



Pursuant to the foregoing notice, a regular meeting of the Representative Town Meeting was held on Monday, March 14, 2011 at 8:00 P.M. (E.D.S.T.) in the Moderator's Hall of Central Middle School.

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

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Town Clerk, Carmella C. Budkins swore in Bernard Schneider, a new member in District 12.

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.

Attendance cards were presented showing 192 present, 37 absent and 1 vacancy. The members who were absent in District 1 – John A Duge, Jr., Mary R. George, Kieran E. Ingold; District 2- Duncan G. Burke, Nancy B. Burke, Fridolf A Hanson, Jill K. Oberlander; District 3- Robert J. Allen, Murray S. Paroly, Claudia Velez, M. Michael Warner; District 4- Alexander J. Popp, Jr.; District 5 – Jennifer A. Dayton, Laura B. Erickson, Daniel Faryniarz; District 6- Neil J. Bulger, Walter K. Howe, Joel H. Kagan; District 7 – Amy H. Bibb, Ellen Brennan-Galvin, William W. Galvin, III, Timothy P. Harkness, Lucia D. Jansen; District 8- John E. Beckwith, Frank A. Posluszny, John Shulman; District 9 – Robert L. Beerman, Robert V. Lichtenfeld, John W. Rosenberg; District 10 – Robert M. Byrnes, Nancy H. Marshall; District 11- Marc V. Johnson, Fern M. Lindsay, Daniel J. Natale, Jr.; District 12- Bill Bambrick, Barbara G. Hindman, Robert C. Liflander.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the January 18, 2011 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He asked if there were any corrections or comments. There being none, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Mary Ferry, Chairman of District 5, presented the following in tribute to the late Emmett Eaton.

WHEREAS Emmett Henry Eaton, a member of the Representative Town Meeting for 39 years, died on January 10, 2011 at his home in Riverside at the age of 95. Mr. Eaton was born on June 1, 1915 in Stamford, CT.

WHEREAS Emmett Eaton led a long and distinguished life of service to his country and the Town of Greenwich. During World War II, Mr. Eaton served as a Transport Commander aboard Army transports crossing between the United States and Europe. He was also a Liaison Officer at the War Production Board in Washington D C. During his time on the RTM, Mr. Eaton served on the Budget Overview, Finance, Planning and Zoning, Fire and Police Committees. He was Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Town Officers Committee. He also served on the building committees for the new Town Hall and the Cos Cob School.

In addition Mr. Eaton was active with the Riverside Association and the Rotary Club. A lifelong sailor, he was Commodore of the Old Greenwich Yacht Club and was a member of the Corinthians sailing organization for over 50 years. He was co-chairman of the Tall Ships celebration on Long Island Sound in 1976 and 1986. Mr. Eaton served on the Parish Council of St. Catherine of Siena Church.

Later in his life Mr. Eaton enjoyed performing with the Retired Men's Association singing group, The Melody Men. He also pursued his love of painting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Representative Town Meeting joins District 5 in honoring Emmett Eaton's life and that a suitable copy of these minutes be presented to his family, including his wife of 59 years, Mary Ann Page Eaton, and his daughters, Beth Eaton-Koch and Eileen Marie Bemus, and their families.

The resolution passed by unanimous consent and the members stood for a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Eaton.

Pursuant to RTM rules, the Moderator designated that no items would be placed on the consent calendar.

The Moderator suggested a motion, which was moved and seconded, to suspend the rules and combine items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, & 9.

Motion Carried

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

1. Postponed from the January 18, 2011 meeting.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, re-nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be reappointed a member of the Board of Ethics for a term expiring 3/31/14.

ROBERT V. SISCA

David N. Theis, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

2. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be re-appointed a regular member of the Board of Parks and Recreation for a term expiring 3/31/15.**

SCOTT R. JOHNSON

David N. Theis, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

4. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Board of Social Services for a term expiring 3/31/14.**

ABBOTT JONES

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

5. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Board of Social Services for a term expiring 3/31/12.**

ANGELICA M. ARENAS

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

6. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring 3/31/14.**

ENNALA RAMCHARANDAS

Drew Marzullo, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

8. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/14.**

MICHAEL BORKOWSKY

Drew Marzullo, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

9. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/14.**

NANCY N. RAMER

The vote was now on the combined items.

In favor	-	191
Against	-	1
Abstentions	-	1

Items Carried

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

J. Robert Tuthill, member of District 4, made a motion, which was seconded, to limit debate to three minutes per person per motion.

Motion Carried

Drew Marzullo, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

3. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Board of Parks and Recreation for a term expiring 3/31/15.**

GARY P. DELL'ABATE

The vote was now on Item No. 3.

In Favor	-	119
Against	-	64
Abstentions	-	7

Item Carried

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

7. **RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/14.**

FREDERIC H. BROOKS, SR.

The vote was now on Item No. 7.

In Favor	-	170
Against	-	14
Abstentions	-	7

Item Carried

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

10. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be re-appointed a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/14.

PAUL S. MARCHESE

Peter E. Berg, Chairman of Land Use Committee, on behalf of the committee, made a motion to postpone Item No. 10 to April 11, 2011 meeting.

Motion Carried

David N. Theis, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

11. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be re-appointed a regular member of the Alarm Appeals Board for a term expiring 3/31/15.

THOMAS ZACK

The vote was now on Item No. 11.

In Favor	-	175
Against	-	2
Abstentions	-	8

Item Carried

David N. Theis, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

12. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be re-appointed an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/14.

PETER B. LEVY

The vote was now on Item No. 12.

In Favor	-	162
Against	-	15
Abstentions	-	9

Item Carried

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

13. **RESOLVED, that Article 4, Section 45, of the Charter of the Town entitled: “Flood and Erosion Control Board” be amended as follows:**

ARTICLE 4. FLOOD AND EROSION
CONTROL BOARD.

Sec. 45. Flood and Erosion Control Board.

There shall be in the Town a Flood and Erosion Control Board, which shall consist of five (5) members and two (2) alternate members. The members and alternate members shall be electors of the Town, and their method of selection and terms of office shall be determined by ordinance adopted by the Representative Town Meeting.

_____ addition (in bold)

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RESOLVED, that Article 4, Section 45, of the Charter of the Town entitled: “Flood and Erosion Control Board” be amended as follows:

ARTICLE 4. FLOOD AND EROSION
CONTROL BOARD.

Sec. 2-17. Membership; number; appointment

(a) The Flood and Erosion Control Board shall consist of five (5) members. Four (4) members of the Flood and Erosion Control Board shall be appointed by the Representative Town Meeting. The fifth member of the Board shall be the First Selectman of the town. Appointments shall be for terms of four (4) years commencing on April 1.[Appointed]. Members of the Board shall hold office until their successors shall have been appointed and shall qualify. Vacancies in the [appointed] membership of the Board shall be filled for the unexpired portion of a term in the same manner as regular appointments.

(b) In addition to the five (5) members of the Flood and Erosion Control Board, the Board shall also include two (2) alternate members. The alternate members shall be appointed by the Representative Town Meeting.

(c) One alternate member shall be appointed for a term commencing on April 1, 2011 and expiring on March 31, 2013 and the other alternate member for a term commencing on April 1, 2011 and expiring on March 31, 2015.

(d) All subsequent appointments of alternate members, except to fill vacancies, shall be for terms of four (4) years commencing on April 1 of the first year of the term.

(e) The alternate members of the Board shall hold office until their successors shall have been appointed and shall have qualified.

(f) Vacancies in the alternate membership of the board shall be filled for the unexpired portion of a term in the same manner as regular appointments.

(g) If a member of said board is absent or disqualified, the chairman of the board shall designate an alternate to so act, choosing alternates in rotation so that they shall act as nearly equal a number of times as possible. If any alternate is not available in accordance with such rotation, such fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

(h) The alternate members of the Flood and Erosion Control Board shall, when seated, have all the powers and duties set forth for such board and its members.

_____ addition (in bold)

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Douglas J. Wells, Chairman of Legislative & Rules Committee, offered the following amendments to Item No. 13, which were duly moved and seconded.

On the second RESOLVED, take out “Article 4, Section 45, of the Charter of the Town” and replace with “Section 2-17 of the Town Code”.

Remove “ARTICLE 4. FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD” after the second resolved.

In Sec 2-17 in paragraph (a) remove brackets around “Appointed” after April 1 and make lower case “m” of “Members”.

Also in Sec 2-17 in paragraph s (f) and (g) “board” should be capitalized “Board”.

Amendments were adopted by unanimous consent.

The vote was now on Item No. 13 as amended.

In Favor	-	184
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

Roger H. Lourie, member of District 7, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded.

To consider and act upon the following resolution offered by twenty (20) or more Town of Greenwich (the "Town") registered voters pursuant to Article 13, Section 173 of the Town Charter:

WHEREAS, the Representative Town Meeting (RTM), on October 25, 2010, voted to approve a Sense of the Meeting Resolution (SOMR) by a vote of 135-41-12; and

WHEREAS, the SOMR resolved, among other things, to reduce the rate of increase in the Town's operating spending and lessen the rate of the tax burden on Town residents and businesses.

RESOLVED, that the "total amount to be financed", as shown in the First Selectman's Proposed Budget for 2011-2012, be increase by no more than one percent (1%) over the 2010-2011 Final Town Budget which totaled \$340,827,798.

Douglas J. Wells, Chairman of Legislative & Rules Committee, offered a substitute resolution on behalf of the committee.

To consider and act upon the following resolution offered by twenty (20) or more Town of Greenwich (the "Town") registered voters pursuant to Article 13, Section 173 of the Town Charter:

WHEREAS, the Representative Town Meeting (RTM), on October 25, 2010, voted to approve a Sense of the Meeting Resolution (SOMR) by a vote of 135-41-12; and

WHEREAS, the SOMR resolved, among other things, to reduce the rate of increase in the Town's operating spending and lessen the rate of the tax burden on Town residents and businesses.

RESOLVED, that it is the sense of the Representative Town Meeting that the total of all line item appropriations not exceed \$344,236,076 for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

James Boutelle, Member of District 8, made a motion to postpone Item No. 14 indefinitely, which was duly moved and seconded.

The vote was now on Boutelle's motion to postpone indefinitely.

In Favor	-	148
Against	-	27
Abstentions	-	0

Motion 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

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