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**Representative Town Meeting
November 21, 2023
Meeting Minutes**

Moderator: Maryann Amore	Clerk: Frank Twohill
Majority Leader: Tracy Everson	Minority Leader: Victoria Verderame

A special organizational meeting of the RTM was convened on Tuesday November 21, 2023 at 8 pm at the Fire headquarters, 45 North Main Street, to consider and act upon the following matters.

1. The swearing in of elected officials 2023-2025:

- a. First Selectman Jamie Cosgrove, serving as temporary moderator, opened the meeting congratulating all RTM members on their election. The First Selectman led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- b. Town Clerk Lisa Arpin conducted the ceremony in which all RTM representatives were sworn in. She welcomed 13 new representatives and 16 incumbents (one Democratic vacancy – 4th district). The 13 new representatives listed by district are as follows: #1 McCall, Sharkey, Waterman; #3 Keefe; #4 Adelman, Soomro; #5 Adams, Hartwell, Larsson; #6 Loffredo, McCormack, Popolizio; #7 Dahill. The 16 incumbents include #1 Anderson, Greenberg, Twohill; #2 Brooks, Hentschel, Hynes; #3 Black, Bonenberger; #4 Amore, Neupane, Verderame; #5 Everson, Ingraham; #6 Alfone; #7 Laich, Maresca.

2. The Election of a Moderator and a Clerk:

- a. The Majority Leader, Tracy Everson, introduced a motion to elect Maryann Amore to be the Moderator, 2nd by John Hartwell. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote. The Moderator took charge of the meeting.
- b. Moderator Amore asked for a motion to appoint the RTM clerk. Rep. Ingraham made a motion to elect Rep. Twohill as RTM clerk, 2nd by Rep. Popolizio. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

3. Assignment of Committees:

The Moderator announced Committee Chairs and assignments for RTM representatives. The committee assignments are attached. Rep. Hentschel will act as Parliamentarian.

4. Order of Business:

- a. Moderator Amore brought forward an item of business for the next RTM meeting. The contract for the Employees Union for Parks, Recreation, and the Custodians. The moderator referred this contract to the Ways and Means and Administrative Services Committees.

- b. Clerk Twohill said that the Teacher's Contract was ratified and needs to be heard by the RTM within 45 days. The Moderator referred the contract to the Education Committee.

5. Adjournment: 8:11 pm

- a. The moderator wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving
- b. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rep. Everson, 2nd by Rep. Verderame.

Dated this 1st day of December 2023

Frank Twohill

RTM Clerk

Administrative Services (7 members)		Republican Members	
Dan Adelman (Chair)	4	Victoria Verderame	4
Nancy McCormack	6	Frank Twohill	1
Mark McCall	1	Anthony Alfone	6
Alex Larsson	5		
Rules and Ordinances (7 members)			
Peter Hentschel, Chair (Parliamentarian)	2	Tricia Anderson	1
Adrian Bonenberger	3	Ray Ingraham	5
Susan Dahill*	6	Peter Black	3
Dan Adelman	4		
Public Services (7 members)			
Adrian Bonenberger (Chair)	3		
Susan Dahill*	7	Shannen Sharkey	1
Donna Laich	7	Chiran Neupane	4
Abigail Adams	5	Gino Popolizio	6
Education (7 members)			
Tom Keefe (Chair)	3		
Shahida Soomro	4	Lindsay Greenberg	1
TBD	4	Joseph Loffredo	6
Josh Brooks*	2	Barbara Maresca	
Ways and Means			
John Hartwell, Chair	5		
Alisa Waterman	1	Peter Black	3
Josh Brooks*	2	Chris Hynes	2
Moderator - Maryann Amore			
Majority Leader - Tracy Everson			