



**REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF GREENWICH**

**EXPLANATORY COMMENTS FOR
DECEMBER 2016 MEETING**

ITEM NO: **1-** postponed from the October meeting
DEPARTMENT: Appointments Committee 16.08.24
CONTACT: John Eddy 203-550-7122 rtm@johneddy.com
REFERRED TO: *Appointments, Land Use, Public Works Committees*
VOTES: RTM Appointments Committee **Votes:** 11-0-0 D2 Absent

RESOLVED, that the following named person, re-nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed as Member of the Flood and Erosion Control Board for a term expiring 3/31/20.

EDWARD SCHMELTZ, P. E.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

Edward Schmeltz of 1 Linwood Avenue in Riverside, CT, has been renominated by the Appointments Committee to serve as a regular member of the Flood and Erosion Control Board. He is the current chairman of the Board, on which he has served since 1996.

Mr. Schmeltz is a civil engineer with more than 40 years of experience in coastal engineering, the planning and design of ports and harbors, marine facilities, breakwaters and other coastal structures.

Mr. Schmeltz is currently employed as a Senior Vice President and Director of Maritime and Special Projects for AECOM, the largest transportation engineering firm in the United States. He was honored with an [Outstanding Projects and Leaders Award for Lifetime Achievement in Design by the American Society of Civil Engineers](#) in 2015.

He holds a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the New Jersey Institute of Technology and a Master's Degree in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Texas. He holds Diplomate status in Coastal, Ocean, Port and Navigation Engineering from the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Mr. Schmeltz has authored over 25 technical publications related to maritime projects and issues. He is a Fellow of both the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Society of American Military Engineers. In addition, he is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, New York Society of Professional Engineers, and a Co-Chair of PIANC's CoCom. He is a past President of the New York City Post, Society of American Military Engineers and a founding member of the Academy of Coastal, Ocean, Port and

Navigation Engineering of ASCE. He is a member of the Board of PIANC USA and the Academy of Coastal, Ocean, Port and Navigation Engineers (ACOPNE) and the President Elect of the Academy.

ITEM NO: **2**
DEPARTMENT: HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION 16-11-17
CONTACT: Anne Young 917-376-1858 anne_h_young@hotmail.com
REFERRED TO: *Land Use Committee*
VOTES: Board or commission name vote (y/n/a)

RESOLVED,

that Article 7 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Greenwich entitled: HISTORIC PROPERTIES, be amended pursuant to Sections 7-147p through 7-147y of the General Statutes as follows:

Sec. _____. PROPERTY owned by MARGARET LARKIN

The following property known as 117 Dingtletown Road, Greenwich, CT is hereby designated as an historic property pursuant to the provisions of the General Statutes, Sections 7-147p through 7-147y:

All that certain piece or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon in the Town of Greenwich, County of Fairfield and more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point formed by the intersection of the division line of the land herein described and land now or formerly of Frederick B. Hufnagel with the easterly line of Dingtletown Road and running thence along land now or formerly of said Frederick B. Hufnagel North 3° 33' 30" West 91.44 feet, South 88° 22' East 30.4 feet, North 18° 42' East 74.04 feet, North 31° 04' 30" East 16.82 feet, North 78° 37' 10" East 59.25 feet, and South 85° 15' 30" East 53.58 feet to land now or formerly of William Darrach South 10° 14' West 114.0 feet, South 7° 43' West 71.0 feet, South 0° 11' West 66.7 feet, South 34° 36' East 50.4 feet, South 4° 52' West 33.65 feet, South 15° 12' West 43.38 feet, South 21° 15' West 27.45 feet, South 28° 15' West 38.3 feet, South 3° 11' West 32.3 feet and South 35° 30" West 40.85 feet to the easterly line of Dingtletown Road North 28° 47' West 58.55 feet, North 20° 03' West 54.0 feet North 7° 39' West 127.7 feet and North 24° 05' West 87.7 feet to the point of beginning and containing 1.23 acres.

The general boundaries of the above described tract of land are northerly by land now or formerly of Frederick B. Hufnagel, easterly by land now or formerly of William Darrach, southerly by land now or formerly of Jillian Darrach and Dingtletown Road, and westerly by Dingtletown Road and land now or formerly of Frederick B. Hufnagel.

Subject property is located on Dingtletown Road in Greenwich, Connecticut and is owned by Margaret Larkin.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

The Historic District Commission formerly requests that the below item (in regards to 117 Dingtletown Road, Greenwich, CT) be placed on the RTM agenda for their vote on December 12, 2016. *This provision will provide a legal basis for a commission's decision on a matter covered in the statutes but not specifically spelled out in the local ordinance.*

ATTACHMENTS

(Separate Packet)

1. Gershom Lockwood III Study Report
2. Photos of Gershom Lockwood III structure
3. Map of 117 Dingtletown road, Greenwich, CT 06830
4. Board of Selectmen Approved Minutes August 2015
5. RTM Approved Minutes September 2015
6. Chapter 97a CGS
7. HDC Action Agenda January 2016
8. CT-SHPO Approval Letter
9. Addendum to CT-SHPO comments
10. Tax Card of 117 Dingtletown road showing house plan with original outlined
11. Town of Greenwich Planning & Zoning Decision Letter
12. Public Notice by HDC for public comment
13. HDC notice for public comment

ITEM NO: **3**
DEPARTMENT: Office of the First Selectman
CONTACT: Barbara Heins – 203-622-7702 – Barbara.Heins@greenwichct.org
REFERRED TO: *Appointments, Land Use Committees*
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2020.

SERENA TOTMAN BECHTEL

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

Serena Totman Bechtel, of 4 Brookside Park, Greenwich, CT 06831, has been nominated as an alternate member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2020.

Ms. Bechtel previously served two years on the Board of the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation. She also has worked at the Metropolitan Museum of Art I the Education Department and at The Autry Museum of Western Heritage in Los Angeles, CA, as well as n independent decorative arts appraiser and for the auction house, Doyle.

Serena is a cum laude graduate of Yale University where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. She also earned a Master of Arts degree in the History of Decorative Arts from

the graduate school of the Parsons School of Design/Cooper-Hewitt. She is a volunteer at her children's school, Greenwich Country Day, and serves on the Greenwich Historical Society's Antiquarius committee and the executive board of the Hortulus garden club.

ITEM NO: **4**
DEPARTMENT: Office of the First Selectman
CONTACT: Barbara Heins – 203-622-7702 – Barbara.Heins@greenwichct.org
REFERRED TO: *Appointments, Land Use Committees*
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.

ANNIE MCGINNIS

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

Annie McGinnis, of 1 Putnam Hill, Apt. 2K, Greenwich, CT 06830, has been nominated as an alternate member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.

Ms. McGinnis has served as a member of the Sleepy Hollow, NY Architectural Review Board where she lived before moving to Greenwich. For 13 years, she owned and operated a landscape design and construction business. She is involved in real estate sales with Berkshire Hathaway in Greenwich.

Annie is a graduate of Sacred Heart Greenwich, Connecticut College and Harvard University, where she earned a Master in Business Administration.

ITEM NO: **5**
DEPARTMENT: Office of the First Selectman
CONTACT: Barbara Heins – 203-622-7702 – Barbara.Heins@greenwichct.org
REFERRED TO: *Appointments, Land Use Committees*
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.

MARTIN KAGIN

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

Martin Kagin, of 31 Oval Ave., Riverside, CT 06878, has been nominated as an alternate member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.

Mr. Kagin has served since 2003 on the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency. He is the Executive Director of Cultural Affairs at Pace University where he also is an adjunct professor. Since 2010, he also works as a consultant to the Philip Johnson Glass House, assisting and advising on administration and raising money for capital and

operational needs. His previous experience also includes serving as a member and chair of the South Pasadena, California Cultural Heritage Commission.

Martin graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors in Geography and Planning from Waterloo Lutheran University, and a Master's degree in Environmental Studies from York University. He also earned a diploma in Arts Administration from Harvard University.

ITEM NO: **6**
DEPARTMENT: Office of the First Selectman
CONTACT: Barbara Heins – 203-622-7702 – Barbara.Heins@greenwichct.org
REFERRED TO: *Appointments, Land Use Committees*
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be reappointed a member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.

PHYLLIS 'FIFI' SHERIDAN

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

Phyllis 'Fifi' Sheridan, of 15 E. Putnam Ave., #15, Greenwich, CT 06830, has been nominated as a member of the Historic District Commission, for a term expiring March 31, 2021.

Ms. Sheridan has been a member of the Historic District Commission since 2006, having served as its chair from 2008 to 2011. She is a residential real estate agent with Greenwich Fine Properties and previously served as an officer for the National Endowment for the arts in Washington, DC and in New Orleans, LA. Ms. Sheridan currently serves as an advisor to the Merritt Parkway Conservancy and is Vice President of the Green Fingers Garden Club.

Fifi previously served as a trustee of the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation; and on the boards of the Junior League and the Breast Cancer Alliance; as a fund-raiser for the Tomes Higgins House and the Barnard Parents Committee.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Saint Louis University and completed graduate work in Historic Preservation from George Washington University.

ITEM NO: **7**
DEPARTMENT: Office of the First Selectman
CONTACT: Barbara Heins – 203-622-7702 – Barbara.Heins@greenwichct.org
REFERRED TO: *Appointments, Health & Human Services Committees*
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of The Nathaniel Witherell board, for a term expiring March 31, 2020.

SUZANNE HOGAN

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

Suzanne Hogan, of 33 Richmond Hill Rd., Greenwich, CT 06831, has been nominated as a member of The Nathaniel Witherell board, for a term expiring March 31, 2020.

Ms. Hogan is a senior brand strategist with more than 35 years of brand and marketing experience, recently retiring as chief operating officer of Lippincott, a division of the management consulting firm Oliver Wyman Group, which is an operating company of Marsh & McLennan Companies. She has supported Greenwich-based organizations including Adopt-a-Dog, the Greenwich Town Party and Greenwich Hospital; is a member of the Greenwich Junior League, and a past board member of Audubon Greenwich.

Suzanne graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Retailing from Syracuse University and with an MBA in Marketing from the Wharton School of Business.

ITEM NO: **8**
DEPARTMENT: First Selectman November 18, 2016
CONTACT: Alfred C. Cava 203-622-7716 acava@greenwichct.org
REFERRED TO: Labor Contracts, Education, Finance, Parks & Recreation,
Public Works Committees

VOTES:

RESOLVED, that the Representative Town Meeting, in exercising its authority pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-474(b), hereby approves the funds necessary to implement the terms of the Town-Teamsters Local 456 collective bargaining agreement covering FY 16/17; said funds having previously been appropriated in the adopted FY 16/17 budget. In addition, thereto, the Representative Town Meeting approves the funds necessary to implement the terms of the Town-Teamsters Local 456 collective bargaining agreement covering the period FY 17/18 and FY 18/19, subject to the budgetary process as prescribed in the Town Charter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Representative Town Meeting approves any terms of such agreement which may be in conflict with the Town Charter, special act, ordinance, rule or regulation adopted by the municipal employer or its agents of the Town.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

The collective bargaining agreement between the Town and Teamsters Local 456 expired on June 30, 2016. The parties commenced negotiations for a successor agreement in January of 2016. The parties declared impasse in negotiations in November 2016 and a state mediator was assigned to assist the parties. With the assistance of the mediator a tentative agreement was reached for a three-year agreement effective retroactive to July 1, 2016, and expiring on June 30, 2019.

The agreement provides for the following general wage increases: 7/1/16 2.25%; 7/1/17 2.25%; 7/1/18 2.25%. The GWI increase in FY 17 is within the BET FY 17 guidelines. The general wage increases are slightly lower than the state average negotiated with similar bargaining units over the past 18 months.

The concessions sought by the Town in the area of medical insurance were all achieved. Effective July 1, 2017, all Teamster Local 456 employees will migrate to the State Partnership Plan 2.0 (SPP). It is projected that the Town will realize a reduction in premium cost for FY 17/18 over FY 16/17 of \$1,808,255; and whereas the Town had been seeing premium increase of 12% to 14% in recent years, the SPP projected trend for FY18/19, the final year of this agreement is 5%. Additionally, contract language was negotiated that permits the reopening of medical insurance during the term of this agreement in three critical areas: (i) should the statute that permits local municipalities to participate in the SPP be amended or the state/union coalition's collective bargaining agreement be amended altering the plan design or funding requirements; (ii) should the premiums of the SPP increase to an amount over what the High Deductible Health Plan currently in place would cost the Town based on the claims experience of bargaining unit members; and (iii) should the parties enter negotiation under the reopener or for a successor collective bargaining agreement to leave the SPP, the baseline to be used in negotiations for medical insurance shall be the current High Deductible Health Plan and not the SPP.

The Town successfully negotiated a number of changes in work rules: limiting the time off to attend physician appointments; and limits of transfers within job classifications.

In this agreement the Town continues to benefit from the defined contribution retirement as turnover over the three years of the agreement is projected to reduce participation in the defined benefits plan and increase participation in the defined contribution plan by nearly 70 employees.

The total cost of contract over the three-year term is 3.68% averaging 1.23% per year. The terms of the agreement are in the best interest to our employees, town management and the taxpayers.

ATTACHMENTS

Cost of Contract

Comptroller's Letter Certifying Cost of Contract

Summary of Negotiated Changes

Redlined Version of 2016- 2019 Collective Bargaining Agreement is available online on the RTM website.