

## **Minutes**

### **Town of Darien Representative Town Meeting Rules Committee**

**Monday, November 20, 2023 7:30 p.m.**

#### **Darien Town Room 119**

**Present:** Seth Morton (Moderator), Lois Schneider (I), Patti Bumgardner (I), Mike Wheeler (II), Michael Casolo (II), Jack Davis (III), Adele Conniff (III), Frank Kemp (IV), Susan Marks (V), Mark Adiletta (V), Peter Orphanos (VI), Bill VanLoan(VI),

**Absent:** Joe Miceli (IV),

**Guests:** Christa McNamara (Town Clerk), Amy Zabetakis (Dist 5), Jon Zagrodzky (First Selectman), Wayne Fox (Town Counsel), Bobby Burney (Town Assistant Counsel), Jim Palen(BOF), Patricia Gaug (Attorney)

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Seth Morton, at 7:34PM.

Without objection the Moderator proposed to combine the Vice Chair and Acting Moderator positions. Ms. Bumgardner nominated Ms. Schneider with a second from Mr. Wheeler. Ms. Schneider was elected unanimously.

Mr. Davis nominated Mr. Adiletta Clerk with a second from Mr. Orphanos. Mr. Adiletta was elected unanimously.

Ms. Bumgardner made a motion to approve the Minutes for October 2, 2023 meeting with a second from Mr. Wheeler. This motion passed unanimously.

Next was the reappoint by the Moderator the Rules Technology Committee and Lois Schneider Chair, Mike Wheeler.

Next was a report from the Rules Technology Committee. An update on various access items followed.

The Moderator moved the GI item up on the agenda without objection.

The First Selectman addressed the committee on the acquisition and did a round of "thank you" to all involved. He urged the RTM to put this item on the agenda and assign to committees for full consideration. Noted this PSA addresses all access issues.

Counsel discussed directives on how to handle this confidential document. He noted confidentiality ends when sale closes.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis to assign PZ&H Primary with F&B secondary on the Great Island easement item. This item passed unanimously.

Next a motion was made by Mr. Casolo, with a second from Ms. Marks to add the GI Easement item to the RTM agenda December 11. This item passed unanimously.

Next was to assign RTM members to Committees. Representatives for each District presented. There was some debate regarding no representative from District 4 in F&B. A motion was made by Mr. Adiletta, with a second by Mr. Kemp, to accept the assignments as presented and modified (attach grid).

Next was to set the calendar for 2023 – 2024 Rules and RTM as presented. A motion was made by Ms. Marks, with a second from Mr. Casolo. This motion passed unanimously.

Next up was the update on revising Appendix B Part VI and Part IV Sec 3. Mr. Davis presented. This item will be added to the agenda in the future when it is ready.

Next the committee discussed and assigned committees on RTM Items below:

- Schedule Vote on Final Board of Ethics position. No assignment. Simply noted.
- Amend the Appropriation and Bonding Authorization to Increase the Amount by \$2,357,300 to \$4,697,300 for the Sanitary Sewer System Project. A motion was made by Ms. Bumgardner with a second from Mr. Orphans to assign F&B Primary, PW Secondary. This motion passed unanimously.
- Authorize an Appropriation and Bonding Authorization in the Amount of \$2,067,250 for the Hanson Road Bridge Replacement. A motion was made by Ms. Conniff with a second by Ms. Marks to assign this item to F&B primary with PW secondary. This motion passed unanimously.

Next was to set the agenda for the December 11, 2023 State of the Town Meeting as amended below. A motion was made by Mr. Kemp with a second by Mr. Orphanos to set this agenda. This motion passed unanimously.

#### AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Acceptance of the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes for the November 13 Meeting
4. Vote on the acquisition of additional property regarding Great Island
5. Vote on Final Board of Ethics position
6. State of the Town Presentations

First Selectman

Chair, Planning & Zoning Commission

Chair, Board of Education

Chair, Board of Finance

A motion to adjourn was properly made. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Mark Adiletta

Clerk

# Representative Town Meeting Calendar

2023-2024

## Rules Committee

## Full RTM

-	<u>2023</u>	Monday      November 27- Organization Meeting
Monday, November 20		Monday      December 11 - State of the Town
	<u>2024</u>	
Monday January 8		Monday      January 22 - Regular
Monday February 12		Monday      February 26 - Regular
Monday March 4		Monday      March 18 - Regular
Monday April 8		Monday      April 22 - Regular
Monday April 29		Monday      May 13 - Budget
Monday May 20		Monday      June 3 - Regular
Tuesday September 9		Monday      September 23
Monday October 7		Monday      October 21 - Regular
		Monday      November 11 - Annual Meeting
Monday November 18 Meeting Calendars for RTM and Rules Committee Assignments State of the Town Agenda		Monday      November 25 - Organization Meeting
		Monday      December 9 - State of the Town

RTM meetings begin at 8:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Auditorium.

Rules Committee meetings are scheduled to precede and set the agenda for the RTM.

Rules Committee Meetings begin at 7:30 PM

Education	F&B	Parks & Rec	PZ&H	PH&S	Public Works	TGS&A	Open Seats
13	13	17	14	13	14	9	6
1 McNicoll	1 vonStuelpnagel	1 Baldwin, Sarah	1 Wong	1 Schneider	1 Keane	<b>1 Cahill</b>	open seat
1 Mecsery	1 Brakman 1 Schwartz	1 Bumgardner 1 Conologue	1 McGovern	1 Clarkson	1 Parr		
2 Thorne	2 Teschner	2 Russell	2 Casolo	2. Miller	2 Arguimbau	2 Hult	open seat
2. Sartori	2 Gaaserud	2 Wilson, P	2 Wheeler	2 Vanovitch	2 Hudson		
2 Marousek			2 Salmore				
3 Washecka	3 Davis	3 Conniff	3 Hesli, Sara	3 Moore	3 Golus	3 Zielinski	open seat
3 King	3 Lane 3 Dunn	3 Mitchell, Sue- Ellen 3 Cardone	3 Ruddy, Kirk		3. Cruse		open seat
4 Bhat	4 Branca	4 Millar	4 Guller	4 Rayhill	4 Crist	4 Kemp	
4 Raymond		4 Savage 4 Kiner	4 Keller	4 Castles 4 Cameron	4 Obin 4 Domittner	4 Miceli	
5 Butler	5 Smith 5 Huang	5 Mahoney 5 Larino 5 Marks	5 Zabetakis 5 Procaccini	5. Patrick 5 Pope	5 Laird 5 Adiletta 5 Parwal	5 Bayne, D 5 Fiveson 5 McLachlin	open seat open seat
6 Lucas	6 Orphanos	<b>6 York</b>	6 Conway	6 Constanzo	6 Luz	6 Vogt	
6 Grogan	6 Milhopoulos	6 Van Loan	6 Lauritzen	6 Taylor	6 Adelman		
6 Johnson		6 Gauthier	6 Visi	6 Young			