



Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held in the Moderator's Hall on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 8:00 P.M. (D.S.T.)

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Thomas J. Byrne.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Town Clerk Carmella C. Budkins swore in George A. Sorenson and Horst Tebbe, new members in District 6 and Jared L. Zuckerman, new member in District 9.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the call for the meeting, the reading of the call would be omitted.

Attendance cards were presented showing 192 present, 36 absent and 2 vacancies. District 1 had perfect attendance. Members absent in District 2 – John C. Cracraft; District 3 – Susan Chorney, Steven Rubin; District 4 – William J. Clark, Jeffrey L. Doty, Samarpana Tamm, John J. Thompson; District 5- John W. deCsepel, Anne F. Wichman; District 6 - Neil J. Bulger; District 7- Kimberly Morgan Blank, Rebecca S. Breed, Mary G. "Nanette" Burrows, Karen Dewahl, Luke Szymczak; District 8 – Deborah D. Berner, Mary H. Bruce, Richard D. "Kim" Bruce, Jennifer L. Freitag, Steven M. Rubin, John A. Shulman, Steven K. Steinberg; District 9 – Maria Arone, Jayson Podber, David Scott Rabin; District 10 – Carol M. Carroll, Lawrence E. Larson, Nancy H. Marshall, Anuj M. Patel, Roger S. Shedlin, Dora P. Williams; District 11 – Marcus Abrams, Michael Spilo, Michael Gerard Wacek; District 12- Victoria M. Hackman, Anthony Martini.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the January 20, 2015 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He noted a correction in the attendance – Donald E. Kelly, Sr in District 1 and Rebecca Z. Steinfeld in District 11 both were present. The minutes, as amended, were adopted by unanimous consent.

Joan E. Caldwell, Chairman of District 10, offered the following tribute to Everett Fisher and Emerson Stone:

Many years ago, my Mother observed that the world seemed to lose an inordinate number of good people during the holidays.

Certainly this past Christmas season bore that out. Greenwich lost too many. Among them were Everett Fisher and Emerson Stone of District 10, which is why I come before you this evening.

Everett and Emerson were very different men, yet in many ways they were the same.

Everett was a native with deep roots in Greenwich. Emerson came into our community as a young man and laid down his roots.

Everett found his calling in the words of the law, making that his profession. Emerson used his facility with words to reach a broad sector of people through broadcast and writing.

Everett confined his practice of law to local courts and boards. Emerson worked in the large tumultuous world of New York news media.

So very different these men; yet so alike. Both were kind and soft-spoken despite being passionate in their views.

Everett and Emerson each had a deep and abiding reverence for the land; for its preservation and continued openness.

Both men believed in volunteerism and gave freely of their time and talents to the Town.

Everett Fisher joined the RTM from District Ten in 1958, serving as Vice Chairman on the Planning & Zoning Committee for several terms. In 1963, he was elected to the BET and remained a member for 17 years during which time he moved from Member to Clerk to Vice Chairman.

Emerson Stone was appointed to the IWWCA as an alternate in 1988 and was made a full member in 1992. He served continuously until 1997, eventually becoming the Agency secretary. Then in 2005, Emerson was elected to the Tenth District RTM where he served for three terms bringing his knowledge of Land use to bear.

District Ten asks that you now join with it in acknowledging with appreciation the service and contributions of Everett Fisher and Emerson Stone on behalf of the people of Greenwich; and that our gratitude and sympathy be expressed to their families.

The Moderator moved this declaration be included in the minutes and everyone stood for a moment of silence.

Declaration passed unanimously

Karen Fassuliotis, ex-member of District 7, offered the following tribute to Barbara Carbino:

On February 2, 2015 the Town of Greenwich and State of Connecticut lost a long time public servant and lifelong daughter of Greenwich, Barbara A. Carbino, Chief Clerk of the Greenwich Probate Court and District 7 resident.

Barbara began her career in the Greenwich Probate Court by working as a temp in High School before being hired full-time in 1960. She left the Court in 1969 to raise her two children, Frank and Cindi, before returning to the Court in 1981. She rose to Chief Clerk

in 1991 and served in that capacity until her untimely death. At the time of her death Barbara had worked at the Greenwich Probate Court for over 45 years.

Needless to say, Barbara was the heart and soul of the Probate Court during her tenure there. She was a compassionate individual who, although not formally trained as an attorney, knew the “ins and outs” of state law that could run rings around many of the attorneys who frequent the Court. Affectionately known as “Mother Superior” by Judge David Hopper and the other clerks at the Court, Barbara ran the court benevolently, but firmly, and made sure that whoever had matters before the Court – whether it was an attorney, an individual who was mentally challenged, or a child that needed assistance – was treated fairly and with dignity and respect. She looked at those she worked with and for as her family and jokingly made up “adoption papers” for Judge Hopper naming him her number two son, after her own son Frank.

Barbara loved nothing more than cooking Sunday dinners and hosting family and friends at her home. She cherished her family’s annual trip to Longboat Key, FL and took particular delight in spoiling her two granddaughters, Samantha and Ryan Carbino. Her greatest accomplishments in her life were her love and devotion to her family and her deep passion for the job she had in the Probate Court.

District 7 wish to express their gratitude for the many years of service that Barbara Carbino gave to the Town of Greenwich and State of Connecticut and moves that these comments be included in the Minutes of the Meeting so that future generations may know of her service to our Town.

The Moderator moved this declaration be included in the minutes and everyone stood for a moment of silence.

Declaration passed unanimously

Pursuant to the RTM rules, the Moderator designated that the following items be placed on the consent calendar – 2, 3, & 5.

The items on the consent calendar are as follows:

2. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed member of the Condemnation Commission for the term expiring 12/31/15.

DONALD L. CONWAY

3. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed member of the Condemnation Commission for the term expiring 12/31/15.

JACKIE K. HAMMOCK

5. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed member of the Condemnation Commission for the term expiring 12/31/15.

PAUL C. SETTELMAYER

The vote was now on the consent items.

In Favor	-	183
Against	-	1
Abstentions	-	0

Items Carried

The Moderator suggested a motion, which was moved and seconded, to suspend the rules and place items 1, 4, & 6 on the combined items calendar and consider separately items 7, 8, & 9.

Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that the combined items calendar Item No. 1 was now before the meeting.

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 1.

1. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed member of the Condemnation Commission for the term expiring 12/31/15.

CARL G. R. CARLSON, JR.

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, made a motion to refer Item No. 1 to the Appointments Committee for date clarification, which was duly moved and seconded.

Upon a voice vote, motion carried

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, made a motion to reconsider the vote on the consent calendar.

Upon a voice vote, motion carried

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, made a motion to refer the consent calendar Items No. 2, 3, & 5 to the Appointments Committee for date clarification, which was duly moved and seconded.

Upon a voice vote, motion carried

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 4.

4. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed member of the Condemnation Commission for the term expiring 12/31/15.

P. JUDE COLLINS

Candace V. Garthwaite, made a motion to refer Item No. 4 to the Appointment Committee for date clarification, which was duly moved and seconded.

Upon a voice vote, motion carried

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 6.

6. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Alternate member of the Claims Committee for the term expiring 12/31/15.

KLAUS H. JANDER

The vote was now on Item No. 6.

In Favor	-	188
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of Appointments Committee, offered the following substitute resolution, regarding Item No. 7.

7. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Alternate member of the Claims Committee for the term expiring 12/31/15.

RYAN C. OCA

The vote was now on Item No. 7.

In Favor	-	88
Against	-	91
Abstentions	-	9

Item Failed

Joseph Siciliano, Director of Parks & Recreation, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 8.

8. RESOLVED, that the Town of Greenwich accept a gift with an estimated value of \$566,457.00 from the Greenwich Community Projects Fund Inc. for the installation of a September 11th Memorial at Cos Cob Park. This gift also includes a \$25,000 endowment for routine maintenance.

The vote was now on Item No. 8.

In Favor	-	168
Against	-	8
Abstentions	-	10

Item Carried

Jason M. Auerbach. Member of District 8, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 9.

9. Whereas, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 9-203 and 9-205, the Town of Greenwich shall establish the number of members of the Greenwich Board of Education;

Whereas, electors of the town desire elections for members of the Board of Education to be competitive and encourage political parties to offer multiple candidates for election by citizens;

Resolved by the Representative Town Meeting that effective November 4, 2015, the Greenwich Board of Education shall have 9 (nine) members.

J. Wayne Fox, Town Attorney, offered that the Item No. 9 was not in legal order.

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent at 9:17 P.M.

ATTEST:
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS
TOWN CLERK