

REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DARIEN, CONNECTICUT

RULES COMMITTEE

Minutes

Regular Meeting, April 13, 2020

7:30 p.m., Zoom Virtual Meeting

Present: Seth Morton (Moderator), Mark Adiletta (V), Ann Reed (V), Shannon Silsby (VI), Lois Schneider (I), Frank Kemp (IV), Mike Wheeler (II), Jack Davis (III), Theresa Vogt (VI), Adele Conniff (III), Patti Bumgardner (I), Monica McNally (II),

Absent: Joe Miceli (IV)

Guest(s): Cecil Wade, Kate Buch (Town Administrator)

Meeting was called to order 7:30 PM by the Moderator.

A motion for the approval of the March 2, 2020 Minutes, with no changes, was moved. Motion was approved unanimously.

A discussion of the arrangements for the April 27, and May 11, 2020 Meetings of the RTM followed, mostly revolving around the Budget process. The overall description summary was led by Moderator with input provided by Mr. Davis and others.

A motion was made to leverage the RTM-team-approach with the Board of Finance budget review process. Teams will use best-efforts to keep the RTM informed. The motion was moved by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Wheeler. Motion was approved unanimously.

Moderator lead a discussion on the Suspension of RTM Rules, a Letter of instruction to the RTM on use of "Gotomeeting", and the issuance of a letter outlining how the meeting will be conducted, Voting and Committee Reports.

Moderator reviewed the RTM subcommittees for each motion as determined at the last meeting.

- (20-2) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over proper ty located at 173 Noroton Avenue
- (20-3) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over property located at 179 Noroton Avenue
- (20-4) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over property located at 180 Noroton Avenue
- (20-5) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over property located at 185 Noroton Avenue

- (20-6) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over property located at 187 Noroton Avenue
- (20-7) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over property located at 1 Allen O'Neill Drive
- (20-8) Consideration and action on acceptance of a temporary and permanent easement over property located at 242 West Avenue
- (20-9) Consideration and action on acceptance of Grant from the State of CT for Capital Improvement Program at intersection of Noroton and West Avenues in the amount of \$1,174,000
- (20-10) Consideration and action on the acceptance of a gift to the Darien Police Department from the Darien Foundation in the amount of \$109,091

Plus a motion was made to assign **F&P** primary on the item related to Empowerment of the Darien Board of Finance to approve the Budget of the Town of Darien. The motion was moved by Ms. Bumgardner, second by Ms. Reed. Motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made to assign **F&B** primary on the item related to Consideration and action on gift to Channel 79 from the Darien Foundation in the amount of \$50,768. The motion was moved by Ms. Bumgardner, second by Ms. McNally. Motion was approved unanimously.

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A motion was made to accept item (20-9 as amended) to include Consideration and action on acceptance of Grant from the State of CT for Capital Improvement Program at intersection of Noroton and West Avenues in the amount of \$1,174,000. Primary unchanged as Public Works, with secondary unchanged F&B, PH&S, PZ&H. The motion was moved by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. McNally. Motion was approved unanimously

Given the complexities of the RTM's first GoToMeeting session, in an effort to shorten the meeting a motion was made to remove item (20-11) Consideration and action on amending Appendix B, Part III of Darien's Code of Ordinances, Rules of Procedure of the RTM from the RTM meeting agenda.

With no other business presented, there was a motion to adjourn 8:22 PM.

Mark Adiletta, Clerk

cc: Standing Committee Chairs
 District Chairs
 First Selectman
 Rules Committee