MINUTES
Coventry Town Council Meeting
August 3, 2020

1. Julie Blanchard, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM. Present in the Annex: Julie Blanchard, Matthew O'Brien, Sr., Matthew O'Brien, Jr., Lisa Thomas. Attending via Zoom: Jonathan Hand, Richard Williams, Lisa Conant. Also attending in person: John Elsesser, Amanda Backhaus

2. Julie Blanchard asked persons to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance which was conducted.

3. Chairman Blanchard read letters from Linda Blakesley, Jason Blakesley, Micah Welintukonis, Chris Morgan and Kathleen Breitenwischer, which are attached to these minutes.

4. Matthew O'Brien, Sr. moved to adopt the minutes of July 20, 2020; seconded by Lisa Thomas.

Matthew O'Brien made the following suggested corrections:
- Item 6F4: Change “Rouff” to “Ruef.”
- Page 10, line 27: change “hear” to “here.”

Lisa Thomas suggested changes as follows:
- pg. 12, line 24: change “heard” to “hard.”
- Line 30 & 31: strike “Elsesser said maybe worded differently. He pointed out our charter allows for ____ grants.”
- Line 32: change “which to “how much of.”
- Line 33 & 34: strike “instead of saying the funds from the grant it should say the amount to be borrowed.”

Matthew O'Brien, Sr. suggested the following:
- On page 15, line 3 that “$500,000” should be “5,000,000.”
- On page 16 line 23 add “all” before “Registered voters.”
- On line 29: change “is” to “in” and on line 41 change “obtaining” to “obtain.”

Jonathan Hand suggested the following:
- Page 12, 4th line up from bottom: change “one” to “project.”

Chair Blanchard called for a vote on the minutes as amended which was unanimously approved.

5. Matthew O'Brien, Jr. moved the Consent Agenda be accepted, seconded by Matthew O'Brien, Sr. and unanimously approved.

6. A. Chair Blanchard read a statement in response to concerns raised by Christopher Morgan, which is attached to the minutes.
B. Lisa Thomas remarked that she likes the change to the top of the agenda that provide notes for observing the meeting. Richard Williams thanked Dr. Petrone, John Elsesser and the Board of Education for the re-opening plan.

C. Matthew O’Brien, Sr. mentioned the Council is seeking a citizen who is a customer of CT Water to sit on a Water Utility Coordinating Committee as Coventry’s representative. The group meets twice annually.

He also updated the Council on the issue under discussion on a Civilian Review Board. He stated Steering is weighing the positives and negatives and are taking this issue seriously. He mentioned there are several forms of Civilian Review Boards and they would need to be reviewed for appropriateness for Coventry.

He further stated that Steering will invite our Town Attorney and Labor Attorney to provide input and that this will not be a quick decision.

6C1a. Matthew O’Brien, Jr. moved to reappoint Deborah Zeppa to the Ad-hoc Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee for a term to expire 08/01/2023. Seconded by Lisa Thomas, noting that July is Lake Awareness Month. Both Matthew and Lisa acknowledged Deborah’s hard work on this committee, which was unanimously approved by the full Council.

6C1b. Matthew O’Brien, Jr. moved to reappoint Cara Revett to the Pension & Retirement Committee to a term to expire 01/01/2023, seconded by Lisa Conant. The Council expressed appreciation for her willingness to continue to serve and unanimously approved the reappointment.

Matthew O’Brien, Jr. noted that the Steering Committee accepted with appreciation and regret the resignation of Sam Norman from Inland Wetlands and they are reviewing some prior applicants who expressed interest.

6E. John Elsesser felt COVRRA issues could wait for a future meeting.

6F. John Elsesser highlighted a few items for the Council and public including:
- The need for Tropical Storm preparedness
- The letter to Sen. Blumenthal and Murphy supporting crumbling foundation legislation went out
- Update on CFSIC foundation activities including 195 houses/condos have been fixed and proposed legislation changes needed
- Fanwort treatment for Eagleville Lake on 8/14
- Working with other towns on a CDBG COVID grant for touchless bathroom upgrades at Senior Center/community buildings
- CGS parking lot corrective work scheduled for Wednesday 8/5
- CHS walls work is underway: band room work this week
- Softball plan revision expected soon
- The Winter Farmers’ Market will be held at Millbrook Place.
Julie Blanchard asked the Manager to provide information on the verification process of signatures for absentee ballots, and who decides they are valid ballots and the deadline for accepting ballots (postmark or received). Mr. Elsesser stated he will get the Town Clerk to provide answers.

6F1. Mr. Elsesser asked for questions on his project memo.

Matthew O’Brien, Sr. asked about the status of the crosswalk at Ripley Hill and Mr. Elsesser pointed out that due to workload unless outside engineering services are funded it will have to wait.

6F2. John Elsesser stated that the Town Hall reopening has been going better than expected and he wanted to express appreciation to staff but also the public for paying taxes online, by mail and drop box which really limited visitors. It has been noted and greatly appreciated.

6F3. A brief update was given by the Manager on the PURA process to change the metering process for the microgrid process. This issue should be wrapped up in another month or so.

7. Unfinished Business:

7A. 19/20-69: Still not ready for action until a public hearing can be scheduled.

7B. 20/21-8: Lisa Thomas moved and Jonathan Hand seconded a resolution authorizing the Town Manager to submit a STEAP grant to install methane venting and improve the athletic fields at the closed landfill with a project budget of $215,000 and anticipated grant of $128,000. Unanimously approved by the Council.

8. New Business:

A. 20/21-11: Matthew O’Brien, Sr. moved that the change to the Energy & Building Efficiency Building Committee be amended to give responsibility for the proposed school roofs and alarm projects. Seconded by Matthew O’Brien, Jr. The Council unanimously approved, thanking the committee for taking on this task.

B. 20/21-12: John Elsesser explained that pursuant to title 9 Chapter 152 Section 9-369b the Town Council would need to approve the development of a position-neutral (as determined by the Town Attorney) explanatory text for the proposed two referendum questions under consideration for the November ballot. It would be included in the September newsletter. Lisa Thomas motioned and Jonathan Hand seconded authorizing the creation of an explanatory text pursuant to State statutes for the November question. Unanimously approved.

C. 20/21-13: Julie Blanchard asked for volunteers to serve as the Council representative on the upcoming Coventry Administrator Association contract negotiations. No one stepped forward so Julie Blanchard said she would try and then Matthew O’Brien, Sr. said he would try to fill in if she
could not make it.

D. 20/21-14: John Elsesser explained that additional fencing for a second dumpster at Coventry Grammar School was not included in the parking lot bid. The Board of Education sent a letter asking permission to fund it through their 1% Capital Expenditures account. Lisa Thomas moved the approval. Seconded by Jonathan Hand and unanimously approved.

E. 20/21-15: John Elsesser explained there are three resolutions to read into the record. The first is to authorize the purchase of land and easements in exchange for cash and debt forgiveness for a portion of land owned by the estate of Lance Stewart. The second resolution is for school roofs and fire alarms borrowing, and the third is for Booth & Dimock Library renovations.

Matthew O'Brien, Sr. read the three resolutions (attached) and made the motion to adopt the resolutions and call the Town Meeting. There was discussion that the Library project was for the full project cost of $1.7 million, but John Elsesser assured the Council that the Bond Counsel fully understands the borrowing will not exceed the $750,000 when combined with funds on hand will match the $850,000 State grant. Matthew O'Brien, Jr. seconded the Stewart acquisition and school roofs & alarms resolution. Jonathan Hand seconded the Library renovations resolution. All three resolutions and call to the Town Meeting were unanimously approved by roll call.

F. 20/21-16: Matthew O'Brien, Jr. raised the dissolution of the Ad-hoc Water Supply Committee. He stated they haven’t met in years and the project is unlikely to proceed. John Elsesser confirmed this. Matthew O'Brien, Jr. moved the motion to dissolve the committee. Seconded by Lisa Thomas and unanimously approved.

G. 20/21-17: Matthew O'Brien, Jr. stated that Steering forwarded to the Council proposed ordinance changes to formalize the creation of a Coventry Fire/EMS department. After a brief discussion on the efforts of all to make this happen and what a good start they are off to, Jonathan Hand moved to call a Public Hearing on the proposed ordinances for Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 PM. Via in-person and on Zoom. Seconded by Matthew O'Brien, Jr. and unanimously approved.

H. 20/21-18: Matthew O'Brien also stated that Steering forwarded to the Council proposed modifications to the Public Gathering ordinance. After a brief discussion, Chairman Blanchard suggested the item was not ready for action and tabled it.

9. Miscellaneous/correspondence:
   A. Accepted under Consent.

10. Matthew O'Brien, Sr. read the motions to go into Executive Session at 10:00 PM for union negotiations, seconded by Jonathan Hand. The Council entered Executive Session.

The Council exited Executive Session at 10:17 PM.
11. Matthew O’Brien Sr. moved to adjourn at 10:18 PM, seconded by Jonathan Hand and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
John Elsesser, Town Manager
Good evening. My name is Linda Blakesley, and I live at 27 Berry Avenue.

On February 3, 2020, during the audience of citizens, I expressed my displeasure about learning of the events that transpired between ex-officer Mike Hicks and his victim in 2012. In addition, I declared a distrust for the chief of police, Mark Palmer, in his handling of this matter. I then asked that he be removed from his position as chief of police.

Clearly, that call for action fell on deaf ears, which is not surprising considering the silence that this council has had on this issue since it was brought to light in January 2020. In light of the findings from the investigation of Chief Palmer's handling of this matter, it is clear to me that he acted unethically in 2012 when he closed out the complaint against Mike Hicks, which alleged he contacted a young girl through a fake Facebook account and acted inappropriately compelling the mother to report the disturbing incidents to Coventry Police. Chief Palmer merely took Mike Hicks' word that he was investigating a narcotics case without further inquiry. Following that complaint, Palmer continued to support promotions and awards bestowed upon Hicks despite his knowledge of the troubling behavior as evidenced in the 2012 Facebook interactions with a young girl.

Had Chief Palmer acted to protect and serve the public, especially young women, subsequent victims may have been spared. Instead, he chose to dismiss the complaint and now should be held culpable due to his failure to act in the best interest of the citizens he serves.

In order for this town to begin the healing process, Chief Palmer must be removed from his position of authority. This would send a strong message to the men and women of this town that we hold people in positions of power accountable for every action, and that we will act swiftly to correct the misdeeds of others. This is unacceptable behavior of a police chief and he must pay for the unethical decisions that he made. I stand by my statement this past February. I have no confidence in Chief Palmer's ability to perform his duties.

We must be vigilant in how we address this so that measures are put in place that prevent this from happening again. Social media is a valuable tool, but can also be a devastating weapon, as Mike Hicks used it to target, groom, and victimize young girls. This does not end with the removal of the chief. Policies must be created that closely monitor actions by police and have an independent citizen review board regularly review how internal complaints are handled and the outcomes of those complaints.

I said this in February, but I'm just one woman. I hope you will listen to the collective voice of the citizens of Coventry who are demanding an immediate, no confidence removal of Chief Palmer.

Thank you.

Regards,

Linda Blakesley
27 Berry Avenue
Coventry, CT 06238
My name is Jason Blakesley and I live at 27 Berry Avenue.

I always thought only scumbag politicians document dumped before the weekend.

After reading the investigation into Chief Palmer’s conduct, all I can say is wow, wow, wow, wow, wow!

Although I already knew about these previous complaints, they are still very disturbing. I personally contacted the Law Offices of Kainen, Escalera, and McHale to inform and guide them of this complaint in 2012 along with the Facebook message that Mike Hicks sent to a victim asking her who contacted the police back in 2012. I let them know that if this isn’t in the report, then the investigation will not be credible. After all this, Mike Hicks was promoted twice and went holiday shopping with local area kids.

Also, I want to bring to your attention Chief Palmer’s public comment during the Carlilli case instructing victims or anyone with information to call Sgt. McDonough or Det. Hicks. Encouraging 14 to 17 year old victims to contact a known predator and pedophile is deeply disturbing. He was acting like Ghislaine Maxwell and not a member of law enforcement sworn to protect the members of a community.

I fully support the immediate removal of Chief Palmer. The public has no confidence in Chief Palmer, John Elsesser or a majority of the town council members.

Jason Blakesley
27 Berry Avenue
Coventry, CT 06238
Dear members of the Town Council:
As the former Vice Chairman, a retired service member and a citizen of our town, I find it deeply saddening that I must bring this issue of safety and public trust, to your attention. This is request for the Council to ask for the resignation of Chief Palmer.

According to the Town Charter Sec 5-16: The Town Manager shall appoint a Chief of Police. Under Sec 5-1 The Town Manager appointed with the approval of the Council. While I understand the Council may not have the authority to fire and hire directly, a vote for a resignation carries a ton of weight.

From the June 9th Coventry Police Facebook page from John A. Elsesser, Town Manager. “Now that these matters can be discussed more publicly, we hope that our citizens will see that the Town acted as promptly as we could – essentially within a timeframe of six weeks. We look forward to moving ahead and continuing to perform community policing in a positive manner.”

The journal inquirer as you know has been on top of the Sgt Hicks debacle. What we know so far it’s 3 girls under age 16, and a woman. This is solidified through text messages and Facebook messages.

The article states that Hicks admitted to using the fake Facebook account, which he said was used regarding an ongoing narcotics investigation.

Based on Hicks’ statement, the department closed the case on Aug. 13, 2012, with Chief Mark Palmer signing off on the report, the documents show.
Chief Palmer signed off on a sexual predator.

In a statement provided to police in May, a women stated that she had sexual relations with Hicks five times while he was on the job!

All while on duty, promoted to detective, promoted to Sgt all under Chief Palmer’s watch; who wrote one pedophile behavior off and didn’t know anything about the others?

Hicks who was a detective, also investigated the child sex scandal with the Fire Dept and was also promoted to Sgt under Chief Palmer’s watch.

It’s no secret that I’m a huge supporter of Law Enforcement. Past Council Meeting minutes and other actions will greatly reflect this. With that being said many citizens including myself have lost total faith and trust in Chief Palmer.

Lastly I’ll bring up a person disheartening incident that happened on November 2nd 2017, which is as follows: At around 7:40am John Fields a navy Veteran who lives a few houses down from me on Grant Hill Rd. He
called me and asked if he could be dropped off at my house as he was being given a ride from Coventry Police department. I said yes I will be out in a few, I’m still in bed and specifically stated I wanted to talk to the officer.

Not once did the officer speak to me or confirm anything that John had said. To make matters worse the Police Dept was filing for a warrant for his action hours earlier: DISORDERLY CONDUCT 11/1/2017 and VIOLATION OF PROTECTIVE ORDER *FELONY*, 11/1/2017.

There I had a man standing in front of my house saying he can’t go home and the police won’t let him get his medication. I addressed this with the Chief, the Town Manager and the past Council. Miraculously Chief Palmer failed to disclose the arrest and charges!

In closing I want to thank Sgt. Ted Opdenbrouw for doing the right thing. If this Council cannot make a decision on asking for a resignation, I will create a petition in accordance with the Town Charter.

Respectfully,

Micah Welintukonis
Grant Hill Rd.
Coventry, CT
Members of council,

Yet another 2 weeks have passed while the town council stands silent on its unconstitutional actions surrounding the budget. This behavior at this point should probably be considered a criminal act of extortion as we have reached a point where the majority of taxpayers in the town have paid bills that the town council had no authority to send.

Since it is becoming increasingly obvious that the council and town manager are either unaware of, or simply don’t care about the town charter allow me to take a minute to bring up section 8-8 section h

Every payment made in violation of the provisions of this Charter shall be deemed illegal and every official authorizing or making such payment or taking part therein and every person receiving such payment or any part thereof shall be jointly and severally liable to the town for the full amount so paid or received. If any officer or employee of the town shall knowingly incur any obligation or shall authorize or make any expenditure in violation of the provisions of this Charter or take any part therein, such action shall be cause for his removal.

The council needs to immediately take action to determine who is responsible for any funds that have been mishandled per the charter due to the illegal budget actions, and what town officials are to be removed from their positions for this violation. The most egregious violation of course being the town manager who misrepresented information to the council to push the budget process forward, but should also include discussion of the actions of the council members themselves in allowing this to continue to move forward to the point that bills were sent and citizens were actually extorted. The current silence and ignoring of the issue is not an acceptable response. Again, if you, or anyone in local government wishes to not do the job they signed up for they are more than welcome to tender their resignation and leave.

Next, the changes to the towns public gathering ordinance are a laughable attempt for the town to pretend they made an effort to give people back liberty that they infract have in the first place.

We have seen the current ordinance have effects three times now in just the last 2 years. From the get out to vote rally by the group Citizens of America that wanted to come to Coventry that was turned down and discouraged by the town manager siting not only the ordinance, but by their accounts the statement that the town "frowns on political activities". I reached out to them to ask the question "would you say that their process of approval was restrictive and discouraging to your free expression?" Their emphatic answer, "Yes, Absolutely."

to the lack of timely responses to questions about the March against sexual predators in our police department where answers to basic questions certainly lead to confusion on social media.

and then the Black lives Matter rally where the town was more than clearly aware, had law enforcement on site, had members of the town council in attendance and infact as speakers at the rally, but chose not to enforce the ordinance.
While I fully support all forms of activism in the fight for the rights of the people and am truly glad that the town did not act on enforcement of the ordinance this shows abundantly clear how the existence of this ordinance can impact different groups by its subjective nature in terms of enforcement. To think things like applying for a permit to protest the police should be incumbent upon the okay by the police is an idea that is clearly rife for abuse and by design will make people less likely to speak. Is the police department sufficiently prepared as well in the legal process to decide on what crimes will fall under the term Moral Terpitude? This of course is more an issue for lawyers and judges than police officers.

Furthermore the idea that if someone ever in their life been convicted of a crime that falls in the legal definition of moral terpitude they should never be able to hold a public gathering is ridiculous. This makes no adjustment to those who have made mistakes in life but paid their debts, not to mention the wide range of crimes that typically would be given this label. Are we really a people that think someone once convicted of bigamy or tax evasion should have their fundamental right to free association stripped by the government in perpetuity?

These changes do nothing to address the fee that the town is asking for people to express their rights. Should those who don't have a spare 50 dollars not be allowed to have their voices heard?

And the preposterous idea that the town can still expect a citizen to give more than twice the notice they give to that same citizen is not made any more acceptable by offering the same 2 weeks notice the town warns its meetings with IF you agree to be parked in some free speech zone of their choosing and sanitized to the towns approval. Want to protest the town hall? Well you don't have time to get a license but well let you do it at camp creaser where no one will hear you. Want to protest the police? Well you don't have time to get a license but if you want we you can go to Laidlaw, and no is allowed to hold signs... if they deem you to be worthy of it "morally".

This ordinance is a unnecessary attempt for government to restrict the rights of its people. It is a solution to a problem that doesn't exist. Its power has been shown to be both restrictive in keeping people from expressing their voice, and unnecessary in situations where it would have been enforceable. It is nothing more than an undue attempt at control by a local government who has shown it is not effective nor trustworthy of this kind of authority.

Both the U.S. constitution and the Connecticut state constitution protect these rights for the people, government is beholden to uphold these rights as part of the compact that allows it to exist.

SEC. 4. Every citizen may freely speak, write and publish his sentiments on all subjects, being responsible for the abuse of that liberty.
SEC. 5. No law shall ever be passed to curtail or restrain the liberty of speech or of the press.
-CT State Constitution Declaration of rights.

The Council should not only reject the changes to this ordinance, but should immediately pursue its removal. The town of Coventry should strive to be a bastion of free speech and discussion. Generations of Coventry families have fought for and stood for the rights of our citizens and people all around the world. When our local government acts to suppress the voice of the peope it dishonors all of that history.

I understand the fears that our freedoms can be used in ways that most of us would find abhorrent, but just because we disagree with these things does not strip the rights of those who wish to say them. In fact conversation, the presentation of different ideas, discussions, civil debate, these are the things that change minds. Censorship and exclusion, these things only allow bad ideas to fester and spread through the echo chambers which we lock them into. Part of living as a society is the ability to face the risks that come with our freedoms. The people of Coventry are now, and have always been responsible and able to handle the task.

In Liberty,
Chris Morgan
62 North Ayers Rd
At the last Town Council meeting there were 5 people physically present at the meeting. The rest attended via video. Of those 5 present, only Lisa Thomas wore a mask. I would like to know why, unless it is your turn to speak that Julie Blanchard, Matt O’Brien Sr, Richard Williams and John Elsesser do not feel it is necessary to wear a mask. I would hope that as leaders in this town that you would lead by example. The State of CT is working so hard at minimizing the spread of COVID-19. You cannot go into another establishment in Town or even our Town Hall without wearing a mask. Shame on you. Please, for the sake of all people in that room and the community at large, put on your damn mask when not speaking.

Kathleen
The Passage of the Coventry Town Council’s 2020-2021 Budget

This budget season was unprecedented due to the emergency declaration caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor enacted Executive Orders which affected and undermined the normal budget process in Coventry.

Our first action was to delay our Town Meeting and Referendum vote in the hopes that we could proceed as we have historically.

Our second action was to adopt a Resolution as to the Council’s planning and adoption of our 2020-2021 budget. The Resolution included an option to revert to our normal in-person voting budget process if that was determined to be a viable option.

As we progressed through the budget deliberations we closely followed what other towns throughout our State were doing and asked our Town Manager to regularly ask our town attorneys for their opinion as to what our options were with regards to holding an annual meeting or a Referendum vote. We recognized the personal and financial burdens the pandemic was and continues to inflict on our residents and taxpayers and adopted a no tax increase budget.

The Council made a decision based upon our Town Manager’s guidance and our attorneys’ opinions that we would follow our Resolution dated April 6, 2020 unless or until the Governor’s Executive Orders were rescinded. We approved a budget and submitted it to our Town Clerk on or about June 1, 2020 and set our mil rate on June 1, 2020.
OUTLINE FOR CONDUCTING SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Chairman, Julie Blanchard, calls meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance.

Julie Blanchard calls for nomination and election of Moderator

Chairman turns meeting over to Moderator

MODERATOR: Read call to this meeting at request of Town Clerk.

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF COVENTRY, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
August 6, 2020

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Coventry and those qualified taxpayers lawfully entitled to vote in Coventry Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes that a Special Town Meeting will be commenced on August 27, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Veterans Auditorium, Coventry High School, 78 Ripley Hill Road, Coventry, Connecticut, to consider and take action on the following question:

Shall the Town of Coventry approve the purchase of approximately 11.5 acres of land located off of Olsen Farm Road and Knollwood Drive for open space and other purposes from the Estate of Lance Stewart for $49,000 and debt owed?

Dated at Coventry, Connecticut this 6th day of August, 2020.

Lori Tollmann, CMC
Coventry Town Clerk
TOWN OF COVENTRY
TOWN COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE PURCHASE OF LAND OFF OF OLSEN FARM ROAD AND KNOLLWOOD DRIVE FOR OPEN SPACE AND OTHER PURPOSES AND THE CALLING OF A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TO CONSIDER SAID PURCHASE FROM THE ESTATE OF LANCE STEWART FOR $49,000 AND DEBTS OWED.

RESOLVED, that the Coventry Town Council recommends to a Special Town Meeting, convened pursuant to Section 9-3(a) of the Town Charter, the following question “Shall the Town of Coventry approve the purchase of land from the Estate of Lance Stewart to both satisfy debts for court ordered property clean up (approximately 4.5 acres), and acquire approximately 7 acres of dedicated open space as shown on a map entitled “Town of Coventry, Stewart & Town of Coventry lot line modification C-06” off of Olsen Farm and Knollwood Drive for the agreed amount of $49,000. “ The purchase shall not be made until the same has been voted by the Town at a Special Town Meeting called for such purpose.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a SPECIAL TOWN MEETING of the Electors and Citizens qualified to vote at Town Meetings of the Town of Coventry will be held at the Veterans Auditorium, Coventry High School, 78 Ripley Hill Road, Coventry, Connecticut on August 27 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for a vote on the following question:

Shall the Town of Coventry approve the purchase of approximately 11.5 acres of land located off of Olsen Farm Road and Knollwood Drive for open space and other purposes from the Estate of Lance Stewart for $49,000 and debt owed?
MODERATOR STATE: Said notice, signed by the Town Manager and the Town Clerk, was posted on the town signpost on February 18, 2019 and a copy thereof was published in The Chronicle, a newspaper of general circulation in said town in its issue of February 18, 2019.

MODERATOR STATE: In accordance with Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended, only an elector of the Town or a citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years or more who, jointly or severally, was liable to the Town for taxes assessed against him based on an assessment of not less than $1,000 on the last completed grand list of the Town or who would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption as a blind person or as a veteran or as a parent or surviving spouse of a veteran would be entitled to vote at the meeting.

Item #1:  **Shall the Town of Coventry approve the purchase of 254 Cooper Lane for open space from Susan Rose Harrigan for $85,000.00?**

MODERATOR calls on _____________________________ for the motion.

MOTION:  I move that The Town of Coventry purchase 254 Cooper Lane in the Town of Coventry, for the purchase price of $85,000.00 based on the recommendation of the Coventry Town Council.

CALL FOR A SECOND:

MODERATOR: Calls on John Elsesser for presentation

DISCUSSION: MODERATOR please instruct audience to speak clearly their name and address. Questions & comments must be brief and in reference to the land purchase only.

MODERATOR: Close discussion

MODERATOR: CALL VOTE by hand count - **Shall the Town of Coventry approve the purchase of 254 Cooper Lane for open space from Susan Rose Harrigan for $85,000.00?**

MODERATOR: Announces the vote and Adjourns Meeting
VIA E-MAIL

Mr. John A. Elsesser
Town Manager
Town Hall
1712 Main Street
Coventry, CT 06238

Re: Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose

Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose

Dear Mr. Elsesser:

Enclosed, please find the above-captioned bond resolutions and a set of proceedings to be followed in connection with its adoption by the Town at a Special Meeting and a referendum vote at an Adjourned Town Meeting to be held in conjunction with the general election on November 3, 2020.

Please note that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 9-370, all local action taken to submit the resolutions to a vote on November 3, 2020 must be completed at least sixty (60) days prior to the election date, i.e. by September 3, 2020. Therefore, the Town Council must adopt the resolutions no later than September 3, 2020.
Additionally, per Connecticut General Statutes Section 9-369a, the Town Clerk must file a certificate regarding the local questions to be voted upon (a form thereof is enclosed) with the Secretary of the State at least forty-five (45) days prior to the election, i.e. by September 18, 2020.

Further, the meeting of the Town Council and the Special Meeting at which the above-captioned resolutions are approved may be conducted remotely by conference call, videoconference or other technology pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order No. 7B, Section 1, provided that:

1. The public has the ability to view or listen to such meeting in real time, by telephone, video or other technology;
2. Such meeting is recorded or transcribed, and such recording or transcript shall be posted on the Town’s website within seven (7) days of the meeting, and made available within a reasonable time in the Town’s offices;
3. The required notice and agenda for each meeting is posted on the Town’s website and shall include information about how the meeting will be conducted and how the public can access it;
4. Any materials relevant to matters on the agenda, including but not limited to materials related to specific applications, if applicable, shall be submitted to the Town a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours prior and posted to the Town’s website for public inspection prior to, during and after the meeting, and any exhibits to be submitted by members of the public shall, to the extent feasible, also be submitted to the Town a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting and posted to the Town’s website for public inspection prior to, during and after the meeting; and
5. All speakers taking part in any such meeting shall clearly state their name and title, if applicable, before speaking, on each occasion that they speak.

By copy of this letter, I am requesting that the Town Clerk send us one certified copy of all the proceedings as they shall appear in the Town Record Book, including a copy of the Town Clerk’s return of posting and publication of the Notice of Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum and two newspaper affidavits of the publication of such notice.

Please feel free to call me with any questions you may have on the enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Glenn A. Santoro

GAS/
Enclosures

cc: Amanda Backhaus, Finance Director
    Lori Tollmann, Town Clerk
Excerpt for Minutes of Town Council Meeting
to be held August 3, 2020

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Coventry was held in the ___________ on August 3, 2020, at _____ M. (E.T.).

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Members present and absent were as follows:

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__________ introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $1,750,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BOOTH AND DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $1,750,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

(Here insert full text of resolution)

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After discussion on the resolution Councilperson ________________ introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, is hereby approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town at an Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held pursuant to Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter.
Councilperson ______________ moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by Councilperson ______________. Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

**AYES**
(List Names)

**NAYS**

__________________________ thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

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__________________________ introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $2,780,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ROOFS AND THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT VARIOUS TOWN SCHOOLS AND THE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPLEX AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $2,780,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

(Here insert full text of resolution)

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After discussion on the resolution Councilperson ______________ introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, a copy of which is attached hereto, is hereby approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town at an Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held pursuant to Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter.

Councilperson ______________ moved that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read and the motion was seconded by Councilperson ______________. Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

**AYES**
(List Names)

**NAYS**
thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

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A motion was made by Councilperson ____________, and seconded by Councilperson ____________, that the Town Manager and Town Clerk be authorized and directed to call a Special Town Meeting to be held in ________________ on August 27, 2020 at __________ P.M. (E.T.), for the following purpose:

1. To consider resolutions entitled “Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose” and “Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”.

And, further, that such Special Town Meeting be adjourned after completion of the foregoing item to an Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held on November 3, 2020 for a vote on the following questions:

1. “Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?’

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

“Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $1,750,000 for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to the Booth And Dimock Memorial Library, be approved? YES____ NO____.”

2. “Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?”

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:
“Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $2,780,000 for the replacement of roofs and fire alarms at various Town schools and the High School/Middle School Complex, be approved? YES_____ NO____.”

The voting will be by optical scan voting machine. Those in favor of the resolution referred to in each question shall fill in the oval under the word “YES” under such question. Those not in favor of the resolution referred to in each question shall fill in the oval under the word “NO” under such question. Absentee ballots will be available at the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law. The polls will be open during the hours between 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.). Electors will vote at the polling places established for voting districts #1 and #2. The voters who are entitled to vote by reason of Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, may vote at _________. Absentee ballots will be available in the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law. The polling places are as follows:

District 1 -

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District 2 -

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Upon roll call vote the ayes and nays were as follows:

AYES
(List Names)

NAYS

_________ thereupon declared the motion carried.

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[LETTERHEAD OF TOWN COUNCIL]

______, 2020

To the Legal Voters of
the Town of Coventry

At a meeting of the Town Council held August 3, 2020, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED: That the resolutions entitled “Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose” and “Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, copies of which are attached hereto, are hereby approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town at an Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held pursuant to Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter.

Very truly yours,

__________________________
Secretary of the Town Council
TOWN OF COVENTRY
NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
AND NOTICE OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING

The electors and qualified voters entitled to vote in the Town Meetings of the Town of Coventry, are hereby notified and warned that a Special Town Meeting will be held at ________________ on August 27, 2020 at _____ P.M. (E.T.) for the following purposes:

1. To receive a communication from the Town Council with respect a resolution entitled "Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose".

2. To receive a communication from the Town Council with respect a resolution entitled "Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose".

3. To consider a resolution entitled "Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose".

4. To consider a resolution entitled "Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose".

Pursuant to Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter, such meeting will be adjourned by the Moderator to a Referendum vote at an Adjourned Town Meeting to be held on November 3, 2020 on the following questions:

1. "Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

2. "Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such
Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

3. To transact any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Copies of said proposed bond resolutions are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Coventry, Connecticut, this ____ day of ____, 2020.

__________________________
Town Manager

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Town Clerk
RETURN OF POSTING AND PUBLICATION OF
NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
AND NOTICE OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING

We, JOHN A. ELSesser and LORI TOLLMANN, Town Manager and Town Clerk, respectively, of the Town of Coventry, hereby certify that we caused a copy of the attached Notice of Special Town Meeting and Notice of Adjourned Town Meeting, bearing our written signatures, to be posted on the Town signpost on ______, 2020, and that we caused a copy of said Notice to be published in the [newspaper name], a newspaper of general circulation in said Town, in its issue of ______, 2020.

Dated ________, 2020.

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Town Manager

______________________________
Town Clerk

Received for record
______________, 2020

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Town Clerk
Excerpt for Minutes of Special Town Meeting
to be held August 27, 2020

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Coventry was held at ____________________ on August 27, 2020, at _____ P.M. (E.T.).

The meeting was called to order by _________________.

_______________ was chosen and acted as Moderator.

The Town Clerk read the Notice of the meeting and stated that said Notice, signed by the Town Manager and the Town Clerk, had been posted on the Town signpost on __________, 2020, and that a copy thereof had been published in the ______________, a newspaper of general circulation in said Town, in its issue of __________, 2020.

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The Moderator stated that in accordance with Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, as amended, only an elector of the Town or a citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years or more, jointly or severally, was liable to the Town for taxes assessed against him, based on an assessment of not less than $1,000 on the last completed grand list of the Town or who would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption under subdivision (17), (19), (22), (23), (25) or (26) of section 12-81, may be entitled to vote at the meeting.

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The following communication from the Town Council was received and ordered incorporated in the minutes of the Meeting:

(Here copy communication in full)

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_______________ introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $1,750,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BOOTH AND DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $1,750,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of $1,750,000 is appropriated by the Town of Coventry, Connecticut (the “Town”) for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction, and improvements to the
Booth And Dimock Memorial Library, including without limitation, for code compliance, water intrusion, roof, electrical, window replacement, and building flow and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs related thereto, as more fully set forth in the Capital Improvement Plan of the Town of Coventry, FY '21 thru FY '25, said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof (collectively, the "Project").

Section 2. To meet said appropriation $1,750,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the “Connecticut General Statutes”). The bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Town Manager and Town Treasurer, in the amount necessary to meet the Town’s share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this is to be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal and financing costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of $1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and the paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including the approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the Town Manager in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in his discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, provisions of the purchase agreement shall be approved by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer.

Section 4. The Town Manager and the Town Treasurer are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Town Manager, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Town Manager pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut
General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The Town Manager is authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and/or grants-in-aid of the Project and is further authorized to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof and in connection therewith, to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to §1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and any time after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Tax-Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax-Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Town Manager or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of Tax-Exempt Obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 7. The Town Manager and the Town Treasurer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 8. The Town Manager is hereby authorized on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution.

Section 9. This resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Town electors and persons qualified to vote in Town Meeting at a duly warned Town Meeting and Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held pursuant to Section 9-1 and Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter.

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_________________ introduced and read the following resolution:
RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $2,780,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ROOFS AND THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT VARIOUS TOWN SCHOOLS AND THE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPLEX AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $2,780,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of $2,780,000 is appropriated by the Town of Coventry, Connecticut (the "Town") for the replacement of roofs at Coventry High School, High School/Middle School Complex and George Hershey Robertson Elementary School and the replacement of the fire alarm system at Coventry High School, High School/Middle School Complex and Captain Nathan Hale Middle School, including without limitation, equipment, and electrical and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs related thereto, as more fully set forth in the Capital Improvement Plan of the Town of Coventry, FY '21 thru FY '25, said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof (collectively, the "Project").

Section 2. To meet said appropriation $2,780,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). The bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Town Manager and Town Treasurer, in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this is to be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal and financing costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of $1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying registrar and transfer agent and the paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including the approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.
Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the Town Manager in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in his discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, provisions of the purchase agreement shall be approved by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer.

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Section 5. The Town Manager is authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and/or grants-in-aid of the Project and is further authorized to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof and in connection therewith, to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to §1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and any time after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Tax-Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax-Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Town Manager or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of Tax-Exempt Obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 7. The Town Manager and the Town Treasurer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or
representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 8. The Town Manager is hereby authorized on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution.

Section 9. This resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Town electors and persons qualified to vote in Town Meeting at a duly warned Town Meeting and Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held pursuant to Section 9-1 and Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter.

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The Moderator explained that under Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter any resolution of the Town authorizing the issuance of bonds or notes of $100,000 or more, after approval by the Town Council, must be voted on at a referendum to be held at an Adjourned Town Meeting or to be held in conjunction with the next regular election, as determined by the Town Council. Accordingly, the Moderator stated that the meeting would continue for purposes of discussion on the proposed resolutions.

(Here insert minutes of discussion)

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The Moderator explained that the questions to be voted on at the Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum shall be as follows:

"Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

"Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

The Moderator further explained that the ballot label for each said question would read as follows:

"Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $1,750,000 for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library, be approved? YES____ NO____."

"Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $2,780,000 for the replacement of roofs and fire alarms at various Town schools and the High School/Middle School Complex, be
approved? YES _____ NO ____.”

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The Moderator further explained that the foregoing questions would be submitted to the legal voters of the Town for a vote by optical scan voting machine on November 3, 2020, during the hours between 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.); that the voting take place in the polling places established for voting districts #1 and #2, and that voters entitled to vote by reason of Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, may vote at ______________. Absentee ballots will be available at the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law. The polling places are as follows:

District 1  -  ______________
             ___________

District 2  -  ______________
             ___________

The Moderator then ordered the Town Manager and Town Clerk to prepare, post and publish a proper notice with respect to the voting at said referendum to be held at an Adjourned Town Meeting.
CERTIFICATE

I, LORI TOLLMANN, Town Clerk of the Town of Coventry, hereby certify that on August 3, 2020, the Town Council of said Town approved the resolutions entitled “Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose” and “Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose”, subject to approval by the qualified voters and electors of the Town at an Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held in conjunction with the general election on November 3, 2020.

The submission of said resolutions to the electors and qualified voters of the Town is pursuant to Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter of the Town of Coventry and Chapter 152 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended.

The warning of said referendum shall state the questions to be voted upon as follows:

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“Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?”

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

“Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $1,750,000 for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to the Booth And Dimock Memorial Library be approved? YES_____ NO____.”

“Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?”

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

“Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $2,780,000 for the replacement of roofs and fire alarms at various Town schools and the High School/Middle School Complex be approved? YES_____ NO____.”

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The warning shall also state that the full text of each of the aforesaid resolutions are on file, open to public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk, that the votes on the aforesaid bond resolutions are taken under the authority of Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter of the Town of Coventry and Chapter 152 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, and that absentee ballots will be available as provided by law in the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated ______________, 2020.

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Town Clerk
TOWN OF COVENTRY
NOTICE OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING
AND REFERENDUM

The electors and citizens qualified to vote in the Town Meetings of the Town of Coventry are hereby warned and notified that pursuant to Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter, an Adjoined Town Meeting and referendum will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.) for the purpose of voting on the following questions:

"Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $1,750,000 for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to the Booth And Dimock Memorial Library be approved? YES____ NO____."

"Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"Shall the resolution making an appropriation of $2,780,000 for the replacement of roofs and fire alarms at various Town schools and the High School/Middle School Complex be approved? YES____ NO____."

Erectors of the Town of Coventry and qualified voters are entitled to vote. A qualified voter is any citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years or more who, jointly or severally, was liable to the Town for taxes assessed against him, based on an assessment of not less than $1,000 on the last completed grand list of the Town or who would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption under subdivision (17), (19), (22), (23), (25) or (26) of section 12-81, may be entitled to vote at the meeting.

The voting will be by optical scan voting machine. Those in favor of the resolution referred to in each question shall fill in the oval under the word "YES" under such question. Those not in favor of the resolution referred to in each question shall fill in the oval under the word "NO" under such question. Absentee ballots will be available in the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law.
The polls will be open during the hours between 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.). Electors will vote at the polling places established for voting districts #1 and #2. The voters who are entitled to vote by reason of Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, may vote at ___________________________. The polling places are as follows:

District 1 - ___________________________

District 2 - ___________________________

The vote on the aforesaid bond resolutions is taken under the authority of Section 9-3(e) of the Town Charter of the Town of Coventry and Chapter 152 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended. The votes will be cast and canvassed and the results determined and certified as nearly as may be in accordance with the laws governing the election of Town officials.

The full text of each of the aforesaid resolutions are on file open to public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk.


_____________________
Town Manager

_____________________
Town Clerk
RETURN OF POSTING AND PUBLICATION
OF NOTICE OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING
AND REFERENDUM

We, JOHN A. ELSESSER and LORI TOLLMANN, Town Manager and Town Clerk, respectively, of the Town of Coventry, hereby certify that we caused a copy of the attached Notice of Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum bearing our written signatures to be posted on the Town signpost on __________, 2020, and that we caused a copy of said Notice to be published in the ________________, a newspaper of general circulation in said Town, in its issue of ______________, 2020.

Dated __________, 2020.

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Town Manager

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Town Clerk

Received for record
________________________, 2020

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Town Clerk
TOWN OF COVENTRY
LEGAL NOTICE
RESULTS OF REFERENDUM

Notice is hereby given that at a referendum held at an Adjourned Town Meeting held on November 3, 2020 in the Town of Coventry, County of Tolland, and State of Connecticut, said referendum having been duly warned and called, the following votes were taken on the following questions:

1. "Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Appropriating $1,750,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of $1,750,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

   YES _______   NO _______

2. "Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Appropriating $2,780,000 For The Replacement Of Roofs And The Fire Alarm System At Various Town Schools And The High School/Middle School Complex And Authorizing The Issuance Of $2,780,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held August 27, 2020, be approved?"

   YES _______   NO _______

Dated at Coventry, Connecticut, this _______ day of ____________, 2020.

__________________________________________
Town Manager

[SEAL]

__________________________________________
Town Clerk
RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PLANNING, DESIGN, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BOOTH AND DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

RESOLVED:

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Town of Coventry, exercising the authority of the Planning Commission pursuant to §8-24 of the General Statutes, having reviewed the proposal for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to the Booth And Dimock Memorial Library, hereby approves the said proposal.
RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE REPLACEMENT OF ROOFS AND FIRE ALARMS AT VARIOUS TOWN SCHOOLS AND THE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPLEX

RESOLVED:

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Town of Coventry, exercising the authority of the Planning Commission pursuant to §8-24 of the General Statutes, having reviewed the proposal for the replacement of roofs and fire alarms at various Town schools and the High School/Middle School Complex, hereby approves the said proposal.
EXEMPLARY FOR MINUTES OF COVENTRY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING
HELD ______________, 2020

Item __________.

Commissioner ______________ moved that the following resolutions be adopted:

RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PLANNING, DESIGN, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BOOTH AND DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE REPLACEMENT OF ROOFS AND FIRE ALARMS AT VARIOUS TOWN SCHOOLS AND THE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPLEX

Copies of said resolutions are attached hereto.

Seconded by Commissioner ______________.

[Insert discussion, if any.]

Roll Call Vote:

AYES _______________________________ NAYS

(List Names)

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the excerpt of the Minutes of the above meeting as they are recorded in the records of the Town.

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Clerk
RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $1,750,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BOOTH AND DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $1,750,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of $1,750,000 is appropriated by the Town of Coventry, Connecticut (the "Town") for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction, and improvements to the Booth And Dimock Memorial Library, including without limitation, for code compliance, water intrusion, roof, electrical, window replacement, and building flow and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs related thereto, as more fully set forth in the Capital Improvement Plan of the Town of Coventry, FY '21 thru FY '25, said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof (collectively, the "Project").

Section 2. To meet said appropriation $1,750,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). The bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Town Manager and Town Treasurer, in the amount necessary to meet the Town’s share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this is to be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal and financing costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of $1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and the paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including the approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the Town Manager in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in his discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be
published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, provisions of the purchase agreement shall be approved by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer.

Section 4. The Town Manager and the Town Treasurer are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Town Manager, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Town Manager pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes, as the same may be amended from time to time. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The Town Manager is authorized in the name and on behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and/or grants-in-aid of the Project and is further authorized to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof and in connection therewith, to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to §1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and any time after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Tax-Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax-Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Town Manager or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of Tax-Exempt Obligations, and to amend this declaration.

Section 7. The Town Manager and the Town Treasurer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 8. The Town Manager is hereby authorized on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution.
Section 9. This resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Town electors and persons qualified to vote in Town Meeting at a duly warned Town Meeting and Adjourned Town Meeting and Referendum to be held pursuant to Section 9-1 and Section 9-3(o) of the Town Charter.
RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $2,780,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ROOFS AND THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT VARIOUS TOWN SCHOOLS AND THE HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPLEX AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $2,780,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of $2,780,000 is appropriated by the Town of Coventry, Connecticut (the "Town") for the replacement of roofs at Coventry High School, High School/Middle School Complex and George Hershey Robertson Elementary School and the replacement of the fire alarm system at Coventry High School, High School/Middle School Complex and Captain Nathan Hale Middle School, including without limitation, equipment, and electrical and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs related thereto, as more fully set forth in the Capital Improvement Plan of the Town of Coventry, FY '21 thru FY '25, said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all State and Federal grants-in-aid thereof (collectively, the "Project").

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