

REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DARIEN, CONNECTICUT

RULES COMMITTEE

Minutes

Regular Meeting, September 11, 2017

7:30 p.m., Room 119

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Present: Morton (Moderator), Schneider, Thorne, Maroney, Swenson, Hawkins, McNally, Kemp, Davis

Absent: Bumgardner, Adiletta, Hennessy, Miceli

- Minutes of the previous meeting (May 30, 2017) were reviewed and it was decided to forward any and all changes to the Clerk and vote at the next meeting
- Thomas Madden, Stamford, Director of Economic Development was introduced by the moderator. TM provided his background and activities in Stamford. Moderator proposed Madden speak at the October RTM meeting as TM could not make September meeting. It was decided to discuss at next Rules meeting in October.
- Susannah Lewis was assigned to the PHS committee. Swenson moved. Maroney seconded. Passed unanimously.
- Discussion ensued regarding caucusing in new RTM members once the legislative session was past budget vote. The discussion included attendance at RTM and sub-committee meetings or lack thereof; whether there should be a cutoff of filling RTM vacancies and the prior action at the RTM that defeated cancelling automatic re-up for RTM members with poor attendance (missing 50% of RTM and committee meetings). Discussion was also had that districts should be allowed to have more than three members on a committee – as long as each committee has at least one member. It was agreed to discuss these topics at a future Rules Committee meeting.
- Assignment of committees:
 - Veteran's tax exemption – F&B (primary), secondary committees are PZ&H and PHS – moved by Swenson, seconded by Thorne – passed unanimously
 - Transfer of ownership of Hazel Street to residents – PZ&H (primary) secondary committee – F&B – Moved by Schneider, seconded by McNally. Passed unanimously.
- The agenda for the September RTM meeting for the transfer of ownership due to the need to complete this transaction so Eversource can complete their work prior to November 2017.
- Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Jack Davis, acting Clerk

