



Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held in the Moderator's Hall of Central Middle School on Monday December 12, 2016 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.

Attendance cards were presented showing 182 present, 45 absent and 3 vacancies. Those absent in District 1 were George F. Chelwick, John A. Duge, Jr., Ryan C. Oca, Christopher N Sandys; District 2 – Duncan G. Burke, Nancy B. Burke, Katherine N. LoBalbo, Douglas J. Wells; District 3 – Thomas P. Conelias; District 4 – William J. Clark, Susan L. McCabe, Alex J. Popp, Jr., Josiane M. Schaffner-Parnell; District 5 – Jason Auerbach, Timothy D. Oberweger Thomas G. Petersen, Jr.; District 6 – Carol C. Ducret, Gunnar E. Klintberg, Stephen R. Meskers, Hans Christian Thalheim; District 7- Kimberly Morgan Blank; District 8 – Benjamin Bianco, Jennifer L. Freitag, Barry W. Rickert, II, John A. Shulman, Warren D. Silver, Carol A. Swift; District 9 – Barbara T. Darula, Stefan Greenberg, Jayson Podber, Ralph Vizzari; District 10 – Granit Balidemaj, Gina Marie Furano, Nancy H. Marshall, Roger S. Shedlin, Dora P. Williams; District 11 – Harry A. LeBien, William P. Richardson, Jr., Rebecca Z. Steinfeld, Michael G. Wacek; District 12- Glen A. Canner, Ed-Shaffei Dada, Janet Lynn DeLuca, Teresa B. Ginsberg, Holly E. D. Young.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the October 24, 2016 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He noted a correction in the attendance – Dean L. Goss in District 1 was present but Dean C. Goss was absent at the October meeting. The minutes, as amended, were adopted by unanimous consent.

Karen Fassuliotis, Member of District 7 offered the following resolution in tribute to Valerie Stauffer.

It seems that all too often, especially lately, the RTM honors past members and district members who have contributed to our Town after that person has passed on. Tonight District 7 members would like to recognize an individual who is most definitely still alive but has made the difficult decision to resign from representing District 7 constituents due to a serious illness that has affected her beloved husband. I am speaking of Valerie Stauffer.

Before stepping down from the RTM, Valerie had been RTM District 7 district leader since 1984. She was the lead spokesperson for many issues facing District 7 constituents. Whether it was MISA, Iron Works, the Town Budget or other issues facing our District or our Town, you would likely find Valerie speaking out at public hearings or working to organize the community “behind the scenes” to rally individuals to take part in our Town government. If you Google Valerie Stauffer and RTM together you will find many articles quoting her, especially when it came to controlling town spending. She knows what is important to her constituents and was not afraid to speak out when necessary. With her gavel in hand, Valerie led district meetings with a firm but fair hand, making sure that all voices were heard and all opinions respected. She knew when to start a discussion, but more importantly, knew when to end a discussion – and she did so with diplomacy and distinction. And, she made sure that every January our District 7 dinner was organized with plenty of food and drink for all!

On a personal note, it is difficult sitting in my seat at a RTM meeting and not having Valerie in front of me to bounce ideas off of. I know I speak for all members of our District when I say that her leadership, humor and passion is missed. But we know that she is watching and she will certainly let us know when things need a little shaking up in Town! And we know that when the time is right she will be taking her seat on the RTM again!

District 7 members wish to recognize the service of their former district leader, Valerie Stauffer, and also wish her husband, Jack, who also served on the RTM and on P&Z, a speedy recovery. I think you would all agree that Valerie embodies the very best of those that live in Greenwich - a citizen volunteer who brings passion and enthusiasm to making Greenwich better. Her leadership will be missed.

District 7 further moves that these comments be included in the Minutes of this Meeting so that future generations may know of her service to our Town.

This resolution was passed by unanimous consent with the members standing for applause to Ms. Stauffer.

Pursuant to the RTM rules, the Moderator designated that the following items be placed on the consent calendar – 1 & 6.

The items on the consent calendar are as follows:

**1. RESOLVED, that the following named person, re-nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed as Member of the Flood and Erosion Control Board for a term expiring 3/31/20.**

**EDWARD SCHMELTZ, P. E.**

**6. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be reappointed a member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.**

**PHYLLIS ‘FIFI’ SHERIDAN**

The vote was now on the consent calendar.

In Favor	-	167
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	1

Items Carried

The Moderator suggested a motion, which was moved and seconded, to suspend the rules and combine items 2, 4, 5, & 7 for voting purposes. The motion to suspend the rules was approved by voice vote.

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

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

Stephen Bishop, Chairman of Historic District Commission, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 2.

**2. RESOLVED, that Article 7 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Greenwich entitled: HISTORIC PROPERTIES, be amended pursuant to Sections 7-147p through 7-147y of the General Statutes as follows:**

**Sec.\_\_\_\_\_. PROPERTY owned by MARGARET LARKIN  
The following property known as 117 Dingtowntown Road, Greenwich, CT is hereby designated as an historic property pursuant to the provisions of the General Statutes, Sections 7-147p through 7-147y:**

**All that certain piece or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon in the Town of Greenwich, County of Fairfield and more particularly**

bounded and described as follows:

**Beginning at the point formed by the intersection of the division line of the land herein described and land now or formerly of Frederick B. Hufnagel with the easterly line of Dingtletown Road and running thence along land now or formerly of said Frederick B. Hufnagel North 3° 33' 30" West 91.44 feet, South 88° 22' East 30.4 feet, North 18° 42' East 74.04 feet, North 31° 04' 30" East 16.82 feet, North 78° 37' 10" East 59.25 feet, and South 85° 15' 30" East 53.58 feet to land now or formerly of William Darrach South 10° 14' West 114.0 feet, South 7° 43' West 71.0 feet, South 0° 11' West 66.7 feet, South 34° 36' East 50.4 feet, South 4° 52' West 33.65 feet, South 15° 12' West 43.38 feet, South 21° 15' West 27.45 feet, South 28° 15' West 38.3 feet, South 3° 11' West 32.3 feet and South 35° 30" West 40.85 feet to the easterly line of Dingtletown Road North 28° 47' West 58.55 feet, North 20° 03' West 54.0 feet North 7° 39' West 127.7 feet and North 24° 05' West 87.7 feet to the point of beginning and containing 1.23 acres.**

**The general boundaries of the above described tract of land are northerly by land now or formerly of Frederick B. Hufnagel, easterly by land now or formerly of William Darrach, southerly by land now or formerly of Jillian Darrach and Dingtletown Road, and westerly by Dingtletown Road and land now or formerly of Frederick B. Hufnagel.**

**Subject property is located on Dingtletown Road in Greenwich, Connecticut and is owned by Margaret Larkin.**

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

John Toner, Selectman, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 4.

**4. 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 March 31, 2018.**

**ANNIE McGINNIS**

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

John Toner, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 5.

**5. 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 March 31, 2021.**

**MARTIN KAGAN**

The Moderator announced that Item No. 7 on the call was now before the meeting.

John Toner, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 7.

**7. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of The Nathaniel Witherell board, for a term expiring March 31, 2020.**

**SUZANNE HOGAN**

John R. Eddy, Chairman of Appointments Committee, made a motion to divide the question and separate Item No. 7 from the combined items.

Motion Carried

The vote was now on the combined items.

In Favor	-	179
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	1

Items Carried

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

John F. Toner, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 3.

**3. 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 March 31, 2020.**

**SERENA TOTMAN BECHTEL**

Peter E. Berg, Chairman of Land Use Committee, made a motion to postpone Item No. 3 to the January 17, 2017.

Upon a voice vote, motion carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 7 on the call was now before the meeting.

John R. Eddy, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, offered the following substitute resolution, regarding Item No. 7.

**7. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of The Nathaniel Witherell board, for a term beginning on April 1, 2017 and expiring March 31, 2020.**

**SUZANNE HOGAN**

The vote was now on Item No. 7.

In Favor	-	177
Against	-	3
Abstentions	-	0

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 8 on the call was now before the meeting.

Alfred Cava, Director of Labor Relations, offered the following resolution, which was moved and seconded, regarding Item No. 8.

**8. RESOLVED, that the Representative Town Meeting, in exercising its authority pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-474(b), hereby approves the funds necessary to implement the terms of the Town-Teamsters Local 456 collective bargaining agreement covering FY 16/17; said funds having previously been appropriated in the adopted FY 16/17 budget. In addition, thereto, the Representative Town Meeting approves the funds necessary to implement the terms of the Town-Teamsters Local 456 collective bargaining agreement covering the period FY 17/18 and FY 18/19, subject to the budgetary process as prescribed in the Town Charter.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Representative Town Meeting approves any terms of such agreement which may be in conflict with the Town Charter, special act, ordinance, rule or regulation adopted by the municipal employer or its agents of the Town.**

The vote was now on Item No. 8.

In Favor	-	70
Against	-	105
Abstentions	-	4

Item Failed

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent at 9:35 p.m.

ATTEST:  
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS  
TOWN CLERK