

MINUTES  
OPC MEETING  
July 21, 2011

First Selectman David Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. in Room 206 at Town Hall.

Present were First Selectman, David Campbell; Selectman, Callie Sullivan; Board of Finance Chairman, Liz Mao; Board of Education Chairman, Kim Westcott; Planning & Zoning Director, Jeremy Ginsberg and Town Administrator, Karl Kilduff.

**Board of Education**

Kim Westcott noted that Goals and Objectives would be discussed at the next Board of Education meeting on Monday, July 25, 2011. Some other items that will be addressed include: accepting a \$25,000 donation to the athletics program, review enrollment numbers and test scores.

**Planning and Zoning**

Mr. Ginsberg reported that demolition has taken place at 1292 Boston Post Road. Construction will occur over the next 8+/- months. The new building will house an antique shop on the first floor and an architect's office on the second floor. Also, David Genovese will soon be proposing a multi-story project at the corner of Academy Street and Boston Post Road. It will be a mixed use building.

The Planning & Zoning Commission has approved the proposal for the former Mediplex building at the corner of Boston Post Road and Brookside Road. The new project, Maplewood at Darien, will house a total of 66 units of assisted living and memory care.

The YMCA is moving ahead with construction on its new gymnastics facility. The day care/nursery school program will occupy the space for the first year, while its space is being renovated, and then in about a year, the gymnastics program will move from the Goodwives Shopping Center to the YMCA.

**Board of Finance**

Liz Mao stated that in light of the recent articles in the Stamford Advocate regarding issues with scrap metal theft in Stamford, she is considering having the Board of Finance review the Town's cash management procedures in the fall.

The Board of Finance is currently working with the Director of Finance, Kate Buch, and the Town Attorney, Wayne Fox, to refine the Fund Balance Policy in accordance with new GASB Rules. She also mentioned that the Sewer Commission needs to raise sewer rates.

**First Selectman**

Mr. Campbell said he has had positive feedback from all those involved in Darien's Fourth of July Fireworks. The Police Department reported no incidents and noted that the grounds were cleared out in twenty minutes after the fireworks ended. Additionally, The

Firemen's Foundation raised \$5,000 at the event. The group briefly discussed the Firemen's Foundation.

Mr. Campbell announced that the architectural plans for the Town "Shuffle" continue to move forward, and Mr. Kilduff added that the building committee expects to have pricing available for the RTM members to review before they vote on the project in September.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 206.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda O'Leary  
Recording Secretary