



Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held on Monday April 11, 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 Donna Gaudioso-Zeale ,a new member in District 9.

Attendance cards were presented showing 183 present,41 absent and 6 vacancies.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the March 14,2005 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He asked if there were any corrections or comments, there being none, the minutes as submitted were adopted by unanimous consent.

First Selectman James Lash presented his "Renewing the Promise of Greenwich", a look at the budget for 2005-2006.

The Moderator suggested a motion, which was duly moved and seconded, to place the following items on the consent calendar - # 7-8-9-10-12-13-16-& 20.

7.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Commission on Aging for a term expiring 3/31/08.

MARY K. BAUSCH

8.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Commission on Aging for a term expiring 3/31/08.

CATHERINE M. BRENNAN

9.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Commission on Aging for a term expiring 3/31/08.

LORI JACKSON

10.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Board of Health for a term expiring 3/31/08.

MARILYN ROSS CAHN, M.D.

12.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Board of Ethics for a term expiring 3/31/08.

SUSAN McNEILY CRAIG

13.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Historic District Commission for a term expiring 3/31/10.

PAUL F. HOPPER

16.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission for a term expiring 3/31/06.

JOAN MURPHY

20.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Public Works, approved by the Board of Selectmen, that the private road or portion thereof of Hooker Lane also known as Hooker Lane Extension be accepted as a public highway.

The vote was now on the consent calendar.

In Favor	-	177
Against	-	1
Abstentions	-	0

Items Carried

The Moderator suggested a motion, which was duly moved and seconded, to suspend the rules and combine items 1,4,5 & 15 for voting purposes and consider items 2,3,6,11,14,17,18 & 21 separately. Item No. 19 had been withdrawn.

Motion Carried

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

Macros Madrid, Commissioner of Public Works, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 1.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$668,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to General Fund account numbers as follows:

Public Works – Highway Division, A312-51100, Overtime:	\$160,500
Public Works – Highway Division, A312-51300, Temp Services:	15,000
Public Works – Highway Division, A312-52300, Equip Rental:	61,800
Public Works – Highway Division, A312-53750, Hwy Materials:	338,000
Public Works – Bd. of Education, A315-51300, Temp Services:	61,500
Public Works – Bd. of Education, A315-52300, Equip Rental:	12,500
Public Works – Bd. of Education, A315-53750, Hwy Materials:	18,700

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$66,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Parking Fund account numbers as follows:

Public Works – Highway Division, G317-51920, Labor costs	\$1,000
Public Works – Highway Division, G317-52300, Equip Rental:	16,000
Public Works – Highway Division, G317-53750, Hwy Materials:	49,000

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$67,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Leased Railroad Fund account numbers as follows:

Public Works – Highway Division, R317-51920, Labor costs	\$36,000
Public Works – Highway Division, R317-53750, Hwy Materials:	31,000

Dr. Susan Wallerstein of the Board of Education offered the following substitute resolutions, which were duly moved and seconded, regarding Item Nos. 4 and 5

4.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education be authorized to accept \$36,382 from the Greenwich Education Association and that these receipts be appropriated and added to Account A 620153251020 for a teacher’s salary.

5.

RESOLVED, that the Town of Greenwich accept a grant for \$6,000 for Project EVOLVE, a federally funded special education initiative based at the University of Vermont. Said amount be and is hereby appropriated to the following accounts: \$1,500 to account A620056851060 - Cos Cob School; \$3,000 to account A620105681060 - North Mianus School; \$1,500 to account A620035681060 – Glenville School.

Ed Gomeau, Town Administrator, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 15.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission for a term expiring 3/31/10.

MARY A. KNIGHT

The vote was now on the combined items.

In Favor	-	180
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	0

Items Carried

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

Marcos Madrid, Commissioner of Public Works, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 2.

RESOLVED, that the Town of Greenwich accept a gift of twenty (20) street lights for installation on Greenwich Avenue with an approximate value of \$60,000 from Greenwich Green and Clean.

The vote was now on Item No. 2.

In Favor	-	174
Against	-	5
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

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

Marcos Madrid, Commissioner of Public Works, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 3.

RESOLVED, that James A. Lash, First Selectman, be and hereby is authorized to execute such agreement having been entered into pursuant to Section 7-273 of the Connecticut General Statutes entitled: "Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Stamford Connecticut and the Town Of Greenwich Connecticut for the Sanitary Sewer Connections for Six (6) Stamford Property Owners on Hillcrest Park Road."

The vote was now on Item No. 3.

In Favor	-	136
Against	-	31
Abstentions	-	13

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 6 on the call was now before the meeting.

Dr. Susan Wallerstein of the Board of Education offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 6.

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$390,000 be and is hereby appropriated to be added to the following accounts: \$138,410 to account Z6800292 5956 25109; \$182,668 to account Z6800292 5956 25063; \$68,922 to account Z6800292 5956 24106. Said appropriation to come from the Capital and Non-Recurring Fund.

Robert Brady of District 5 made a motion, which was seconded, to reduce this item by \$200,000 to \$190,000.

The vote was now on Mr. Brady's motion to reduce.

In Favor	-	157
Against	-	24
Abstentions	-	0

Motion Carried

The vote was now on Item No. 6 as amended.

In Favor	-	167
Against	-	10
Abstentions	-	0

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 11 on the call was now before the meeting.

Ed Gomeau, Town Administrator, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 11.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Board of Social Services for a term expiring 3/31/08.

KIMBERLY TERRENOIRE

The vote was now on Item No. 11.

In Favor	-	118
Against	-	56
Abstentions	-	5

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 14 on the call was now before the meeting.

Ed Gomeau, Town Administrator, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 14.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission for a term expiring 3/31/09.

CHRISTOPHER HOLBROOK

Coline Jenkins of District 6 made a motion, which was duly seconded, to postpone this item until the June meeting.

Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 17 on the call was now before the meeting.

Ed Gomeau, Town Administrator, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 17.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission for a term expiring 3/31/08.

ARIS CRIST

H. Franklin Bloomer, chairman of the Land Use Committee, made a motion, on behalf of the committee, to postpone this item until the June meeting.

Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 18 on the call was now before the meeting.

Ed Gomeau, Town Administrator, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 18.

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Historic District Commission for a term expiring 3/31/08.

ANNE MALETTA

H. Franklin Bloomer, chairman of the Land Use Committee, made a motion, on behalf of the committee, to postpone this item until the June meeting.

Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 21 on the call was now before the meeting.

Dr. Carl G. Carlson offered the following resolution on behalf of the petitioners, which was duly moved and seconded.

The Greenwich R.T.M. supports continuation of town ownership and governance of the Nathaniel Witherell Nursing Home.

The sense of the meeting resolution amends and corrects the proposal on Nathaniel Witherell that came before the R.T.M. in September 2004.

Douglas Wells, chairman of the Legislative & Rules Committee, made a motion, on behalf of the committee, to postpone this item until the October 2005 meeting.

The Moderator ruled that he could not accept the motion, because it was not in legal order according to Robert's Rules, section 14. The Moderator explained that, according to Robert's Rules, an item cannot be postponed to a meeting six months into the future.

Mr. Wells then made a motion to suspend the rules and put the item on the call for the October 2005 meeting.

The vote was now on the motion to suspend the rules.

Fred DeCaro of District 12 requested a record vote.

In Favor	-	101
Against	-	67
Abstentions	-	3

Motion lost because it did not get a two thirds majority.

James Boutelle of District 8 raised a Point of Order. Mr. Boutelle claimed that item 21 was not in legal order because it constituted a motion to reconsider the Sense of the Meeting Resolution on Nathaniel Witherell adopted by the RTM in September 2004. The Moderator ruled that the pending sense of the meeting resolution was not a motion to reconsider, but rather was a main motion setting forth a clear statement on the governance issue of Nathaniel Witherell that the RTM was free to adopt or to reject at this meeting. Accordingly, the Moderator ruled that the Point of Order was not well taken.

Stephen Soler ,vice chairman of District 8, made a motion, on behalf of the district, which was seconded, to postpone Item 21 Indefinitely.

The vote was on the motion to postpone indefinitely.

Robert Richardson of District 10 requested a record vote.

In Favor	-	141
Against	-	21
Abstentions	-	0

Motion Carried

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent, at 10:30 P.M.

ATTEST:
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS
TOWN CLERK