

MINUTES  
REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING  
Annual Meeting  
December 6, 2010

The December 6, 2010 Annual Meeting of the Representative Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Sharon M. Palmer at 7:35 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Kimberly A. Alfultis, Thomas F. Ammirati, Robert J. Brule, Jr., Michael J. Cannamela, Diana Cramer, Thomas J. Dembek, John W. Doroski, John A. Foley, Steven D. Garvin, Gerard J. Gaynor, Jr., Mark R. Gelinas, Michael J. Hannan, Andrea F. Kanfer, Brendan J. McGuirk, Richard F. Muckle, Theodore Olynciw, Sharon M. Palmer, Rodney A. Pinkham, Jr., Timothy D. Sullivan, Teresa A. Wilensky (7:45).

ABSENT: David L. Cattanach, George C. White.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Daniel M. Steward, Selectman Paul Konstantakis and Chair of the Board of Finance Ronald R. Fedor.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT: Selectman Paul A. Suprin and Chair of the Board of Education Donald B. Blevins.

CALL ITEM 1 – Election of Moderator

NOMINATION by Democratic Party Leader Andrea F. Kanfer of SHARON M. PALMER to serve as Moderator of the Representative Town Meeting for the 2011 calendar year.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 2 – Minutes

MOTION by Alfultis, seconded by Kanfer, to accept the minutes of the October 4, 2010 Regular Meeting with the following correction: EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: The Chair of the Board of Finance is Ronald R. Fedor, not John W. Sheehan. Mr. Fedor was not present.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

MOTION by Dembek, seconded by Kanfer, to correct the following from the minutes of the August 2, 2010 Regular Meeting, Call Item 11: The appropriation from Capital and Nonrecurring Undesignated Projects, Line Item 20570-57999, for Mago Point Pump Station Partial Upgrade was in the amount of \$211,958, not \$122,958.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kerry Sullivan, Program Coordinator, Recreation and Parks Commission, presented an informational report on proposed improvements to the Lisa Dedrick Memorial Softball Field at no cost to the Town.

CALL ITEM 3 – Committee Reports

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Alfultis, to accept committee reports.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Legislation & Administration: Resolutions & the RTM

Ordinance re: Charter 5.19 & 5.20

Distribution of RTM Call

CALL ITEM 4 – Fire Commission appointments

NOMINATIONS by Republican Leader Thomas J. Dembek of DAVID M. REAGAN (Cohanzie) and KEVIN M. ZIOLKOVSKI (Quaker Hill) to fill two vacancies on the Board of Fire Commissioners for the term November 1, 2010 – October 31, 1013.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 5 – Personnel Review Board appointments

MOTION by Dembek, seconded by Kanfer, to lay on the table appointments to fill two vacancies on the Personnel Review Board for the term December 1, 2010 – November 30, 2010 until the February Regular Meeting.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 6 – Contributed Gifts Fund  
(Attachment)

MOTION by Alfultis, seconded by Pinkham, to approve a proposed addition to Chapter 3.05 of the Waterford Code of Ordinances, Contributed Gifts Fund, Section 3.05.030, Receipts, allowing corporate or other third party contributions to be deposited into the Contributed Gifts Fund, as recommended by the Finance, Wage and Personnel Standing Committee of the Representative Town Meeting.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 7 – Animal Control Facility Revenue Fund

MOTION by Dembek, seconded by Cramer, to approve a request from the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Animal Control Facility Study Committee to establish a special revenue fund to allow for revenues and expenses for the purpose of fulfilling the mission for which the committee was established, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 8 – Animal Control Fee Schedule  
(Attachment)

MOTION by Kanfer, seconded by Dembek, to approve a request from the Chief of Police to set fees consistent with or authorized under Section 22-333 of the Connecticut General Statutes in order for the Town of Waterford to recoup animal control related costs, as recommended by the Public Protection and Safety Standing Committee of the Representative Town Meeting.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 9 – Ordinance, Impoundment of Vehicles

MOTION by Cramer, seconded by Hannan, to lay on the table proposed amendments to Chapter 10.08, Snowstorm Parking, Section 10.08.040, Impoundment of Vehicles – Notification of owner – Liability, until the February Regular Meeting, pending recommendation by the Public Protection and Safety Standing Committee of the Representative Town Meeting.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 10 – Recycling Roll-out Containers

MOTION by McGuirk, seconded by Dembek, to approve a request from the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Department of Public Works, with a recommendation from the First Selectman, based on its consistency with the Capital Improvement Plan, for an appropriation in the amount of \$317,328 from Capital and Nonrecurring Undesignated Balance Line Item 20500-31520 to Current Year Capital Line Item 33011-55776, Recycling Roll-out Containers, to allow the Town to institute the Single-stream recycling program in February 2011, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 11 – Wastewater treatment evaluation

MOTION by McGuirk, seconded by Kanfer, to approve a request from the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Utility Commission, with a recommendation from the First Selectman, based on its consistency with the Capital Improvement Plan, for an appropriation in the amount of \$35,000 from Designated Capital and Nonrecurring Expenditure Fund Line Item 20531-57719, New London Wastewater Treatment Plant, State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection draft order, and an additional appropriation in the amount of \$12,270 from Capital and Nonrecurring undesignated Projects, Line Item 20570-57999, to Line Item 20531-57719, New London Wastewater Treatment Plant, State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection draft order to cover the Town's share of the consulting cost for evaluation of the New London wastewater treatment plant for a total appropriation in the amount of \$47,270, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 12 – Rescue air bag system, Quaker Hill Fire Station

MOTION by Foley, seconded by Cramer, to approve a request from the Board of Fire Commissioners, with a recommendation from the First Selectman, based on its consistency with the Capital Improvement Plan for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$11,533 from Line Item 20500-31520, Capital and Nonrecurring Undesignated Fund Balance, to replace the Rescue Air Bag System and Controller that has been removed from service at the Quaker Hill Fire Station, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 13 – Oswegatchie Fire House roof repairs

MOTION by Alfultis, seconded by Olynciw, to approve a request from the Board of Fire Commissioners, with a recommendation from the First Selectman, based on its consistency with the Capital Improvement Plan, for an appropriation in the amount of \$58,750 from Capital and Nonrecurring Designated Line Item 20501-57506, Building Improvements, to provide temporary repairs to the Oswegatchie Fire House roof, as recommended by the Board of Finance, and by friendly amendment to establish the request as emergency legislation.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 14 – Sewer rate recommendations

MOTION by McGuirk, seconded by Cramer, to approve forwarding the recommendations contained in a report from the Public Works, Planning and Development Standing Committee of the Representative Town Meeting to the Utility Commission for its review relative to future sewer rate adjustments.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Alfultis, Ammirati, Brule, Cannamela, Cramer, Dembek, Doroski, Foley, Garvin, Gaynor, Gelinas, Hannan, Kanfer, McGuirk, Muckle, Olynciw, Palmer, Pinkham, Sullivan.

VOTING AGAINST: Wilensky.

CALL ITEM 15 – Social Service Grants Committee appointments

NOMINATIONS by Kanfer of THOMAS F. AMMIRATI and GEORGE C. WHITE to represent the Representative Town Meeting on the Committee Reviewing Social Service Grants and Miscellaneous for Fiscal Year 2011-12.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 16 – Schedule of meetings

MOTION by McGuirk, seconded by Kanfer, to approve the Representative Town Meeting schedule of meetings for calendar year 2011.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 17 – RTM budget FY'12

MOTION by Kanfer, seconded by Alfultis, to approve a proposed Representative Town Meeting budget for Fiscal Year 2011-12 in the amount of \$18,299.00.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

CALL ITEM 18 – Resolution, First Baptist Church  
(Attachment)

MOTION by Muckle, seconded by Hannan, to act favorably upon a resolution proposed by Rodney A. Pinkham, Jr. on behalf of the First Voting District of the Town of Waterford in celebration of the First Baptist Church Tercentennial, amended by friendly amendment to replace “believers” in the first line with “Christians”.

DISCUSSION.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Alfultis, Brule, Dembek, Doroski, Foley, Garvin, Gaynor, Gelinis, Hannan, McGuirk, Muckle, Olynciw, Palmer, Pinkham, Sullivan, Wilensky.

VOTING AGAINST: Ammirati, Cannamela, Cramer, Kanfer.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Gaynor, seconded by Kanfer, to adjourn at 9:00 P.M.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Nye  
Town Clerk