5. Adjournment

Mr. Kerttula made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wakefield, to adjourn the meeting. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed. The meeting ended at 11:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Buzalski Council Secretary

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

> DATE: Tuesday, March 12, 2024TIME: 7:00 P.M.PLACE: TOWN MEETING ROOM KILLINGLY TOWN HALL

AGENDA

The Town Council of the Town of Killingly held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Meeting Room of the Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main Street, Killingly, Connecticut. The agenda was as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 2. **PRAYER**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
- 4. ROLL CALL
- 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - a. Special Town Council Meeting February 6, 2024
 - b. Regular Town Council Meeting February 21, 2024

6. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND DECLARATIONS

a) Presentation of Killingly Parks and Recreation Department Volunteer of the Year

b) Presentation of Killingly Parks and Recreation Department The Little Theater Volunteer of the Year

- c) Presentation of Killingly Conservation Commission 2023 Environmental Award
- d) Proclamation Recognizing the Month of March 2024 as Women's History Month
- e) Presentation from Robert Beauregard on Friends of Learning in Killingly FOLK Fund

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR TOWN MEETING ACTION

8. CITIZEN'S STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS

Pursuant to the Town Council's Rules of Procedure, Article IV, Section 2, all presentations by citizens shall be limited to an aggregate of forty-five (45) minutes and each citizen's presentation shall not exceed five (5) minutes unless otherwise indicated by a majority vote of the Town Council. Public comment can be made in person or submitted by 2 p.m. the day of the meeting via email at <u>publiccomment@killinglyct.gov</u>, mailed to Town Manager's Office, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239 or put in the drop box on the side of the Town Hall. Public comments will be posted on the Town's website, <u>www.killinglyct.gov</u>.

9. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

10. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- a. Rebecca Gadbois Reappointment to Historic District Commission
- b. Holly Blade Reappointment to Board of Recreation
- c. Lori Zornado Reappointment to Board of Recreation

11. REPORTS FROM LIAISONS

- a) Board of Education Liaison
- b) Borough Council Liaison

13, DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BUDGET REPORTS

- a) Summary Report on General Fund Appropriations for Town Government
- b) System Object Based on Adjusted Budget for the Board of Education

13. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

- a) Town Manager Report
- b) Communications from the Board of Education Requesting Transfer to Non-Lapsing Fund

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

15. NEW BUSINESS

a) Consideration and action on a resolution authorizing the Town Manager to execute a oneyear extension of the temporary land access agreement between the Town of Killingly and Richard Fedor for the use of land at 187 Pratt Road

16. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a) Contract Negotiations - Tax Stabilization - Vitis

18. ADJOURNMENT

REGULAR MEETING

- 1. Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Prayer by Mr. Anderson.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

4. Upon roll call all Councilors were present. Also present were Town Manager Calorio and Finance Director Hawkins.

5. Adoption of minutes of previous meetings

5a. Special Town Council Meeting - February 6, 2024

Ms. Tiik-Barclay made a motion, seconded by Ms. George, to adopt the minutes of the Special Town Council Meeting of February 6, 2024.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

5b. Regular Town Council Meeting – February 21, 2024

Ms. Wakefield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Giambattista, to table agenda item 5b.

Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

6. Presentations, proclamations, and declarations:

6a. Presentation of Killingly Parks and Recreation Department Volunteer of the Year Ms. Wakefield read the following:

Killingly Parks and Recreation

PROCLAMATION HONORING 2023 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS the Killingly Parks and Recreation programs are an integral part of our community. The Council would like to express our gratitude to your long-standing volunteer efforts which

have made KPRD events and programs possible. Jeff Grocki has selfishly continued to generously share his technical expertise and sound services since receiving his first KPRD Volunteer of the Year Award back in 2018. Jeff is the first volunteer of the Year to be inducted twice since the inception of the Town Parks and Recreation volunteer of the year. Over the past six years, Davis Park Summer Concert Series, Killingly Fireworks, Killingly's Wild Night Out and various other KPRD projects and events totaling well over 450 hours of volunteering. Our town is excited to see this year's fireworks entertainment and the Summer Concert Series which Jeff will be continuing to bring his professionalism and experience. It should also be mentioned that Jeff's dedication to the department has also brought additional volunteers, contributors, and donors. Among those are Winchester Interconnect and John Normington for special lighting services.

WHEREAS special events would not be possible without the tremendous number of volunteers and individuals like Jeff Grocki. Jeff's expertise has a tremendous impact on the quality of life and recreational opportunities to our community. Jeff leads with example and passion and is quick to help the recreation department produce a high level of special events and programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY, recognizing Jeff Grocki as the recipient of the 2023 Volunteer of the Year Award for the Killingly Parks and Recreation Department.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Town Council urges all citizens to help their community by volunteering their time and knowledge.

Jason Anderson Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut, this 12th day of March 2024

6b. <u>Presentation of Killingly Parks and Recreation Department The Little Theater Volunteer of the Year</u> Ms. George read the following:

> Killingly Parks and Recreation The Little Theater on Broad Street

PROCLAMATION HONORING 2023 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS the Killingly Parks and Recreation Department and The Little Theater on Broad Street Program are an integral part of our community. The council would like to express our gratitude for your long-standing volunteer efforts which have made KPRD Theater events possible. Kris Brandriff is truly a part of the heartbeat of The Little Theater on Broad Street. Kris has dedicated herself to every production in Killingly. Kris makes all the beautiful costumes for the shows. Kris has put in hundreds of hours doing this. She is very creative. All of the cast and crew enjoy their interactions with her. The Little Theater on Broad Street and Killingly Parks and Recreation Department are thrilled to have the opportunity to thank and honor her for her contributions. We could not think of a more deserving recipient of the first award dedicated to the theater program than Kris Brandriff.

WHEREAS theater events would not be possible without the tremendous number of volunteers and individuals like Kris Brandriff. Kris' expertise has a tremendous impact on the participants of all ages who participate in the theater program. Kris leads with example and passion and is quick to help the recreation department produce such a high level of community theater.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY, recognizing Kris Brandriff as the recipient of the 2023 Little Theater on Broad Street Volunteer of the Year Award for the Killingly Parks and Recreation Department.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Town Council urges all citizens to help their community by volunteering their time and knowledge.

Jason Anderson Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut, this 12th day of March 2024

6c. <u>Presentation of Killingly Conservation Commission 2023 Environmental Award</u>
Donna Bromwell, Chair of the Conservation Commission, and Jean Mountford, Vice-Chair, presented the 2023 Environmental Award to the Killingly Community Garden.
6d. <u>Proclamation Recognizing the Month of March 2024 as Women's History Month</u>
Ms. Murphy read the following:

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024 AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic and heroic contributions towards the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways.

WHEREAS American women have played a unique role throughout the history of our Nation by fighting for equality while continuing to be instrumentally critical to their economic and cultural growth while combating discrimination and still fulfilling social roles and the labor force both inside and outside of the home.

WHEREAS American women have served our country courageously amongst our military branches, obtain higher graduate degrees, become great leaders of companies and serve in our governmental offices.

WHEREAS despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history.

WHEREAS, in 1980, President Carter officially declared the week of March 8th to be National Women's History Week. Due to growing popularity, increased education, and Congressional Resolutions, in 1987 President Ronald Reagan passed a proclamation that March be recognized as Women's History Month.

NOW, THEREFORE be it Proclaimed, the Killingly Town Council does hereby recognize the month of March 2024, as Women's History Month, which is a time for expressing gratitude, a time to honor their strength, defeats and triumphs and their passion to stand up for equality. The contributions women have made to our towns, states and nation are heroic.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL Jason Anderson Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut, this 12th day of March 2024

6e. <u>Presentation from Robert Beauregard on Friends of Learning in Killingly FOLK Fund</u> Robert Beauregard explained what the Folk Fund is and how it came about. He nominated Janice Ahola-Sidawayas a Community Champion.

7. Unfinished Business for Town Meeting Action: None

8. Citizens' Statements and Petitions: None

9. Council/Staff Comments: None

10. Appointments to Boards and Commissions:

10a. <u>Rebecca Gadbois – Reappointment to Historic District Commission</u>

Ms. Tiik-Barclay made a motion, seconded by Ms. George to reappoint **Rebecca Gadbois, 34** Mason Street, Danielson, CT 06239 as a Regular Member of the Historic District Commission.

Her new term would run from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029.

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

10b. Holly Blade - Reappointment to Board of Recreation

Ms. Wakefield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kerttula to reappoint **Holly Blade, 14 Mayhew Drive, Dayville, CT 06241** as an Alternate Member on the Board of Recreation. Her new term would run from March 1, 2024, to February 28, 2026.

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

10c. Lori Zornado - Reappointment to Board of Recreation

Mr. Grandelski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Giambattista, to reappoint Lori Zornado, 32 Foster Street, Danielson, CT 06239 as an Alternate Member on the Board of Recreation. Her new term would run from March 1, 2024, to February 28, 2026.

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

11. <u>Reports from Liaisons:</u>

11a. Report from the Board of Education Liaison:

No report.

11b. Report from the Borough Liaison:

No report.

12. Discussion and Acceptance of Monthly Budget Reports:

12a. Summary Report on General Fund Appropriations for Town Government:

Mr. Grandelski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kerttula, to accept the summary report on general fund appropriations for Town Government.

Discussion followed.

Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

12b. System Object Based on Adjusted Budget for the Board of Education:

No action taken.

13. Correspondence/Communications/Reports:

13a. Town Manager Report

Town Manager Calorio discussed her report and responded to comments and questions from Council Members.

13b. <u>Communications from the Board of Education Requesting Transfer to Non-Lapsing Fund</u> Town Manager Calorio explained that this is a communication from the Board of Ed regarding two expenditures from the Non-Lapsing fund as required.

14. Unfinished Business for Town Council Action: None

15. <u>New Business:</u>

15a. <u>Consideration and action on a resolution authorizing the Town Manager to execute a one-year extension of the temporary land access agreement between the Town of Killingly and Richard Fedor for the use of land at 187 Pratt Road</u>

Mr. Grandelski made a motion, seconded by Ms., Tiik-Barclay, to adopt the following:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF A TEMPORARY LAND ACCESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY AND RICHARD FEDOR FOR THE USE OF LAND AT 187 PRATT ROAD

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that the Town Manager is authorized to execute a one-year extension to a temporary land access agreement between the Town of Killingly and Richard Fedor for the use of land at 187 Pratt Road.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL Jason Anderson Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut this 12th day of March 2024

Discussion followed.
Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.
16. <u>Council Member Reports and Comments:</u>
Mr. Kerttula reported on the Permanent Building Committee.
Ms. Murphy reported on the WPCA meeting and the Board of Ed meetings.
17. <u>Executive Session:</u>
17a. Contract Negotiations – Tax Stabilization – Vitis

Ms. George made a motion, seconded by Mr. Giambattista, to move to Executive Session with the Town Manager, the Economic Development Director, the Finance Director, and company representatives to discuss a Tax Stabilization contract with Vitis.

Discussion followed.

Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

Moved to Executive Session at 8:18 p.m. and returned at 10:52 p.m.

18. Adjournment:

Mr. Grandelski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kerttula, to adjourn the meeting. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 10:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Buzalski Council Secretary