

Town of East Windsor
Special Town Meeting
June 7, 2016

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of East Windsor was held at the Town Hall, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT on June 7, 2016. The meeting was called to order by First Selectman, Robert Maynard at 7:33 p.m. Motion was made by Steven Dearborn and seconded by Bill Loos to nominate Robert Maynard to preside as Moderator. Motion was made by Steven Dearborn and seconded by Carol Madore to have nominations cease. Both motions passed. Robert Maynard read the statement of eligibility to vote. Robert Maynard asked Amanda Schroll, Acting Clerk to read Public Town Meeting Notice.

The following resolution was introduced and read by Carol Madore.

Item #1: Resolved: To consider and vote upon the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen that the polls shall be open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to conduct the budget referendum on June 14, 2016.

Carol Madore moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Bill Loos. All were in favor. The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was introduced and read by Steven Dearborn.

Item #2: Resolved: To consider and approve the proposed Ordinance Regarding Panhandling in the Town of East Windsor hereto attached as Schedule A.

Steven Dearborn moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Bill Loos. There was discussion. Resolution failed.

The following resolution was introduced and read by Richard P. Pippin, Jr.

Item #3: Resolved: To consider and approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$1,474.00 and not to exceed \$1,500.00 for an Automated External Defibrillator for the Parks of East Windsor.

Richard P. Pippin, Jr. moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Tom Talamini. There was discussion. All were in favor. The resolution was adopted.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amanda Schroll
Acting Clerk

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

The following ordinance was adopted at a Special Town Meeting duly warned and held on _____
2016.

"ORDINANCE REGARDING PANHANDLING"

BE IT ORDAINED by the legislative body of the Town of East Windsor the following ordinance regarding Panhandling.

PURPOSE:

Generally, the purpose of this ordinance is to preserve the public order, to protect the citizens of East Windsor and to ensure the safe and uninterrupted passage of both pedestrian and vehicular traffic, without unconstitutionally impinging upon protected speech, expression or conduct.

DEFINITION:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall have the meaning indicated:

Aggressive Manner:

- a. Approaching, speaking to or following a person in a manner as would cause a reasonable person to fear bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon the person, or upon property in the person's immediate possession; or
- b. Touching another person without that person's consent in the course of asking for alms; or
- c. Continuing to ask, beg, or solicit alms from a person after the person has made a negative response; or
- d. Following the person solicited before, after or while asking, begging or soliciting alms; or
- e. Intentionally blocking or interfering with the safe or free passage of a person or vehicle by any means, including unreasonably causing a person or driver of a vehicle to take evasive action to avoid physical contact; or
- f. Directing abusive or profane language toward the person solicited, either while asking, begging or soliciting alms, or following a refusal by the person solicited.

Ask, Beg, or Solicit Alms:

Includes the spoken, written, or printed word or such other act conducted for the purpose of obtaining an immediate donation or money or thing of value.

False or Misleading Manner:

Includes, but is not limited to, the asking, begging, or soliciting of alms, including money and other things of value, through utilization of any of the following representations:

- a. Stating or expressing that the donation is needed to meet a specific need, when the solicitor already has sufficient funds to meet that need and does not disclose the fact; or
- b. Stating the fact that the solicitor is from out of town and stranded, when that is not true; or
- c. Wearing or displaying an indication of physical disability, when the solicitor does not suffer the disability indicated; or
- d. Use of any makeup or device to simulate deformity.

Solicitor:

Anyone who asks, begs, or solicits alms, including money and other things of value.

PROHIBITED CONDUCT:

- a. No person may ask, beg or solicit alms, including money and other things of value, in an aggressive manner in any place open to the general public, including but not limited to, sidewalks, streets, alleys, driveways, parking lots, parks, plazas, buildings, doorways and entrances to buildings, gasoline service stations and the grounds enclosing buildings.
- b. No person may ask, beg or solicit alms, including money and other things of value in a false or misleading manner.
- c. No person may ask, beg or solicit alms in any public transportation vehicle, or within 25 feet of any bus stop.
- d. No person may ask, beg or solicit alms from any operator or occupant of a motor vehicle that is in traffic on a public street or on a private driveway that is within 50 feet of any public street.

INTERPRETATION OR PROVISIONS:

No provisions of this ordinance shall be interpreted or construed to prohibit speech, expression or conduct protected by the laws or Constitution of the United States or the laws or Constitution of the State of Connecticut.

PENALTIES FOR OFFENSES:

Any person convicted of violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined \$99.00 per offense.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This ordinance shall become effective fifteen days from the publication thereof _____ 2016.