

**Planning, Zoning and Housing Committee (PZ&H)
of the
Darien Representative Town Meeting (RTM)**

Draft Minutes

Date: June 9, 2014

Place: Darien Town Hall, Room B3

Present: Liz Bacon, Carolyn Bayne, Courtney Haidinger, Ted Hawkins, Joanne Hennessy, James Howe, Spencer McIlmurray, Seth Morton, John van der Kieft, Rob Young

Absent: Jose Cepeda, Lucy Fiore, Shedd Glassmeyer, John McLean

This was a Special Meeting of the Planning, Zoning and Housing Committee.

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm. Joanne Hennessy, PZ&H Chair, reviewed the agenda. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting; they were approved with one abstention (two members arrived after vote).

The purpose of this Special Meeting was to discuss and vote on the proposed resolution (14-16) that would authorize Darien to join the Western Connecticut Regional Council of Governments.

A discussion on the perceived benefits and negatives of Darien's participation in this Council of Government, or COG, ensued. Many members continued to have a lot of questions that could not be answered, leading the chairman to ask whether or not a vote should be taken at that time. PZ&H was not Primary on this resolution, but a point was made that the RTM will be looking to PZ&H and other committees for direction and that a vote was in order.

On the Resolution approving an ordinance for the Town of Darien to join the Western Connecticut Regional Council of Governments, the vote was two in favor, five against, three abstained.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Carolyn Bayne, PZ&H Clerk