

PRESENT Chairman Ronald Fedor, Rosalyn Dupuis, John W. Sheehan, Alan Wilensky,  
Norman Glidden, G. Brian Vachris

ABSENT George Peteros

OFFICIALS First Selectman Daniel Steward

RTM Andrea Kanfer, Robert Brule, Thomas Dembek

ALSO Bernard Pisacich, Town Treasurer; George Kee

MEDIA Stephen Chupaska, The Day

STAFF Ruth Beers, Finance Director; Yvette M. Pier, Secretary

Chairman Fedor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

He asked if anyone wished to comment on the budgets. There were no comments.

**ITEM 1 Miscellaneous Social Grants**

MOTION To tentatively approve the Miscellaneous Social Grants budget in the amount of  
\$112,717 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Dupuis, Wilensky

LI 52644 – Discussion was held regarding SEAT, increase in the request, the fact that  
SEAT can increase fares and that the service is used by people who can least afford it.  
It was noted that many people use the service to travel to the Crystal Mall.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52644 SEAT by \$2,299.  
Vachris, Glidden

Mr. Wilensky offered a friendly amendment to reduce LI 52644 SEAT to \$39,845.  
Accepted by Mr. Vachris and Mr. Glidden.

**Vote: Yes Wilensky, Vachris, Glidden**  
**No Sheehan, Dupuis, Fedor**  
**Motion failed**

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52630 Special Community Events to \$0.  
Wilensky, Vachris Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52646 Town Historian to \$805.  
Wilensky, Glidden Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 52000 series in the amount of \$72,672.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

**58000 Series**

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58340 Waterford Historical Society to \$0.  
Fedor, Wilensky Yes: Fedor, Wilensky  
No: Sheehan, Dupuis, Glidden, Vachris  
Motion failed

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58340 Waterford Historical Society to \$1,200.  
Vachris, Wilensky Yes: Fedor, Wilensky, Vachris  
No: Dupuis, Glidden, Sheehan  
Motion failed

- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58340 Waterford Historical Society to \$4,000.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Yes: Sheehan, Dupuis, Fedor, Glidden, Wilensky  
No: Vachris,  
Motion passed
- MOTION To tentatively reduce the 58000 series by 20% with the exception of the Waterford  
Historical Society and specialty agencies for children of the town, development  
disabilities, or medical issues.  
Vachris, Glidden Yes: Vachris, Glidden  
No: Sheehan, Dupuis, Fedor, Wilensky  
Motion failed
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58360 Boy Scout Troop 36 and Troop 29 to \$1,000.  
Wilensky, Vachris Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58361 Cub Scout Pack 39 to \$300.  
Wilensky, Vachris Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58410 Big Brothers/Sisters to \$500.  
Wilensky, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58440 Camp Harkness Equestrian Program to \$1,000.  
Wilensky, Sheehan Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58583 Friends of Harkness to \$1,000.  
Wilensky, Vachris Yes: Fedor, Wilensky, Vachris, Dupuis, Glidden  
No: Sheehan
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58586 Eugene O'Neill Theater to \$1,000.  
Wilensky, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58587 Literacy Volunteers of America to \$500.  
Wilensky, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58591 Eastern Ct. Symphony Orchestra to \$0.  
Wilensky, Dupuis
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58591 Eastern Ct. Symphony to \$1,000.  
Amended Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous
- Mr. Vachris noted that Line Items 58588 Child and Family Agency of SECT,  
58589 SECT Advocates for Dev. Disabilities, and New London Homeless Hospitality  
Center are new items in this budget.
- MOTION To tentatively reduce Line Items 58588, 58589, and New London Homeless Hospitality  
Center to \$0.  
Vachris, no second Motion failed
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 58588 Child and Family Agency of SECT of New London and  
Homeless Hospitality Center by 50%.  
Vachris, Glidden Yes: Vachris  
No: Sheehan, Dupuis, Glidden, Fedor, Wilensky  
Motion failed
- MOTION To tentatively approve the 58000 series in the amount of \$32,300.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the Social Service Grants budget in the amount of \$104,972 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Dupuis, Sheehan Unanimous

**ITEM 2 Youth Services**

MOTION To tentatively approve the Youth Services Budget in the amount of \$200,869 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Dupuis, Sheehan

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51110 Administration to \$109,707 reflective of furlough days.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51920 FICA to \$10,092.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 51000 series in the amount of \$142,009.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

**52000 Series**

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52030 Professional Fees to \$20,000  
Vachris, Wilensky

The department experienced an unprecedented number of intakes for youth and families seeking and qualifying for no-fee counseling services.

**Vote: Yes Vachris, Wilensky, Glidden**

**No Dupuis, Sheehan, Fedor**

**Motion failed**

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52070 Reimbursable Expenses to \$200.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52100 Electric to \$18,400.  
Wilensky, Vachris

Ms. Gorman noted that the Red Cross uses washers to wash and sanitize equipment.

**Vote: Unanimous**

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52110 Water to \$250.  
Wilensky, Glidden Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 52000 series in the amount of \$57,150.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the Youth Services budget in the amount of \$199,159 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Yes: Sheehan, Dupuis, Glidden, Wilensky, Fedor  
No: Vachris

**ITEM 3 Senior Citizens**

MOTION To tentatively approve the Senior Citizens budget in the amount of \$510,454 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Dupuis

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51110 Administration to \$128,895, LI 51210 Clerical/Technical to \$209,733 reflective of furlough days.  
Vachris, Glidden Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51920 FICA to \$25,946,  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 51000 series in the amount of \$365,101.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

**52000 Series**

Discussion was held regarding Advertising, Dues, Conferences and Education, Reimbursable Expenses, Postage, and Physical Examinations.

Ms. Ritchie noted that this building is now five years old.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52040 Service Contracts and Repairs to \$41,998.  
Wilensky, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 52000 series in the amount of \$124,382.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

**53000 Series**

Ms. Ritchie noted that Office Supplies contains items which cannot be purchased through the Finance Department.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 53010 Office Supplies to \$700.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 53020 Other Supplies to \$3,700.  
Vachris, Glidden Unanimous

Ms. Ritchie noted that LI 53070 Auto Repairs includes tires and that Public Works informs her when vehicles need service.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 53070 Auto Repairs to \$1,500.  
Vachris, Glidden Unanimous

The Board reviewed Revenues.

MOTION To tentatively approve the 53000 series in the amount of \$15,618.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the Senior Citizens budget in the amount of \$506,594 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Vachris Unanimous

The Board recessed at 9:22 pm.  
The meeting was reconvened at 9:27 pm.

**ITEM 4 Recreation and Parks**

MOTION To tentatively approve the Recreation and Parks budget in the amount of \$1,770,514 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Dupuis

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51110 Administration to \$140,836, LI 51210 Clerical/Technical to \$71,995, LI 51610 Parks Maintenance to \$468,467, LI 51620 Recreation Programs to \$248,987 reflective of furlough days.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51630 Summer Jobs for Minors to \$13,481.  
Fedor, Dupuis

It was felt that the number of employees in this category be reduced to eight.

**Vote: Fedor, Dupuis Unanimous**

Discussion was held regarding LI 51810 Overtime and that this item could be reduced as a result of better scheduling.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51810 Overtime to \$31,883  
Vachris, Glidden Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51920 FICA to \$75,860.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 51000 series in the amount of \$1,070,248.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52020 Postage to \$600.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

Discussion was held regarding LI 52040 Service Contracts and Repairs that includes \$23,750 for goose control and whether this item is effective.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52040 Service Contracts and Repairs by \$23,750 to \$43,569.  
Vachris, Sheehan Yes: Wilensky, Vachris, Glidden, Dupuis  
No: Sheehan, Fedor

Discussion was held regarding LI 52050 Dues, Conferences and Education and the value of attendance at New England Parks Annual Conference and CT Recreation and Parks Conference.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52050 Dues, Conferences and Education to \$2,410.  
Sheehan, Wilensky Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52060 Printing to \$50.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52070 Reimbursable Expense to \$200.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

There was discussion regarding LI 52420 Maintenance of Properties including the price for marking lime for ball fields, mulch, top-dressing lime, clay and stone dust at baseball/softball fields. The shrubs at the gazebo were removed during repair.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52420 Maintenance of Properties to \$110,960.  
Fedor, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 52000 series in the amount of \$589,823.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 53010 Office Supplies to \$1,000.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively approve the 53000 series in the amount of \$56,157.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively approve the Recreation and Parks budget in the amount of \$1,721,228 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

Mr. Sheehan requested that the Board be provided information regarding reduction in hours of coverage in programs at the swimming pool during the high school renovation and that this information is provided before the Public Hearing.

**ITEM 5 Finance Department**

- MOTION To tentatively approve the Finance Department budget in the amount of \$827,174 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Dupuis
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51110 Administration to \$217,348, LI 51210 Clerical/Technical to \$197,670 reflective of furlough days.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51010 Treasurer to \$23,886 reflective of furlough days.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51810 Overtime to \$4,250.  
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51920 FICA to \$33,910.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively approve the 51000 series in the amount of \$477,369.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

Discussion was held regarding LI 52050 Dues, Conferences and Education. Finance Director Beers noted that \$175 for membership in the International Accounts Payable Association could be reduced since the Town does not get value in being a member of this association. The Purchasing Agent has agreed to defer enrollment in five courses for \$5,500 dealing with procurement and contract development and administration.

- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52050 Dues, Conferences and Education to \$4,024.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52080 Telephone to \$30,320.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively approve the 52000 series in the amount of \$250,963.  
Dupuis, Vachris Unanimous
- MOTION To tentatively approve the Finance Department budget in the amount of \$816,706 as designated by the series sub-totals.  
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous



**ITEM 11**      **Debt Service**

MOTION      To tentatively approve the Debt Service budget in the amount of \$2,210,313 as designated by the sub-total.

Sheehan, Dupuis      Unanimous

MOTION      To adjourn at 12:16 am.

Sheehan, Wilensky      Unanimous

Submitted by,      Prepared by,

Alan Wilensky, Clerk      Yvette M. Pier, Secretary