



Oswegatchie Fire Station Building Committee

April 16, 2026

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

Members Present:

Robert Tuneski, Rocco Bracciale, Ursula Moreshead, Richard Muckle, Kathleen Elbaum, Wayne Gilpin

Members Absent:

Marthew Blankenship, Timothy Sullivan, Paul Rafuse

Guests:

Steve Smith, Eric Cantar, Tim McCarthy (Solli Engineering), Christopher Haley, Kimberly Allen

Public Comment:

None

Opening Remarks:

None

Review and Approve Meeting Minutes:

MOTION by R. Muckle, second K. Elbaum to add the meeting minutes dated 3/19/26 to the agenda for approval.

FOR: Unanimous

R. Tuneski introduced the new member on the committee, Ursula Moreshead.

MOTION by R. Muckle, second K. Elbaum to approve the 3/19/26 meeting minutes.

FOR: Unanimous

Invoice Payments:

MOTION by R. Bracciale, second K. Elbaum to approve the payment of \$5,250.00 to US Bank, invoice #8108820 dated 3/9/26.

FOR: Unanimous

MOTION by R. Muckle, second U. Moreshead to approve the payment of SPA, invoice #26-505 dated 4/1/26 in the amount of \$6,070.

FOR: Unanimous

MOTION by K. Elbaum, second R. Muckle to approve the payment of N. Kepple Law, LLC, invoice #82 dated 4/6/26 in the amount of \$1,611.50.

FOR: Unanimous

MOTION by K. Elbaum, second W. Gilpin to approve Munistat, referencing PO# 260588 dated 3/11/26 in the amount of \$13,000.00.

FOR: Unanimous

Old Business:

- a. Traffic signal – Solli Engineering presented the options and relative costs under new business. Handouts were distributed. (Attachment 1)
- b. DOT Permit - Contractor (Secondino) is responsible for filing for encroachment permit for curb cuts.
- c. C. Haley recommended “Station 4 Oswegatchie) as the name of new firehouse via email to the First Selectman.
- d. Meaning of RCRA8 TCLP – email from S. Smith explaining the meaning. (Attachment 2)

Current Business:

a. Construction Schedule

- 1. S. Smith stated the contract between the contractor, (Secondino), and the Town has been executed. The building department is currently reviewing the plans and will issue a building permit once approved.
- b. Review and action on station traffic light or traffic signs
Tim McCarthy explained the existing set up being an emergency signal plus signs displaying a fire truck indicating a Fire Station is ahead. Options presented and explained:
 - 1. Similar to the current set up
 - a. New light would require new span pole assemblies
 - b. Estimated cost - \$300,000.00 to \$400,000.00
 - c. 3-5 weeks for design

- d. 2-4 months for DOT
- e. 3-5 weeks bidding
- f. 10-14 months construction due to equipment lead time

- 2. Signs displaying a fire truck with yellow flashing beacons
 - a. Estimated cost - \$75,000.00 to \$100,000.00
 - b. 2-3 weeks for design
 - c. 2-4 months for DOT
 - d. 3-5 weeks bidding
 - e. 4-6 months construction due to equipment lead time

The biggest difference between the two options is the signal is regulatory – the law requires vehicles to stop for the red light. The flashing signs are a warning device which the law does not require a vehicle to stop. Another difference is the signs are able to be solar powered or hard wired.

The Local Traffic Authority would authorize or deny the option brought before them. The DOT has the final sign-off on the option.

Director Haley asked if the LED lights embedded around the sign is a choice. The DOT would make the final decision on this type of sign. E. Cantar and T. McCarthy will look into this.

U. Moreshead asked if the current concern with the control of traffic now. If not is the traffic signal warranted? R. Tuneski believes Chief Balestracci stated the current traffic does not warrant a light. U. Moreshead asked which power option is more sustainable and is there a life expectancy to where they would need replacement? T. McCarthy – cost is comparable for solar or wired. R. Muckle stated due to cloudiness and snow in the winter, in his opinion, solar is not as reliable as hard wiring.

W. Gilpin stated the firefighters voted for an overhead light. Therefore does not believe there is a decision to be made.

R. Tuneski stated the committee could vote on referring the overhead light to the Local Traffic Authority (LTA) for approval.

MOTION by R. Muckle, second W. Gilpin to refer to the LTA the option of an overhead emergency signal.

VOTE:

FOR: W. Gilpin, R. Bracciale, R. Muckle

AGAINST: R. Tuneski, U. Moreshead, K. Elbaum

MOTION FAILS

MOTION by R. Bracciale, second R. Muckle to table the sign option until the next meeting.

FOR: R. Tuneski, R. Muckle, R. Bracciale, K. Elbaum, W. Gilpin

ABSTAINED: U. Moreshead

New Business:

- a. Ground Breaking Plans:
When S. Smith met with R. Brule, R. Brule asked for Downes to take the lead. Downes will coordinate with the contractor on the plans.

- b. Change Order Process:
S. Smith suggested a sub-committee be formed to meet with Downes during the day on financial decisions regarding changes.

R. Bracciale stated the Town's bus trips usually pick up their passengers in the Oswegatchie parking lot. He let them know they would need to find another place.

Confirm Next Meeting Date & Objectives:

The next meeting date is May 7, 2026.

MOTION to adjourn by W. Gilpin, second U. Moreshead
FOR: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned 7:56pm

Respectfully submitted by:
Linda Finnegan, Recording Secretary



Coporate Trust Services
EP MINNVN3L
60 L Vngston Ave
St Paul MN 55107

Town of Waterford, Connecticut General Obligation
Bonds, Issue of 2026, Dated 3.10.2026, Due 3.1.2046

Invoice Number: 8108820
Invoice Date: 03/09/2026
Account Number: 59928UONS
Direct Inquiries To:
Phone:

Accounts Included 59928UONS
In This Relationship:

CURRENT CHARGES SUMMARIZED FOR ENTIRE RELATIONSHIP			
Detail of Current Charges	Volume	Rate	Portion of Year Total Fees
01010 Acceptance Fee Covers: 03/10/2026 - 03/11/2026	250.00	1.00	\$250.00
Subtotal Acceptance Fees			\$260.00
04125 Paying Agent, One Time Covers: 03/10/2026 - 03/11/2026	5,000.00	1.00	\$5,000.00
Subtotal Miscellaneous			\$5,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE			\$5,250.00





Corporate Trust Services
EP-MN-WN3L
60 Livingston Ave
St. Paul, MN 55107

Invoice Number: 8108820
Account Number: 59928UONS
Invoice Date: 03/09/2026
Direct Inquiries To:
Phone:

TOWN OF WATERFORD
MS. KIMBERLY ALLEN
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
15 ROPE FERRY ROAD
WATERFORD, CT 06385

Town of Waterford, Connecticut General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2026, Dated 3.10.2026, Due 3.1.2046

The following is a statement of transactions pertaining to your account. For further information, please review the attached STATEMENT SUMMARY

PLEASE REMIT BOTTOM COUPON PORTION OF THIS PAGE WITH CHECK PAYMENT OF INVOICE.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

\$5,250.00

All invoices are due upon receipt.

APPROVED

VENDOR# 3109
PO# 40570 FY 26
CLOSE PO Y X N
ACCOUNT# 43303-59673
AMOUNT \$5850.00
SIGN Kim Allen
DATE _____

Please detach at perforation and return bottom portion of the statement with your check, payable to U.S. Bank

Town of Waterford, Connecticut General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2026, Dated 3.10.2026, Due 3.1.2046

Invoice Number:	8108820
Account Number:	59928UONS
Current Due:	\$5,250.00
Direct Inquiries To:	
Phone:	

Please mail payments to:
U.S. Bank
CM-9690
PO BOX 70870
St. Paul, MN 55170-9690



Town of Waterford
Linda Finnegan
15 Rope Ferry Road
Waterford, CT 06385-2886

Invoice number 26-505
Date 04/01/2026
Project 23.352 Waterford - Oswegatchie Fire
Station

Professional services through March 31, 2026.

Description	Contract Amount	Percent Complete	Total Billed	Prior Billed	Current Billed
Schematic Design Phase	66,200.00	100.00	66,200.00	66,200.00	0.00
Design Development	110,344.00	100.00	110,344.00	110,344.00	0.00
G802#1 Construction Document Phase	286,000.00	100.00	286,000.00	286,000.00	0.00
Bid Phase	22,000.00	100.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	0.00
Construction Administration	132,000.00	1.00	1,320.00	0.00	1,320.00
Allowances - Traffic Engineering PO 250608	42,500.00	14.56	6,187.00	4,687.00	1,500.00
Allowances - Geotechnical Borings	35,000.00	35.71	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00
Allowances - Hazardous Material Testing	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Allowances - Boundary Survey & Wetland Delineation	15,000.00	100.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
Allowances - High Performance Buildings	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
G802#3 Add. Engineering Services	3,250.00	100.00	3,250.00	0.00	3,250.00
Total	762,294.00	68.58	522,801.00	516,731.00	6,070.00

Invoice total 6,070.00

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G802#3 Add. Engineering Services	3,250.00	3,250.00	0.00	3,250.00
Fire Protection Design	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
Total	762,294.00	523,201.00	517,131.00	6,070.00

Aging Summary

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Outstanding	Current	Over 30	Over 60	Over 90	Over 120
26-312	03/01/2026	2,887.00	2,887.00				
Total		2,887.00	2,887.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Approved by:

David J. Stein
Project Manager

Remit Address - 3190 Whitney Ave. Bldg 2, Hamden, CT 06518

N Kepple Law, LLC

20 South Angulla Road, PO Box 1445
Pawcatuck, CT 06379
United States

INVOICE

Invoice # 82
Date: 04/08/2026
Due Upon Receipt

Waterford 8024
15 Rope Ferry Road
Waterford, CT 06385

00511-Waterford

Oswegatchie Bldg Comm. 2023 (BFC-23-223-001)

Type	Date	Atty/ Para	Notes	Quantity	Rate (USD)	Total (USD)
Service	03/08/2026	NK	Review Stein and Callahan emails, file review	0.40	\$200.00	\$80.00
Service	03/14/2026	NK	Review D Stein email and contract amendment	0.70	\$200.00	\$140.00
Service	03/14/2026	NK	Prep for and attend Bldg Committee meeting, tc w RT, tc w RB, tc w Atty Callahan	2.60	\$200.00	\$520.00
Service	03/15/2026	NK	Prep for and attend Zoom mtg w Shae D, D Stein, Steve S, review AIA contract	0.80	\$200.00	\$160.00
Service	03/17/2026	NK	TC w S Davy re Contract, o/c w Eric C, review emails	0.40	\$200.00	\$80.00
Service	03/19/2026	NK	Prep for and attend Bldg Committee meeting, tc w RT, tc w RB	1.50	\$200.00	\$300.00
Service	03/20/2026	NK	TC w S Davy re contract status, tc w RT, TC w Atty McNamara, review SD emails	0.80	\$200.00	\$160.00
Service	03/31/2026	LP	Complete OP-236 and deed acknowledgments.	0.30	\$105.00	\$31.50
Service	03/31/2026	NK	TC w RB re Construction Contract w Secondino, TC w Atty Anderson re Gardner property abutting Fire Station	0.70	\$200.00	\$140.00
Total						\$1,611.50 USD

Please make all amounts payable to: N Kepple Law, LLC

Munistat Services, Inc.
129 Samson Rock Drive, Suite A
Madison, CT 06443
www.munistat.com



March 11, 2026

Bill To

Kimberly Allen, Director of Finance
Town of Waterford
15 Rope Ferry Road
Waterford, CT 06385

Remit To

Munistat Services, Inc.
129 Samson Rock Drive, Suite A
Madison, CT 06443

Item Description	Amount
2026 Bond Issuance	\$13,000.00

Total Cost \$13,000.00

Make all checks payable to Munistat Services, Inc.

If you have any questions concerning this invoice, use the following contact information:

Susan Caron
129 Samson Rock Drive, Suite A
Madison, CT 06443
Phone: 860-372-1887

Thank you for your business!

APPROVED
VENDOR# 05100
PO# 040568 FY 216
CLOSE PO Y N X
ACCOUNT# 43383-57473
AMOUNT \$13,000
SIGN slc slc
DATE 4/7/216

Linda Finnegan

From: Steve Smith <ssmith@downesco.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2026 9:59 AM
To: Ted Olynciw
Cc: Bob Tuneski; Linda Finnegan
Subject: Oswegatchie Fire Station - Soils testing meaning of report

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Ted,

I hope your retirement from the Building Committee is going well. You will be missed as a resourceful member for the project. I wanted to close an item on the open items list. Mystic Air performed soils testing at the new building site and provided a report of the findings. In its review, you asked what the terms RCRA and TCLP stood for. RCRA is an EPA regulated law for governing the disposal of heavy metals and TCLP is a procedure to classify their levels of toxicity.

The RCRA 8 metals are a group of eight toxic heavy metals—Arsenic, Barium, Cadmium, Chromium, Lead, Mercury, Selenium, and Silver—regulated by the EPA under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) due to their environmental and human health hazards. They are strictly monitored for toxicity and proper disposal. If waste exceeds these toxicity limits (measured in mg/L or ppm) via the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP), it is classified as hazardous waste.

I hope this information answers your questions and is helpful. Please let me know if there are any questions.

Thank you,



Steven Smith
Project Executive, MCPPO

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Sign Legend

A 			
SIZES (IN)	MUTCD #	SUPPORTS	
24"x36"	R10-6	1	

B 			
SIZES (IN)	MUTCD #	SUPPORTS	
30"x30"	W11-8	1	

C 			
SIZES (IN)	MUTCD #	SUPPORTS	
30"x30"	W3-3	1	



Sheet Revisions:

Rev. #	Date	Description
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Sheet Information:

Plan Date:	04/01/26
Drawn By:	OSK
Approved By:	MFB
Project #:	26104101

Project:

Oswegatchie Fire Station
441 Boston Post Road
Waterford, Connecticut

Sheet Title:

Existing
Conditions Map

Sheet Number:

Fig. 1

Cost: \$300,000-\$400,000

Timeline: Design 3-5 weeks

DOT Review & Approval: 2-4 Months

Bidding: 3-5 weeks

Construction: 10-14 Months

NOTES

GRAPHIC TITLE	PROJECT NO.	DRAWING NO.
TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL PLAN	0102-0210	
		SHEET NO.