



Pursuant to the foregoing notice, a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held on Monday, September 17, 2012 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.

Mary Harrigan, a student at Greenwich High School and delegate to the 2012 Boys' and Girls' State program, led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Town Clerk Carmella C. Budkins swore in Thomas F. Daly and Nancy E. Gray, both whom are new members in District 10.

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

Attendance cards were presented showing 189 present, 37 absent and 4 vacancies. The members absent in District 1 – John A. Duge, Jr., Mary R. George, Kieran E. Ingold; District 2 – Jill K. Oberlander; District 3 – Kathy Derene; District 4 – James M. Bonney, Steven J. Bozzuto, J. Robert Tuthill; District 5 – Karen S. Oztemel; District 6 – Candace V. Garthwaite, Joel H. Kagan, Stephen Meskers; District 7 – Margaret B.G. Freiberg, Ralph M. McDermid, Jr.; District 8 – Mary H. Bruce, Steven A. Gordon, Stephen Ng, John A. Shulman; District 9 – Robert L. Beerman, Craig W. Holz, Frank P. Petise, Jonathan R. Shankman; District 10 – Bertram M. Metter, Alan A. Small; District 11 – William C. Hambleton, Harry A. LeBien, Blake W. Mather, Daniel J. Natale, Jr., Adam J. Savitz, Michael Spilo, Richard Wellington, Jr.; District 12 – David F. Alfano, Edward M. Manganiello, Miriam Mennin, Natalie R. Queen, Gregory W. Schulte, Robert H. Stafford, III.

The Moderator recognized Erford E. Porter, II and Livvy Floren, who introduced the delegates to the Boys and Girls State program, a week long "learn by doing program" in civics and government held in Hartford. The delegates were selected by the American Legion and the co-chairmen for Greenwich were Mr. Porter and Livvy Floren, State Representative for the 149<sup>th</sup> District. The delegates for 2012 were August Allocco, Jack Corrigan, Christian Fazio, Mary Harrigan, Victoria Hoffmeister, Allison Litt, Jonathan Muhlrad, Grant Radulovacki and Chelsea Watson.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the June 11, 2012 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He noted one correction on page 1 in the sixth paragraph "30 absent and 2 vacancies" should read "29 absent and 3 vacancies". The minutes, as amended, were adopted by unanimous consent.

Christine L. Edwards, member of District 8, made a motion to adjourn the meeting and reconvene the meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2012, which was moved and seconded.

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| In Favor   | - | 18  |
| Against    | - | 157 |
| Abstention | - | 9   |

Motion failed

Genny J. Krob, Chairman of District 8, offered the following remarks recognizing the contributions and service of James G. Boutelle.

“Jim Boutelle, a Greenwich native, was elected to RTM District 10 in 1987. There are at least a dozen RTM members who will remember that time; Peter Tesei and Dolly Powers were on the RTM. Over the years, Jim’s service included a span of assignments that developed his broad working understanding of the town. While in District 10, he served as an Alternate on the Finance, Parks & Rec, Education, and Public Works Committees, the Delegate to Social Services, as Delegate to and ultimately Chair of the Appointments Committee, and Vice Chair of District 10.

As the Chair of District 10 captures it: “It was interesting to watch Jim come up in District 10, and grow and develop in the job - and disappointing to watch him jump ship to District 8. What do they have that we don’t have?”

During his years in District 8, Jim was elected District Vice Chair and then District Chair. He served 3 terms on the Labor Contracts Committee, and also as an Alternate on the Finance and Transportation Committees. As someone who joined the district when Jim was Chair, I personally appreciated his willingness to help new members understand both the substance of the issues and the RTM’s role and process in addressing them.

I wanted to share with you some comments from our District members about Jim:

“Jim’s long service to the Town made his insights particularly relevant in any discussion.”

“Jim had the courage to speak his mind in meetings especially when his position was the minority one. His contributions from the floor of the RTM were cogent and unique. He was also an effective district leader.”

“I have always been amazed at Jim's "institutional memory" of past debates and issues; he can recall matters from a decade ago or longer and relate them to current issues. He could listen to the debate at an RTM meeting, and within a few minutes jump up to make a point of order, march up to the lectern, and deliver a speech that was more articulate and persuasive than most members could make if they had been planning it for a week. I would often think to myself, ‘Jim must have been the debate champ of his high school’.”

“Jim is a parliamentarian par excellence.”

“I will never forget some of the “go ‘rounds” with Jim on Points of Order. Jim will be missed at RTM meetings, but I know he will do a good job at the Greenwich Housing Authority.”

“I always found Jim well informed, more often than not, very well informed. He was always supportive of full debate so that a matter was fully vetted and understood by the body that was reviewing it. In the Labor Contracts Committee, always keen insights and

wanting more savings for the Town while supportive of our employees. Always with the best interests of the Town and its residents. Many times the contrarian... In the District, very much the same. Having an opinion and being the District Chair can be a challenge and he did well.”

Just this term, Jim moved to District 2. The District 2 Chair adds that:  
“Jim was a welcome member to the District 2 team and his experience and contributions were much valued.”

Jim stepped down from his seat on the RTM last month to become a Commissioner of the Greenwich Housing Authority. He is also Executive Director of TAG. We wish him the best in his future pursuits.”

District 8 requests to have these remarks included in the minutes.

I don't think Jim is in the audience tonight, but he may be watching the proceedings, and I hope you will join me in a round of applause to thank him for his contribution and service on the RTM.

Mr. Moderator, we ask that these remarks be included in the minutes and that a copy be sent to Mr. James Boutelle.

The members gave James a round of applause.

Dr. Carl G. R. Carlson, Jr., Vice Chairman of District 1, offered the following remarks recognizing the contribution and service of the late Richard Holleran.

Richard Holleran passed away on June 18<sup>th</sup>. He had come to Greenwich as an infant with his parents in the middle 1930's. The family home was in Deer Park. He purchased what had been the William Rockefeller's stables in the Putnam Terrace Subdivision in 1982 and was elected to RTM in the following year. His career in RTM stretched over 28 years. Declining health in recent years made attendance at times difficult. However, special chairs were brought in for him by friends so that he could attend many meetings in relative comfort. He tried very hard.

Richard Holleran served for many years on the RTM Land Use Committee. He was a passionate advocate of preserving this town's architectural heritage. He could become emotional over saving an important structure. He had a keen interest in preserving the Havemeyer Building. I remember his displeasure when he discovered how the police station had deteriorated. The Town Hall Annex, the YMCA, Byram Fire House and Hamilton Avenue School were all structures he fought to preserve. His view twelve years ago that the YMCA expansion plans were financially unsound was confirmed by subsequent events. His criticism of the partial demolition of Hamilton Avenue School eventually led to a fine contribution by Messes Tessie, Walko and Loparco of saving the facade of the school along Hamilton Avenue. The last perhaps saving the finest architecture facade owned by the town.

He had an apartment in Berlin for about 40 years. Before his sickness became acute he would go there at least once a year. In his youth he had obtained his degree in brewing from the Technical University of Berlin. He had been a translator for the State Department as a young man. He wanted to leave his home on Milbank Avenue a showplace for architectural restoration. He had made good progress in the past two years, but his perfectionism had allowed him to run out of time. He was a good and generous friend to many and always meant well.

Mr. Moderator, we ask that these remarks be included in the minutes and that a copy be sent to his family.

The members stood for a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Holleran.

The Moderator announced that Item No. 12 was withdrawn and Items No. 14-16 were not in legal order. The first Items to be considered would be 1, 2, 10, 11 and 13.

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

- 1. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency for a term expiring 3/31/16.**

**BRIAN HARRIS**

The vote was now on the Item No. 1.

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| In Favor    | - | 185 |
| Against     | - | 1   |
| Abstentions | - | 0   |

Item Carried

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

Peter Sherr, Member of the Board of Education, offered the following resolution, which was moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 2.

- 2. RESOLVED, that the Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich hereby approves the agreement between the Board of Education and the Greenwich Organization of School Administrators, representing administrators, for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2016.**

The vote was now on the Item No. 2.

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| In Favor | - | 177 |
| Against  | - | 7   |

Abstentions - 2

Item Carried

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

David N. Theis, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 10.

**10. 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 3/31/17.**

**MARIE V. WILLIAMS**

The vote was now on the Item No. 10.

In Favor - 185  
Against - 0  
Abstentions - 0

Item Carried

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

John Crary, Administrator to the First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 11.

**11. RESOLVED, that the RTM reaffirms the ten (10) year renewal of the lease of the Contemporary House, 101 Orchard Street, Cos Cob at the Pomerance Property to Abilis, Inc. for a term ending September 30, 2022.**

The vote was now on the Item No. 11.

In Favor - 183  
Against - 0  
Abstentions - 1

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 13 on the call was now before the meeting.

John Crary, Administrator to the First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 13.

**13. RESOLVED, that the RTM approves the equal land exchange between the Town of Greenwich and Putnam 600 Acquisition LLC of property at 600 West Putnam Avenue and Holly Hill Lane.**

The vote was now on the Item No. 13.

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| In Favor    | - | 161 |
| Against     | - | 15  |
| Abstentions | - | 8   |

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Items No. 3-9 on the call were now before the meeting.

John Wayne Fox, Town Attorney, addressed the members and guests regarding legality of the Items.

Genny J. Krob, Chairman of District 8 and Betsey S. Frumin, Chairman of District 9, offerered the following motion.

**RESOLVED, that Items 3 through 9 on the September 2012 Call be referred to the Appointments Committee; and that the Appointments Committee shall conduct individual interviews of each candidate named in Items 3 through 9 on the September 2012 Call; and that during the selection process the Appointments Committee shall consider qualifications to include without limitation a commitment to improving LCC reporting to the RTM and LCC compliance with FOI; and that the Appointments Committee shall report its process, findings by candidate and nominations by individual candidate at the December 2012 RTM meeting.**

The vote was now on District 8 & 9's motion.

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| In Favor    | - | 74  |
| Against     | - | 108 |
| Abstentions | - | 5   |

Motion Failed

The Moderator announced that Item No. 3 on the call was now before the meeting. Christopher R. vonKeyserling, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 3.

**3. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Member of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.**

**DAVID W. DETJEN**

The vote was now on the Item No. 3.

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| In Favor    | - | 104 |
| Against     | - | 57  |
| Abstentions | - | 16  |

Item Carried

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

Christopher R. vonKeyserling, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No 4.

- 4. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Member of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.**

**JOAN E. CALDWELL**

The vote was now on the Item No. 4.

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| In Favor    | - | 114 |
| Against     | - | 51  |
| Abstentions | - | 13  |

Item Carried

Edward D. Dadakis, Member of District 1, made a motion to suspend the rules for voting purposes and combine Items No. 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9, which was moved and seconded.

Upon a voice vote the motion carried

The Moderator announced that Items No. 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 on the call were now before the meeting.

Christopher R. vonKeyserling, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, offered the following resolutions, regarding Item No 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9.

- 5. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Member of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.**

**ROBERT M. BYRNES**

- 6. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Member of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.**

**MICHAEL WACEK**

7. **RESOLVED**, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Member of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.

**JILL K. OBERLANDER**

8. **RESOLVED**, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Alternate of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.

**M. MICHAEL WARNER**

9. **RESOLVED**, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Alternate of the Labor Contracts Committee for the term expiring 12/31/13.

**STEVEN RUBIN**

The vote was now on the combined items.

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| In Favor    | - | 130 |
| Against     | - | 23  |
| Abstentions | - | 8   |

Items Carried

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent, at 10:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

CARMELLA C. BUDKINS  
TOWN CLERK