

Town of Branford
Representative Town Meeting
Rules & Ordinances Committee
Minutes
Special Meeting June 28, 2022

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The Rules and Ordinances Committee of the Representative Town Meeting of Branford held a SPECIAL meeting on June 28, 2022 at the Branford Community House 46 Church Street, Branford at 7:30 p.m.

1. Special Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Peter Black, Chair, Adrian Bonenberger, Peter Hentschel, Josh Brooks, David Wells, Sean Kelly, Tricia Anderson. Also in attendance: RTM members Frank Twohill, Carolyn Sires and HR director Margaret Luberda.
2. Committee discussed and considered a draft ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A MUNICIPAL COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF BRANFORD, and went through it paragraph by paragraph to consider any revisions to the draft. Below are the results of that consideration.

§ ___-1. Authorization to Appoint

Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 9-189, the Board of Selectmen of Branford is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a Tax Collector, who shall have all rights, powers, and duties conferred and imposed upon such Tax Collector under state law. Such appointment must be by unanimous vote of the Board of Selectmen.

No motions changes, passed unanimously

§ ___-2. Term and Qualifications

The Tax Collector shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years. The tax collector shall become certified by the State of Connecticut to perform all

duties of the Tax Collector within four years of the date of appointment and shall remain certified for the duration of his/her tenure. Failure to become certified within four years of appointment, or failure to maintain certification after initial certification, may be cause for removal or non-reappointment.

Motion to approve changes as written by Tricia Anderson second by Adrian Bonenberger, motion passed without objection.

§ ___-3. Performance of Duties

In the performance of the duties required of the Tax Collector, the Tax Collector shall be responsible to the First Selectman, or his/her designee.

Motion to approve changes as written by Peter Hentschel second by David Wells, motion passed without objection.

§ ___-4. Effective Date; Effect of Enactment

The Tax Collector in office on the effective date hereof shall continue in office until the expiration of the term for which he was elected. After said expiration, a tax collector appointed per this ordinance shall take and begin his or her first four year term.

Motion to pass effective date as written here (deleting prior inclusion of confusing charter language), and motion to recommend to full RTM as per changes tonight (subject to Town Attorney review) by Peter Hentschel second by David Wells.

3. Motion to adjourn by Sean Kelly second by David Wells.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m .

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Black, Chair