

**Special Meeting  
of the  
Planning, Zoning and Housing Committee (PZH)  
of the  
Representative Town Meeting (RTM)**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

Date: October 17, 2011  
Time: On or around 8:00 PM  
Place: Auditorium, Darien Town Hall  
Present: Elizabeth Bacon (EB), Carolyn Bayne (CB), John Bishko (JB), MariLu Cleary (MC), Diane Conologue (DC), Dana Fead (DF), Norm Guimond (NG), Ted Hawkins (TH), Joanne Hennessy (JH) (Vice Chair), Marty Magida (MM), Jeff Marston (JM), Cece Miller (CM), Mary Ness (MN), Steve Olvany (SO), John Sini (JS), John VanderKieft (JV) (Chair), Rob Young (RY) (Clerk)  
Absent: 0

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Meeting called to order by PZH chairman, JV.

JV said that tonight's discussion would be regarding the Selectmen's proposal for relocating the Senior Center to the Town Hall Annex and shifting the Board of Education to 35 Leroy Ave., i.e. "The Shuffle".

JV asked NG, Shuffle Chairman, to give an overview of the Shuffle plans that he and his committee prepared through the architectural firms of Beinfield Architecture and QA Architects.

NG gave an overview.

JV opened the floor for discussion.

There was discussion on a variety of topics, pro and con, regarding the shuffle including but not necessarily limited to:

- Plan addressing several Town objectives within existing, Town-owned, under-utilized property and mostly within existing footprint(s):
  - 1 - Senior Center
  - 2 - BOE Offices
  - 3 - Community Center
- Origins and basis of "Community Center"
- Over-utilization and/or under-utilization of proposed SF, i.e. - too much space or not enough
- Timing and content of PZ special permit application, parking, etc.
- Senior and/or Affordable Housing as it relates to this project
- Conformity with Town Plan of development (TPD)

A sense of the meeting for the Shuffle was taken by a show of hands: 13 – Y, 3 – N, 1 – A.

The meeting was adjourned at or around 9:30PM.

Robert Young, Clerk