SUBJECT: REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 3, 2006 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Town Hall Assembly Room

PRESENT: Mayor Krampitz, Councilman Goodwin, Councilman Zagurski, Councilman Sekorski, Councilwoman Murawski and Councilwoman Scoville.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order Mayor Krampitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of the August 31, 2006 Public Hearing, August 31, 2006 Special Council Meeting and September 5, 2006 Town Council Meeting Minutes – MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved the approval of the August 31, 2006 Public Hearing minutes. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved the approval of the Special Council Meeting of August 31, 2006 minutes. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved the approval of the September 5, 2006 Town Council Meeting minutes. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED by 4 with Councilwoman Scoville abstaining.
- 4. Liaison Reports Councilwoman Murawski reported that Gosinski Park has eleven vacancies. Four apartments are ready to be rented, but waiting on paperwork. They are performing their annual apartment inspections. She presented information on the Connecticut Municipal Consortium for Fiscal Responsibility to the Board of Education. Dr. Distasio is setting up a School Naming Committee for the new high school, present high school and Fisher School . Committee will include administrators from the three schools, two Board of Education members, a PTA member, a teacher, a student and one citizen of the town. Special Education teacher Mary Connelly was presented with the Teacher of the Year award. Stop signs were requested at Allentown and Lane Road and no parking signs have been requested for Main Street near Silvio's restaurant - these are under consideration and waiting from reports for the Public Works Director and the Chief. Chief Krasicky present revised general orders for "Reporting For Duty" and "Bad Checks" and they were approved by the Police Commission. Councilman Sekorski did not have a report from the Inlands/Wetlands Commission, but the minutes for that commission are now online and he has requested to be part of that contact list. WPCA did not hold a September meeting. ZBA has a new Chairman – Martin Sandshaw. Ken Marino resigned. Planning and Zoning has extended the public hearing regarding Lucky Forest. Councilwoman Scoville reported that the flu clinics held by the VNA are up and running. Also, the VNA/Public Health passed their review with flying colors. The volunteer appreciation luncheon was postponed because a number of volunteers being recognized were unable to attend on the original date. She was unable to attend the most recent Library Board meeting. Councilman Zagurski reported that the high school project is on schedule and on budget. The bids for the Prospect Street School Roof were opened. The Fire Commission's contract for the new fire truck has been signed; they are waiting for a chassis so they can start building it. There is going to be a meeting set up between the Fire Department, Police and Dispatchers to determine when the Fire Department should be dispatched to calls. The Public Works Department replaced curbing and sidewalks on Prospect Street and installed a curtain drain in front of the firehouse. They have re-paved

Diamond St., Gold St., Silver St., Meadow St., Prospect St., and Prospect St. Ext. and chip sealed E. Plymouth Rd., Preston Rd., Burger Rd., Williams Way, and S. Eagle St. They performed test borings on Bemis St. and Seymour Rd. Tony began work on tree removal specification bids, reviewed plans for Planning & Zoning and Wetlands meetings, he completed the LOCIP application for 2006-2007, submitted a draft transfer station permit to our consultant, completed tree cutting inspections on Canal St. and Lucky Forest Estates. There were nine demolition permits, thirty-three appliance permits and three right-of-way permits issued this past month. Councilman Goodwin reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission did not meet this past month. Human Services Commission met and is concerned about the starting balance of the Cleveland fund. The Economic Development Commission held a special meeting and approved a consultant to make application for Brownfield's grants – remediation of the waterwheel site because there is contamination coming from adjacent properties. Elm Press is expanding. Phoenix Products purchased the old Napco II building at 105 Napco Drive . SunnyCorp is also looking to expand. The commission is concerned about the old Terryville Trust building there seems to be no progress on that.

- 5. Council Rules and Procedures No action taken.
- 6. Resignations and Appointments Mayor Krampitz explained that due to an inaccurate list kept in the Town Clerk's Office and a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission not realizing that he had been appointed as a regular member by the previous administration, it was necessary to alter Carl Johnson's appointment to alternate member. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to alter Carl Johnson's regular member Planning & Zoning Commission appointment from a term to expire February 19, 2007 to alternate member with a term to expire February 19, 2009. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. DISCUSSION: Councilwoman Murawski inquired as to whether the current list is up to date. Mayor Krampitz stated that she believes so. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to alter Lawrence Deschaine's alternate member Planning & Zoning Commission appointment from a term to expire February 19, 2009 to a regular member term to expire February 19, 2007. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. DISCUSSION: Councilwoman Murawski clarified that Mr. Deschaine's appointment will now be what it should have been in the first place. Mayor Krampitz stated that he was appointed as a regular member almost three years ago. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Mayor Krampitz interviewed Louis Santos for the Water Pollution Control Authority board. He was one of three applicants interested in the board. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved the Mayoral appointment of Louis Santos to the Water Pollution Control Authority as an alternate member with a term to expire January 21, 2007. SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 7. Mayor's Report
 - Waterwheel Park Project The committee is selling sweatshirts to raise awareness of this project. You may have noticed a yellow notice at 262 Main Street formerly known as the Belonick Property next to the Waterwheel. That is the notice to demolition and we expect RFQ's back on October 18.
 - Received notice of state surplus money coming to Plymouth in the amount of

\$116,000.

- \$5000 was awarded to us by the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency for a Historic Resources Survey. This project will identify, map and document historically significant sites and structures & undesignated sites and structures and recommend preservation activities related to those sites in the Town.
- Attended a welcome reception for the new President of Bristol Hospital, Kurt Barwis.
- Pleased to announce that Bristol Hospital 's Terryville Medical Center is responsive to our suggestions and needs. Their new walk-in hours are Monday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wed. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Thursday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Their laboratory hours are Monday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Brochures are in our hallway.
- Collected \$17,900 in blight fines one was from a property on 166 Main Street. You may have noticed improvements already on this blighted property.
- I have received the Certification of completion of all three phases of the Fall Mountain Water Project for the pump stations, water tank and water mains. The Connecticut Water Company has come to Town Hall three times to sign up Fall Mountain area residents for water service.
- Will be issuing a White Cane Safety Day Proclamation to promote public awareness of safety regarding people who use a white cane or guide dog for assistance and I will be attending a state award program for Matt Langer, a Terryville High School student.
- I have sent letters on behalf of the Town to our congressmen and congresswomen at the request of a consortium we belong to called Workforce Partners. They are anticipating a proposed rescission impact of the Connecticut and Capital Workforce Partners of \$1,206,000, which could mean no longer having local incumbent worker training funds to upgrade the skills of our workforce in Connecticut .
- I have had employee meetings to share the new medical insurance company information. Effective November 1 we will rely on Oxford, a United Healthcare Company, to provide medical insurance coverage to our employees. This new company's premium will close the gap on what we pay for coverage versus what we had budgeted for coverage.
- The Historic District Study Committee met on September 27 and Bob Greene was elected Chairman and Keith Golnik, Vice Chairman. We were fortunate to have with us Mary Donahue from the State Department of Culture and Tourism to assist.
- I have appointed Paul Schwanka as Director of Emergency Management to replace outgoing Director Clem Paskus. Clem has served us well and assured me of a smooth transition.
- I marched in the Burlington Bicentennial Parade at the invitation of First Selectman, Ted Scheidel, on September 9. Their coin is on display in the Town Hall hallway.
- Opened the Terryville Country Fair with a speech that mentioned that we would honor Steve Kopcha in our Annual Report.

- Met today with Congresswoman Johnson and State Rep. William Hamzy at two companies in the Industrial Park.
- Met with Police Union over negotiations on September 8.
- Congratulated Terryville Fire Department for their state championship in the tanker competition.
- Take action to refund property taxes to: Robert F. White \$13.50; Frances Swierczynski \$68.55; Edward or Charlene Zukowski \$60.71; Sharon or Blair Soucy \$14.17; Karen L. Morrissey \$128.03; Janice A. Croce \$108.21; Larry Grela Well Drilling Inc. \$1,584.68; Susan G. or David Boilard \$7.23; Cheryl Corrigan \$33.45; Michael B. Mindera \$40.07, James C. Dowd \$79.59 and Ann C. Zarrilli \$122.10 – MOTION: Councilman Zagurski moved to refund property taxes as presented. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 9. Discuss and take action on Board of Education request for Removal and Replacement of oil tanks – Mayor Krampitz stated that the BOE will be replacing oil tanks in the summer of 2007. Also, \$260,000 is in the Capital Projects portion of the budget and grant money is anticipated. A building committee must be designated to make this happen and they will also be asked to oversee preparation of schematic drawings and submission of the grant application. It will be the removal and replacement of four tanks. Councilwoman Scoville asked Gerry Perusse if there was any indication of leaks or is this precautionary. Mr. Perusse stated that they are tested every year and this is precautionary because the tanks are made of single wall steel. They are almost twenty years old and DEP recommended they be tested. Councilman Goodwin asked how much grant money we would receive. Mr. Perusse responded it would cover 72% of the cost. Mr. Perusse stated that the Board of Education needs the Town Council's authorization to apply for the grant. Councilwoman Murawski asked if the work is contracted out. Mr. Perusse stated that they are planning on bidding the four tanks out, plus the one at the high school. The high school tank is empty and they are using gas there. The tank at the high school will probably be taken out of the ground when the sprinkler system is replaced because the tank is surrounded by electrical and water pipes in the driveway. Mr. Perusse stated that the numbers he gave to the Council are an average. The tanks are different sizes and some are under the driveway. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to authorize our School Building Committee to oversee the preparation of schematic drawings and submission of the grant application for removal and replacement of the 10,000 gallon oil tank at Main Street School . SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: : Councilwoman Murawski moved to authorize our School Building Committee to oversee the preparation of schematic drawings and submission of the grant application for removal and replacement of the 8,000 gallon oil tank at Plymouth Center School, SECOND: Councilman Goodwin, DISCUSSION: Councilman asked what the tanks would be replaced with. Mr. Perusse stated the tanks will be replaced with double wall fiberglass tanks. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to authorize our School Building Committee to oversee the preparation of schematic drawings and submission of the grant application for removal and replacement of the 10,000 gallon oil tank at Prospect Street School . SECOND: Councilman Goodwin, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to authorize our School Building Committee to oversee the preparation

of schematic drawings and submission of the grant application for removal and replacement of the 6,000 gallon oil tank at Harry S. Fisher School . SECOND: Councilwoman Scoville. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 10. Discuss and take action to approve the revised General Orders #06-3 "Reporting for Duty" and #06-6 "Bad Checks" as submitted by the Police Commission and approved at their last meeting (Please note that this item was taken up after item 13 to allow for the Chief of Police to be in attendance for discussion) Chief Krasicky stated that she revised the general orders by making minor changes, cleaning up the format, making them look more professional and making some procedural changes. MOTION: Councilman Sekorski moved to accept the revised General Order #06-3 "Reporting for Duty" as submitted. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION: Councilwoman Murawski moved to approve the revised General Order #06-6 "Bad Checks" approved by the Police Commission. SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Under Council Rules and Procedures MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to take up item #16 after #13. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Murawski yes, Councilman Goodwin yes. MOTION PASSED.
- 11. Discuss and take action to schedule a Public Hearing and Special Town Council Meeting concerning Fall Mountain Water Project Assessment No action taken. Councilman Sekorski asked if the Council will set the rates of the assessment. Mayor Krampitz explained that the Council will set the rates over a fifteen year period. Connecticut Water Co. will not provide recommendations for assessment. This assessment rate is akin to the sewer assessment in town. It's a one time assessment spread over a period of time.
- 12. Discuss and take action to approve Resolution for Lauretano Sign Group expansion -Mayor Krampitz introduced Director of Economic Development and Planning Bill Kuehn and stated that a request for town owned property adjacent to Lauretano Sign Group has been discussed for years for expansion purposes. Mr. Kuehn handed out a revised resolution due to a change in the last line. It should read "commissioner" instead of "commission." Mr. Kuehn read the resolution. The expansion consists of 17,000 square feet on site. Lauretano Sign began planning their expansion in 2001. They are looking to use a conservation easement that can be utilized by Lauretano Sign and the Town. The packet previously given to Council contains: the project plan approved by DECD in 1999, the site plan which shows athletic facilities and a parking area. Parking in that configuration is on the already approved plan for Phase III. It is a conservation easement, not open space. The long term lease agreement will be prepared by Attorney Tom Conlin. Lauretano Sign needs off-street parking in order to do building expansion. Councilman Zagurski asked if Lauretano was going to put in that whole parking lot with no expense to the town. Mr. Kuehn responded that was correct. Councilman Zagurski asked if that parking lot could be used by residents. Mr. Kuehn responded that the intent is joint use. Councilwoman Murawski asked whose liability the parking lot was and how long is the long term lease. Mr. Kuehn responded that liability would be worked out in the lease and the term of the lease is undefined, but probably would be twenty years. Councilwoman Murawski asked if there was compensation for the lot. Mr. Kuehn responded there has not been discussion of compensation and maintaining it is their responsibility. Attorney

Conlin stated that the lease would make the lessee responsible for providing insurance for the town and for anyone who might use it and we would be the initial insured. Compensation for town vis-à-vis rent has not been discussed. Mayor Krampitz stated that Lauretano's expansion means more employees and more tax dollars – they have been in town almost sixty years. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into a long lease agreement between the Town of Plymouth and Lauretano Sign Group for off-street parking within Phase III of the Plymouth Business Park to enable the expansion of Lauretano Sign Group's manufacturing facility at 1 Tremco Drive, said agreement to be pursuant to correspondence from DECD Commissioner James Abromaitis dated September 15, 2006 . SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. DISCUSSION: Councilwoman Murawski asked if there was any progress on the ball fields. Mr. Kuehn responded that there was nothing to report. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 13. Public Comment Melanie Church, 328 Main Street Gave Silvio Cavicchio credit for cleaning up the blighted property across from Silvio's Restaurant. Stated that she hoped the public would be able to comment on the topics brought up during the "Other Business" item since it is new to the agenda. Gave her opinion that the Police Commission is not coming to the Council asking for more officers because it was cut from the budget, which was voted on by the people and she hopes no other department will ask for money for an additional person. Pattie DeHuff, 20 Lynn Avenue - Asked that the Board of Finance minutes be put online. She is concerned that taxpayer dollars are being spent on extra copies made in the Town Clerk's Office for the Mayor's Office. Robert White, 24 Overlook Road – Thanked the Mayor and Council for bringing water to the Fall Mountain area, which will bring property values up. However, the sale of drugs and the drug problem there will bring the property value down again. Jan Oullette, 104 Eastview Road - Feels there are not enough police officers in town. Believes there are gang members and drug dealers living in the Fall Mountain area. She would appreciate it if, when she calls in a suspicious vehicle or other problem, that the Police Department would not give her address and name over the scanner. She stated that there have been a lot of break-ins and gunfire. She feels if the drug problem is taken care of, the amount of crime will decrease. She stated that she knows people are willing to form a neighborhood watch and to help the police and community. Robert White, 24 Overlook Road – Feels that information given to the police is back out on the street before they get home. Mayor Krampitz thanked Ms. Oullette and Mr. White for voicing their concerns and stated that she would speak to Chief Krasicky about giving a neighborhood watch presentation to the residents. Jon Stevens, 104 Eastview Road – He was fired upon and it took too long for the police to get to scene. There are children ranging in age from 7 to 14 years old smoking crack and doing coke. He feels they are prisoners in their own houses.
- 14. Other Business MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to discuss the closing of the social security office in Bristol . SECOND: Councilman Zagurski. Roll call vote:
 Councilwoman Murawski yes, Councilman Sekorski yes, Councilwoman Scoville yes, Councilman Zagurski yes, Councilman Goodwin yes. MOTION PASSED.
 Councilwoman Scoville stated that it has been publicized that the federal government is trying to close the social security office in Bristol . The office serves Bristol , Burlington and Plymouth . If it were to close, Plymouth residents would have to go to Waterbury or New Britain transportation will be a huge issue. There is a meeting Thursday, October 5 th at Bristol 's City Hall at 4:00 p.m. regarding this issue. Mayor Krampitz stated that she

and others will be testifying at the hearing and transportation will be their focus. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to announce that there is a Thursday afternoon meeting at Chippanee with Jim Abromaitis. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Murawski - yes, Councilman Sekorski - yes, Councilwoman Scoville - yes, Councilman Zagurski - yes, Councilman Goodwin - yes. MOTION PASSED. Thursday at noon, Jim Abromaitis from DECD will be at Chippanee to make a presentation. MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to discuss the Assistant Tax Collector's position. SECOND: Councilman Sekorski. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Murawski – yes, Councilman Sekorski – yes, Councilwoman Scoville – yes, Councilman Zagurski – yes, Councilman Goodwin – yes. MOTION PASSED. Councilwoman Scoville asked if there was a person in that position, is that person being paid and if so, where is that money coming from? Mayor Krampitz responded that there is still money to pay that person, the person is still on staff, and she has requested the Board of Finance to transfer money instead of asking for an appropriation because an appropriation would dip into our fund balance. Board of Finance Chairman received a memo in June making that request and she has not heard from them. Their last meeting was cancelled. Melanie Church, 328 Main Street – Believes there was a contingency line item for Assistant Tax Collector. The state of Connecticut told her that as of June 30, 2006 when that money was not yet appropriated, it goes back into the general budget. So it is not part of this budget and it is not part of the amount. She believes there was a motion made to cut that \$27,042 out of salary. Mayor Krampitz stated that there is money there and Ms. Church is not correct.

- 15. Executive Session for real estate negotiations Councilman Goodwin moved to go into Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. for the purposes of real estate negotiations and invite in Attorney Tom Conlin and Bill Kuehn. SECOND: Councilwoman Murawski. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:44 p.m. BACK IN OPEN SESSION AT 8:48 p.m.
- 16. Take action from executive session if necessary No action taken.
- 17. Adjournment MOTION: Councilwoman Scoville moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m. SECOND: Councilman Goodwin. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted by: Erica Nodine, Acting Council Clerk