

MINUTES
RTM PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING

Room 119, Darien Town Hall

March 21, 2019

Present: Monica McNally (Chair), Arpita Muchhal, Elisabeth Bacon, Rolf Obin, David Bayne, Terrence Duffy, Jr., Frank Adelman, Richard Poli

Absent: Patrick Keane, Thomas Moore, James Cameron, Lindsay Kelly

Meeting was called to order by Monica McNally at 7:40 PM.

1. Approval of minutes was waived to next meeting.
2. Discussion of Plastic Bag Ordinance draft included: sources for acquiring attractively priced compliant replacement bags; dates associated with compliance for large and small stores; the 10-cent fee; exemption options; how to legislatively structure the inclusion and/or the exclusion of the 10-cent fee.
3. Comments by those committee members unable to attend (Lindsay Kelly, Patrick Keane and James Cameron) were read aloud by Chair.
4. Discussion about the timing and content of Attorney Wayne Fox's comments about the fee/tax issue that appeared in *Darien Times* that day.
5. Sense of the meeting vote: all attending committee members were polled and commented on the ordinance in its current draft form (2.4). Committee's vote was roughly split half and half on the issue of whether or not to include the fee or not.
6. Committee agreed that the current version 2.4 (which excludes small stores from the 10-cent fee) would be the version for consideration at the next public hearing scheduled for 3/27/19, 8 PM at Town Hall.
7. Target date to bring Ordinance to RTM for a vote is June 10, 2019.
8. Move to adjourn at 8:42 PM by Bacon, second Duffy.

Submitted by Elisabeth Bacon, Rotating Secretary