

RTM Public Health and Safety Committee
Special Joint Meeting w/RTM Finance & Budget Committee and
Darien Board of Selectmen

April 8, 2019

Darien Town Hall Room 206

MINUTES

Committee Members in Attendance: Lois Schneider, Scott Zimmerman, Jennifer Woodbury, Olive Hauser, Brian Rayhill, Laura Mosher, Sara Parent, Mac Patrick, Mia Handler, Gary Swenson, Shannon Silsby, Holly Giordano

Committee Members Absent: Sarah Baldwin, Penelope Wilson, Colin Kelly, Nina Miller

Others in Attendance: Darien Board of Selectmen and members of the RTM Finance & Budget Committee

PH&S Committee joined the Board of Selectmen meeting, which began open session at 7:26 pm.

Kate Buch, Town Administrator, presented a summary of the new Darien Police Association Contract.

J. Davis, chair of the RTM Finance & Budget Committee, confirmed that there was a salary increase contingency accrued for in the budget since the contract was settled after the start of the fiscal year.

M. Patrick, chair of the RTM Public Health & Safety Committee, asked for clarification on voting procedures for the police contract. Ms. Buch confirmed that if there was no vote on the contract, the contract would go into effect automatically. Also, if the contract was rejected it would go to arbitration, where the most likely outcome would be that the contract would be implemented in its current form.

At 7:44pm, the PH&S Committee left the joint meeting and met separately.

The committee unanimously approved the minutes of the 3/18/19 PH&S meeting.

Members of the committee discussed the timing of the approval of the police contract. In general, committee members would have liked more time to review the contract before voting.

The committee voted unanimously to approve the police contract.

Mac Patrick adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Woodbury.