

**ENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022**

A Regular Meeting of the Enfield Town Council was called to order by Mayor Cressotti on Monday, October 17, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

PRAYER – The Prayer was given by Councilor Cekala.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL-CALL – Present were Councilors Cekala, Cressotti, Despard, Finger, Hopkins, Ludwick, Nelson, and Pyznar. Councilor Mangini arrived at 7:45pm.. Absent were Councilors Santanella, and Unghire. Also present were Town Manager, Ellen Zoppo-Sassu; Assistant Town Manager, Steven Bielenda; Town Attorney, James Tallberg; Finance Director, John Wilcox; and Town Clerk, Sheila Bailey.

FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT – Mayor Cressotti made the fire evacuation announcement.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

MOTION #6403 by Councilor Finger, seconded by Councilor Nelson to accept the minutes from the Regular Meeting on October 3, 2022.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the chair declared **MOTION #6403** adopted 8-0-0.

SPECIAL GUESTS – JFK Update – Randy Daigle

Chairman Cressotti said it was his pleasure to attend the last JFK Building Committee meeting. He asked if they could schedule a time for the Town Council members to tour the building and whether there is a date for the official opening and ribbon cutting.

Randy Daigle, JFK Building Committee Chairman, stated that the project is on schedule and under budget. They were very fortunate that when the project went out to bid, it was right before the pandemic so they were able to lock in prices. Pricewise they were not affected by the pandemic, but they were affected with lead times when ordering product. Gilbane, CSG, and JCJ did an incredible job keeping the project on time and still under budget. They will coordinate a ribbon cutting and walk-through with the Town of Enfield, the BOE, and State Senators.

Mr. Daigle shared a slideshow of pictures of the building and the fields. The building is 21st century state of the art. He mentioned that they were able to add back a couple of things that they cut from the project not knowing if they would have enough money. The project is a couple million under budget.

Councilor Finger thanked Mr. Daigle for this project and what he has done for the town. He asked if the drainage problem has been resolved yet in the fields. Mr. Daigle stated that until the grass is established they are required by DEEP to keep the screening device inside the sewer because the water would end up filling the banks of the Scantic with mud, dirt, seeds, and contamination. The Scantic is 200 yards away. The puddling is from the fabric that is in there right now. Once that is off it will go right through.

Councilor Finger asked who oversees the fields. Mr. Daigle said that the Building Committee took back possession of the fields and will keep it until the spring. This is so the fields that have been reseeded can germinate and be ready before being turned back over to the town to be used for sporting events.

Councilor Ludwick asked how many boilers there are in the building and if we have any guarantees on them. Mr. Daigle stated that the new boilers are half the size and twice the capacity of the old boilers. They have a 25-year life expectancy on them, and they are warrantied. We should be able to get ten years out of them before we have to spend a penny. There are different warranty lengths for different parts. They were also able to cut part of the boiler room and make a receiving area for the custodians because the boilers are half the size they used to be.

Councilor Hopkins thanked Mr. Daigle for all the hard work that was put into the project. He asked what items were able to be put back into the project. Mr. Daigle responded that the media center was able to be renovated to new at the 71% reimbursable rate. They were also able to buy the acoustical sound system for the theatrical performers, wireless mics, and portable staging area for the choir. They purchased classrooms monitors and a digital sign to display events and announcements for people who drive by. Lighting and fencing were also added. They were able to buy 100% new furniture for the whole building.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Jason Walsh, Weymouth Drive

Mr. Walsh stated that he is disturbed by a video showing two members of the current Town Council removing election signs for the opposing party. What he saw in the video was shameful and he thinks the two men in the video need to come forward and take responsibility and admit they did something wrong. He asked the whole Council to respect the seats that they are sitting in.

Chad Woodyard, 6 Parkway Drive

Mr. Woodyard mentioned that there has been a decline in vendors and foot traffic at the Farmer's Market. He feels this decline is because of the \$100 fee. Last year the rows were doubled booked because there were so many vendors and now there are only five to seven vendors. Does Enfield need the money? The only thing that changed between last year and this year is the \$100.

Mr. Woodyard also inquired about why there is no handicap accessible porta potty. To have inclusion we need to look at this.

Ken Bedard, 27 Burnham Street

Mr. Bedard wanted to go over some of things said at the last meeting regarding Pizza Palace and give a rebuttal. He will have somebody going up and down the streets to clean up debris that may be left behind by the patrons. It is not the responsibility of Pizza Palace to do this, but they want to work with the neighbors. He said that he has never said the words “if you don’t like it, then move.” He has respect for the neighbors. The business has been there since 1964. He and his wife have owned it for the past seven years. He is in full agreement with parking on only one side of the street. Resident parking only would be catastrophic to his business. It is a public street, and he is trying to run a small business and survive. They do have karaoke and bands and a door attendant Thursday through Saturday. They have scanners to check ID’s and clickers to count people in and out. He said he cares about the neighbors, and he owns a home on Highland.

Peter Jonaitis, 3 Farmstead Circle

Mr. Jonaitis mentioned that he was quite appalled by the condition of the fields they were going to turn over to the town. The fields need to be angled so that as the sun sets, you can see a pop-up ball. He also remarked that at the last meeting, the Council was an embarrassment to the town and he hopes that never happens again. Mr. Jonaitis mentioned that it is not right that Jim Nasuta did not get voted in because of something he said. It was not for something he “did.”

Jonathan Grande, Spruceland Road

Mr. Grande said that he is very disappointed in the video that has surfaced. He has spoken to the two individuals in the video privately. He has lost confidence and is disappointed in his Councilmen. What they did was very inappropriate, unethical, and even potentially illegal. There has been no repentance, only excuses. Permission was granted by the business owner to put the Republican signs there. A public apology should be given to Carol Hall for taking down her sign and replacing it with Matt’s. A public apology should be given to Leora Levy for taking her sign down. A public apology should be also given to Carolyn McCaffrey for taking her sign down as well. He hopes that the Mayor will correct this.

Walter Kruzel, 21 Charnley Road

Mr. Kruzel gave the Council credit for getting the agenda down to one piece of paper and said he would report more after the election.

Susan Budd, Francis Avenue

Ms. Budd stated that she grew up on Francis Ave. The building was a gas station before it became Pizza Palace, then a restaurant and bar, now a restaurant with full entertainment. She was woken up at 2:00am during the last event so having cars park only on one side of the street will not work. The road is one way in, and one way out. There is still trash, but she does appreciate Ken sending people out to pick it up. She is looking for it to be permit parking only. You can’t even have your own friends or family over because there is parking down both sides of the street. This was not a problem until the revisions were done. She is not knocking Ken for trying to be a businessman, but she needs her privacy respected.

John Dubiel, 4 Francis Avenue

Mr. Dubiel stated that he thinks that they are not zoned for live entertainment. He would like permit only parking.

Austin Agnew, 293 Elm Street

Mr. Agnew reminded folks how important it is to have a new EMS building at a centralized location to increase response times. It will help get the ambulances out of the weather and it will allow for a new police training facility. It will provide adequate parking, and a new range. He hopes it gets passed with the state funds we have been offered.

Kelley Hemmeler, 10 Hartford Avenue

Ms. Hemmeler stated that the First Amendment is free speech, political signs are speech. She is very disappointed and has lost all confidence in two members of the Town Council.

Zach Zannoni, 6 Howard Street

Mr. Zannoni was happy that the members of the ERTC were more reasonable than the press release they chose to send out. He thinks the wording of the press release was dramatic. It was a miscommunication and the signs were returned to Ms. Hemmeler. Was this malicious or did they truly just make a mistake?

Rob Anderson, Bass Drive

Mr. Anderson stated that what the two Councilors did was beyond a mistake. It was sneaky, underhanded, and wrong. It questions their ethics. He does not know how the Councilor can continue to sit on the Council and run for an office at the state level. He addressed Councilor Hopkins that he has respect for him but that he made a bad choice because he put his trust in someone else.

Peter Jonaitis, 3 Farmstead Circle

Mr. Jonaitis mentioned getting a couple more trash barrels for the basketball courts at JFK. He also mentioned getting some short bleachers for people to sit and put their stuff on.

Chad Woodyard, 6 Parkway Drive

Mr. Woodyard stated that he respects everyone in the office. You have to respect the office, not the person in it. Politicians look to be re-elected over and over. Leaders want to make a difference. We all want the same thing, a roof over our heads, clothing on our backs, and shoes on our feet. If people don't talk; it is easier to divide us.

Walter Kruzel, 21 Charnley Road

Mr. Kruzel stated that the number one rule in political science that he learned 10 years ago when he got into this party was, do not touch other party's signs.

Ken Bedard, 10 Burnham Street

Mr. Bedard mentioned that Councilor Nelson said to put a DUI checkpoint in front of his business. He did not see the humor in that statement as some thought it was funny. He said that it is targeting his business and it is not right.

Chairman Cressotti declared Public Communications closed.

COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Hopkins stated that he and Councilor Despard sought out permission to put signs at a local business and permission was obtained. A couple days later the opposing signs went in, so he asked the business owner if he gave permission, and he was told no. After discussion, the signs were removed and returned to the ERTC headquarters with a note explaining the situation. The landlord ended up disagreeing and overriding the business owner's decision.

Councilor Hopkins stated that he appreciated folks on Francis and Highland Park speaking with him. He would like to speak with the business owner too. Folks in the neighborhood should be able to go to bed before 3:00am on a Friday night without beer bottles, vomit, and used latex products on their lawns. He wants to find a resolution that is fair to all parties involved.

Councilor Mangini congratulated Mayor Bob Cressotti for receiving the Connecticut Sports Media Alliance Award. The award is given to a few select individuals. He received the award for unselfish dedication to sports in the community.

Councilor Mangini mentioned the ERFC Farm to Table event was great. She thanked them for the hard work they do for our youth.

Councilor Despard stated that they returned signs that they were told were improperly placed. They did so immediately and with care and a note of explanation. He also reminded residents they have a month left to take advantage of the ARPA small business program. Councilor Despard is excited about the growth going on in town. He is proud of the revitalization going on and is happy that we are investing in critical infrastructure like the sewers. We are committed to further improving Enfield. He wants to make Enfield a more attractive place to work and live.

Councilor Nelson asked for point of order and said that Councilor Despard was campaigning.

Councilor Pyznar apologized to the people on Francis. She hopes there can be a resolution for the business and the residents. She apologized for residents having to come back to Council a second time. She also was not aware until a week ago when Chad mentioned it that we are charging people for our Farmer's Market. She went on record to say there should not be a charge for this event. These are local vendors that are coming and bringing people to our town.

Councilor Pyznar mentioned that regarding the signs, all that was needed was a phone call. They should have called Kelly and asked her if they got permission to put the signs up. Going there in the dark didn't look right. Communication is needed.

Councilor Ludwick said there is history with the sewer fee. The prisons overwhelmed the sewers in the 80's and 90's. A deal was struck back in the 2000's, a horrible deal for the town. The plant got overwhelmed and we got behind on maintenance. The state was going to shut it down. That is why we had to go to a sewer fee.

Councilor Ludwick reminded the Town Manager that we are going to need some ARPA money to help people with utilities. He would like to ask the consultant we hired if some of the money can be used for

that. He also stated that the Bedard's and the folks on Francis are all good people and we should be able to work something out. We need to be able to meet in the middle. He asked that we look into charging people for the Farmer's Market. Councilor Finger agreed and said that they should think about not charging vendors for the Farmer's Market.

Councilor Finger talked about why he went unaffiliated with his seat on the Council. He said the people of the town elected him to be a voice for them. He needs to represent his town and he does not want to be silenced. He is allowed to caucus with a party of his choice. He can be part of leadership, but it must be agreed upon by the minority leader and the majority leader so that he can stay informed. He would like everyone on the Council to be better for the Town of Enfield. There may be different parties, but the taxpayers need to come first.

Councilor Cekala stated that the EMS and Police will host an open house at their respective facilities for interested residents who would like to see their facilities ahead of the referendum. It will be November 2 from 4-8pm. There have been conversations with the Chief of Police and the residents of Francis Avenue and Pizza Palace. Hopefully, the Town Manager will be able to set up a meeting to come up with a solution that works for everyone.

Councilor Nelson wished Joe and Jackie Bosco a Happy Anniversary. He asked for an update on the sidewalks between Belinda and Louise on Post Office Road and asked for a list of the roads included in the referendum.

Councilor Nelson asked for the status of the parking lot lights at Enfield Street School. When the time change happens, it will get dark really early. He also mentioned that there is a good-sized pothole right in front of 1235 Enfield Street. The road is only four months old. Is there a warranty? The contractor should come out and do a permanent repair to it, not just a patch job.

Councilor Nelson mentioned that if the Ramblers need help towing trailers, he can help out until the repairs are done.

Councilor Nelson agreed with Chad by saying that all porta potties should be ADA compliant. He thinks they should put it on the agenda and vote on it. He thanked Chad for his great attitude and told him he should get involved with more. He also stated that the business owner himself, Mr. Panchal, gave permission to put the signs up. He is the one who supplied the video and wondered where the signs went. He said the story is not holding up. Being an attorney, you would think you would know what is breaking the law.

Councilor Nelson commented on being called out for suggesting a DUI checkpoint in front of Pizza Palace. He said a DUI checkpoint may have saved his father's life because he was killed by a drunk driver leaving an establishment like Pizza Palace. His sister is permanently paralyzed, and his brother has brain damage. He apologized for not having as much sympathy but drinking and driving is illegal. He asked if the Town Manager can check to make sure this went through P&Z for approval for a change of use. When it was a restaurant there was adequate parking because cars came and went. Now, people

are there longer with the live entertainment. He does not want to see the business destroyed but something needs to happen between the owner and the neighbors.

Chairman Cressotti agreed that the zoning issue should be checked for Pizza Palace. There is communication with the residents and Mr. Bedard. Hopefully, we can rectify the situation and have everyone cooperate going forward.

Chairman Cressotti said they continue to move forward with the DEI Committee. The Town Manager has received eleven applications from residents interested in serving. The BOE is continuing its efforts and they will continue to work together on the issues. At the last meeting, the BOE established a Parent Advisory Council, and the Superintendent has been working with the administrative staff with an in-service workshop. He mentioned having a diversity workshop for the Council.

Chairman Cressotti stated that on the 20th there is a symposium at the Senior Center at 9:00 and the focus is on mental health. He also stated that we, as a community, need to deal with the opioids problem. There have been many violations and arrests and the fentanyl that is out there is a dangerous situation.

Chairman Cressotti gave a shout out to Advanced Auto. They want to do a hiring event for adults with disabilities. Walgreens also has a great program. Chairman Cressotti mentioned the Jack-O-Lantern Festival on October 22, 2022 on the Town Green. The teacher of the year ceremony will be at Hazardville Memorial on October 20 at 4:00pm.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu spoke about what is going on with the Francis Avenue issues. They received a preliminary report from the police department traffic division. Together with all the feedback from the last meeting, they came up with a list of options. She has spoken with the business owner and had some communication with some residents. We need to come up with a time and place to review the list. The street is only 25 feet wide, so police do not think it is wide enough for parking on both sides. Resident only parking passes is an option; marking the northern side of the roadway most visible to vehicles coming down Francis looking to park with no parking Thursday-Sunday 10pm-midnight. Marking one side of the street no parking including surrounding streets. She said there was a zoning assessment. Traffic violations are enforceable. They did review the drunk driving offense that happened to a stationary vehicle and could not come up with a conclusion related to the parking concerns, but they do acknowledge that unfortunately, people do run off the road and lose control with an unfortunate degree of regularity. The last option would be to monitor the situation which may not appeal to residents seeking immediate relief. We need to collaborate and look for alternative parking solutions. She will reach out to everyone that has voiced concerns. She will ask the traffic division to review this meeting and gather information. We will look for a meeting place and a date.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu mentioned that the non-profit grant process through ARPA is about to kick off. The small business grant program runs through November 18th. We will also be bringing forward the Senior Tax Relief Committee to have them start looking for options in time for the budget process.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu mentioned that there are a lot of subcommittees that need to meet. The only one scheduled to date is Leisure Services.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that the some of the Ramblers trailers have been brought to Mount Carmel. The other two need to be towed. She thinks Public Works is making arrangements. There is a lot of material in the trailers. She thinks they have set up the Annex as the Ramblers new permanent home.

The farmer's market is a difficult issue. There are twenty dates booked for the summer which averages five dollars per Sunday for those coming. Most markets do charge. We are moving to the indoor market the beginning of next month and there is no charge for that market. With the twenty-seven market days we offer, it works out to less than five dollars per Sunday if they choose to do all of them. They are open to suggestions. COVID waning has affected the market. We only have one farmer, and she thinks the state minimum to be a farmer's market is two. There are costs related to the market. There is the coordinator, the insurance, and public works costs. There needs to be marketing strategies and good signage for vendors to want to come to our market instead of going to different markets. The market manager has access to town hall so there should be access to a handicap bathroom.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that ARPA can be used to help disadvantaged households. The Council did vote to give Social Services \$10,000 last month.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu mentioned another item that was brought back to the JFK project was enhanced security and cameras. They are in the process of working out a maintenance plan. The bleachers are coming to the softball field. She will look into the trash, maintenance, and barrels at the fields. They are looking into the cost of a waterline and a prefab bathroom building for the fields.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu shared good news. The Regional Health District received a \$300,000 Opioid Abuse Prevention Grant. This will help with prevention. The town has had a lot of overdoses, deaths, and Narcan administration.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu mentioned that the sidewalks Councilor Nelson brought up can be repaired. It needs to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee and Public Safety if it is a safety issue.

MOTION #6404 by Councilor Nelson, seconded by Councilor Finger to add the sidewalks to the next Public Works Subcommittee agenda.

Councilor Ludwick brought up the sidewalks on Abbe Road being part of the \$30 million referendum that residents voted on. He thinks those need to be done before we start on other sidewalks. Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that in terms of the 2021 Referendum, they have decided to move the project down a little bit so that they can accumulate any cost savings on the other projects.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the chair declared **MOTION #6404** adopted 9-0-0.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu said she will notify the state about the pothole at 1235 Enfield Street.

Councilor Ludwick stated that along with the opioid problem, they need to discuss human trafficking, pot being sold in town, heroin, and fentanyl. He has asked to discuss human trafficking a few times.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that there were 700 drug overdoses in our health district last year. Getting people in recovery is very difficult and getting them to stay in recovery is even more difficult. We need to have programs to provide support.

Councilor Finger asked about the safety of the press box at the field at the Annex.

Councilor Nelson shared that he lost his son last year to drugs. The biggest problem is Big Pharma.

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that the 7-day treatments do not work. People need a 30, 60, or 90-day longevity programs to see progress.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA – None.

APPOINTMENTS – None.

RESOLUTION #6405 by Councilor Nelson, seconded by Councilor Mangini.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Chapter VI, Section 8(f) of the Town Charter, the following transfer is hereby made.

General Fund

FROM:

Contingency 10800092-584000 \$150,000

TO:

Transfer to Capital 10800092-593010 \$150,000

Capital Nonrecurring Fund

FROM:

CNR Fund Revenue-Gen Fund Transfer In 31042023-480001 \$150,000

FROM:

Elevator-Construction 31008173545000 \$150,000

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the above-stated funds are available as of October 12, 2022.

/s/ John Wilcox, Director of Finance

Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that there is a 12-month lead time to order a new elevator. If they wait for next year's budget process, it might be too far gone and be unable to service. They do not want to end up out of compliance with the ADA. We are asking to use contingency funds to move forward with an RFP to replace the elevator in its entirety.

Councilor Nelson asked if the \$150,000 was paying to repair the elevator that is there now. Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that no, this money is to create a PO and RFP to go out for a brand-new elevator. The repairs are being handled by the Public Works' budget. Councilor Mangini asked what can be done to speed up the repair? Ms. Zoppo-Sassu responded that the repair of the existing control board should be done this week.

Mr. Bielenda stated that modifications have been made to move Probate hearings to the lower level. Signs have been put up so if someone needs help, they can contact the front desk and someone will come meet you if they require assistance or are walking impaired. Councilor Hopkins stated that this definitely falls within contingency, and they should definitely vote this tonight.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the chair declared **RESOLUTION #6405** adopted 9-0-0.

RESOLUTION #6406 by Councilor Mangini, seconded by Councilor Despard.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Chapter VI, Section 8(f) of the Town Charter, the following transfer is hereby made.

FROM: BOE Property, Plant and Equipment Sinking Fund		
Contingency	30400000-584000	\$85,000
TO: BOE Property, Plant and Equipment Sinking Fund		
Tennis Courts-Construction Services	30408801-545000	\$85,000

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the above-stated funds are available as of October 12, 2022.

/s/ John Wilcox, Director of Finance

Councilor Pyznar asked how much was currently in the sinking fund. John Wilcox stated that the town currently has three sinking funds. One for town property, plant and equipment. One is for BOE property, plant, and equipment, and one is for infrastructure. The town and infrastructure funds each have \$300,000 and the BOE fund has \$204,702.

Councilor Pyznar stated that they are close to a million dollars on tennis courts already. Ms. Zoppo-Sassu stated that she thinks they are the victim of some supply chain issues. There was an estimate given in good faith through the budget. By the time the track and turf issues were done, the price had increased.

She mentioned that the athletic director called other communities with likewise tennis courts, and these are the prices. Last year we had the number 1 ranked tennis player, and they could not play on their own home court because the CIAC deemed them to be unplayable. That is an embarrassment. We have referendum limits that can't be violated. The Annex courts are not playable either and they gave the South Road courts up to pickle ball.

Mr. Wilcox stated that they started the sinking funds in 2019. Money was put into the BOE property, plant, equipment in the 2019/2020 budgets. Those monies met the capital appropriation requirement in those fiscal years. This \$85,000 would be coming out of those accounts that were appropriated in 2020. We have some funds appropriated in 2022 and some in 2023. All of them individually met the capital appropriation requirement of the Town Charter.

Councilor Ludwick stated that we are spending more this year than the Charter allows us to. He wants to make sure we have the back-up to do this. Mr. Wilcox said the section of the Charter states that the Council may appropriate or adopt a resolution appropriating funds for capital projects. It states that any appropriation that exceeds .0002 of the current grand list shall not be effective until it goes to referendum. An appropriation is a pool of money set aside for a purpose.

Council Ludwick was under the impression that you could only spend the Charter limit in a budget year. Mr. Wilcox is not aware of anything in the Charter on the spending piece. You don't want to start a project until you have all the funds. You can break the project into sections. Appropriating over multi-budget processes was designed so a project would not have to go to referendum.

Councilor Hopkins stated that creating recreational opportunities is important for bringing families to town and keeping them in town. Councilor Finger said he will support this because it something we need for our school. Chairman Cressotti thanked Mr. Wilcox for his explanation. He said the money in the sinking funds is to be used for projects like this. Enfield High needs this to be done and he will be supporting it.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the chair declared **RESOLUTION #6406** adopted 7-2-0. Councilors Ludwick and Pyznar voted against.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS PROPER TO COME BEFORE SAID MEETING – None.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Kelly Hemmeler, 10 Hartford Avenue

Ms. Hemmeler stated that all the Republican campaigns asked and received permission to place the signs. The owner checked the footage and gave them the tape. They are trying to minimize and gaslight the Republicans. Our campaigns were the victims of losing their First Amendment rights. As elected officials, the Council should take that very seriously. Penalties for unlawful removal of campaign signs is a Class 3 misdemeanor. The First Amendment right is there for a reason.

Walter Kruzel, 21 Charnley Road

Mr. Kruzel corrected Councilor Ludwick by saying that when Enfield High was done, they only did the sidewalk going to the tennis courts, not the tennis courts themselves. The renovation was only the building and parking lots, no fields, or courts.

Mr. Kruzel said the signs around town are wrong regarding the EMS referendum. Question #1 is about early voting for which they would like a no answer, and Question #2 is about the EMS referendum, which wants a yes answer. He does not know who to contact to have the signs corrected because it says paid for by a private donor.

Chairman Cressotti declared Public Communications closed.

COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #6407 by Councilor Mangini, seconded by Councilor Nelson to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the chair declared **MOTION #6407** adopted 9-0-0, and the meeting stood adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Bailey
Clerk of the Council
Town Clerk

Tina Demers
Secretary to the Council