

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD
AUGUST 21, 2023
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A Special Meeting of the Town of Fairfield was held on Monday, August 21, 2023, at the Education Center, 501 Kings Highway East, Fairfield, CT and via Webex.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Moderator Mark McDermott.

PRESENT: 29 ABSENT: 11 VACANCY: 0

PRESENT: Bateson, Gerber, McCormack, Steele, Durrell, Galdenzi, Lambert, Pistilli, McCabe, Spolyar, Zezima, Barahona, Garskof, Siebert, Wolk, Berecz, Graceffa, Havey, Kuhn, McDermott, Vergara, Wackerman, Ference, Brown, Georgiadis, Horton, Astarita, Britton, Sparacino

ABSENT: Furey, Longo, Ruggiero, Perham, Karson, Gale, Choniski, Meyers, Mirabile, Scinto, Tallman

ITEM NO. 1 ON CALL: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Moderator Mark McDermott led the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.

ITEM NO. 2 ON CALL: APPOINTMENTS OF GILBERT C. DONOVAN (D) PAUL FATTIBENE (R) AND DONALD R. KLEBER (U) TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION

The Moderator moved this item as distributed with the Call, duly seconded. Messrs. Donovan, Fattibene and Kleber were present.

VOTE: The appointments of Gilbert Donovan, Paul Fattibene and Donald Kleber were approved by unanimous voice vote.

ITEM NO. 3 ON CALL: APPOINTMENT OF PAUL FOLEY (R) TO THE FAIRTV COMMISSION

The Moderator moved this item as distributed with the Call, duly seconded.

Marcy Spolyar, District 4, said that if this item is not voted tonight, the appointment would be approved automatically. Since Mr. Foley was absent at the June meeting and postponed until this evening and he is not present, we should vote against the appointment. FairTV needs to have a quorum to be effective.

Town Attorney James Baldwin said that the appointment does not get automatically approved as the Ethics Commission appointments do in accordance with the Town Charter.

MOTION: Ed Bateson, District 1, moved to postpone this item until the next meeting to be held next Monday, duly seconded.

During debate, Mr. Foley joined the meeting by means of WebEx but was unable to connect to audio.

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VOTE: The motion to postpone the FairTV appointment until the next RTM meeting to be held Monday, August 28, 2023, was approved with a show-of-hands vote with 19 in favor, 10 opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth P. Browne, CMC, MCTC
Town Clerk

Prepared by:
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Asst. Town Clerk