Ms. Wakefield moved the vote.

Roll Call vote: Ms. Wakefield - yes, Mr. Wood - yes, Ms. Tiik-Barklay - yes, Mr. Grandelski - yes, Ms. George – yes, Mr. Lee - yes, Mr. Anderson – no, Mr. Kerttula -yes

Motion passed, 7-1

5. Adjournment

Mr. Kerttula made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grandelski, to adjourn the meeting.

Voice Vote:  Majority for, Mr. Lee opposed. Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Buzalski

Council Secretary

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**TOWN COUNCIL**

**KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**DATE:** TUESDAY, December 8, 2020

**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.

**PLACE:** TOWN MEETING ROOM

KILLINGLY TOWN HALL

(Council Members only)

**AGENDA**

The Town Council of the Town of Killingly held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 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) Regular Town Council Meeting: November 10, 2020

1. **PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND DECLARATIONS**
   1. Proclamation of Service for Trooper James Esposito
2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR TOWN MEETING ACTION**
3. **CITIZEN’S STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS**

Pursuant to Governor’s Executive Order 7B, all public comment can be emailed to [publiccomment@killinglyct.gov](mailto:publiccomment@killinglyct.gov) or mailed to Town of Killingly, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239 on or before the meeting. All public comment received prior to the meeting will be posted on the Town’s website www.killinglyct.gov

1. **COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**
2. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**
3. **REPORTS FROM LIAISONS**

a) Board of Education Liaison

b) Borough Council Liaison

1. **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

14. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR TOWN COUNCIL ACTION**

15. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) Consideration and action on a resolution confirming the appointment of Kathleen Thornton as Assessor

b) Consideration and action on a resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement between the Town Council and the Board of Education for the position of School Resource Officer.

c) Consideration and action on a resolution to introduce and set a Public Hearing for January 12, 2020 on an ordinance authorizing a transfer of up to $880, 945 to the established Unexpended Education Funds account

d) Consideration and action on a resolution to adjust the Town Manager’s FY 20/21 compensation.

16. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

17. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

**KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL**

1. Vice Chairman Kerttula called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. Prayer by Ms. Wakefield.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

4. Upon roll call all Councilors were present, except Mr. LaPrade, who was absent with notification. Mr. Wood attended virtually. Mr. Anderson arrived at 7:04 p.m. Also present were Town Manager Calorio, Finance Director Hawkins, and Council Secretary Buzalski.

5. Adoption of minutes of previous meetings

5a. Mr. Wakefield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grandelski, to adopt the minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting of November 10, 2020.

Discussion followed. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

6. Presentations, proclamations, and declarations

6a. Proclamation of Service for Trooper James Esposito

Mr. Kerttula read the following:

**Proclamation recognizing Trooper 1st Class James Esposito**

**For his years of Service to the**

**Town of Killingly**

**WHEREAS**, for over a decade, Trooper 1st Class Esposito has served as Resident State Trooper within the Town of Killingly. TFC Esposito enters situations in which most citizens avoid. However, due to his dedication to serve and protect our community, he embodies courage and honor; and

**WHEREAS,** in moments of danger and worry, the first people we turn to are the Law Enforcement officers. They are often unsung heroes risking their lives so that we can live in peace and security; and

**WHEREAS,** TFC Esposito has demonstrated adept professionalism, empathy, and great compassion while operating under extreme pressures enduring long shifts occasionally in dangerous and unpredictable conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, we, the citizens of Killingly, owe respect and humble gratitude to TFC James Esposito who worked untiringly upholding and preserving civil order as the Resident Trooper for the Town of Killingly.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Killingly Town Council, does hereby proclaim appreciation to TFC James Esposito and his selfless dedication to the people of our community.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson

Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut,

this 8th day of December 2020

7. Unfinished Business for Town Meeting Action: None

8. Citizens’ Statements and Petitions

Cory Smith, co-founder of Black Pond Brews, feels the new restrictions on businesses are overly burdensome and are not in the interest of public health or the local economy.

9.  Council/Staff Comments

Mr. Lee participated in the KBA meeting and noted that many small businesses are struggling to stay alive because of all the restrictions.

Mr. Grandelski stated that there are a number of businesses not enforcing mask wearing.

Ms. Tiik-Barklay stated that the hospitals are near capacity because they are not only taking care of Covid patients. She feels that the numbers are skewed.

Mr. Anderson agrees small businesses are being hit the hardest and they need our support.

Mr. Wood expressed his opinion of the precautions being taken to prevent the spread of Covid.

10. Appointments to Boards and Commissions: None

11.  Reports from Liaisons

11a. Report from the Board of Education Liaison

Board of Education Liaison was unable to attend.

11b. Report from the Borough Liaison

Ms. Wakefield summarized the Borough activities.

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 Ms. George, 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

Mr. Wakefield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kerttula to accept the system object based on adjusted budget for the Board of Education.

Discussion followed.

Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

13.  Correspondence/Communications/Reports:

13a. Town Manager Report

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

14.  Unfinished Business for Town Council Action: None

15.  New Business:

15a. Consideration and action on a resolution confirming the appointment of Kathleen Thornton as Assessor

Ms. Wakefield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kerttula, to adopt the following:

**RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF**

**KATHLEEN THORNTON AS ASSESSOR**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that the Town Manager’s appointment of Kathleen Thornton as the Assessor at a starting salary of $90,000 per annum be confirmed.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson

Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut

this 8th day of December 2020

Discussion followed.

Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

15b. Consideration and action on a resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement between the Town Council and the Board of Education for the position of School Resource Officer

Mr. Kerttula made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee to adopt the following:

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN COUNCIL AND BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE POSITION OF STUDENT RESOURCE OFFICER**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that the memorandum of agreement between the Town Council and Board of Education be authorized for the position of Student Resource Officer.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson

Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut

this 8th day of December 2020

Discussion followed.

Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

15c. Consideration and action on a resolution to introduce and set a Public Hearing for January 12, 2020 on an ordinance authorizing a transfer of up to $880, 945 to the established

Unexpended Education Funds account

Ms. Wakefield made a motion, seconded by Ms. George, to adopt the following:

**RESOLUTION TO RESCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR JANUARY 12, 2021 ON AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF UP TO $880,945 TO THE ESTABLISHED UNEXPENDED EDUCATION FUNDS ACCOUNT**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that the following ordinance be introduced and set for a public hearing on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held virtually on WebEx. Call information will be posted on the Town’s website at [www.killinglyct.gov](http://www.killinglyct.gov):

**an Ordinance Authorizing a transfer of UP TO $880,945 TO THE ESTABLISHED UNEXPENDED EDUCATION FUNDS ACCOUNT**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that a transfer of up to $880,945 for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 be transferred to the established Unexpended Education Funds account.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that said transfer be herein adopted in reliance on the provisions of the Executive Order 7CC and Executive Order 7S, without submission to voters at Special Town Meeting, is necessary to permit the orderly operation of the Town of Killingly and that there is a need to act immediately and during the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency in order to avoid endangering public health and welfare, prevent significant financial loss, and that action is otherwise necessary for the protection of persons and property within the municipality, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the source of said transfer shall be up to $880,945 from the 2019-2020 fiscal year Board of Education surplus be transferred to the established Unexpended Education Funds account.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson

Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut

this 14th day of July 2020

Discussion followed.

Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

15d. Consideration and action on a resolution to adjust the Town Manager’s FY 20/21 compensation.

Mr. Kerttula made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wakefield to adopt the following:

**RESOLUTION TO ADJUST THE TOWN MANAGER’S COMPENSATION PURSUANT TO ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLINGLY that the Town Manager be granted an increase in salary of $3,262.50 pursuant to an evaluation of performance to $148,262.50 per annum, effective July 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Manager is herein authorized to transfer an amount not to exceed $3,600 to the Town Manager Budget, Personal Services and employee benefit accounts.

KILLINGLY TOWN COUNCIL

Jason Anderson

Chairman

Dated at Killingly, Connecticut,

this 8th day of December 2020

Mr. Kerttula made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lee, to amend the motion, moving the effective date to July 1, 2021.

Discussion followed.

On the amendment, Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

On the amended motion, Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

16. Council Member Reports and Comments:

Mr. Grandelski reported on the WPCA meeting.

Mr. Lee reported on the KBA meeting.

Mr. Kerttula said the scheduled PBC meeting was cancelled.

Ms. George reported on the P&Z meeting.

Ms. Wakefield reported on the Rec Dept.

Ms. Tiik-Barklay reported on the Housing Authority meeting.

Mr. Wood attended the Public Safety meeting.

Mr. Anderson attended the

17.  Executive Session: None

18.  Adjournment:

Mr. Lee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grandelski, to adjourn the meeting.

Voice Vote:  Unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 8:46 p.m.

                                                                                                       Respectfully submitted,

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