed in Mr. Salomone's personnel file.

Councilor McDonald stated she had not participated in the evaluation since she was not part of the Council during that timeframe. Councilor DelBuono stated she would abstain from voting since she had not filled out a questionnaire and was only on the Council for a portion of the 2013-2014 evaluation. Mayor Woods congratulated Mr. Salomone on achieving the goals set by the Council, had brought Best Market to Town, was instrumental in bringing down the National Welding site and did a great job negotiating with Town unions.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Marocchini and failed on a roll call vote:

Yes: Councilors Borjeson, Castelle, Marocchini, Mayor Woods

No: Councilors Klett, Nagel

Abstained: Councilors DelBuono, McDonald

## **VI. CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Accept Bid(s) - John Wallace Middle School STEM Academy**

#### **1. Demolition and Abatement (Action Requested)**

Councilor Castelle stated there were two projects because of two separate reimbursement rates from the State. The first is the abatement of PCB's and demolition and the second is the alteration and reconstruction. The vendor chosen was Accurate Insulation of Bristol. It was important to waive the rules since the State took a long time to get approval. It was important to have the project completed by late August.

**Councilor Borjeson moved to suspend the rules to act on the demolition and abatement resolution at John Wallace Middle School and was seconded by Councilor Nagel. The motion passed 8 – 0.**

Councilor Castelle moved the following:

#### **RESOLVED:**

**That the Newington Town Council, pursuant to Chapter 8, Article X, Project Building Committees, of the Newington Code of Ordinances; and upon the recommendation of the School Career Technical Program Renovation Building Committee; hereby accepts the bid of Accurate Insulation, LLC of Bristol, CT for abatement and demolition work of the STEM Academy wing at John Wallace Middle School, for the fee of \$224,900.**

The motion was seconded by Councilor Nagel and passed 8 – 0.

Councilor McDonald asked when the work would begin and impact on the students. Mr. Jachimowicz stated within a couple of weeks of approval the work would begin and there would be no impact on the students since the area was an unused area of the building. If there was testing going on, construction would not interfere with it but the weather could be a factor.

John Bachand, 56 Maple Hill Avenue: He thought the aerospace wing was a wonderful idea since most of the shop classes had been discontinued and was a wonderful opportunity for the students.

(Name not given): She asked why action had to be taken now instead of in the summer and was told the project needed to be completed by the time the students returned to school and the State allowed this type of work to be done while school was in session.

Councilor Nagel stated the larger part of the job involved alteration and reconstruction and the sooner that portion could be started the better chance for the phase to be completed in time for the opening of school. Councilor Marocchini indicated he thought it was a wonderful project and wished them well and good luck.

#### **2. Alterations and Reconstruction**

Mr. Jachimowicz explained the second part of the project would be the actual reconstruction. All work that was not weather dependent would be done and then they would demolish the walls of the building to prepare for reconstruction. He expected the general contractor to start as soon as possible.

Councilor Castelle stated all the questions were clarified at a recent meeting and was pleased with the scope of the work. Councilor McDonald asked where the public could get further information on the project and Mr.

Jachimowicz stated there was a PowerPoint presentation on the website. The item will be on the next Town Council agenda.

## **B. Economic Development Update (Conservation Comm., TPZ, Economic Development Comm., ZBA)**

Mr. Brecher gave a PowerPoint presentation which is attached.

Councilor McDonald asked if the housing that might be proposed would be aimed not at families and bringing more students into the schools. Mr. Brecher indicated the high density housing would be aimed at high income with no children and fewer services required.

Councilor Klett said it was a good presentation if they could deliver what Mr. Brecher was promoting. She was concerned that Rep. Byron had stated that high density/low income housing was a done deal and worried Newington would not have a choice as to the housing situation. She wondered what guarantee could be given that high income housing would prevail. Mr. Brecher said that low income was only built by developers when they received subsidies to do so and built only market value housing when using their own funds. Councilor Klett felt it was important that towns like Simsbury, Avon, and Farmington step up to build low income housing instead of leaving it up to towns like Newington and others close to Hartford. Councilor Borjeson had also not heard anything about low incoming housing coming to Newington and wanted to know where Rep. Byron got his information. He was not personally aware of any low income housing plans for Newington.

Councilor McDonald asked about the difference between regulations vs. a moratorium. Mr. Brecher felt that a moratorium was a cop out unless there was a good reason to kick the can down the road to another year. He felt the Town should draft regulations as soon as possible, motivate the TPZ to hire a consultant to draft them and continue with the project.

Councilor Nagel said the Council had seen a similar presentation by Mr. Brecher at the goal setting meeting and felt many things had been clarified between the two presentations. Councilor DelBuono stated that if more students were brought into the system at a cost of approximately \$17k per there would be added expenditures to the Town and needed to look at the big picture.

Mayor Woods stated the Town Council could not control construction but could control the budget. He indicated the grand list was stagnant. There was a need to grow the economy and grand list. Newington had to strike a balance and find a way to grow.

Councilor Klett indicated Michael's had left Newington for Berlin and a new building, which left a vacancy in town for the tax base. They needed to work with businesses and help to ensure that the Town encouraged them to stay. Mayor Woods stated they had done a great job along the Berlin Turnpike over the years and many property values had increased tremendously.

Councilor McDonald agreed with the Mayor and felt the budget increases were unsustainable without growing the grand list. It was a concern and had to be proactive on how the Town would grow in the future.

Councilor Nagel stated that there were rules and regulations the various commissions had to follow that were mandated by the State. Whatever economic development was to be decided on, the commissions were bound by whatever codes were involved. He felt they should let the State legislators review the State rules and regulations to ensure they were still viable in the present day economic situation. The Mayor said that a message was not being sent to the various boards to bend any rules. He said they could only get a certain number of businesses or manufacturers in Newington and had to grow the grand list. There should be a discussion between all the various bodies so everyone could understand what rules and regulations were involved and the best decision for Newington could be made.

### C. CRCOG Regional Performance Incentive Grant Program

Councilor Borjeson said CRCOG had expanded to 38 towns and each town must vote on the resolution with 75% approval for it to move forward. Not everything included in the grant list involved Newington but as part of CRCOG, must vote on the proposal. He said Newington was ahead of the curve in regard to regional services management and the proposal involved other towns who had that need.

Councilor Nagel wanted to ensure that the Town was not bound to any specific request by voting for the proposal. Councilor Klett wanted clarification on what benefit would there be for another study. Councilor Borjeson indicated it continued what had already been started regarding the entire region, mass transit, walkways, and rail structures. Part of the next process would be to take a look at what could be developed and to increase ridership at the same time.

Councilor Nagel mentioned the lack of bathrooms at the busway stops and was told it was done intentionally for safety and maintenance reasons.

### D. Discussion: Review of Inactive Committees

Mayor Woods read off the list of committees that were under consideration to be disbanded. He indicated the Open Space Committee had not met for several years but was open to the idea of it being revitalized with a smaller group. However, he thought it had to be disbanded first. He felt the Town Attorney should advise the Council on how to proceed with the list. Councilor McDonald felt before disbanding the Downtown Revitalization Committee there were eyesores downtown that should be addressed like the concrete planters left vacant. Mayor Woods said volunteers had offered to help keep the planters planted in the future. He asked Jamie Trevethan and the Town Manager to get copies of the last minutes of the Revitalization and Open Space Committees for the next meeting.

## VII. RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS (Action May Be Taken)

Councilor Nagel moved the following:

### RESOLVED:

**That the Newington Town Council hereby makes the following appointments:**

#### 3. Balf-Town Committee

Name	Address	Party	Term	Replaces
Balf Rep:			Immed. – 1/1/2050	Vacant
NTC Rep: Beth DelBuono	327 Walsh Avenue	R	NTC Term	D. Dinunzio (resigned 2-2015)

#### 10. Downtown Revitalization Committee

Name	Address	Party	Term	Replaces
NTC Rep.			NTC Term	Myra Cohen
NTC Rep: Beth DelBuono	327 Walsh Avenue	R	NTC Term	D. Dinunzio (resigned 2-2015)

Development Comm. Rep:			Development Comm. Term	Vacant
Development Comm. Rep:			Development Comm. Term	Vacant
Development Comm. Rep:			Development Comm. Term	Vacant

**11. Employee Insurance and Pension Benefits Committee**

Name	Address	Party	Term	Replaces
Specialist:			Immed. – 11/30/2014	Vacant
NTC Rep: Beth DelBuono	327 Walsh Avenue	R	NTC Term	D. Dinunzio (resigned 2-2015)
Alternate:			Immed. – 11/30/2014	Vacant

**14. Fair Rent Commission**

Name	Address	Party	Term	Replaces
Dwelling Unit Tenant:			Immed – 11/30/15	Vacant
Dwelling Unit Landlord: Cathleen Hall	37 Pepperbush Lane	R	Immed. – 11/30/15	Vacant

**15. IHCC Committee**

Name	Address	Party	Term	Replaces
NTC Rep: Beth DelBuono	327 Walsh Avenue	R	NTC Term	D. Dinunzio (resigned 2-2015)

**28. West Meadow Cemetery Expansion Project Building Committee**

Name	Address	Party	Term	Replaces
NTC Rep:			NTC Term	M. Cohen (Term Exp. 11/15/11)
NTC Rep: Beth DelBuono	327 Walsh Avenue	R	NTC Term	D. Nagel (Term Exp. 11/15/11)
			Immed. – Indefinite	N .Lebrun (deceased)

Councilor Klett seconded the motion and it passed 8 – 0.

## **VIII. TAX REFUNDS**

Councilor Marocchini moved the following:

### **RESOLVED:**

**That property tax refunds in the amount of \$ 480.75 are hereby approved in the individual amounts and for those named on the “Requests for Refund of an Overpayment of Taxes,” certified by the Revenue Collector, a list of which is attached to this resolution.**

The motion was seconded by Councilor DelBuono and the motion passed 8 – 0.

## **IX. WRITTEN/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER, OTHER TOWN AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS, OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS AND THE PUBLIC**

None

## **X. COUNCIL LIAISON/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Borjeson reported the CIP Committee would be presenting their recommendations during the budget season.

Councilor Nagel attended the Fire Commission meeting and took a tour of Station 2 with Rep. Byron. He had talked to the Chief about the codes for the Town Hall Renovation and the auditorium, and the Commission reported on various items they were in the process of accomplishing.

Councilor Marocchini reported the Town Hall Building Committee would be getting conceptual plans next week but that nothing specific had been decided on, and no commitments had been made. He urged anyone from the public interested to attend the meeting.

## **XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – IN GENERAL**

Sarah Jorgensen, 35 Florence Street: She stated she was concerned about the comments regarding high density/low income housing and mentioned her brother who was on the committee had told her it was not definite. She stated Victory Gardens had had a huge impact on services required in Town. She felt manufacturers could be brought to Town to make money for Newington like Jackson Labs but felt high density housing was not the way to go.

Scott Greczkowski, 46 Miami Avenue: He wanted to know what was going to draw people with money to Newington, who would want to live near the noisy busway and wondered if high income houses were built but nobody bought them, would they become low income housing. With additional housing another fire station might

be needed and the additional cost of \$17k per student who moved in. The Town had a lot of projects like the Library, Town Hall, community center, and schools needing major work and wondered how it would be paid for.

Steven Silvia, 45 Basswood Street: he was pleased with the regional activities in Town, which would lower a lot of future expenses to combine with other towns and split the costs of services. He said that what drew him to Newington years ago was the open spaces and felt Newington should be marketed as a destination for people to come to and live. He felt the custodial contract should be renegotiated to be in line with other towns in the area, which might give residents the opportunity to use Board of Education facilities at a much reduced rate. That would take some of the burden off the Mortensen Center.

Rose Lyons, 46 Elton Drive: She was concerned about moving the bus stop by Dunkin' Donuts, maintenance and security of the busway. She wondered if the Downtown Revitalization Committee went from municipal parking lot, to Market Square and if it was the same committee doing all of it. She asked if all the money had been spent. Mrs. Lyons wanted to know when the CIP handouts would be public so they could look at what the balances were in all the accounts. She questioned the process of an abstention and if a reason had to be given or not. Mrs. Lyons wondered when a sub-committee agreed on an evaluation and brought it to the full council, did the Councilor(s) vote on the recommendation or personal knowledge of the evaluation.

John Slusarski, 40 Grandview Avenue: He wanted to congratulate the Town employees who cleared the roads. He felt they had done a great job so far this winter.

John Bachand, 56 Maple Hill Avenue: He asked about the following 1) indicated the busway parking lots had not been cleared and wondered why 2) Felt they needed to make sidewalks a priority since people would be walking to the busway on the road which was not safe 3) He was impressed with Mr. Brecher's presentation but was in favor of a moratorium, which was not incompatible with development 4) High density housing was a concern and needed to review it carefully 5) He agree about regional pressure from the State to encourage high density housing and wanted the Town to push back 6) On the budget, he felt that once a Council got more money it was spent immediately and should control spending like families had to do instead.

## **XII. REMARKS BY COUNCILORS**

Councilor Klett felt that development would dictate what might happen in Newington and did not need 10% low housing like the State said they had to meet. The Town must find a way to reassure the residents as to what would really happen.

Mayor Woods stated that high density/low income housing was not wanted anywhere in Town and none proposed. The Planning and Zoning Committee guided what the Town would look like and become. They had done an excellent job and would continue to do so. Newington had to find a balance and wished manufacturing was the way to go but it was not.

Councilor DelBuono stated she abstained on the vote and did give a reason since she felt it was important to do so. She did not feel it was right to vote on the recommendation when she was not part of the process of the committee and did not do a personal evaluation like the other councilors. She agreed with the discussion about sidewalks and wondered who decided where they were placed and where to put them in the future. She asked if Mr. Salomone could give the Council information on what guidelines were used. Councilor DelBuono was glad with the level of public participation and hoped it continued since it was a good way to get information on what the public was feeling.

Councilor McDonald agreed with Councilor DelBuono's comments regarding public participation. She said that CRCOG was an excellent example of tapping into regional funding and not just Newington's. There was no obligation to follow through on any recommendations CRCOG might offer for Cedar Street and Newington Junction. Councilor McDonald was particularly concerned about the sidewalks from Main Street to Willard stopping about half way when there were residents at the Veteran facility who depended on bus transportation by walking on the street. High schoolers used the sidewalks and then had to walk in the street as well. She felt she had made it clear why she abstained since she was not on the Town Council during that period of time, had no individual input into the evaluation and was not on the sub-committee who made the final determination. She said she had not heard of any building that would be going on in the Park and wished the rumor would go away.

Councilor McDonald felt it was important to re-imagine Cedar and Fenn in a new and beautiful manner instead of the current condition.

Councilor Nagel felt there were both good and bad regional opportunities and the Town Council would recognize the economically feasible ones for Newington and would not consider others. He requested more information on security at the busway and who handled emergencies along the busway once it was up and running. He was glad the Community and Safety Committee was not to be disbanded due to the recent discussion of sidewalks in Town. The topic was expensive and more intricate than people might think. He wanted also to thank Councilor Dinunzio for his hard work and wanted to welcome Beth back to the Council.

Councilor Marocchini thanked Mr. Brecher for his presentation and for the public participation at the meeting. He hoped everyone could work together for the Town.

Councilor Borjeson said the parking lots at the busway were not plowed because no busses ran there yet. There are cameras at each site, and they were intentionally built with no corners for safety reasons and could be monitored via phone for emergencies. If bathrooms were built, they would need to be cleaned, maintained and another place for a person to hide. The busway was well thought out and all concerns raised had already been discussed on multiple occasions.

Councilor Castelle thanked everyone for their comments.

Mayor Woods thanked Mr. Brecher for his presentation and the commission members who attended. He appreciated everyone's input and hoped they would continue since the Council needed to hear from the residents.

### **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Marocchini moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 p.m. and was seconded by Councilor Castelle. The motion passed 8 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Irish-Simpson  
Clerk of the Council

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