

Town of Greenwich

Board of Selectmen Meeting

July 8, 2021

10 a.m.

Town Hall Meeting Room & via Zoom webinar

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m.

a. Attendance:

- a. First Selectman Fred Camillo - Present
- b. Selectwoman Lauren Rabin – Present
- c. Select-person Jill Oberlander – Present

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Board of Selectmen special meeting June 18, 2021.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the minutes were approved unanimously.

- b. Board of Selectmen regular meeting June 24, 2021.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the minutes were approved unanimously.

- c. Board of Selectmen special meeting June 24, 2021.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the minutes were approved unanimously.

- d. Board of Selectmen special meeting June 29, 2021.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the minutes were approved unanimously.

3. First Selectman's Updates

Mr. Camillo provided updates on a variety of issues including the kickoff of the annual Sidewalk Sales days; a public-private partnership has resulted in a \$5 million pledge for the Eastern Greenwich Civic Center plan with more details to come; the creation of a new website by the Department of Public Works regarding

plans to create more bump-outs on Greenwich Avenue, and that a special edition of 'Community Connections from Fred' with tropical storm/hurricane preparedness information was sent to residents/subscribers.

4. Selectmen's Updates

Select-person Oberlander reported updates on the Sustainability Committee and the Energy Management Advisory Committee; and highlighted the need for blood donations this summer. Selectwoman Rabin provided updates on the Free Music Friday concert program; Re-Imagine Greenwich looking at a town-wide festival and the KPIs (key performance indicators) for the Plan of Conservation and Development.

5. Old Business

- a. Discussion and response to the Alan Gunzberg ADA grievance appeal regarding accessible parking redesign of Elm Street/Greenwich Avenue - Assistant Town Attorney Aamina Ahmad.**

Ms. Ahmad provided background on the complaint and said that the finding is that the Town is not in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Following comments by the Board and Mr. Gunzberg, Ms. Ahmad said that the Town cannot and is not authorized to remove the tree warden from his statutory duties.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the Board's response to the appeal was approved unanimously.

6. New Business

- a. St. Roch feast road closure request – Jackie Budkins.**

In Ms. Budkins' absence, Paul Cappiali explained this request is for the annual fund-raising event for the Church of St. Roch. St. Roch Avenue from Alexander Street to Hamilton Avenue will be closed.

Upon a motion by Ms. Rabin and a second by Ms. Oberlander, the road closure was approved unanimously.

- b. Byram traffic issues – Joe Kantorski.**

Mr. Kantorski gave a PowerPoint presentation highlighting issues with and suggesting possible resolutions of traffic congestion, speeding vehicles and accidents, visibility of signs and crosswalks, the installation of stop signs and traffic enforcement.

Mr. Camillo said he would meet with Mr. Kantorski next week to discuss further.

No other action was taken.

7. Adjournment

At 11:11 a.m., Ms. Rabin made a motion to adjourn. Upon a second by Ms. Oberlander, the motion was approved unanimously.

Fred Camillo, First Selectman

Prepared by Barbara A. Heins,
Recording Secretary