



**BET LAW COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 6, 2023
Mazza Room**

Law Committee: Karen Fassuliotis, Chair, Stephen Selbst

Law Department: Barbara Schellenberg, Town Attorney; Laura McGeachy, Assistant Town Attorney

Town Departments: Ben Branyan, Town Administrator; Amy Siebert, Department of Public Works Commissioner

BET: Laura Erickson, Harry Fisher, Leslie Moriarty, Leslie Tarkington

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:03 P.M.

1. Office of First Selectman Budget Resolutions

The Law Committee reviewed the resolutions relating to the Office of the First Selectman with Ben Branyan.

2. The Law Committee reviewed the resolutions relating to the Department of Public Works with Amy Siebert. Ms. Siebert will provide information on the “nips” bottles so that the Law Committee can review the proposed resolution from Human Services.

The resolutions relating to COVID-19 were also discussed in light of President Biden’s decision to rescind the COVID-19 emergency this spring and it was agreed that these resolutions would be either be modified or deleted by the Committee.

3. Approval of Minutes

Upon motion made by the Chair and seconded by Mr. Selbst, the Law Committee voted 2-0-0 to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2023 regular meeting. The minutes of the January 23, 2023 special meeting will be deferred to the next meeting of the Law Committee.

4. Old Business

- Ms. Schellenberg reported that the Law Department was operating within its budget for FY23, having spent approximately 52% of its budget for outside counsel through January 2023.

- With respect to the pending investigations regarding employment practices at the Board of Education, Ms. Schellenberg reported that the Town is working with outside attorney who is currently working with a company to determine who will be interviewed as part of the investigation. There are three investigations currently being conducted about the hiring practices of the Board of Education. The town is conducting a townwide investigation, while the state's investigation is more narrowly focused.

5. Executive Session

Upon motion made by the Chair and seconded by Mr. Selbst, the Law Committee voted to enter Executive session at 3:43 PM by a vote of 2-0-0

Upon motion made by the Chair and seconded by Mr. Selbst, the Law Committee voted 2-0-0 to exit executive session at 4:02 PM.

6. Settlement

Upon motion made by the Chair and seconded by Mr. Selbst, the Law Committee voted 2-0-0 to approve a settlement of the action entitled *Smith v. Town of Greenwich* for \$18,000.

7. Adjournment

Upon motion made by the Chair and seconded by Mr. Selbst, the Law Committee voted 2-0-0 to adjourn at 4:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen Selbst, Recording Secretary



Karen Fassuliotis, Chair, Law Committee