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AGENDA No. 902

I	CALL TO ORDER	DATE:	September 9, 2026
II	MOMENT OF SILENCE	TIME:	7:30 p.m.
III	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	PLACE:	Town Hall
IV	ROLL CALL		
V	PUBLIC COMMENT		
VI	APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
VII	NEW BUSINESS		

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Council of the Town of Trumbull will hold a meeting at the Trumbull Town Hall on Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 7:30 p.m.

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VIII ADJOURNMENT
COPY OF THE RESOLUTION ATTACHED HERETO
Ashley Gaudiano, Trumbull Town Council Chairman

RESOLUTIONS

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FULL RESOLUTIONS

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AQUARION WATER AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Town of Trumbull is entitled to representation on the Representative Policy Board of the Aquarion Water Authority; and

WHEREAS, the First Selectman has submitted the appointment of Paul Timpanelli to serve as the Town of Trumbull's representative; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has reviewed said appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Trumbull that the appointment of Paul Timpanelli to the Representative Policy Board of the Aquarion Water Authority is hereby confirmed for a term ending June 30, 2028, or until a successor is duly appointed and confirmed.

RESOLUTION TC31-61:

WHEREAS, the three fire districts in the Town of Trumbull, CT respond to three major limited access state highways that run through the Town of Trumbull. There are approximately ten (10) miles of Route 25, eight (8) miles of Route 15, and three (3) miles of Route 8; and

WHEREAS, the number of responding fire apparatus units is based on the location and nature of the incident. The Long Hill and Nichols Fire Departments have the closest access to the highways based on highway entrances and the state route intersections. The distance between access ramps requires there to be one vehicle stationed on the west side of town and the other on the east side of town for optimal response time; and

WHEREAS, the Trumbull Fire Departments regularly place a piece of apparatus in a "blocking" position on divided highways to allow fire, EMS, police and tow operators to render aid at motor vehicle accidents or to extinguish car fires; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2027 Legislative appropriation contains a $300,000 grant to the Town of Trumbull for the purpose of the Nichols Fire District and Long Hill Fire District, which will use the funds to purchase and equip two (2) highway blocking attenuator trucks; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the full cost of the two (2) highway blocking attenuator trucks as equipped will exceed the grant amount of $300,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Vicki A. Tesoro, First Selectman, or her designee, be and the same is hereby authorized to sign the Notice of Grant Award from the Office of Policy and Management and all subsequent contracts, amendments, reports and related documents in order to administer and implement the Grant for the Nichols Fire District and Long Hill Fire District, with the condition that the Nichols Fire District and the Long Hill Fire District will pay any additional costs to purchase and outfit the two (2) highway blocking attenuator trucks above the amount of the grant as well as any additional costs associated with the grant.

RESOLUTION TC31-63:

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED THAT SECTIONS 15-11 AND 15-16 OF THE TRUMBULL MUNICIPAL CODE ARE HEREBY REPEALED AND THE FOLLOWING ADOPTED IN THEIR PLACE:

Sec. 15-11. - Parking and traffic.

(a) Parking within a Town park requires a permit issued by the Department.

(b) No person shall operate a motorized vehicle, including an e-bike or e-scooter, on any trail, pedestrian walkway, or other area not intended for vehicular use within park property, including trails, without expressed permission from the Department. (c) The use of minibikes, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, or any unregistered or unlicensed vehicles is expressly prohibited within all park property.

(d) No person shall fail to obey the directions of any Park Ranger, Police Officer, or other Town employees authorized and instructed to direct or otherwise monitor traffic within park property.

(e) No person shall operate any vehicle in park property in excess of the posted speed limit or, where not posted, in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour.

(f) No person shall wash, clean, paint, maintain or make repairs to any motor vehicle in any park property.

(g) No person shall park a motor vehicle other than in a paved designated parking area without expressed permission from the Department. Curbside or roadside parking within park property is prohibited.

(h) Park Rangers, Police Officers, and any authorized agents shall have charge and control over all vehicular (including bikes, e-bikes and e-scooters) and pedestrian traffic on the roads, trails or drives within park property.

(i) No vehicle shall drive off the paved portion of any road area designated for vehicular access without expressed written permission from the Department.

- **Sec. 15-16. - Penalties.**

(a) The Town, Department, Park Rangers, and Police Officers may enforce all rules, regulations, and ordinances in accordance with G.S § 7-148(b)(10)(A):

Make all lawful regulations and ordinances in furtherance of any general powers as enumerated in this section, and prescribe penalties for the violation of the same not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars, unless otherwise specifically provided by the general statutes. Such regulations and ordinances may be enforced by citations issued by designated municipal officers or employees, provided the regulations and ordinances have been designated specifically by the municipality for enforcement by citation in the same manner in which they were adopted and the designated municipal officers or employees issue a written warning providing notice of the specific violation before issuing the citation …; - C.G.S. § 7-148, Scope of Municipal Powers.

(b) Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter, including any person who operates any e-bike or e-scooter in a reckless manner with disregard for the safety of other persons using any public areas, shall be subject to a fine of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars for the first offense and Two Hundred ($200.00) Dollars for each subsequent offense, in addition to other remedies. Each violation of a separate section of this chapter shall be considered a separate offense and shall not merge with a violation of any other section of this chapter. Each violation continuing more than one day shall constitute a separate offense for each day said violation continues.

(c) An authorized agent of the Department and any Police Officer may eject a person or group from park property for cause.

(d) The Department may suspend all rights, privileges or permits for the use of park property, without refund, of any Person violating any of the provisions of this chapter or regulation who:

(1) After notice by an authorized agent does not immediately cease, correct or rectify any such violation, or

(2) Repeats a violation or violations after notice by an authorized agent of a previous violation, or

(3) Fails to pay upon demand, charges and fees incurred for the use of park property and all expenses incurred by the Town caused by violation of the ordinance.

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(f) The provisions of this section shall not affect or be deemed to limit any other penalty or remedy provided herein or by the provisions of any other applicable law, ordinance or regulation.

Resolution TC31-65:

WHEREAS the Town of Trumbull is committed to protecting the public health, safety, and welfare of all residents, businesses, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Trumbull Town Council believes that a sufficient time is required to research and evaluate the potential environmental, infrastructure, and public safety impacts associated with the development of any new data centers within the Town of Trumbull; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Town of Trumbull and its residents, businesses and visitors to adopt a moratorium on the establishment of any new data center.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED THAT THE TRUMBULL MUNICIPAL CODE BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY AMENDED BY INCLUSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. The Town hereby adopts a two-year moratorium on the establishment and development of any new data centers within the Town of Trumbull.
B. It is specifically understood that this moratorium shall have no impact or effect on any data centers currently existing within the Town of Trumbull.
C. For the purposes of this moratorium, the term DATA CENTER shall mean a facility, structure, or campus of structures primarily used for the storage, processing, and distribution of digital data and information, including cloud-based services and network operations.
D. This moratorium shall take effect upon the effective date of this ordinance and shall sunset twenty-four months from said effective date.

Resolution TC31-66:

WHEREAS the Town Council adopted bonding resolution TC31-26 at its Special Meeting on February 23, 2026, appropriating $710,000 in bonded funds toward the construction of the Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center; and

WHEREAS said appropriation was made after the Veterans and First Responders Building Committee had value engineered items estimated to cost approximately $436,000 out of the construction program.

BE IT RESOLVED that the $710,000 appropriation contained in the bonding authorization adopted by the Trumbull Town Council (TC31-26) at its meeting on February 23, 2026, is hereby reduced by the cost of any value engineered items the Building Committee adds back into the construction program.

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

Town Council August 3, 2026, link:

https://www.trumbull-ct.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Minutes/_08032026-6170

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BOARD OF FINANCE

Town Hall
5866 Main Street
Trumbull, Connecticut 06611

Board of Finance Meeting
Council Chambers, Trumbull Town Hall
Unapproved Minutes
February 12, 2026
7:00 pm

Call To Order
Chairman McHugh called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. Condolences were sent to Peter Sullivan from Madison Middle School on the passing of his mother.

Present
Chairman, Lainie McHugh, Paul Timpanelli, David Galla, David Pia, Massimo Mallozzi, Michael Colohan, Nathan Tinker (Alternate) and Vincent DeGennaro (Alternate)

Also Present
Maria Pires, Director of Finance; Town Attorney Daniel Schopick; Rebecca Lopez, Internal Auditor; Kathleen McGannon, Chief Administrative Officer; George Estrada, Director of Public Works; Richard Infante, Director of Operations, Public Works; Members of the Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center Building Committee Raymond Baldwin, Thomas Lee, Architect George Wiles, Michael Lombardo, Preston Merritt, Dan Sacco and Jeff Anderson, Downes Construction

Public Comment
No public comment. Ms. McHugh acknowledged several emails received from parents in regard to the Board of Education budget were distributed to the Board for review.

Internal Auditor
Rebecca Lopez updated the Board on the Human Resources Heath Benefits Administration audit highlighting the following:

1. Conducted for the period covering July 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025.
2. Scope and Methodology provided.
3. Statistical data with the benefit participant data and net medical expense.
4. Five observations with Management responses.
5. Employee Medical Premium Contribution Rates per bargaining unit and Medical Benefit Rates chart.

Question was raised with regard to the non-compliant HEP participants and the timeframe. It was noted it was a matter of a couple of months until it was rectified. Ms. Lopez noted there is a module in MUNIS that is being looked into but the oversight could have been related to staff turnover on multiple levels.

Treasurer's Report
Treasurer's Report was previously distributed to the Board. No discussion.

Discussion on Pavement Preservation
Mr. Estrada thanked those who came to the orientation to share some operational experiences. The Pavement Preservation Program has been in place for the last three years beginning with ARPA funding. It is now carried in the Capital budget. This has become one of the most important components in extending the life of the roads and will provide a more programmatic extension of the life cycle of Town roads.

Ms. McHugh requested Mr. Estrada to schedule additional orientations of the Facilities Department and Parks and Rec.

Mr. Infante discussed the program highlighting the following:

1. This program uses various techniques to preserve the durability, longevity, and drivability of the roadways.
2. In 2014, mix designs of asphalt changed that did not provide longevity. The Town began to use these mixes designed by UCONN. Preservation techniques were developed and they now work in conjunction with the mix designs allowing for stability and longevity.
3. Standard Paving Program was milling and paving with minimal crack sealing. Approximately $18.00 per sq yard but could increase to $54.00. Only working on the worst roads.
4. Started crack sealing in 2023 with ARPA funds for pavement preservation. This is filling the cracks in the road by first cleaning them out and then filling them with polymer modified asphalt (fiber reinforced). Biggest problem for the roads is freezing in winter with water and cold temperatures. 71 roads and 26.12 miles covered. Cost is $.80 to $1.80 per sq yard; $18.00 to mill and pave. Inexpensive and effective process. Qualifying roads are 5-15 years old.
5. Started chip sealing in 2024. This is cleaning the road by sweeping, clearing any vegetation and spraying a hot emulsion on it with an aggregate that covers the entire surface taking out imperfections and cracks. They crack seal first and then chip seal over the top. One additional liquid asphalt layer is applied to complete the process. Qualifying roads are 16-20 years old. Six to eight years extension.
6. Experimented with fog sealing with sand finish on two roads. It is the same process with the oil after cleaning and putting sand down for traction. Qualifying roads are 5-12 years old.
7. 2024 – crack sealing - 30 roads covering 9.27 road miles; chip sealing - 13 roads covering 2.27 road miles and fog seal with sand finish - 2 roads covering .64 road miles.

8. In 2024, found a process for filling pot holes by an air injected liquid emulsion that layers aggregate into the pot holes. Specialized truck is available most of the year for this process and is rented due to cost. One truck/one week - 6 roads covering 7.92 road miles.
9. Total 51 roads covering 20.1 road miles in 2024.
10. Continued to use the same methods in 2025 totaling 42 roads covering 20.13 road miles.
11. Process is not perfect with traffic concerns and lose stones, but the value is noticeable.
12. Adding in a mastic application; Board already approved the mastic trailer. This application covers cracks over 1.5 inches that cannot be addressed by crack sealing. It is liquid asphalt with stones mixed in. Will be able to capture more roads. Very effective.
13. Coverage over three years – crack sealing covered 37.68 miles; chip sealing covered 5.63 miles and the pot hole truck covered 22.4 miles (concentrating on main roads).
14. Looking into other preservation methods. All current methods of preservation are recyclable.

Discussion was held regarding cost of the process; qualifying roads are approximately 15-20% due to road paving in prior years; cost of a mile of road would be in the low $300 depending on the condition of the roadway and required repair.

Ms. McHugh thanked Mr. Infante for his presentation. When the PSI study is received, would like it presented at a joint Town Council/Board of Finance meeting. Mr. Estrada thanked him for the work done and for his expertise.

02-26-01 – Bonding Resolution – Trumbull Veteran's and First Responders Center - $710,000 ($703,000 plus $7,000 Financing Costs)
Motion made by Mr. Pia to read the title of the Resolution in its entirety and to waive the reading of the remainder of the resolution, incorporating its full text into the minutes of this meeting. Seconded by Mr. Timpanelli. Motion passed 6-0-0. All back-up information can be found on-line.

Mr. Galla introduced the following resolution:

> 02-26-01 bonding resolution for the Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center for $710,000 ($703,000 plus Financing Costs) for the planning, design, demolition, construction, renovation, equipping and furnishing of a new Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center and authorizing the issuance of $710,000 in bonds of the Town to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose.

Mr. Galla moved its adoption; seconded by Mr. Pia.

Mr. Baldwin reviewed the history of the project noting they formulated the design with cost estimates during the pandemic. They were able to secure funding for $1.5 million in State bonding. At that time, projected cost per sq ft was approximately $500; however, bids came in at approximately $842 per sq foot. They have raised over $5 million for the project to date. The

bidder on the project agreed to hold their contract rate until the end of the month. Ms. McHugh noted this agreement is in writing and will be sent to the Board for review.

The $703,000 requested includes $300,000 contingency as recommended by the project manager. The remaining $400,000 is to complete construction. They will continue to fund raise for the project. If the Board approves the funding, construction will start in April/May with completion expected in 9/10 months. Verbal commitments have been received from regional partners but they are waiting to see if the project will move forward.

Initiatives for fund raising were discussed including room sponsorships and plaques. They raised $208,000 which has been earmarked for operating expenses when it opens. Room rental fees will be used for the expenses of the building. They submitted a business plan to the Town approximately two years ago with an operating budget (will need to be updated).

Mr. Baldwin noted the question has been raised about reducing the size of the building to fit the funding received. If the funding was received all at once, it would have been easier to make changes. However, the funding came through at various stages. It was difficult to gauge when they would be able to move forward and there were time restrictions on some of the grants and bonding. The foundation work and septic system were started on time-sensitive funding.

Chief Lombardo discussed the importance of the center with regard to funding and emergency services. The center would provide training space for multiple agencies as a regional asset. (Pia) - would other towns pay to use the space. (Lombardo) – they would train in conjunction with TPD because of regionalization of assets. (Timpanelli) – public-centered entities are not being charged. (Baldwin) – only individuals who want to rent it for birthday parties, etc. This facility would allow partnerships with organizations to help veterans transition back into the community as well as provide other essential services. (Timpanelli) – in the resolution, it is referred to as the Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center, why wouldn't it be called a regional center. (Baldwin) – when the Committee was started, it was primarily a Trumbull facility. Neighboring towns have joined the Trumbull group giving it the regional notation. Bonding and grants required it be open to others.

Mr. Sacco discussed the business plan for the center, noting fund raising initiatives such as the wall of honor, naming rights and room rentals. (Timpanelli) – who will manage the rentals. (Sacco) – it will be determined when the building is completed but in the past the veterans ran the last center successfully. The reason for the new center is because of structural issues that could not be repaired. Ms. McHugh noted the bond authorization is an authorization up to a certain amount and is not expended until needed. Additional fund raising could reduce the amount required from the bond.

Current financials were reviewed. Ms. McHugh questioned if the expenses paid were presented to the Town Council from the Committee. Mr. Sacco noted they were paid through the Finance Director.

Mr. Merritt commented on his involvement with the Committee and what it would mean to the veterans and the civic community. Everyone will be proud of this building.

Ms. McHugh noted everyone supported the project but timing with this resolution is difficult. There are some concerns regarding how the process goes from here. Discussions have been held with various individuals. She feels there are some great ideas but other items need to be put into place as they move through the process. The Committee needs to be working with the Town Council to make sure budgetary implications are discussed such as determining if help from the Town would be required once the doors open until it is self-sustaining. If individuals are hired, who would be responsible for them and how would they be paid. These need to be worked out between the Committee, Town Council, Town Attorneys, etc. There are also considerations with regard to the bond, grant money restrictions and changing the scope of the project. There will be routine reports to the Town Council so the project, when it is completed, will be ready to open its doors. Mr. Baldwin noted these topics will need to be addressed soon and will work with the Town Council. (Tinker) – need to have events scheduled prior to opening as other venues often look at 2-3 years ahead for rentals. Need to have it turnkey at opening. (Pia) – thanked the veterans present for their service and questioned usage. (Baldwin) – only services for veterans; no residents like the Homes for the Brave.

Mr. Galla questioned the Downes Construction budget valued engineering estimate of $436,000. Mr. Wiles noted after the bids were received, they developed a list of over 40 items including a moveable wall, curtain wall glass over-looking Katz Pond (changed to picture windows and French doors). (Galla) – any other items that can be removed without changing the scope of the project. (Wiles) – this was a challenge. It needs to be a self-sustaining building. None of the items discussed affect the programmatical goals of the building. There are other items that could be considered in the savings such as pipes and insulation. Conversely concrete prices and carpenter raise added costs back. (McHugh) – warming kitchen – reason why it is not a full kitchen. (Wiles) – size of the kitchen was driven by the size of the septic system.

Mr. Tinker questioned the number of parking space. Mr. Wiles noted there are approximately 50 spaces. It does comply with the Town Zoning Regulations. Currently, the rough grading of the lot has been completed. The Town provided the fill which was a tremendous savings.

Mr. Baldwin noted volunteers have come forward to work as well as others making contributions.

Question was raised regarding the funding. Mrs. Pires noted it was awarded by the State and is reimbursable as expenditures are incurred.

Ms. McHugh read the motion on the floor. **Motion passed 6-0-0.**

Discussion Items

1. Year to Date Budget Report – Expenditures FY 2026 – no further discussion.
2. Year to Date Budget Report – Revenue FY 2026 – no further discussion.

Approval of Minutes
Motion was made by Mr. Timpanelli to accept the minutes of January 15, 2026 as presented; seconded by Mr. Galla. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business
Mrs. Pires presented the proposed meeting dates for budget hearings. Department dates would be March 10 and March 19. Details will be confirmed and distributed.

Adjournment
There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Pia to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 pm; seconded by Mr. Galla. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crandall
Acting Clerk

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RESOLUTION TC31-66 Back-UP

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AGENDA No. 894

I	CALL TO ORDER	DATE:	February 23, 2026
II	MOMENT OF SILENCE	TIME:	6:00 p.m.
III	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	PLACE:	Town Hall
IV	ROLL CALL		
V	PUBLIC COMMENT		
VI	NEW BUSINESS		

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the Town Council of the Town of Trumbull will hold a special meeting at the Town Hall on February 23, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., with respect to the following proposed resolutions:

If weather does not permit, the meeting will be via videoconference, (See link below):

Town Council Special Meeting
Feb 23, 2026, 6:00 PM
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87870437239?pwd=kLzwOCAxkvXpcu4BpJ3HCsYVzW1ara.1
Webinar ID: 878 7043 7239
Password: 874569

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VII ADJOURNMENT
COPY OF THE RESOLUTION ATTACHED HERETO
Ashley Gaudiano, Trumbull Town Council Chairman

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FULL RESOLUTION

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NOTICE OF MEETING
BOARD OF FINANCE

DATE: February 12, 2026
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Council Chambers

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

INTERNAL AUDITOR – Rebeca Lopez – (to follow)

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT – Anthony Musto (to follow)

DISCUSSION ROAD PAVING – GEORGE ESTRADA/RICHARD INFANTE

02-26-01 – Bonding Resolution– rumbull Veteran's and First Responders Center–$710,000 ($703,000 plus $7,000 Financing Costs)

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Year to date budget report - Expenditures FY 2026
- Year to date budget report - Revenues FY 2026

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 15, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

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Most Recent

DOWNES CONSTRUCTION

TRUMBULL VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS
BUDGET REPORT 6/18/2025 (Rev. 1/23/26 (Rev)

REQUIRES REVIEW/CONFIRMATION

Item No.	Item		CONTRACT / BUDGET	Contractor	CHANGE ORDERS	PENDING CHANGE ORDERS	REVISED CONTRACT / ANTICIPATED FINAL COST
TRADE COSTS							
00 00 00	GC Lump Sum Bid - PAC's Group		$4,164,417	PACS			$4,164,417
	VALUE ENGINEERING (ESTIMATE ONLY)		-$436,000				-$436,000
01 00 00	General Conditions (PR's)		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
02 00 20	Demolition of Extisting Struct. - Ph1		$44,436	Conte	($1,047)		$43,389
03 00 00	Concrete Work - Phase 1		$257,000	Nagy	$69,439		$326,439
04 00 00	Masonry		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
05 00 00	Structural Steel		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
05 00 00	Misc. Steel Railings		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
06 00 00	Wood. Plastics & Composites		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
07 00 00	Thermal & Moisture Protection		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
08 00 00	Doors and Windows		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
09 00 00	Finishes		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
10 00 00	Specialties		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
11 00 00	Kitchen Equipment		w/ Soft Costs	Town			$0
12 00 00	Furnishings		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
15 00 00	Sprinkler System		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
22 00 00	Plumbing		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
23 00 00	HVAC		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
26 00 00	Electrical		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
26 56 00	Site Lighting		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
31 00 00	Earthwork - Phase 1		$415,000	Nagy	$67,015		$482,015
31 00 00	Earthwork (Remaining Scope No w/		w/ GC Bid	PACS			$0
ALLOWANCES							
	Stabilization of existing foundation						Paid by separate source
	SUBTOTAL TRADE COST		$4,444,853		$135,406	$0	$4,580,259
INDIRECT COSTS							
	Excess Liability Insurance		w/ GC Bid				$0
	CM Pre Construction Fee		N/A				$0
	P & P Bond Costs		w/ GC Bid				$0
	General Conditions Cost		w/ GC Bid				$0
	Fee		w/ GC Bid				$0
	State Ed Fee		w/ GC Bid				$0
	Trumbull permit fee		Assume Waived				$0
	SUBTOTAL INDIRECT COSTS		$0		$0	$0	$0
	TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST		$4,444,853		$135,406	$0	$4,580,259
SOFT COSTS: additional expenses							
	Owner FFE		$148,729				$148,729
	AV/Technology - Equipment		$75,000				$75,000
	Generator ($40,000)						Not provided
	Kitchen Equipment		$25,000				$25,000
	Architectural / Engineering Fees:						
	Wiles	PO 20210372	$185,000	Wiles			$185,000
	Wiles	Addl. Services No. 01	$7,500				$7,500
	Wiles	Addl. Services No. 02	$15,000	Wiles			$15,000
	Wiles	Addl. Services No. 03	$40,350				$40,350
	Wiles	Reimburseables Allowance:	$20,000	Wiles			$20,000
	Wiles	Shoring Structural Design	$7,575				$7,575
	Wiles	VE Design Services	$4,500				$4,500
	Wiles	Structural Engineering Const	$2,500				$2,500
	Wiles	Civil Engineering Const. Admin	$3,500				$3,500
	Wiles	MEP Engineering VE Design	$4,500				$4,500
	Wiles	Shoring Structural Design	$7,575				$7,575
	CA Fee (Downes)		Sep Budget	Downes			$0

DOWNES CONSTRUCTION

TRUMBULL VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS
BUDGET REPORT 6/18/2025 (Rev. 1/23/26 (Rev)

REQUIRES REVIEW/CONFIRMATION

Item No.	Item		CONTRACT / BUDGET	Contractor	CHANGE ORDERS	PENDING CHANGE ORDERS	REVISED CONTRACT / ANTICIPATED FINAL COST
	CA Fees (Downes - Additional)		$25,000	Downes			$25,000
	Topo Survey of existing		w/ Arch / Eng Fees				$0
	Phase 1 Site Assessment		$2,392				$2,392
	Consulting Services - Environ. Review Redord		$2,000				$2,000
	Geotechnical Testing		$0				$0
	Testing and Special		$25,229				$25,229
	Utility Company service fees		$75,686				$75,686
	Builders Risk		$50,000				$50,000
	Soft Cost Contingency		w/ Owner Cont				$0
	Other Owner Expenses						$0
	Misc. Finance		Not Required				Not required
	Professional Services / Legal Fees (DECD Grant R		$ 5,340.00				$5,340
	Operating Costs		Not Included				Not Included
							$0
	SUBTOTAL SOFT COSTS		$732,375		$0	$0	$732,375
	Contingency Change						($135,406)
	Owners Contingency		$435,406				$435,406
	Current Owner's Contingency						$300,000
	TOTAL PROJECT ANTICIPATED FINAL COSTS:		**$5,612,634**				**$5,612,634**
	TOWN BUDGET (ALL SOURCES)						
	Governors Bond Allocation		$ 900,000				$ 900,000
	Dinardo Enterprises Donation + Generator		$ 100,000				$ 100,000
	BOND		$ 200,000				$ 200,000
	VCHUD (HUD)		$ 750,000				$ 750,000
	DECD Grant		$ 1,500,000				$ 1,500,000
	HUD ED CPF Grant		$ 1,200,000				$ 1,200,000
	ROTARY CLUB (PROJECTED)		$ 50,000				$ 50,000
	VFW		$ 80,000				$ 80,000
	STEEP G0342		$ 129,000				$ 129,000
	TOTAL TOWN BUDGET		$ 4,909,000				$ 4,909,000
	OVER / (UNDER) T&B BUDGET		**$ 703,634**				**$ 703,634**

Trumbull Veterans & First Responders Building Committee Meeting

Thursday January 29, 2026, 6:30pm

Via Zoom

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Baldwin at 6:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance:

Ray Baldwin, Chairman
Preston Merritt
Dan Sacco
Michael Lombardo
Bruce Silverstone
Steve Lemoine
Richard Wolf
Mary Issac

Also Present:

George Wiles, Wiles Architects
Rich Infante, Trumbull Public Works
Maria Pires, Director of Finance, Town of Trumbull
Rina Bakalar, Director, Economic Development, Town of Trumbull
Jeff Anderson, Downes Construction
John Nugent, Attorney for Town of Trumbull
Ernie Foito, American Legion Commander
Graham Bissett, VFW Post 10059 Commander

Public Comment

Mr. Foito and Mr. Graham commented that they want to be able to get a building done as soon as possible even if it means downsizing it.

Approval of August 6, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Moved by Mr. Sacco and seconded by Mr. Merritt to approve the August 6, 2025 Meeting Minutes. **Vote: 8-0-0**

Discussion and motion to request up to $700K in funding from the town of Trumbull for the completion of construction of the center should it become necessary (Bakalar & Baldwin)

Mr. Nugent stated that if committee approves this and Town Council and Board of Finance approve, we can bond the money. Once we have the bond in place between the contingency and other funding, we may not have to draw down on the bond 100%. We can replace the money from other sources and the town will not have draw down on the bond—this would mean less borrowing costs for the town, and Mr. Nugent encourages this.

Mr. Baldwin said this bond money is at the back end of the project. We have money to start construction. The estimation is that if we start in April or May, project won't be completed until next January or February. We have a lot of time to get donors in place.

Mr. Sacco said that he will vote yes on this motion but wants to make sure we understand that we're doing this project because it's good for the community and veterans are already on record saying that they are fine with a smaller building. Mr. Sacco stated that he wants to make sure it is on record that there's no misunderstanding from the veterans' standpoint that this is where they stand.

Mr. Baldwin said the view of the two commanders is very clear. Must remember that this is a town-owned building and they will want to use this facility.

Ms. Issac stated that she agrees with Mr. Silverstone that this is a monumental task that's been in process for 6 years and that building costs have escalated since then. Ms. Issac asked if the $250K state grant has already spent? Ms. Bakalar said that the money went to veteran's organization and was used for multiple things. An account of how the funds were dispersed have been given to the state.

A discussion took place on how the $250K was spent and explained that we have another $200K being saved for operating expenses. Ms. Isaac asked if the Committee would entertain using this toward the 700K, in case there's no appetite. But the question is how do we pay bills to run the building. Mr. Sacco said he prefers to scale back the building rather than use the $200K toward the project. They want to run the building without having to come back to the town to ask for more money.

There is a robust contingency of $300K in the budget and that's part of the $700k. We may not use this.

Mr. Lombardo asked if at some point if we raise money, would we pay back the town. Mr. Baldwin said that's the idea with the $700K – if at the very end we find a shortfall, this is when we would draw down. Whatever money we raise will be that much less the town pays at the end.

Mr. Merritt thanked Ms. Bakalar for all her hard work.

Mr. Nugent wants everyone to understand that the project cannot go to contract without committed funds for the project. Won't be able to sign a contract without commitment for all funds. Mr. Baldwin agreed.

Mr. Wolf said he's honored to be part of the committee. Supports asking the town for the $700k.

Ms. Tesoro stated that the committee has her full support on this project. She also wants to be absolutely sure that committee is confident that the $700k is sufficient. She doesn't want the committee to come back again. Mr. Baldwin said this is a question for Mr. Wiles and Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Anderson said this entirely predicated on Pax's willingness to hold their bid plus value engineering. There's confidence in the professional word given by Pax. They are a reputable firm and have put in writing to Mr. Wiles, so we don't have anything to lead us to believe that Pax won't concur as long as we're in vicinity of end Feb/early March. Mr. Wiles concurred with this.

Motion made by Preston Merritt and seconded by Richard Wolf:

I make a motion that the Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center Building Committee hereby request the Town of Trumbull to guarantee and provide funding for any construction budget shortfall for the center in an amount not to exceed $703,000. Vote: Approved unanimously

Mr. Sacco stated that he wanted to make sure that in no way are the veterans expected to take out a loan for the building.

Discussion of Construction Timetable

Mr. Baldwin said that assuming we get approval from BoF and TC (the closest TC vote is in first Monday in March) they can pass it as emergency legislation so it goes into effect right away. If this is the case, how soon can Pax begin construction and how long will it take?

Mr. Wiles has a commitment until end of Feb but need to is to revisit with Pax to get sooner. Mr. Wiles thinks Pax would start entering contracts with subs. Mr. Wiles construction time estimation is between 9-11 months.

Mr. Anderson said if it's possible to get a contract drafted for Pax knowing we can't release until approvals occur, so they get a contract in hand ASAP. Need to allow for a month for submittals and chapter drawings to be able to start construction. Mr. Wiles said that there would be constructions activities that could get done in the meanwhile to move project along. There will be a period of mobilization that can take 30 days. Mr. Baldwin asked if it would be possible for Town Council to hold a special meeting should BoF pass this. Ms. Tesoro can ask that question. She also thnks we should have joint meeting with TC and BOF (meets Feb. 12). Ms. Issac will be point to get special meeting scheduled.

Any other related business to project

Mr. Silverstone questioned a line item in recent budget which was architectural invoices of $185K. Not questioning the work, but question is what will fee be as we continue for remainder of project? This seems to be a growing number. Mr. Wiles said he has $298K to finish the run. Mr. Silverstone asked Mr. Wiles if he'll be able to come in at this number. Mr. Wiles said we have stipulated contract that's now old. This contract was signed 6 years ago and has held this number since. Mr. Wiles added that also helped develop the website.

Ms Pires said need to work on new contract for Mr. Wiles which committee must approve. Mr. Baldwin asked if the current contract can just be extended. Mr. Wiles said he can discuss this with Ms. Pires and/or Mr. Nugent. Ms. Pires will review with Mr. Nugent and circle back.

Ms. Pires said that regarding bonding resolution, she will need information by next Tuesday so she can submit to Bond Council – it needs to go on agenda by Friday. Said committee should prepare a memo to BoF and needs minutes of tonight's meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Merritt and seconded by Mr. Sacco to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm. **Vote: 8-0-0**

Submitted by

Marisa Petriello

Additional Back-up Distributed at the BOF Meeting

Amount	Building Support And Reason
19,000	For Front Entrance Redesign
15,000	For Waterline for the building
8,500	For 2 inch waterlines needed for added sprinkler system
20,000	For SGC Gas Line
10,000	For Stone Pavers below the deck
11,000	To winterize foundation
10,000	For Deck
3,500	For Caryn Kaufman to support Advertising
14,000	For Plaques and Wall Naming
1,500	For Military Wall Logos for Wall of Honor
1,500	For replacement ground monuments broken
500	To Nagy for UI billing.
500	Mailbox Charges
550	Web + Domain Costs
5,500	Admin charges
$121,050	

Naming Rights Sold	In Bank	Difference	
199,050	$99,050	100,000	Gave to building development

Fund Breakout	
Rights Sold	$199,050
Collected	$250,000
Interest Earned	$6,619
Plaques Sold	$19,000
Total In	**$474,669**

Allocation	
Bank Account	$209,000
Donated	$100,000
Spent	$121,050
Allocated	$44,619
Total	**$474,669**

Costs Until Opening	
Jacquline (Admin)	$6,000
Awards and Dec	$25,000
Web Site -Current/new	$1,100
Hosting costs	$1,000
Mailbox	$300
Domains	$100
Misc	$11,119
Total	**$44,619**

Additional funds to be donated if sold	
Kitchen	25,000
Sound Sys	50,000
Generator	40,000
	115,000

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MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the virtual special meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. All present joined in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The clerk called the roll and recorded it as follows:

PRESENT:

Ann Sather	Carl Massaro	Ashley Gaudiano
Brian Walsh	Christine El Eris	William Mecca
Jason Marsh	Jennifer Winschel	John Foreman
Joy Colon	Kelly Mallozzi	Mary Isaac
Matthew Dunn	Michael Buswell	Nicole Satin
Richard Wolf	Steven Spillane	Thomas Broderick
Tony Scinto	Jerrod Ferrari	Anthony Dorsey (Arrived at 6:07 p.m.)

ALSO PRESENT: First Selectman Vicki A. Tesoro, Chief administrative Officers Cynthia Katske and Kathleen McGannon, Town Attorney Daniel Schopick, Finance Director Maria Pires, Trumbull Veterans & First Responder Building Committee Chairman Ray Baldwin, Trumbull Veterans & First Responder Building Committee members Preston Merritt, Dan Sacco Chief of Police Michael Lombardo, Bruce Silverstone, George Wiles, Wiles Architects, Economic & Community Development Director Rina Bakalar, Jeff Anderson of Downes Construction, Town Attorney John Nugent, American Legion Commander Ernie Foito, VFW Post 10059 Commander Graham Bissett, Town Director of Operations Rich Infante, Fred Petrossi and Massimo Mallozzi

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PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no one present from the public to speak.

The Chair explained the resolution which is the subject of this meeting is available to the public on the Town's website. It was considered and acted upon by the Board of Finance at its February 12, 2026, meeting, and is before the Town Council tonight for review and action.

Moved by Massaro, seconded by Winschel to read the title of the Bond Resolution in its entirety and to waive the reading of the remainder of the resolution, incorporating its full text into the minutes of this meeting.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

Councilman Marsh read the title of the bond resolution as follows:

> RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $710,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING OF A NEW TRUMBULL VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $710,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE (Full Resolution Attached)

Moved by Satin, seconded by Colon to adopt the resolution as introduced.

Points of discussion are as follows:

- There are no commitments made to other any other communities in terms of usage of the building. There have been discussions with elected officials from Trumbull Monroe about contributing to the center, but those are just conversations nothing concrete, both have said that they'd be interested in more robust discussion, discussion once they know the project is real and moving forward.
- Over the last year or two is that the VFW Post in Shelton, Monroe, Easton and reading have merged with the Trumbull post.
- Multiple councilmen expressed they were happy to see the project moving forward but disappointed the town must put money into the project.
- It was noted there are ongoing fundraising efforts by the building committee and the need for additional donations to reduce the town's contribution.
- $208,000 has been raised to date through fundraising by the building committee which will be used for operating expenses once the building is completed, the goal is to get t $500,000. The expectation is that the building will be self-sufficient using the rentals to cover the operating costs of the building much like Tashua Knolls golf course. They feel comfortable opening the building with $200,000.
- Continued fundraising and naming rights will reduce the $700,000 cost to the Town.
- It was confirmed the fundraising funds are under the control of the VFW.
- It was suggested that seniors in the community to be involved in the use of the facility and to encourage the other towns to contribute to the project financially.

- The committee has enough money to start construction $300,000 of the $700,000 is for contingency, if things go well, they can reduce the amount from the town to $400,000.
- The importance of the building being used by the entire community and not just the veterans was emphasized, and it was further explained the grants received to date require community use.
- Chief Lombardo supports the project and highlights the benefits for the police department and the broader community.
- Councilman Wolf noted he was a new building committee member and spoke in favor of the committee and expressed confidence in the project's success and the potential for generating revenue from other towns.
- The building's parking complies with the town's planning & zoning, but it was acknowledged there are potential issues.
- It was confirmed that any profits from the use of the building should be invested back into the building for maintenance and future needs. The importance of capital reserve was emphasized.
- Emergency legislation was requested.

VOTE: ADOPTED by unanimous consent.

Moved by Mallozzi, seconded by Dorsey to PASS as Emergency Legislation.
VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

The Chair declared the resolution adopted.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss the Town Council adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni
Margaret D. Mastroni, clerk

FULL RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TC31-26:

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING $710,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING OF A NEW TRUMBULL VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $710,000 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 $710,000 is hereby appropriated by the Town of Trumbull, Connecticut (the "Town") for the planning, design, demolition, construction, renovation, equipping and furnishing of a new Trumbull Veterans and First Responders Center, as more fully set forth in that certain Budget Report, dated as of January 23, 2026, prepared by Downes Construction Company, LLC, as amended from time to time, and related costs, including, but not limited to: expenses related to architectural and advisory services; engineering; oversight; permitting; demolition of existing structures earthwork, excavation and site work; topographic surveys, environmental, geological and geotechnical testing; and site remediation; installation of concrete, masonry, structural and steel improvements, thermal and moisture protection, doors, windows and finishes, kitchen equipment; installation of fire protection and sprinkler systems, plumbing infrastructure, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, electrical systems, site lighting, utilities, communications, technology, data, life-safety and security systems; ADA and other code compliance improvements; and related site and interior improvements, including roofing, hardware, hazardous-materials assessment, testing and abatement; acquisition and installation of materials, furniture, fixtures, and equipment; and construction, reconstruction and improvement of parking areas, sidewalks, driveways, storm drainage facilities and sanitary sewerage systems, landscaping, and temporary parking and storage; and legal, consulting, licensing, advertising, administrative, printing, governmental fees and expenses and costs of issuance related thereto (the "Project").

Section 2. To meet said appropriation, $710,000 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 Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). Said bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, 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 said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, financing, legal and other 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 fonn, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the First Selectman 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, 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 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 paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of 33891766-vJ such bonds, including the approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their 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. lf the bonds are sold by negotiation, the purchase agreement shall be approved by the First Selectman and the Town Treasurer.

Section 4. The First Selectman 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 First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, Connecticut and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The notes shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes. 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, 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 hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 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 of the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other tax-exempt 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 eighteen (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 Director of Finance or her designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of the Tax-Exempt Obligations.

Section 6. The First Selectman 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 certain 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 MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified, and approved.

Section 7. The First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, or either of them, are 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. The First Selectman and the Town Treasurer, or either of them, are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and/or grantsin-aid of the Project, 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.