



**TOWN OF GREENWICH
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION
LAW COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, July 12, 2021
Virtual Meeting

Committee: Karen Fassuliotis, Chair; Elizabeth K. Krumeich
Staff: Peter Mynarski, Comptroller
Town Attorney: Barbara M. Schellenberg, Town Attorney; Timothy Herbst, Member,
Marino, Zabel & Schellenberg
BET: Andreas Duus, Laura Erickson, Leslie Tarkington

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion made by Ms. Krumeich, seconded by Ms. Fassuliotis, the Committee voted 2-0-0 to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Law Committee held on June 2, 2021. Motion carried.

2. COVID-19 Update

Town Attorney Schellenberg reported that the Law Department Staff are in the office on a staggered basis. If an attorney needs a staff member to be in the office, then such staff member will work in the office. There is one attorney working remotely two days a week. The Town's Remote Working Policy has been revised and remains in place on a full-time basis despite the reduction in COVID-19 pandemic protocols. Department heads are given discretion as to how their respective departments are staffed (i.e. on-site or remote).

3. Law Department Budget

Attorney Herbst reported that the current Law Department budget is within budget through year-end FY20-21. The revised budget for the FY21-22 has been approved.

4. New Claims

The Town Attorney reported on new claims and the Town attorney or outside counsel handling the matter as follows:

- A resident is claiming failure to maintain an accessible boat slip access ramp. (Attorney Wadler)
- An entity brought a claim for property damage, alleging negligence. (Attorney de Arango)
- A slip and fall case. (Attorney de Arango)
- A petition for a Bill of Discovery; death in the line of duty. (Attorney Maze Keeney)
- Action filed with Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities alleging racial discrimination. (Attorney Maze Keeney)

The Town Attorney also mentioned an action brought by an employee in the Department of Human Services who claims reverse discrimination when passed over for a position. (Outside counsel: Attorney Alexandria Voccio of Howd & Ludoff, LLC)

5. Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

The Committee reconvened to enter an Executive Session on a separate virtual platform to discuss pending litigation.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Fassuliotis, seconded by Ms. Krumeich, the Committee entered an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation at 3:18 p.m.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Fassuliotis, seconded by Ms. Krumeich, the Committee exited the Executive Session at 4:30 p.m.

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6. Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Ms. Krumeich, seconded by Ms. Fassuliotis, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Elizabeth K. Krumeich
Recording Secretary



Karen Fassuliotis
Chair, Law Committee