

RTM Ed & Rec Committee Meeting
Via WebEx Voice Call
June 20, 2022
Minutes

1. Call to order

Meeting Called to Order at 9:01pm.

2. Roll Call

Members	Present/Absent
Mark A. McDermott, District 7	Present
Marcy Spolyar, District 4	Present
Margaret Horton, District 9	Present
Steve M. Berecz, District 6	Present
Alice Kelly, District 4	Present
Kelly Scinto, District 9	Absent
Jim Meyers, District 8	Present
Alex Durrell, District 3	Absent

2. To consider and act upon the minutes of the Education and Recreation Committee Meeting held on May 16, 2022.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Representative McDermott, seconded by Representative Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: None

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.

Discussion: None

4. To hear a report on the search for a Superintendent of Schools from the Education and Recreation Committee Chair.

Discussion: Representative Spolyar encouraged Committee members to provide input to the Search Committee.

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."

A motion to approve was made by Representative Kelly, seconded by Representative Horton. The motion passed unanimously.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Program Year 48 (October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is hereby approved in the amount of \$592,000, which includes entitlement grant funds of \$525,640 and program income of \$66,360, 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."

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative McDermott, seconded by Representative Spolyar. This motion passed unanimously.

7. 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 \$3,088,000 For The Costs Associated With Construction Of Berm And Pumping Station And Authorizing The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation' To Increase The Amount Of The Appropriation To \$10,007,765 And To Accept A Further State Grant In The Amount Of \$400,000,' be, and hereby is, approved."

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative Kelly, seconded by Representative McDermott. This motion passed unanimously.

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

"WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93-383, as amended; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Fairfield accept from the State \$400,000, one hundred percent (100%) of said funds to be reimbursed by the Connecticut Department of Housing, in order to undertake a Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery - Tranche 2 Project, Fairfield Waste Water Treatment Plant Hardening, and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should one be offered; and WHEREAS, the funding is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that First Selectwoman Brenda L. Kupchick be, and hereby is, authorized to accept in the name of and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, a Grant in the amount of \$400,000 from the Commissioner of the Department of Housing; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, to sign and execute any and all necessary documents to secure said grant as well as provide additional information to execute any other documents as may be required by the Commissioner to execute

an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered and to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Fairfield."

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative Horton, seconded by Representative Spolyar. This motion passed unanimously.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for State Grants in the amount of \$252,155.11 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further Fairfield Health Department's response to COVID-19 and other emerging infections; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) to conduct activities described in the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Cooperative Agreement with an anticipated contract period of March 1, 2022 - February 29, 2024. These costs are 100% reimbursable."

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative Spolyar, seconded by Representative Kelly. This motion passed unanimously.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for Federal Grants in the amount of \$50,000 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further develop the Fairfield Medical Reserve Corps (FMRC) and to continue to promote the integration of the MRC unit into the local public health and emergency response system; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman, is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to conduct activities described in the NACCHO-MRC RISE Award with an anticipated contract period of May 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022. These costs are 100% reimbursable."

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative Meyers, seconded by Representative Bercz. This motion passed unanimously.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Bond Resolution entitled, 'A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation Of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) To Refund Certain Of The Town's Outstanding Bonds And Authorizing The Issuance Of Refunding Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation,' be, and hereby is, approved.
(*Subject to anticipated approval by the Board of Finance at a Special Meeting at a time tbd)

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative McDermott, seconded by Representative Meyers. This motion passed unanimously.

Discussion: Representative McDermott commented that this would be great for the town, as long as it could still happen given tight timeline.

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

"RESOLVED, that in accordance with a recommendation from the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA), an appropriation of \$300,000 be made from the WPCA fund balance for the design to upgrade the Fairfield Beach Pump Station and Force Main."

A motion to approve the item was made by Representative Meyers, seconded by Representative Kelly. This motion passed unanimously.

13. To hear and update regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan from the Education and Recreation Chair.

Discussion: Representative Spolyar encouraged members to attend forum at FLHS on 6/30 @ 6:30pm.

Other business: Representative Spolyar shared that the Committee needed a new vice chair due to Peter Tallman's resignation, and that in the spirit of bipartisanship she would like to have an R in this position. Given that only one R (who was new to the committee) was in attendance, she stated she would like to hold off until the next meeting and other members agreed with this.

No other matters were presented.

14. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Representative Meyers, and seconded by Representative Horton. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Margaret Horton
Secretary, Ed & Rec Committee
June 21, 2022



RTM FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2022

Conference Call

1. Call to Order

Rep. Pistilli called the meeting to order at 9:00PM.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Rep. Sharon Pistilli (D3), Rep. Joe Siebert (D5), Rep. Ed Bateson (D1), Rep. Amy Ruggiero (D1), Rep. Melissa Longo (D1), Rep. Bill Gerber (D2). Absent: Rep. John Kuhn (D7), Rep. Elizabeth Zezima (D4).

3. Items on the Call

Agenda Item #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. (non-voting item).

Agenda Item #4: To hear a report on the search for a Superintendent of Schools from the Education and Recreation Committee. (non-voting item).

Agenda Item #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."

Rep. Gerber – moved, Rep. Ruggiero – second. Item passes unanimously

Agenda Item #6: To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen: "RESOLVED, that the Program Year 48 (October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is hereby approved in the amount of \$592,000, which includes entitlement grant funds of \$525,640 and program income of \$66,360, 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." REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING June 27, 2022 Page 2 of 5.

Rep. Siebert – moved, Rep. Gerber – second. Item passes unanimously

Agenda Item #7: 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 \$3,088,000 For The Costs Associated With Construction Of Berm And Pumping Station And Authorizing The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation' To Increase The Amount Of The Appropriation To \$10,007,765 And To Accept A Further Stat Grant In The Amount Of \$400,000,' be, and hereby is, approved."

Rep. Ruggiero – moved, Rep. Longo – second

Discussion: Bill Gerber – BOF meeting, there was discussion that 4-5 years from now, this is going to be a bigger issue. The contamination in the 1940's and 1950's. If there is excavation then there will be a large increase the amount needed for construction.

Ed Bateson – When we need the rehab in 2000, we set up a perimeter, put in clarifying tanks across the street, we did additional treatment then. If we stay in the same footprint, when we should be ok in terms of contamination because we did PCB removal in the early 2000's.

Bill: Could you remind people, when they hit soil, they put in a seal barrier that is good for a very long time, and brought in clean fill (asked of Ed)?

Ed agreed.

Bill: Is this the increase in the cost?

Ed: Yes, they hit contamination last time and had to seal it.

In agreement that if we stay in the current footprint, Ed thinks that the dollar amount of contamination should be managed.

Bill: worth noting that Bill Hurley was not able to answer how much the contamination would cost. Make sure that we need to have significantly greater contingency.

Item passes unanimously

Agenda Item #8: To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance: "WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93-383, as amended; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Fairfield accept from the State \$400,000, one hundred percent (100%) of said funds to be reimbursed by the Connecticut Department of Housing, in order to undertake a Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery - Tranche 2 Project, Fairfield Waste Water Treatment Plant Hardening, and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should on be offered; and WHEREAS, the funding is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that First Selectwoman Brenda L. Kupchick be, and hereby is, authorized to accept in the name of and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, a Grant in the amount of \$400,000 from the Commissioner of the Department of Housing; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, to sign and execute any and all necessary documents to secure said grant as well as provide additional information to execute any other documents as may be required by the Commissioner to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered and to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Fairfield." REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING June 27, 2022 Page 3 of 5.

Rep. Gerber – moved, Rep. Ruggiero – second. Item passes unanimously

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the amount of \$252,155.11 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further Fairfield Health Department's response to COVID-19 and other emerging infections; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contract or amendments thereof with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) to conduct activities described in the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Cooperative Agreement with an anticipated contract period of March 1, 2022 - February 29, 2024. These costs are 100% reimbursable."

Rep. Siebert – moved, Rep. Gerber – second. Item passes unanimously

Agenda Item #10: To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance: "RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for Federal Grant in the amount of \$50,000 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further develop the Fairfield Medical Reserve Corps (FMRC) and to continue to promote the integration of the MRC unit into the local public health and emergency response system; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman, is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to conduct activities described in the NACCHO MRC RISE Award with an anticipated contract period of May 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022. These costs are 100% reimbursable."

Rep. Gerber – moved, Rep. Ruggiero – second. Item passes unanimously

Agenda Item #11: To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance*: "RESOLVED, that the Bond Resolution entitled, 'A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation Of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) To Refund Certain Of The Town's Outstanding Bonds And Authorizing The Issuance Of Refunding Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation,' be, and hereby is, approved. *Subject to anticipated approval by the Board of Finance at a Special Meeting at a time tbd.

Rep. Siebert – moved, Rep. Geber – second

Discussion: Bill: Glad that Ed asked the questions that he did. Normally it doesn't make sense to refinance the bonds in this environment. Hard to see them using this. No harm in having this resolution, may not use it.

Item passes unanimously

Agenda Item #12: The Moderator has referred an ordinance creating an Arts Commission, sponsored by Jeff Steele, District 2; Sharon Pistilli, District 3; Marcy Spolyar, District 4; Hannah Gale, District 6; Jill Vergara, District 7 and Karen Wackerman, District 7 to the Legislation and Administration Committee under Rule 32 of the RTM Rules to Regulate. REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING June 27, 2022 Page 4 of 5. (non voting item).

Agenda Item #13: The Moderator has referred an ordinance prohibiting the use of artificial turf containing rubber infill, sponsored by Cindy Perham, District 2; Jeff Galdenzi, District 3; Sharon Pistilli, District 3; Laura Karson, District 4; Will Diaz, District 5; Andrew Graceffa, District 6; Mark McDermott, District 7; Jill Vergara, District 7; Christine Brown, District 9; and Dru Georgiadis, District 9 to the Legislation and Administration Committee under Rule 32 of the RTM Rules to Regulate. (non-voting item).

Agenda Item #14: To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance: *: "RESOLVED, that in accordance with a recommendation from the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA), an appropriation of \$300,000 be made from the WPCA fund balance for the design to upgrade the Fairfield Beach Pump Station and Force Main." *Subject to anticipated approval by the Board of Finance at a Special Meeting to be held June 20, 2022.

Rep. Ruggiero – moved, Rep. Siebert – second

Discussion: Sharon asked Ed: Any other risk of contamination? Ed: Fairfield Beach Road – this is in the 1700 block of Fairfield Beach Road – brick building with a plaque on it, it only services Fairfield beach road and pine creek.

Item passes unanimously

4. **New Business:** Rep. Gerber provided an update from the last Board of Finance meeting: Regional dispatch center: expecting New Canaan and Westport joining together, Westport police delayed. Not up and ready on the new software system. Timeline is mid-July to get Westport Fire onboard, takes 30-45 days: Westport Police will be onboarded. Hopefully we'll have Westport Police by early Fall. Will bring in other small towns, economies of scale in bringing smaller towns, offer service without putting more cost on. Keep an eye on it.

5. **Adjournment**

Rep. Siebert moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Longo. Meeting adjourned at 9:22PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Joe Siebert

Vice Chairman, Finance Committee

June 21, 2022

COMMITTEE MEETING LEGISLATION AND ADMINISTRATION
MEETING MINUTES
June 20, 2022 @ 8:56 PM

Members: P Iacono, J. Steele, C. Messina, J. Garskof, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert

I. Call to order

D. Georgiadis called to order the regular meeting of the Legislative and Administration at 8:56 PM on June 20, 2022 remotely.

II. Roll call

T. Lambert conducted a roll call. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert present; C. Messina and J. Garskof absent.

III. Items on the Call

- a) Item #2 on the Call (Approval of minutes from last meeting):

T. Lambert provided the minutes from the last meeting. P. Iacono moved and K. Wackerman seconded approval of minutes from the prior meeting. A vote was called as to approving the prior meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as provided, unanimously.

- b) 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.

J. Vergara plans on presenting supplemental information on Senior and Elderly Tax Relief Committee meeting

- c) Item #5 on the Call, 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.”

Motion to consider the resolution, moved by J. Vergara, seconded by K. Wackerman.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- d) Item #6 on the Call, To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

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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.”

Motion to consider the resolution, moved by J. Vergara, seconded by K. Wackerman.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- e) Item #7 on the Call, To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

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Motion to consider the resolution, moved by J. Vergara, seconded by K. Wackerman.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- f) Item #8 on the Call, To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Fairfield accept from the State \$400,000, one hundred percent (100%) of said funds to be reimbursed by the Connecticut Department of Housing, in order to undertake a Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery - Tranche 2 Project, Fairfield Waste Water Treatment Plant Hardening, and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should one be offered; and

WHEREAS, the funding is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that First Selectwoman Brenda L. Kupchick be, and hereby is, authorized to accept in the name of and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, a Grant in the amount of \$400,000 from the Commissioner of the Department of Housing; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, to sign and execute any and all necessary documents to secure said grant as well as provide additional information to execute any other documents as may be required by the Commissioner to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered and to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Fairfield.”

Motion to consider the resolution, moved by K. Wackerman, seconded by P. Iacono.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- g) Item #9 on the Call, To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

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Motion to consider the resolution, moved by P. Iacono, seconded by J. Steele.

J. Vergara commended intern for tracking down grant.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- h) Item #10 on the Call, To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

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Motion to consider the resolution, moved by P. Iacono, seconded by J. Steele.

A vote was called to consider the motion, P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

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Motion to consider the resolution, moved by P. Iacono, seconded by K. Wackerman.

D. Georgiadis had a question as to whether town will move forward depending on market conditions.

K. Wackerman pointed out town trying to get lower rate and have to be able to save at least \$450,000 to go forward.

J. Vergara pointed out that \$450,000 was the hope for number, but \$350,000 the baseline.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- j) Item #12 on the Call, the Moderator referred an ordinance creating an Arts Commission, sponsored by Jeff Steele, District 2; Sharon Pistilli, District 3; Marcy Spolyar, District 4; Hannah Gale, District 6; Jill Vergara, District 7 and Karen Wackerman, District 7 to the Legislation and Administration Committee under Rule 32 of the RTM Rules to Regulate. The item did not come before the committee for a vote,

However, K. Wackerman discussed the submission to the town attorney, who pointed out statute on forming cultural districts which could receive support from state funding. It is a process involving public hearings. Our committee could go ahead with this ordinance, modify language, or wait to go through process for cultural district.

J. Steele points out that we do need sign-off from town attorney. Also that he took out "electors" but it does need to be put back in per Charter. He also pointed out that this commission needs to be put in place in order to govern the district, if we set it up. He does not know if town attorney has finished with approval of language.

K. Wackerman agrees is just about there, but needs a little more thought about choosing commission versus district.

D. Georgiadis agrees we should know steps to get state approval, even if we do not want to go through all of them yet.

J. Steele mentions this is first step, then there are other steps that follow. Ultimately it is RTM that approves it.

P. Iacono agrees with K. Wackerman that this is not ready for prime time and thinks we should pull ordinance to work out the kinks on language.

Mark Barnhart advised that another member of the BOS that reached out to him regarding Ridgefield's establishment of arts and cultural district and how Fairfield could do the same. A commission was required, so his advice was that the commission be established first then pursue other criteria. He originally drafted art commission ordinance modeled after West Hartford. He has no issue with this committee thinking through what we want to pursue and holding off on ordinance until we figure out objectives and how we would reach them first.

K. Wackerman mentioned how town, first selectperson, RTM, and many others need to be all on board.

P. Iacono suggested J. Steele and K. Wackerman meet with Mark Barnhart and town attorney.

J. Steele brought discussion back to goals and that, either way, commission is required.

K. Wackerman said it was a cultural district commission that was required, but that this was for just a general arts commission.

P. Iacono stated, and T. Lambert and J. Vergara agreed, that best way to approach this would be to leverage state funding.

- k) Item #13 on the Call, the Moderator referred an ordinance prohibiting the use of artificial turf containing rubber infill, sponsored by Cindy Perham, District 2; Jeff Galdenzi, District 3; Sharon Pistilli, District 3; Laura Karson, District 4; Will Diaz, District 5; Andrew Graceffa, District 6; Mark McDermott, District 7; Jill Vergara, District 7; Christine Brown, District 9; and Dru Georgiadis, District 9 to the Legislation and Administration Committee under Rule 32 of the RTM Rules to Regulate. The item did not come before the committee for a vote.

However, J. Vergara discussed that language has been sent to town attorney for approval and might require special meeting. P. Iacono agrees with substance of ordinance, but that according to First Selectperson there is no rush on this, so no need for a special meeting. J. Vergara mentioned that this is top of mind, and P. Iacono suggested to give town attorney a deadline.

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Motion to consider the resolution, moved by T. Lambert, seconded by J. Vergara.

D. Georgiadis had a question as to where the pump is located.

A vote was called to consider the motion. P Iacono, J. Steele, K. Wackerman, J. Vergara, D. Georgiadis, T. Lambert voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

- k) Item #15 on the Call, To hear an update regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan from the Education and Recreation Committee. There was no discussion.

IV. New business

- a) 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. None

V. Adjournment

K. Wackerman moved to adjourn. T. Lambert seconded. D. Georgiadis adjourned the meeting at 9:34 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Tom Lambert

Fairfield RTM Public Health & Safety Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2022

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order the regular meeting of the Public Health & Safety Committee at 9:01pm on June 20, 2022 via virtual/phone.

II. Roll call

Laura Karson conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Laura Karson (Chair), Hank Ference (Vice Chair), Jeff Galdenzi (Secretary), Cindy Perham, Hannah Gale and Stori Tallman, Marty Furey, Will Diaz. The following persons were absent: n/a

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

N/A

IV. Items on the Call

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.” (Perham / Ference) PASSED 6-0-1 (Gale absented to get additional information on any preclusions and to follow up on a particular agency) Note Diaz was late and missed vote.

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

“RESOLVED, that the Program Year 48 (October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is hereby approved in the amount of \$592,000, which includes entitlement grant funds of \$525,640 and program income of \$66360, 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.”

(Furey / Karson) PASSED 7-0-0 (Note, Diaz late and missed vote on item)

7. 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 \$3,088,000 For The Costs Associated With Construction Of Berm And Pumping Station And Authorizing The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation’ To Increase The Amount Of The Appropriation To \$10,007,765 And To Accept A Further State Grant In The Amount Of \$400,000,’ be, and hereby is, approved.”
(Gale / Perham) PASSED 7-0-0 (Note, Diaz late and missed vote on item)

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

“WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93-383, as amended; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General

Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and ...

Motion made to forgo full reading of resolution due to length (Ference / Perham) PASSED 7-0-0

(Perham / Galdenzi) PASSED 7-0-0 (Note Diaz did not vote)

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

“RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for State Grants in the amount of \$252,155.11 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further Fairfield Health Department's response to COVID-19 and other emerging infections; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) to conduct activities described in the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Cooperative Agreement with an anticipated contract period of March 1, 2022 - February 29, 2024. These costs are 100% reimbursable.”

(Galdenzi / Karson) PASSED 7-0-1 (Gale abstained to do more research on resolution)

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

“RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for Federal Grants in the amount of \$50,000 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further develop the Fairfield Medical Reserve Corps (FMRC) and to continue to promote the integration of the MRC unit into the local public health and emergency response system; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman, is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to conduct activities described in the NACCHO-MRC RISE Award with an anticipated contract period of May 1, 2022 - December 21, 2022. These costs are 100% reimbursable.” (Diaz / Perham) PASSED 7-0-1 (Gale abstained to get more information on informed consent as it relates to resolution)

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

“RESOLVED, that the Bond Resolution entitled, ‘A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation Of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) To Refund Certain Of The Town's Outstanding Bonds And Authorizing The Issuance Of Refunding Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation,’ be, and hereby is, approved (Ference / Gale) PASSED 8-0-0

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

“RESOLVED, that in accordance with a recommendation from the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA), an appropriation of \$300,000 by made from the WPCA fund balance for the design to upgrade the Fairfield Beach Pump Station and Force Main.” (Karson / Perham) PASSED 8-0-0

V. New/Old business

a) None

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:32pm.

Minutes submitted by: Jeff Galdenzi

Public Works & Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 20 2022



I. Call to order

The regular meeting of the Public Works & Planning Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wolk at 9:05 pm on June 20, 2022 via bridge call. 1.516.597.9432-4

II. Roll call

Representative Havey conducted a voice roll call.

p Jay Wolk (D) District 5 - Chair	p Christine Brown (D) District 9
p Frank Petise (R) District 10 - Vice Chair	p Peter Britton (R) District 10
p Lisa Havey (D) District 6 - Secretary	a Ken Astarita (R) District 10
p Andrew Graceffa (D) District 6	p Karen McCormack (R) District 2

III. Approval of minutes from May RTM Meeting

Representative Havey provided the minutes from the April meeting.

Motion to accept the minutes by Representative Brown. Seconded by Representative McCormack. Motion carries unanimously.

IV. Items on the Call/Agenda.

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.

No discussion by PWP Committee.

4. To hear a report on the search for a Superintendent of Schools from the Education and Recreation Committee Chair.

No discussion by PWP Committee.

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."

Motion made by Representative Havey to combine agenda items 5&6 as presented. Second by Representative Wolk. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Program Year 48 (October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is hereby approved in the amount of \$592,000, which includes entitlement grant funds of \$525,640 and program income of \$66360, 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

Motion to accept agenda items 5 & 6 as presented made by Representative Petise. Seconded by Representative Havey. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

7. 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 \$3,088,000 For The Costs Associated With Construction Of Berm And Pumping Station And Authorizing The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation' To Increase The Amount Of The Appropriation To \$10,007,765 And To Accept A Further State Grant In The Amount Of \$400,000,' be, and hereby is, approved."

Motion to accept as presented made by Representative Graceffa. Seconded by Representative Wolk. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

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

"WHEREAS, Federal monies are available under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program, administered by the State of Connecticut, Department of Housing pursuant to Public Law 93-383, as amended; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 127c, and Part VI of Chapter 130 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Housing is authorized to disburse such Federal monies to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of Fairfield accept from the State \$400,000, one hundred percent (100%) of said funds to be reimbursed by the Connecticut Department of Housing, in order to undertake a Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery - Tranche 2 Project, Fairfield Waste Water Treatment Plant Hardening, and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore, should one be offered; and

WHEREAS, the funding is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State Assistance imposed by Part VI of Chapter 130 of The Connecticut General Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that First Selectwoman Brenda L. Kupchick be, and hereby is, authorized to accept in the name of and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, a Grant in the amount of \$400,000 from the Commissioner of the Department of Housing; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, to sign and execute any and all necessary documents to secure said grant as well as provide additional information to execute any other documents as may be required by the Commissioner to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is

offered and to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the Town of Fairfield.”

Motion to accept as presented made by Representative Britton. Seconded by Representative Brown. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

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

“RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for State Grants in the amount of \$252,155.11 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further Fairfield Health Department's response to COVID-19 and other emerging infections; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) to conduct activities described in the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Cooperative Agreement with an anticipated contract period of March 1, 2022 - February 29, 2024. These costs are 100% reimbursable.”

Motion made by Representative Havey to combine agenda items 9 & 10 as presented. Seconded by Representative Brown. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

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

“RESOLVED, that the Director of Health requests an increase in the estimated revenue for Federal Grants in the amount of \$50,000 to cover the cost of Fairfield's continued efforts to further develop the Fairfield Medical Reserve Corps (FMRC) and to continue to promote the integration of the MRC unit into the local public health and emergency response system; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectwoman, is authorized to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Fairfield, any and all contracts or amendments thereof with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to conduct activities described in the NACCHO-MRC RISE Award with an anticipated contract period of May 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022. These costs are 100% reimbursable.”

Motion to accept agenda items 9 & 10 made by Representative Wolk. Seconded by Representative Graceffa. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

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

“RESOLVED, that the Bond Resolution entitled, ‘A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation Of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) To Refund Certain Of The Town's Outstanding Bonds And Authorizing The Issuance Of Refunding Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation,’ be, and hereby is, approved.

*Subject to anticipated approval by the Board of Finance at a Special Meeting at a time tbd

Motion to accept as presented made by Representative McCormack. Seconded by Representative Britton. No Discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

S14. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance: *:

“RESOLVED, that in accordance with a recommendation from the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA), an appropriation of \$300,000 be made from the WPCA fund balance for the design to upgrade the Fairfield Beach Pump Station and Force Main.”

*Subject to anticipated approval by the Board of Finance at a Special Meeting to be held June 20, 2022

Motion to accept as presented made by Representative Wolk. Seconded by Representative Graceffa. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously.

V. Committee discussion

The committee is frustrated by bridge call meetings and wants to be back in person for meetings. Representative McCormack commented there is a possibility of in person for the August meeting. There has been no official communication about the August meeting.

IV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Representative Britton. Seconded by Representative Brown.

Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Lisa Havey, Public Works & Planning Committee Secretary, June 23, 2022.