

REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DARIEN, CONNECTICUT

RULES COMMITTEE

Minutes

Regular Meeting, February 12, 2018

7:30 p.m., Room 119

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm.

Present: Seth Morton (Moderator), Joanne Hennessy (V), Mark Adiletta (V), Gary Swenson (VI), Joe Miceli (IV), Jack Davis (II), Frank Kemp (IV), Adele Conniff (III) , Ted Hawkins (VI), Patti Bumgardner (I)

Absent: Lois Schneider (I), Barbara Thorne (II), Monica McNally (II),

Comments to minutes of previous meeting provided. Properly motioned and approved as amended w/ two abstentions.

May RTM meeting moved to May 14th. Properly motioned and approved unanimously.

The committee deferred on discussion of District II new member (Penny Wilson) appointment to a subcommittee. There was no District II representative present.

District IV appointment of new members to subcommittees discussed. Mike Heitz (F&B), Morgan Whittier (PZ&H), Rolf Obin (PZ&H), Linda Terhune (PH&S). Properly motioned and approved unanimously.

District VI appointment of new member to a subcommittee discussed. Rob Werner (TGS&A). Item was properly motioned and approved unanimously.

Public Works Employees Union Contract Resolution 18-3 discussed and assigned to Public Works (Primary), F&B and Parks & Rec. (Secondary). Properly motioned and approved

unanimously. Contract would have gone into effect 30 days after approved if not voted on by the RTM. It was explained this was the reason for the expedited timeline on this item.

Discussion of Solar Panel projects and presentation by Ed Gentile (Director of Public Works) to be included as part of March RTM Meeting.

It was decided 1) Discussion of Solar Panel projects and 2) Public Works Employees Union Contract Resolution 18-3 be added to the March RTM Meeting agenda. Item was properly motioned and approved unanimously.

Other Business: Mr. Kemp made an extensive presentation of how other Towns' RTMs are structured, number of members, relative size (geographic and population) and standing committees. Observation was made how few towns still utilize the RTM form of government. Observation was made Darien's RTM is relatively large given the population when compared to others. Observation was made other towns do not impose term limits on positions held by individuals within RTM committees.

Motion to adjourn at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Adiletta, Clerk

cc: Standing Committee Chairs
District Chairs
First Selectman
Rules Committee