Item 1 **Call to Order**  
Meeting called to order by Mayor Todd Arcelaschi at 7:00pm

Attending Members  
Todd Arcelaschi (Mayor)  
William Hester (Selectman)  
Steve Sediack (Selectman)  
William Pozzo (Selectman)  
Candy Perez (Selectwoman)  
Paul Marino (Selectman)  
Troy Lamere (Selectman)

Staff Members  
Glenn Albanesius (Town Clerk)  
Ann Marie Rheault (Finance Director)

Item 2 **Pledge of Allegiance**  
The Pledge was recited by all

Item 3 **Public Hearing** - Consider and Possibly Act on the Town Manager's proposed FY2025 Town Budget  
* The following people addressed the Board  
  
  Jim Biely  
  Frank Olivieri  
  Aubrey English -  
  Deb Kessler  
  Holly Cassidy  
  Adam Quagliaroli

Item 4 **Agenda Review** - The following change was offered by Mayor Arcelaschi  
Motion to Remove Item 8 (Finance Directors Report) from the Agenda  
Motion - Sel. Pozzo / Second - Sel. Marino  
Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

Item 5 **Approval of Minutes**  
* Minutes of Special Meeting on March 21, 2024  
  Motion - Sel. Hester / Second - Sel. Pozzo  
  Vote to accept minutes - Unanimous (7 - 0)  
* Minutes of Public Hearing on March 26, 2024  
  Motion - Sel. Marino / Second - Sel. Lamere  
  Vote to accept minutes - Unanimous (7 - 0)  
* Minutes of Special Meeting on March 27, 2024  
  Motion - Sel. Lamere / Second - Sel. Hester  
  Vote to accept minutes - Unanimous (7 - 0)  
* Minutes of Regular Meeting on April 1, 2024  
  Motion - Sel. Lamere / Second - Sel. Hester  
  Vote to accept minutes - Unanimous (7 - 0)

Item 6 **Citizens Comments** - None
Item 7  **Town Manager's Report** - Town Manager Bob Geiger reported on the following topics.
* Mr. Geiger explained that the FY25 Budget continues to command most of his time and attention.

Item 8  **Finance Director's Report** - This Item Removed from Agenda

Item 9  **Correspondence** - None

Item 10  **Boards and Commissions** - Sel. Sedlack introduced the following actions.
1) William Hudock (D) is submitted for Re-Appointment to Torrington Area Health with a term to expire 4/2027
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Lamere
   Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)
2) Brian Shaughnessy (U) is submitted for Re-Appointment to the Recreation Board with a term to expire 4/2030
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Pozzo
   Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)
3) Gary Paganelli (U) is submitted for Re-Appointment to the Inland Wetlands Commission with a term to expire 4/2027
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Lamere
   Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)
4) Matt Closson (R) is submitted for Re-Appointment to the Inland Wetlands Commission with a term to expire 4/2027
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Hester
   Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)
5) Joseph Beadle (D) is submitted for Re-appointment to the RRDD#1 Board of Directors with a term to expire 4/2027
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Lamere
   Vote to approve - Unanimous (Yes (6) - Abstain (1) Mayor Arcelaschi
6) Courtney Puckett is submitted for Nomination to the Cultural Commission with a term to expire 12/2024.
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Hester
7) Ken Kazlauskas (D) is submitted for Nomination to the Recreation Board with a term to expire 4/2028
   Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Lamere
8) David Lapointe (R) is submitted for Nomination to the Water and Sewer Commission with a term to expire 6/2029.
   Motion - Sel. Lamere / Second - None Offered
* The following groups have position openings. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply!
  - Arch. Review Committee - 1 Member Seat and 3 Alternate Seats
  - Conservation Commission - 1 Member Seat (Pending) / 2 Alternates
  - Cultural District Commission - 6 Members
  - Economic Development Commission - 4 Alternate Seats
  - Laurel City Commission - 3 Member Seats
  - Recreation Board - 2 Member Seats
  - Soldiers Monument Commission - 1 Member (Pending)
  - Water and Sewer Commission - 1 Member
  - Zoning Board of Appeals - 1 Alternate
Item 11  

**Unfinished Business** -
A) 24-11b Consider and Possibly Act on the adoption of the Historic Commission Ordinance amendments. (Third of 3 meetings)

  Motion Statement - "I move that the Board of Selectmen consider the change to the Ordinance regarding the Historian position(s) and role on the Historical Commission to be effective after this 3rd and final as provided by the Town Charter."

  Motion - Sel. Hester / Second - Sel. Marino

  Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

Item 12  

**New Business** -
A) 24-18 Refunds as recommended by the Collector of Revenue.

  Motion Statement - "I move that the Board of Selectmen authorize the refunds recommended by the Collector of Revenue in the amount of $77.00."

  Motion - Sel. Marino / Second - Sel. Hester

  Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

B) 24-19 Proposed Line Item Transfer

  Motion Statement - "I move that the Board of Selectmen approve the line item transfer of $6,000.00 from (210-197-0011) Overtime - Drug Investigation to (210-821-0000) Maintenance of Vehicles in the amount of $6,000.00."

  Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Marino

  Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

C) 24-20 Consider and possibly Act on the Appointment of a Moderator for the Annual Town Meeting to be held on Monday May 13, 2024.

  Motion Statement - "I move that the Board of Selectmen appoint Dennis Dressel to serve as Moderator at the Annual Town Budget Meeting to be held at 7:00pm on Monday May 13, 2024 at the Gilbert School Auditorium."

  Motion - Sel. Hester / Second - Mayor Arcelaschi

  Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

  Sel. Perez asked that the "Town Meeting Rules and Guidelines Sheet" for the May 13th meeting be posted on the Town’s website.

D) Consider and Possibly Act on the WinRoc settlement.

  Town Manager Geiger explained that Town Attorney Kevin Nelligan had negotiated a settlement regarding WinRoc's lawsuit to reduce their Stop & Shop Plaza Property Assessment. Bob explained he needed the Boards formal approval to act and accept the settlement.

  A motion giving Board of Selectmen approval to the Town Manager to accept the settlement was offered.

  Motion - Sel. Pozzo / Second - Sel. Hester

  Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

Item 13  

**Citizens Comments** - None
Item 14  **Selectmen’s Comments and Reports** -

Sel. Perez - Requested that the Board schedule additional Budget review meetings. The Board agreed to meet again on April 23rd at 7pm.

Sel. Hester - Offered an analogy that 250 new homes each paying $4000.00 in Property taxes would raise 1 million dollars in new revenue to the Town.

Mayor Arcelaschi - Reminded everyone that the 2024 Youth Baseball Kickoff is scheduled for Saturday April 20th at the Little League field at Walker.

Sel. Marino - Offered explanations for several Board decisions regarding the FY25 Budget.

Item 15  **Adjournment**

* Motion - Sel. Sedlack / Second - Sel. Marino
  To adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm
  Vote to approve - Unanimous (7 - 0)

ATTEST:

Glenn Albanesius, Town Clerk

These Minutes are subject to formal approval at the next scheduled meeting. Any amendments, corrections or revisions will be noted in the next Meeting Minutes.