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If you call to listen you will not be heard by the board members. **If you wish to make a comment during the meeting**, please send an email before 12 noon on Monday, June 28, 2021, to fairfieldrtm@gmail.com with your name, address, telephone number from which you will be calling, and the item on which you wish to make a comment. You will then be contacted with information on connecting to the meeting. You will be called upon and unmuted during the meeting when public comment is permitted for that item.

If you do not wish to speak during the meeting, the public is encouraged to send their comments before or after the meeting to the following email: rtm@fairfieldct.org. As you would in a public meeting, please include your name and address with your comment. All comments received and verified will be posted to the RTM website with your name but email address will be excluded.

Instructions for listening to the RTM Committee Meeting on Monday, June 21, 2021 may be found at the end of this Warning.

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WARNING TO THE MEMBERS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING AND RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD

Notice is hereby given that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Fairfield will be held via phone on Monday, June 28, 2021, at 8:00 PM, for the following purposes:

1. Roll Call - Pledge of Allegiance - Moment of Silence
2. To consider and act upon the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on May 24, 2021.

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3. To receive the Assessor's Report on the Tax Relief for the Elderly and Disabled Homeowners Program, as required under Chapter 95, Article III, Section 15.1 of the Code of the Town of Fairfield.
4. To hear, consider and act upon the following reappointments to the Ethics Commission as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

Brian S. Cantor (D), 150 Curtis Terrace, Term Jul 2021 - 2023

Dana Kery (R), 7 Green Acre Lane, Term Jul 2021 - 2023

Craig VanSteenbergen (R), 292 Riverside Drive, Term Jul 2021 - 2023

5. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

“RESOLVED, that the applications received under the Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) Program are hereby approved, and that the Director of Community and Economic Development is hereby designated as the municipal liaison of the Town of Fairfield for this program.”

6. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

“RESOLVED, that the Program Year 47 (October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is hereby approved in the amount of \$600,000, which includes entitlement grant funds of \$525,640 and program income of \$74,360, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Brenda L. Kupchick, First Selectwoman of the Town of Fairfield, be, and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all necessary documents that facilitate the Town's participation in said CDBG Program.”

7. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

“RESOLVED, in accordance with a request from the WPCA, \$144,388.43 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the WPCA Fund Balance to complete the WPCA portion of the Microgrid Project.”

8. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

“RESOLVED, that the Bond Resolution entitled, ‘A Resolution Appropriating \$945,000 for the Remediation of Historical Contaminants and the Enhancement of Recreational Facilities at Gould Manor Park And Authorizing The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation,’ be, and hereby is, approved.”

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9. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Town Plan and Zoning Commission:

“RESOLVED, that the Town of Fairfield abandon the remaining portion of the Town-owned paper street known as Cherry Street, which intersects with Kings Highway, as shown on the attached map, reserving, however, an easement for a sewer, the location and dimensions of which shall be as determined by the Town Engineer, which easement shall be recorded on land records of the Town of Fairfield.”

10. To hear, consider and act upon the following Sense of the Body resolution as recommended by Marcy Spolyar, District 4 and Jill Vergara, District 7:

“**WHEREAS**, pollinators are in decline due to destruction and fragmentation of habitat from development, a lack of native plants due to an increase of invasive species, inappropriate and excessive use of pesticides, and a lawn culture that promotes turf grass monoculture which offers no benefits to pollinators and other wildlife; and

WHEREAS, pollinator species such as bees, birds, butterflies and other pollinating insects are vital to maintaining healthy and diverse ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, native plants support pollinators and all wildlife in Fairfield and beyond by providing food and shelter; they also help prevent erosion, keep our waterways clean, restore soil health and improve the air we breathe; and

WHEREAS, pollination is responsible for most of the food we eat; and

WHEREAS, five native bee species are threatened, endangered or of special concern in Connecticut and a downward trend is seen in species diversity of bees, butterflies, birds, and many other animals; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fairfield is cognizant of the need for safe and healthy landscapes for its residents and habitat for important pollinators; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific research supports the benefits of restoring and reconnecting isolated patches of habitat;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT does hereby recognize and support the tenets of the Pollinator Pathway Northeast which are to encourage all residents to:

- (1) Reduce lawn size, provide predominantly native and pollinator-supporting plants and assure a sequence of blooms from early spring through fall (see

www.pollinator-pathway.org for helpful lists);

- (2) Protect and enrich soil by using organic yard-care practices and avoiding application of synthetic fertilizers, pesticides and treated mulch, and leave some areas of bare ground for ground-nesting bees;
- (3) Follow best practices for garden clean up: clean up in the spring, allow plant heads to remain through winter to provide food for wildlife, keep plant stalks standing and leave snags of dead wood for native bees to nest, ‘leave the leaves’ on flower beds through fall and winter to provide habitat, soil nourishment and protection for overwintering pollinators; and
- (4) Have a water feature, e.g., bird bath, fountain or natural water source.”

11. The Moderator has referred the following amendments to the Harbor Management Ordinance, Chapter 24 of the Code of the Town of Fairfield, sponsored by Peter Britton, District 10, and Frank Petise, District 10, to the Legislation and Administration Committee, under Rule 32 of the RTM Rules to Regulate:

§ 24-2. Definitions; word usage.

A. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated

MOORING FLOAT— A single floating dock unattached to land, secured by bottom anchors, used to secure vessels, and no more than 100 square feet in area.

NORTH ANCHORAGE — The mooring area used and managed by the Pequot Yacht Club in accordance with the *Management Plan for Southport Harbor*, Rules and Procedures adopted by the Harbor Management Commission, state and federal mooring field permits, and a Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Fairfield and the Yacht Club. The North Anchorage is upstream of and adjacent to the Southport Harbor federal anchorage area.

§ 24-8. Powers and duties.

E. Adopt rules and procedures for implementing specific portions of the Management Plan for Southport Harbor and this chapter as it shall deem necessary in the following manner:

- (1) Prior to adopting any such rules and procedures, the Commission shall conduct a public hearing for the purpose of considering their adoption. Notice of the time and place of such public hearing, which notice shall include the title and summary of the rules and procedures proposed, shall be published in a local newspaper having substantial circulation in the Town of Fairfield at least five days, but not more than 15 days, prior to the date of said hearing.

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- (2) Following said public hearing, the Commission shall act upon said rules and procedures and may make such changes or alterations in the form or content of the proposed rules and procedures as seen appropriate or necessary as a result of the public hearing held in connection therewith. Such changes, additions or alterations shall not require further public notice.
- (3) Such rules and procedures, if adopted by the Commission, shall become effective after publication **on the Town of Fairfield website.** ~~once in a local newspaper having substantial circulation in the Town of Fairfield.~~

§ 24-12. Mooring, ~~and anchoring,~~ **and docking** vessels. [Amended 4-28-2008]

- A. In accordance with state law and the Management Plan for Southport Harbor and in order to provide for adequate access for vessels, for the safety of persons and property, for the protection of natural and historic resources and for the optimum use of the Harbor Management Area, no vessel shall be moored in the Harbor Management Area without a current and valid permit from the Harbormaster.
- B. It shall be a violation for any person **or entity,** ~~association, corporation or group~~ to moor any vessel or place any mooring **or mooring float** in the Harbor Management Area without a current and valid permit from the Harbormaster.
- C. Any person, ~~association, corporation, or group~~ receiving a permit for a mooring location **and any entity receiving a permit for a mooring float** in the Harbor Management Area **outside the North Anchorage and any entity receiving a permit for mooring locations within the North Anchorage** shall pay an annual mooring permit fee not to exceed the maximum fee authorized by Section 22a-113s of the Connecticut General Statutes **in an amount to be determined by the Harbor Management Commission from time to time under the procedures for notice and hearing established in §24-8E.** ~~and,~~ In addition, **for each mooring location and mooring float outside the North Anchorage, shall pay an annual mooring maintenance charge shall be paid** in an amount to be determined by the Harbor Management Commission from time to time under the procedures for notice and hearing established in §24-8E. **Any person submitting a mooring waiting list application, including either a new or annual renewal application, shall pay an administrative fee in an amount to be determined by the Harbor Management Commission from time to time under the procedures for notice and hearing established in §24-8E.** [Amended 11-24-2008]
- D. The mooring, ~~and anchoring,~~ **and docking** of all vessels in the Harbor Management Area shall be in accordance with rules and procedures adopted by the Harbor Management Commission.

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- E. In allocating mooring locations in accordance with rules and procedures adopted by the Harbor Management Commission, the Harbormaster shall not discriminate on the basis of town of residence. Any interested person, association, corporation or group may apply for mooring space in the Harbor Management Area by completing in full the application provided for that purpose and submitting the completed application and all required documents and fees to the Harbormaster. A single list of current mooring assignments and a single list of all those waiting for a mooring permit/location in the Harbor Management Area shall be maintained by the Harbor Management Commission and the Harbormaster.
- F. No provision contained in this chapter or in any rules and procedures adopted by the Harbor Management Commission shall limit the authority of the Southport Harbormaster to station and remove vessels as provided in Sections 15-8 and 15-9 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
12. To consider and act upon any other matters presented to said meeting and which may be properly acted upon under the rules of the Representative Town Meeting.

June 14, 2021

Elizabeth P. Browne
Town Clerk

**INFORMATION REGARDING RTM COMMITTEE MEETING
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Harbor Management Ordinance Amendments will be considered by Legislation & Administration Committee meeting following the presentations. Please remain on the Webex Line. To listen only please call the number below.

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Education and Recreation:	720-820-1221 = 6
Public Health & Safety:	339-209-6014 = 3
Public Works & Planning:	516-597-9432 = 4
Finance:	518-418-1465 = 5

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