



Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held in the Moderator's Hall on Monday September 21, 2015 at 8:00 P.M.

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

The members pledged allegiance to the flag, led by members of the Boys and Girls State Delegation.

Assistant Town Clerk, Kimberley Jordan, swore in Katherine N. LoBalbo, new member in District 2.

The Moderator recognized Erford E. Porter, II and Livvy Floren, who introduced the delegates to the Boys and Girls State program, a week long "learn by doing program" in civics and government held in Hartford. The delegates were selected by the American Legion and the co-chairmen for Greenwich were Mr. Porter and Livvy Floren, State Representative for the 149th District. The delegates are all from Greenwich High School unless otherwise noted – William Anderson, Elias Boyer, George Crist (Fairfield Prep) Alexander Dunn, Claire Eschricht, Spencer Faragasso, James MacFarlane (Brunswick), Joseph Peters, Pietro Picco, James Plewniak, Matthew Rogers, Valerie Shaw, Victor Simonte, Alexis Tatore, Nathaniel Ung.

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 163 present, 64 absent and 3 vacancies. Those absent in District 1 – John A. Duge, Jr., Daniel B. More; District 2 – Duncan G. Burke, Nancy B. Burke, Paul C. Settelmeyer, Eileen J. Toretta, Andrew R. Weiner; District 3- Kathy Derene; District 4- Juliette N. Menga, Maria M. Popp, Diane M. Roth, John J. Thompson, J.Robert Tuthill, Donald R. Vitti; District 5- Elizabeth C. Campbell, Timothy D. Oberweger, Danyal Ozizmir, Thomas G. Petersen, Jr., Jeffrey B. Sahrbeck, Theresa C. Stanton; District 6- Robert A. Cenci, Joel H. Kagan, George A. Sorenson; District 7 – Rebecca S. Breed, Ellen M. Brennan-Galvin, Karen Dewahl, Margaret B. G. Freiberg, John P. Ryan; District 8- Jason Auerbach, Dennis E. Arrouet, Benjamin Bianco, Jennifer L. Freitag, Steven A. Gordon, Frank A. Posluszny, John A. Shulman, Steven K. Steinberg; District 9- Jane W. Arnone, Robert L. Beerman, Barbara T. Darula, Susan L. O'Hara, Jayson Podber, David S. Rabin, Lauren Rabin, Stephen A. Warzoha, Jared L. Zuckerman; District 10 – Robert M. Byrnes, Joan E. Caldwell, Gina Marie Furano, Nancy E. Gray, Bertram M. Metter, Alan A. Small, Louisa H. Stone; District 11 – Marcus Abrams, A. Bruce Dixon, Joseph Fahys, Ralph E. Penny, Michael Spilo, Warren R. Stern, Richard Wellington, Jr.; District 12- Timothy E. Conroy, Janet Lynn DeLuca, Natalie R. Queen, Holly E. D. Young, Ernest A. Zahn, III.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the June 8, 2015 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He asked if there were any corrections or comments. William Clark of District 4 noted corrections

on page 5 to Item No. 14 which were to add "&" after "Wetlands" and remove "." After "Item No. 14". The minutes, as amended, were adopted by unanimous consent.

Dean Goss, Chairman of District 1 offered the resolution in memory of Joan Pankosky.

The passing of Joan Pankosky this past August leaves a gap in our delegation. She was in our minds a very special person.

Joan was truly a daughter of Greenwich, born and reared here. School educated here. She graduated from Greenwich High School in 1956, then on to University of Connecticut where she graduated in 1960. She then spent many years in elementary class room. She graced class rooms in Wilton, St. Mary's here in Greenwich and was founding teacher at the Mead School.

Away from the classroom there were few idle hours. She was a life long member of Sokol USA. She was an active member of the Mianus River Yacht & Boat Club and as programs were developing at the Senior Center, she was a very active president of it's User Group and all the while teaching quilting classes, a craft form dear to her heart. We will miss her. In some way we are all the better for her having passed our way. She is gone, we wish her a Bon Voyage.

This resolution was passed by unanimous consent with the members standing for a moment of silence in her memory.

Robert May, Chairman of District 12, offered the following resolution in memory of Bernard Schneider.

During the RTM summer break, on the second of July, the members of District 12 were deeply saddened to learn of the sudden, and untimely passing of our fellow member and friend, Bernard Schneider.

Bernard was born in Brooklyn, New York. He studied economics at Brooklyn College and earned a Master's Degree from Princeton University.

During his life, Bernard pursued three different career paths. As an economist/statistician he taught at Princeton and later worked for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

In 1977 he earned a law degree from New York University and began a career as a corporate attorney. He worked at Linden and Deutsch, and was a partner at Leavy Rosensweig and Hyman, and later at Robinson Brog. He represented a wide variety of clients, including such Broadway shows as Phantom and Les Miserables.

In 2005 Bernard began his third career by earning a Master's Degree in education. He taught mathematics at Briggs High School in Norwalk and worked as a substitute, and permanent substitute teacher in Greenwich and Stamford.

Bernard also had a lengthy commitment to service in his community. While living in Dobbs Ferry, NY, he was a member of, and served as Chairman of the Board of Education. During his tenure, the district engaged in two major school construction projects, where he negotiated the architect's and general contractor's agreements.

After moving to Greenwich, Bernard continued to be active in many community organizations. A highly respected member of the Retired Men's Association, he served as Publicity Chair. There, he was responsible for obtaining weekly guest speakers and advertising their appearance. He was also tasked with publicizing the many volunteer accomplishments of the RMA throughout the community.

Bernard joined the Democratic Town Committee where he served on the Executive Board and was Chair of the DTC District 12 delegation. He became a member of RTM District 12 in 2010 and served as alternate on the Land Use committee. When Bernard spoke before this body, he would always preface his remarks with "I know I'm the new kid on the block" but his statements were always carefully thought out and well-articulated. He also served as a member of the Institutional Review Board at Greenwich Hospital, as an ESL Tutor for Literacy Volunteers of America in Stamford, and most recently as Vice President of the Board of Trustees for the Academic Leadership Charter School in the Bronx, NY.

Bernard was an avid Bridge player. It was said that he was a great chess player in college, but found that few women played the game, and switched to Bridge. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Unit of the American Contract Bridge League and delegate from Connecticut to the New England Bridge Conference. He also wrote a quarterly column for two Contract Bridge publications.

I think that Retired Men's Association member, Mr. Horst Tebbe, expressed it best in an email to the Greenwich Time. "He was a true, modern Renaissance man. From Talmudic studies, to the law, to literature, to art, to math, to computer technology, he not only was aware but could and did contribute...." His friendship and wise counsel will be missed.

District 12 asks that the members of this body join with them in recognizing his service to the town, and the many other contributions made by Bernard Schneider for the betterment of the Greenwich community. In his honor, we ask that these comments be included in the minutes of the meeting.

This resolution was passed by unanimous consent with the members standing for a moment of silence in his memory.

At the April 2015 meeting Item No. 14 (as follows)

RESOLVED, that the 2015 Open Space Plan, as approved by the Conservation Commission at its March 9, 2015 meeting be adopted as an addendum to the 2009 Plan of Conservation and Development.

was postponed until the September 2015 meeting. Prior to the submission date for the September meeting the item was withdrawn by the proponent, the Director of Conservation.

Pursuant to the RTM rules, the Moderator designated that the following items be placed on the consent calendar – 1.

The items on the consent calendar are as follows:

1. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be reappointed a regular member of the Commission on Aging for a term expiring 3/31/18.

PATRICIA RAND BURNS

The vote was now on the consent items.

In Favor	-	158
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	0

Items Carried

The Moderator suggested a motion, which was moved and seconded, to suspend the rules and place items 3, 5, 9, & 10 on the combined items calendar and consider separately items 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, & 12.

Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that the combined items calendar Item No. 3 was now before the meeting.

John F. Toner, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 3.

3. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Commission on Aging for a term expiring 3/31/16.

CAROL A. BURNS

The Moderator announced that the combined items calendar Item No. 5 was now before the meeting.

John F. Toner, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 5.

5. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Nathaniel Witherell Board of Directors for a term expiring 3/31/18.

FRANCIS A. ENNIS, JR.

The Moderator announced that the combined items calendar Item No. 9 was now before the meeting.

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution regarding Item No. 9.

9. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Ex-Officio Member of the Harbor Management Commission for the term expiring 12/31/15.

HORST TEBBE

The Moderator announced that the combined items calendar Item No. 10 was now before the meeting.

John F. Toner, Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 10.

10. RESOLVED, that the Historic District Commission be named the official StudyCommittee to perform an investigation regarding 117 Dingtletown Road to determine its appropriateness for designation as a “Local Historic Property.”

The vote was now on the combined items.

In Favor	-	158
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	0

Items Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 2 was now before the meeting.

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 2.

2. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed an alternate member of the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency for a term expiring 3/31/16.

STEVEN A. FONG

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, made a motion to postpone Item No. 2 to October 26, 2015 meeting, which was duly moved and seconded.

Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 4 was now before the meeting.

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 4.

4. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed as a regular member of the New Lebanon Elementary School Building Committee.

JAKE ALLEN

The vote was now on Item No. 4.

In Favor	-	153
Against	-	2
Abstentions	-	0

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 6 was now before the meeting.

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 6.

6. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/17.

H. ANDREW FOX

The vote was now on Item No. 6.

In Favor	-	127
Against	-	26
Abstentions	-	6

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 7 was now before the meeting.

Alfred Cava, Director of Labor Relations, offered the following substitute resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 7.

7. 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-United Public Service Employees Union collective bargaining agreement covering the periods FY 15/16 and FY 16/17; said funds having previously been appropriated in the adopted FY 15/16 budget. In addition thereto the Representative Town Meeting approves the funds necessary to implement the terms of the Town-United Public Service Employees Union collective bargaining agreement covering the period FY 16/17 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.

The vote was now on Item No. 7.

In Favor	-	151
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	4

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 8 was now before the meeting.

Candace V. Garthwaite, Chairman of Appointments Committee, offered the following resolution regarding Item No. 8.

8. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be appointed Alternate Member of the Flood and Erosion Control Board for the term expiring 03/31/19.

ROBERT A. CENCI

The vote was now on Item No. 8.

In Favor	-	144
Against	-	6
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 11 was now before the meeting.

Peter J. Tesei, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 11.

11. RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be reappointed a regular member of the Nathaniel Witherell Board of Directors for a term expiring 3/31/18.

LLOYD BANKSON

The vote was now on Item No. 11.

In Favor	-	135
Against	-	12
Abstentions	-	0

Item Carried

The Moderator, Thomas J. Byrne, excused himself from his duties and, upon unanimous consent, called upon Douglas J. Wells to act as Moderator Pro-Tempore due to Joan E. Caldwell being absent from the meeting.

Douglas J. Wells announced that Item No. 12 was now before the meeting.

Benjamin Branyan, Town Administrator, offered the following resolution, which was duly moved and seconded regarding Item No. 12.

12. RESOLVED, that the RTM approves the lease renewal with the Greenwich Adult Day Care, Inc. ("GADC") for property located at 125 River Road Extension, Cos Cob. The lease renewal will be for a period of ten (10) years with a term ending February 9, 2025.

The Moderator resumed the chair of the meeting.

Douglas J. Wells, Chairman of Legislative & Rules Committee, on behalf of the committee, made a motion, to amend the lease of Item No. 12 as follows:

On page 2 in the last Whereas clause, change "period" to "periods".

On page 5 in the last line of Section 5, we deleted the words "the commencement date", and inserted in its place, "February 9, 2005" i.e., the commencement date of the original lease.

The amendments were adopted by unanimous consent.

The vote was now on Item No. 12 as amended.

In Favor	-	141
Against	-	0
Abstentions	-	1

Item Carried

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent at 9:44 P.M.

ATTEST:
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS
TOWN CLERK