



MINUTES of the Organizational meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation held on Monday, January 8, 2018, in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Greenwich, CT.

Chairman Michael Mason called the meeting to order at 5:06 P.M., after which the members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Board members in attendance:

William Drake
Andreas Duus III, 2018 elected candidate
Karen Fassuliotis, 2018 elected candidate
Debra Hess, 2018 elected candidate
Elizabeth K. Krumeich
Michael S. Mason
Leslie Moriarty
Jill K. Oberlander
Jeffrey S. Ramer
Leslie L. Tarkington
Anthony Turner
David Weisbrod, 2018 elected candidate

Selectmen: Peter Tesei, First Selectman

Staff: Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; Carmella C. Budkins, Town Clerk; Ben Branyan,
Town Administrator; Howard Richman, Tax Collector

Other: Barbara O'Neill, Member, Board of Education; Laurence Simon, Chairman,
The Nathaniel Witherell Board of Directors; Leslie Yeager, Publisher, *Greenwich Free Press*;
Ken Borsuk, Reporter, *Greenwich Time*

Administration of the Oath of Office by Town Clerk

Mr. Mason began the meeting by inviting the Town Clerk, Carmella Budkins, to administer the Oath of Office to members of the Board of Estimate and Taxation. Ms. Budkins administered the Oath of Office to the members of the Board of Estimate and Taxation for the 2018-2020 term.

Election of Officers

Mr. Mason opened the floor to nominations for Chairman of the BET. He nominated Ms. Oberlander to a first term as BET Chairman acknowledging the leadership, collegial spirit and

enthusiasm she would bring to the position. Mr. Ramer seconded the nomination.

Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Mason made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ramer, for the election of Ms. Oberlander as Chairman of BET. The BET voted 12-0-0 in favor of the motion.

Ms. Tarkington nominated Mr. Ramer as a candidate for the Vice Chairmanship of the Board of Estimate and Taxation acknowledging his contributions to the BET during his previous terms and well-rounded experience on its Committees, as a Liaison and on Special Project assignments. Mr. Turner seconded the nomination.

Hearing no further nominations, Ms. Oberlander made a motion to elect Mr. Ramer as BET Vice Chairman. The Board voted 12-0-0 in favor of the motion.

Ms. Moriarty nominated Ms. Krumeich as a candidate for Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Taxation acknowledging her diligent work during the prior two-year term on the BET. Ms. Tarkington seconded the nomination.

Hearing no further nominations, Ms. Oberlander made a motion to elect Ms. Krumeich as BET Clerk. Motion seconded by Mr. Turner. The Board voted 12-0-0 in favor of the motion.

Chairman's Appointment of Members to Standing Committees and Liaison Assignments for 2016 – 2018 Term

Ms. Oberlander remarked that she had made Committee appointments and assignments based on BET members' experience and interests.

| Standing Committees (Bold Denotes Chair) | Members |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Audit | Duus, Hess, Oberlander, Weisbrod |
| Budget | Mason, Moriarty , Ramer, Tarkington |
| Human Resources | Drake, Fassuliotis, Krumeich, Turner |
| Investments | Drake, Duus, Turner, Weisbrod |
| Law | Fassuliotis, Krumeich |
| Policy/Procedure | Mason, Ramer |
| Liaison | Members |
| Assessor | Ramer, Tarkington |
| CD Block Grant | Drake, Weisbrod |
| CIP – Capital Improvement | Drake, Ramer |
| Comptroller | Mason, Oberlander |
| DPW | Moriarty, Tarkington |
| Education | Hess, Moriarty |
| Information Technology | Hess, Turner |
| Nathaniel Witherell | Krumeich |
| Parks & Recreation | Fassuliotis, Oberlander |
| Public Safety | Mason, Weisbrod |
| Retirement Board | Duus, Weisbrod |

Lean Six Sigma Steering Committee

Drake, Moriarty

Special Projects

Members

Cardinal Stadium Feasibility Study
Healthcare Working Group
Labor Contracts
MISA Building
Nathaniel Witherell
New Lebanon Building Cmte
School Lunch
State/Fed Financial Impact

Turner
Turner
Mason, Oberlander
Tarkington
Krumeich, Oberlander (Norton, Weissler)
Drake
Ramer
Duus, Weisbrod (Mynarski)

Ms. Oberlander expressed thanks to members of the BET in advance for their cooperation, understanding and support fulfilling assignments.

Board’s Biennial Appointment of Comptroller

Mr. Mason offered the following Resolution, seconded by Ms. Oberlander, to reappoint Mr. Mynarski as Comptroller, which the Board of Estimate and Taxation voted 12-0-0 to approve:

Resolved that the Board of Estimate and Taxation appoints Peter Mynarski as the Comptroller for a two-year term effective January 8, 2018, and terminating on the date of the first meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation in January, 2020. The appointment shall be subject to the provisions of Article 1, Section 11 of the Town Charter.

Board’s Biennial Appointment of Assessor

Mr. Ramer offered the following Resolution, seconded by Ms. Tarkington to reappoint Ms. Elliott as Assessor, which the Board of Estimate and Taxation voted 12-0-0 to approve:

Resolved that the Board of Estimate and Taxation appoints Lauren Elliott as the Assessor for a two-year term effective January 8, 2018, and terminating on the date of the first meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation in January, 2020. The appointment shall be subject to the provisions of Article 17, Section 293-(b) of the Town Charter.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Ms. Oberlander asked Mr. Mason, as the former BET Chairman, if he wished to make some remarks. Mr. Mason thanked BET members for their support during his three terms as Chairman and welcomed new members to the BET.

Ms. Oberlander said that it was a privilege to be voted Chair by such talented and experienced professionals and asked members for their patience as she assumed the role. Thanking Mr. Mason for his years of service, she noted his love for the Town and generosity of spirit.

Additionally Ms. Oberlander thanked the Finance Department for their extraordinary preparation

and contributions to the BET's process and repeated Mr. Mason reminder to BET members that BET stood for Better Educated Taxpayers.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Ms. Fassuliotis, seconded by Ms. Hess, the Board voted 12-0-0 to adjourn at 5:25 P.M.

The next Regular Meeting of the BET is scheduled on Wednesday, January 17, 2018, in the Town Hall Meeting Room at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Sidor, Recording Secretary

Elizabeth K. Krumeich, Clerk of the Board

Jill K. Oberlander, Chairman

SUBJECT TO ACCEPTANCE