

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY &
TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS
OF NORTH BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT**

Tuesday, April 2, 2002

**Totoket Valley Elementary School
7:05 p.m.**

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

1. **ROLL CALL:** Present were Mayor Joanne Wentworth, Council Members Mary Bigelow, Vincent Candelora, Michael Downes, Andrew Esposito, Joan Fitch, and Jack Krasko. Also present were Town Manager Karl Kilduff and Town Attorney John Gesmonde.

Council Member Paul Proto arrived at 7:20 p.m.
Deputy Mayor Guertin was absent.

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**
 - a. March 19, 2002 - Regular WPCA & Town Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilor Krasko moved, seconded by Councilor Fitch, to accept the minutes of the March 19, 2002 Water Pollution Control Authority and Town Council Meeting as amended.

Councilor Bigelow had a correction on page 6 in that "CFEE" should be corrected to read "CFEPE".

VOTE: Passed 6 to 0 with 1 abstention in a roll call vote.
FOR: Mayor Wentworth, Councilors Mary Bigelow, Vincent Candelora, Andrew Esposito, Joan Fitch, and Jack Krasko
ABSTAIN: Councilor Michael Downes

- b. March 25, 2002 - Special Town Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilor Krasko moved, seconded by Councilor Esposito, to accept the minutes of the March 25, 2002 Special Town Council Meeting as presented.

VOTE: Passed 7 to 0 in a roll call vote.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY AGENDA

3. **CORRESPONDENCE/CITIZENS' STATEMENTS**

There were no correspondence or citizens' statement at this time.

4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

5. NEW BUSINESS: None.

6. CITIZENS' STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS

There were no citizens' statements and petitions at this time.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

a. Economic Development Commission

Town Manager Kilduff reported that the Economic Development Commission met last evening and discussed an Economic Development Strategy for the Town of North Branford. He also indicated that the Commission will be making a referral to the Town Council on a proposal for a light industrial development on town-owned property.

8. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT OF OLD BUSINESS

Town Manager Kilduff reviewed with the Council his Memorandum dated March 26, 2002 (Attachment 1).

9. COMMUNITY EVENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Presentation by Parks and Recreation Commission of the North Branford Parks Study

Brian Lynch, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission, was present to review with the Council the North Branford Parks Study which has been completed by Nafis & Young. He highlighted the Executive Summary of the report. Mr. Lynch stated that the report indicates that the fields are grossly overused and that this overuse leads to increased maintenance costs and the deterioration of the fields. He commended the Town Council for the acquisition of open space for passive use, but stated that the Commission is requesting that the Council pursue the purchase of property for active recreation use. Mr. Lynch spoke on the benefits of having a parcel which is central in the Town and close to the Public Works Department.

Mr. Lynch also reviewed the cost to irrigate Northford Park, which is approximately \$100,000. He stated that the Commission is recommending \$700,000 in its budget for the purchase of property for recreation purposes. He spoke on the growth of youth activities, which increases each year.

Councilor Krasko questioned bringing water to Northford Park through the water company property and pumping station which is in that area.

Mr. Lynch briefly responded to this. He confirmed that North Farms Park on Route 139

has sprinklers which run off city water and that Totoket Valley Park uses a system connected to the Farm River.

10. CITIZENS' STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

There were no citizens' statements or petitions at this time.

11. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS: None.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

13. NEW BUSINESS: None.

14. CITIZENS' STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS

Mayor Wentworth was in receipt of the following correspondence:

Zoning Board of Appeals	Re: Minutes of March 18, 2002 meeting
Parks and Recreation Commission	Re: Minutes of March 18, 2002 meeting
Murtha Cullina LLP	Re: Sexual Harassment: A Program to Provide the Supervisory Training Required by Law
New England Academy of Theatre	Re: Spring Workshops
Lorman Education Services	Re: Seminar on what you need to know about public records and open meetings in Connecticut
North Branford Intermediate School	Re: Principal Pages newsletter for March 2002
CT Conference of Municipalities	Re: Weekly Update: Bills Proposing New State Mandates on Municipalities 2002 General Assembly; Information regarding CRRA problem
Leadership Connecticut	Re: Third Annual Statewide Conference on Leadership and Community Building
VNA Community Healthcare	Re: Yale New Haven Hospital Mobile Mammography Van
Walden University	Re: Online University
Museum of Automobile History	Re: Museum for Sale

UCONN	Re: The Connecticut Economy Quarterly Review
Connecticut Office of Tourism	Re: Annual Connecticut Governor's Conference on Tourism
Planning and Zoning Commission	Re: Minutes of March 21, 2002 meeting
Lombardo Associates, Inc.	Re: Newsletter
Greater New Haven Convention & Visitor's Bureau	Re: Activity Report for December 2001, January/February 2002
United Way	Re: Thank you for generosity of the North Branford Town Hall
Richard Blumenthal, Attorney General	Re: Illegal dumping in Connecticut
Office of Policy and Management	Re: New Funding Available
CT Urban Forest Council	Re: Forum on Inventorying Municipal Trees
Cherish Our Children Angel Statue Committee	Re: Request of donation
Fair Housing Association of CT	Re: Annual Fair Housing Conference
Dept. of Environmental Protection	Re: Approval for DOT project
John O'Brien	Re: Concerns with the proposed budget
Wagner & Associates	Re: Small Cities Program and Fair Housing
Secretary of the State	Re: Benefits of the Centralized Voter Registration System

With respect to the correspondence from the Secretary of State's Office regarding the centralized voter registration system, Councilor Downes requested that a letter be sent to the Secretary of State's Office clarifying the Town's position in not undertaking this at this time. There was a brief discussion on this by the Council.

15. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION RE:
 - a. Land Negotiations, Pursuant to CGS 1-200 (6) (D)

MOTION: Councilor Downes moved, seconded by Councilor Krasko, that the North

Branford Town Council hereby adjourns to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss land negotiations, pursuant to CGS Section 1-200(6)(D); and that attendance at said Executive Session be hereby limited to Town Council members, the Town Manager, and the Town Attorney.

VOTE: Passed 7 to 0 in a roll call vote.

Councilor Proto arrived at 7:20 p.m. and entered into Executive Session with the Council.

MOTION: Councilor Proto moved, seconded by Councilor Krasko, to return to open session at 7:55 p.m.

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilor Downes moved, seconded by Councilor Candelora, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

VOTE: Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosanne Krajewski
Clerk to the Council