



Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held in the Moderator's Hall of the Central Middle School on Tuesday January 16, 2001 at 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Thomas J. Byrne.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the call of the meeting, the reading of the call would be omitted.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Attendance card were presented showing 178 present, 44 absent & 8 vacancies.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the December 11, 2000 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He asked if there were any corrections or comments, there being none, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

Town Clerk Carmella C. Budkins swore in Thomas Conelias and Murray Paroly, new members in District 3.

First Selectman Lolly Prince presented her quarterly report on the Town and the budget priorities for the new budget cycle.

The Moderator suggested a motion to suspend the rules and combine items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 and to consider separately items 1, 2 & 10. Item 9 had been withdrawn.

**Motion Carried**

The Moderator announced that Item No. 1 on the call, postponed from the December meeting, was now before the meeting.

**Whereas**, Greenwich Library's re-cladding project is a major one-time expense; and

**Whereas**, the Greenwich Library building is not Town owned; and

**Whereas**, the major wall re-cladding expense described in the "Call" of December, 2000

is being considered to be a taxpayer obligation; and

**Whereas**, Mary Ellen LeBien, President of the Greenwich Library, has agreed to accept

The following resolution.

**RESOLVED**, that the Public Works Committee of the RTM recommends the addition of three (3) RTM members to serve as voting members of the Greenwich Library's Buildings and Grounds Committee for the re-cladding and structural repair projects. Members to be selected by the Moderator.

David Ball, chairman of the Public Works Committee, made a motion, on behalf of the committee, to amend the resolution as follows;

In the third "Whereas" clause delete the wording "a taxpayer obligation;" and insert the wording "funded by the Town;

The amendment was adopted by unanimous consent.

The vote was now on Item No. 1 as amended.

In Favor	-	33
Against	-	139
Abstentions	-	1

Item Lost

The Moderator announced that Item No. 2 on the call was now before the meeting.

Peter Madden, Administrator of Nathaniel Witherell, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 2.

**RESOLVED**, that the sum of \$569,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Nathaniel Witherell Account No. 450-143, known as Professional Architects & Engineers. The appropriation may be spent for the preparation of a Certificate of Need application to the State of Connecticut for the construction of a new facility on the current campus.

James Reilly of District 9 made a motion, which was seconded, to postpone this item until the next meeting.

William Hamilton of District 9 moved the previous question, which was seconded.

Motion Carried

The vote was now on Mr. Reilly's motion to postpone.

Motion Lost

Sam Romeo of District 12 moved the previous question, which was seconded.

Motion Carried

The vote was now on Item No. 2.

In Favor	-	124
Against	-	33
Abstentions	-	4

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that the combined items were now before the meeting.

Douglas Wells, chairman of the Legislative & Rules Committee, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 3.

**RESOLVED, that the following regular Representative Town Meeting date for the 2000-2001 term is hereby changed.**

From	To
<b>Monday September 17,2001</b>	<b>Wednesday September 19,2001</b>

Carol Shattuck, Assistant to the First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 4.

**RESOLVED, that the RTM approve a Sense of the Meeting Resolution to include an appropriation of \$1.5 million in the Fiscal Year Budget 2001/2002 for the acquisition of a conservation easement on the property known as "Treetops".**

Marcos Madrid, Commissioner of Public Works, offered the following resolutions, which were duly moved and seconded, regarding Items No. 5,6 & 7.

5. **RESOLVED, that the sum of \$95,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Public Works' Account No. 591-965-2102 Sewer Improvement Fund, known as "Upgrade Pumping Stations - Chapel Lane and Cos Cob."**

6. **RESOLVED, that the sum of \$100,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Public Works' Account No. 345-995-2103 known as "Police Facility Design."**

7. **WHEREAS, the Town of Greenwich has published a legal notice display ad, mailed a news release to a number of officials and agencies, and mailed a formal letter to abutting property owners, announcing a public informational meeting on the proposed STP Urban Transportation project known as Comly Avenue Bridge Deck Reconstruction - Town Project No. 99-53; and**

**WHEREAS, a public informational meeting was held on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2000, at Greenwich Town Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at which meeting residents had an opportunity to voice their concerns; and**

**WHEREAS, the Southwestern Regional Planning Agency has selected this project as a regional priority and has agreed to utilize federal funds for construction activities; and**

WHEREAS, the project is located on a municipally owned road, the preliminary engineering phase will be performed by the Town of Greenwich or its consultant, utilizing 100% Town of Greenwich funds; and

WHEREAS, the RTM has considered the concerns of the residents from the public informational meeting and finds that the proposed Comly Avenue Bridge Deck Reconstruction is in the best interest of the Town of Greenwich, and will promote the health, safety and general welfare of its residents and provide for convenience and safety of the motoring public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Greenwich, based on the above information, and by virtue of this resolution hereby fully supports the proposed project.

Mary Ferry of District 5 and the Town's representative to SWRPA offered the following comments regarding Item No. 7, which are to be included in the minutes.

"The RTM recognizes that the Comly Avenue Bridge Deck reconstruction project was actually approved by the Southwestern Metropolitan Planning Organization instead of by SWRPA (Southwestern Regional Planning Agency) but does not wish to amend the resolution requested by the Connecticut DOT."

Roger Lulow, Superintendent of Schools, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 8.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$54,974,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated in the "RESERVED FOR CAPITAL & NON-RECURRING FUND" - 180-956-2102 Western Middle School Classroom Renovations.

The vote was now on the combined items.

In Favor	-	157
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	1

Items Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 10 on the call was now before the meeting.

Alfred Cava, Director of Human Resources, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 10.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$ 286,495 for the fiscal year 1999-00 and the sum of \$ 760,082 for the fiscal year 2000-01 be and the same is hereby appropriated to carry out the terms of the negotiated five year collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Greenwich and the Silver Shield Association of the Town of Greenwich.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich hereby approves such provisions of the award, if any, which may be in conflict with any charter provisions, special act, ordinance, rule, or regulation of the Town of Greenwich with the meaning of Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-474.

The vote was now on Item No. 10.

In Favor	-	143
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	3

Item Carried

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent, at 10:45 P.M.

ATTEST:  
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS  
TOWN CLERK

