

## **Board of Selectmen 2019-20 Goals and Objectives**

- **Provide timely and effective delivery of public safety and health services**
  - Support law enforcement initiatives to maintain low crime rates while fostering respectful community relations
  - Support volunteer fire service and best-practice emergency medical and dispatch services
  - Support flood mitigation and sanitary sewer strategies that preserve and protect community assets
  - Prioritize community wellness
  
- **Preserve and enhance the quality of life that makes Darien a desirable hometown**
  - Acquire property for future town needs
  - Support growth in commercial and residential tax base while maintaining desired small community qualities
  - Support high quality public education and educational facilities
  - Support local zoning regulations that encourage commercial development and housing choice for all demographic constituencies
  - Protect historic and environmental resources
  - Prioritize sustainable practices and policy development
  
- **Provide cost effective services through prudent leadership and management**
  - Maintain active engagement in Regional and State Government to preserve local control
  - Balance high quality town services with lowest possible tax rates
  - Support public/private partnerships for public benefit
  - Invest in technology to improve customer service and reduce costs
  
- **Maintain and enhance town infrastructure**
  - Prioritize and support cyber security measures
  - Improve transit, bike and pedestrian access throughout town and between neighboring towns
  - Collaborate with town boards and commissions on analysis of impacts of new development on infrastructure and planning for necessary enhancements
  - Support investments in storm and sanitary sewer system maintenance
  - Partner with CTDOT and Metro North to improve train station and parking amenities
  
- **Engage and inform our community and all stakeholders through transparent and effective communication**
  - Foster and role model timely, responsive, respectful and effective communication
  - Utilize digital tools that allow taxpayer access to public data and information
  - Facilitate effective communication and collaboration between town boards and commissions
  
- **Promote a town organization that is sustainable and maintains employee productivity, effectiveness and morale**
  - Support employee diversity and retention strategies
  - Support employee benefit policies that are fiscally sustainable
  - Support municipal employee wellness

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