



Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held on Monday March 14, 2005 at 8:00 P.M. (E.S.T.).

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

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

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

Town Clerk Carmella C. Budkins swore in two new members, prior to the meeting, Peter Sherr in District 12 and Robert Chiappetta in District 10.

Attendance cards were presented showing 171 present, 54 absent and 5 vacancies.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the January 18, 2005 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He asked if there any corrections or comments, there being none, the minutes were adopted as submitted by unanimous consent.

Coline Jenkins, chairman of District 6, offered the following resolution recognizing the service and contributions of the late Isabelle Cox.

WHEREAS, Isabelle S. Cox was a representative of the RTM District 6, Old Greenwich, for over a decade,

WHEREAS Isabelle S.Cox was a community leader and volunteer who gave generously of her time, talents and resources to such institutions as “Childcare 2000” (affordable childcare for working parents in need), the “Latchkey Scholarship Fund,” the “Greenwich High School Scholarship Foundation,” “Rainbow Kids,” the “Salvation Army,” and the “Lions Low Vision Center of Greenwich.”

WHEREAS, Isabelle’s philosophy and philanthropy remains an inspiration for this legislative body, with such quotes as:

1. If you open it, close it.
2. If you can’t fix it, call in someone who can.
3. If you value it, take care of it.
4. If you make a mess, clean it up.
5. If you move it, put it back where it belongs.
6. If you don’t know how to operate it, leave it alone.
7. Mind the pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves.
8. It is better to look ahead and prepare than to look back and regret.
9. You can’t control the length of your life, but you can control its width and depth.
10. There is no limit to how much good you can do, if you don’t care who gets the credit.
11. Start each day with a smile on your face, and let the sun shine through you.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the sense of this meeting that we publicly express our appreciation of the work and words of Isabelle Cox, and that these sentiments are permanently recorded in the minutes of the RTM.

The resolution was passed unanimously with the members standing for a moment of silence in memory of Mrs. Cox.

Mary Ferry, chairman of District 5, offered the following resolution recognizing the service and contributions of the late Benjamin Bacon.

District 5 asks that you join us in remembering the life of Benjamin Wisner Bacon, who died on February 6th, 2005.

Ben was born in New York City, graduated from Yale University, and served as a Lieutenant Junior Grade in the United States Navy. He served as the U.S. State Department's Vice Consul in the former Belgian Congo, returning to live in Riverside in 1959. In the 1960's Ben was an Assistant Treasurer for Esso International and later became First Vice President for the French Bank Credit Lyonnais.

As a volunteer Ben was very active in town affairs. He was a member of RTM in the 1960's and again from 1988 thru 2003. From 1972 thru 1977, Ben was a member of the BET. He volunteered at Hill House and Nathaniel Witherell, was a member of the Retired Men's Association and taught in local continuing education programs. As a long time member of the Democratic Town Committee, he was actively involved in many campaigns.

After retiring in 1996, Ben wrote a book "Sinews of War" about the effect of technological advances, such as the railroad, on the Civil War. He also returned to acting and appeared in many local productions.

Ben had a love of life and a willingness to be involved with his community that will be missed by all of us, including his wife, his three sons and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Moderator, we ask that the RTM observe a moment of silence in memory of Benjamin W. Bacon and the minutes so record.

The resolution was passed unanimously with the members standing for a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Bacon.

The Moderator announced that Item No. 1 on the call was now before the meeting.

Elizabeth Linck, Fleet Director, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 1.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$125,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to the account number identified below:

380-53500 Motor Fuel and Lubricants \$125,000

The vote was now on Item No. 1.

In Favor	-	137
Against	-	24
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

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

Police Chief James Walters offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 2.

RESOLVED, that the Greenwich Police Department accept a monetary gift in the total amount of \$8,000 to provide for the purchase of a replacement Police Canine, \$5,000 appropriated to Account F213-53950, and for veterinary maintenance for retiring Canine Shilo, \$3,000 appropriated to Account F213-51420.

The vote was now on Item No. 2

In Favor	-	163
Against	-	2
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 3 on the call was now before the meeting.

Susan Wallerstein of the Board of Education offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 3.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$7,374 be and is hereby appropriated to be added to account Z6800892 59560 24079 for Parkway School Well Water Improvement. Said appropriation to come from the Reserve for Capital Non-Recurring Fund.

The vote was now on Item No. 3.

In Favor	-	159
Against	-	7
Abstentions	-	0

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 4 on the call was now before the meeting.

Town Administrator Ed Gomeau offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 4.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$2,181,850 be and is hereby appropriated from the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures to account Z301-59800-25116 for the acquisition of property at 180 Mason Street and costs associated with said acquisition

The vote was now on Item No. 4.

In Favor	-	137
Against	-	27
Abstentions	-	4

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No 5 on the call was now before the meeting.

Town Planner Diane Fox offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 5.

RESOLVED, that the following amendment to Section 1 of the Special Act 469 of 1951 (as amended) and Article 9, Section 82 of the Town Charter, be adopted as follows:

DEFINITIONS.

(a) (7) SUBDIVISION – Revision (words in brackets to be deleted; **words bolded to be added.**)

“*Subdivision* means the division of a tract or parcel of land into [three (3)] **two (2)** or more parcels or lots for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale or building development expressly excluding development for agricultural purposes, and includes re-subdivision.”

FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to the Special Act 469 of 1951 (as amended), that the Town Code Article 4, Subdivisions, Section 6-261(15) be amended as follows:

-Section 6-261(15) DEFINITIONS (SUBDIVISION) – Revision (words in brackets to be deleted; **words in bold to be added.**

“Subdivision shall mean the division of a tract or parcel of land into [three (3)] **two (2)** or more parcels or lots for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale or building development expressly excluding development for agricultural purposes, and includes re-subdivision.”

Alan Small of District 10 made a motion, which was seconded, to postpone Item No. 5 until the April 2005 meeting.

Edward Dadakis of District 1 moved the previous question, which was seconded.

Motion Carried

The vote was now on Mr. Small’s motion to postpone.

Motion Lost

Roger Lourie of District 7 moved the previous question, which was seconded.

Motion Carried

The vote was now on Item No. 5.

In Favor	-	126
Against	-	26
Abstentions	-	7

Item Carried

Elizabeth Campbell of District 5 requested that the meeting consider the following sense of the meeting resolution not on the agenda.

This is a Sense of the Meeting Resolution that relating to our vote on the Deer Cull, Item No. 11 at our December 13,2004 meeting, there should have been prior to this vote more information provided as well as a longer period of time during which the subject could have been evaluated by the entire community. Furthermore, before

the Town schedules and appropriates funds for any future culling, there should be inclusive discussion and evaluation of the subject available to all residents.

A motion was made and seconded to take up the non agenda item.

The vote was now on that motion.

In Favor	-	39
Against	-	115
Abstentions	-	0

Motion Lost

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent, at 10:15 P.M.

ATTEST
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS
TOWN CLERK