

Town of Darien
Representative Town Meeting
Rules Committee
Regular Meeting – 3-7-16
Minutes

Present: Sarah Seelye (M), Jim Patrick, Seth Morton, Joanne Hennessy, Lois Schneider, Barbara Thorne, Martha Banks, Dennis Maroney, Frank Kemp, Gary Swenson, Liz Bacon, Ted Hawkins, Pat Bumgardner

Audience: Carlos Cantavero

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:02 PM

Approval Minutes of the February 8 Rules Committee meeting: Ms. Hennessy moved to approve the minutes of the February 8 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Resignation of Spencer McIlMurray: Ms. Seelye announced the resignation of Spencer McIlMurray from the RTM

RTM Agenda Assignments: Reappointment of Dirk Leasure to the Five Mile River Commission: Ms. Hennessy moved to make PHS primary. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Committee Assignment: Pam Sparkman from District V assigned to Education. Mr. Patrick moved the assignment which was seconded and passed unanimously.

RTM Meeting Cancellation: Mr. Kemp moved to cancel the March 21 meeting of the RTM. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion of RTM member email addresses- There was a Sense of Meeting that RTM members should use .gov email addresses available through the Town. It was a further Sense of Meeting that there should be a June workshop to setup .gov emails for RTM members.

TGS&A update- Reporting as TGS&A Chair, Mr. Kemp noted:

1. That the Committee was looking for buggy whips in the Code of Ordinances and the Charter; that is, outmoded provisions which need to be updated. He asked for anyone who was aware of a needed change to contact him.
 - Mr. Swenson moved that the following Appendix B revision be adopted by the RTM: That Part II sec.6 would be changed to limit RTM members with low attendance at meetings from self-nominating for re-election. The motion passed unanimously.
 - Ms. Hennessy moved that both the District Committee Chairs and The Working Committee Chairs would report to the Rules Committee those RTM Members with low attendance. This item would be assigned to all committees to provide input for the Resolution for the RTM. The procedure would start beginning with the next RTM session. Mr. Kemp would talk to Town Counsel to get language for the Resolution. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

- Mr. Maroney moved that TGS&A be primary on the Item. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously
2. Mr. Kemp reported that TGS&A is looking at changes to the procedures for assigning committees by the Rules Committee. He is researching how this might best be done. He noted that this is an open item at this time.

There being no Other Business, Mr. Morton moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded.

The Meeting Adjourned at 10:05pm

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Seth Morton". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Seth Morton

Clerk