

RTM Education & Recreation Subcommittee  
Board of Education Conference Room Kings Highway  
September 19, 2012

Public Health and Safety Chairman Michael Herley called the joint meeting of the Education & Recreation Committee and the Public Health and Safety Committee meeting to order at 7:37pm.

**In Attendance: (Education)**, Julie Gottlieb, Marc Patten, Carolyn Richmond, Carol Way, and Amy Jennings

**Absent: (Education)** Leonora Campbell, Nicholas Mirabile, Hal Schwartz, Mary McCullough, Allen Marks

Representative Jay Wolk made a motion to take the items on the agenda out of order according to the presentation schedule. Representative Julie Gottlieb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The items below are not reported in the order heard, but rather per the agenda. The order heard is: #7, #8, #6, #11, #9, #10, #12, #13, #14. Following the presentations the joint meeting was adjourned at 9:35pm. Since the Education & Recreation Committee had no quorum, no votes were taken on the items.

**Item #6:** To consider and act upon the following resolution recommended by the First Selectman:  
"RESOLVED, that a certain contract negotiated by and between the Town of Fairfield and Fairfield Public Health Nurses, Unit 34 of the Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals - Connecticut State Federation of Teachers - American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, concerning conditions of employment for a period commencing July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2014 be, and hereby is, ratified."

Attorney Pat McHale presented the changes in the new contract and Mary-Carroll-Mirylees, Human Resource Director was also present to answer questions.

Although a summary of the changes was not provided the major changes included a change from a defined benefit pension plan for new hires to a defined contribution plan. None of the salary increases are retroactive, with 0% increase in 2010-11 and 0% increase in 2011-12 with a 45 increase upon ratification of the contract and a 2.25% increase in 2012-2013. There are 26 full time employees and 7 part time/subs. The last contract was a 3% increase in each of the 4 years of the contract. Changes in the health care benefits include an increase in co-pays and an increase from \$31 per week toward the cost of the insurance to 12% of the premium cost starting July 1, 2012.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

**Item #7:** To hear, consider and act upon the appointment of Wendy Brandt Martinenas to the Solid Waste & Recycling Commission. The item was not heard as Ms. Martinenas was not present.

**Item #8:** To consider and act upon the following appointments to the Town Facilities Commission - Nick Caruso, Edwin Hill, Terri Leopold, and Howard Rosenbaum. Each candidate gave a brief background and answered questions from the committee.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

**Item #9:** To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

" RESOLVED, that Michael Tetreau, First Selectman of the Town of Fairfield, as empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield a contract with the Connecticut State Library fro an Historic Documents Preservation Grant."

Town Clerk Betsy Browne presented the request to accept the grant which will be used to preserve land record indexes form the 1920's.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

**Item# 10:** To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

"RESOLVED, that in accordance with a request from the Director of Community and Economic Development, the Fairfield Center Improvement Plan be, and hereby is approved; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectman be, and hereby is authorized to submit an application under the Main Street Investment Fund Program as referenced in Section 78 and 79 of Public Act 11-1, to execute documents necessary to facilitate the Town's participation in said program, and to administer any grant funds provided in connection therewith."

Mark Barnhart, Director of Community and Economic Development presented the request and answered questions.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

**Item#11:** To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approve the sale by the Town of Fairfield of the parcel of land which includes the driveway which presently serves 3171 Bronson Road, Fairfield, CT, which sale shall be to the owner (Elinor S. Garcia-Garcia) or her respective successors heirs and assigns for the sum of \$18,000. The buyer shall provide a class A-2 survey delineating the boundaries of the property.

The approval shall be contingent on the approval of the Fairfield Conservation Commission should same be required by statute or ordinance.

The First Selectman is hereby authorized to execute a deed and all other documents necessary to effectuate said sale."

Attorney Brian Fatse, representing the seller of the property, presented the request and answered questions.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

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

"RESOLVED, that the First Selectman Michael Tetreau, be, and hereby is authorized to accept a 2012 Clean Energy Fuel Grant in the amount of \$8,000 to pay for the incremental cost of a compressed natural gas vehicle for the Senior Center."

Joe Michelangelo, Director of Public Works, presented the request. the cost of the new 6 passenger vehicle is \$48,000 and would have to be included in next year's budget. As no one from the Senior Center was present, it was not understood whether this is an item in next year's budget or where this fit in the overall future plans for the Senior Center.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

**Item#13:** To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Finance:

"RESOLVED, that a 2011 \$100,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant be, and hereby is, accepted, in order to install permanent canopy structures over, and restore, the staircases at Fairfield Center Train Station, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and execute the grant agreement and accept the funds for this project."

Joe Michelangelo, Director of Public Works, presented the request.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

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

"RESOLVED, that a 2012 \$100,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant be, and hereby is, accepted, in order to increase handicap accessibility at Jennings Beach, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and execute the grant agreement and accept the funds for this project."

Joe Michelangelo, Director of Public Works, presented the request. The total cost of the project is expected to be \$135,000 with the overage of \$35,000 to be covered by the current budget.

No vote was taken as there was no quorum.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Richmond  
Secretary

RTM Finance Committee Meeting Minutes for 9/18/2012

Committee Members in attendance:

Finance Committee									
Tuesday, September 18, 2012	Item#6	Item#7	Item#8	Item#9	Item#10	Item#11	Item#12	Item#13	Item#14
Peter Ambrose	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y
Shiela Marmion	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tom McCarthy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bruce Ryan	away	away	away	away	away	away	away	away	away
Dave Mackenzie	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ken Lee	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Eric Newman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Hank Ference	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ellen Jacob	away	away	away	away	away	away	away	away	away
Heather Dean	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

NINE RESOLUTIONS WERE REFERRED TO THIS COMMITTEE BY THE RTM FOR REVIEW/ACTION PRIOR TO THE SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 24th.

Respectfully submitted; Thomas E McCarthy (Secretary).

6. To consider and act upon the following resolution recommended by the First Selectman:

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*Comments:* Addressing the committee members of L&A, PW&P, and Finance in joint session Mary Carroll-Mirylees (Director of Human Resources) summarized the agreement between the Town and the Teachers Union settled in mediation. She noted that the elements of this agreement (reduced sick leave, defined contribution for new employees, mutable post retirement health plan, and more) are consistent with the other town employee labor contracts negotiated this year. Representative Ference questioned the long term disability provision and Representative McCarthy questioned the basis for determining the wage increase, specifically the degree to which it is market based. Ms. Mirylees stated only that it was in line with other municipalities but was unaware of any private sector comparison. In single session the members of this committee were in general agreement that the terms of this agreement represented a move in the right directions, and although there remained some reservation with respect to the compensation increase it was felt that unwinding this agreement at this point would be counter productive. This contract was approved unanimously in single session.

7. To hear, consider and act upon the following appointment to the Solid Waste & Recycling Commission, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

Wendy Brandt Martinenas (U), 684 Catamount Road, Term Nov. 2008 - 2012  
(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of Marc Patten)

*Comments:* No questions were put to this candidate in joint session. No concerns were expressed with regard to this candidate in either single session or joint session. This appointment was unanimously approved in single session.

8. To consider and act upon the following appointments to the Town Facilities Commission as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

Nicholas F. Caruso (R), 32 Nutmeg Lane, term July 2012 - 2016

Edwin G. Hill (U), 80 Potters Lane, Term July 2010 - 2013

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of James R. Pesci)

Terri F. Leopold (U), 146 Coleman Road, Term July 2011 - 2014

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of William J. Sapone)

Howard Rosenbaum (U), 151 Wilton Road, Term July 2011 - 2014

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of James G. Gallagher)

*Comments:* No questions put to candidates in joint session, as a group the members of this committee were generally impressed with the credentials of the applicants, noting also that the willingness to freely give so much of their time is in itself indicative of commitment. These appointments were unanimously approved.

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

“RESOLVED, that Michael Tetreau, First Selectman of the Town of Fairfield, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Documents Preservation Grant.”

*Comments:* In joint session (L&A, Public Works & Planning, and Finance) Fairfield’s Town Clerk Betsy Browne summarized the request to approve this annual grant for the preservation of historical documents. She identified the specific initiative to which this year resource would be dedicated. This request was approved unanimously in single session.

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

“RESOLVED, that, in accordance with a request from the Director of Community and Economic Development, the Fairfield Center Improvement Plan be, and hereby is approved; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectman be, and hereby is authorized to submit an application under the Main Street Investment Fund Program as referenced in Section 78 and 79 of Public Act 11-1, to execute documents necessary to facilitate the Town’s participation in said program, and to administer any grant funds provided in connection therewith.”

*Comments:* Addressing the members of L&A, PW&P, and Finance in joint session Mr. Mark Barnhart (Director of Community Development) summarized this request stating that if the grant were awarded, it would be used to extend the down town streetscape consisting of concrete curbs, brick walk, benches and ornaments trees westward on the Post Road down to South Pine Creek. He noted that the award could be as rich as \$500K but cautioned that there would be strong competition from other municipalities and those municipalities who already

had a plan in place would hold an advantage. He could not comment on the odds of winning. This request was approved unanimously in single session.

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This approval shall be contingent on the approval of the Fairfield Conservation Commission should same be required by statute or ordinance.

The First Selectman is hereby authorized to execute a deed and all other documents necessary to effectuate said sale.”

*Comments:* As the attorney representing the buyers for the Bronson Road property, Representative Ambrose rescued himself from the presentation and Attorney Brian Fatse, representing the sellers of the Bronson Road property summarized this request in joint session. Attorney Fatse explained that the sale of encroached upon town parcel over which a driveway has existed for as far back as records indicate is essentially a matter of cleaning up the title prior to sale of the property. He stated that open questions regarding Land Use and Tax had been resolved and that this request was approved by the BOF on September 5<sup>th</sup>, and by TP&Z on September 11<sup>th</sup>. In response to questions directed by Representative Bateson, Representative Ambrose explained that it would be the perspective buyers of the property who would be paying for the parcel, and there would be no exposure for the town. This request was approved unanimously in single session.

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

“RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau, be, and hereby is, authorized to accept a 2012 Clean Energy Fuel Grant in the amount of \$8,000 to pay for the incremental cost of a compressed natural gas vehicle for the Senior Center.”

*Comments:* The Town’s new Director of Public Works Mr. Joseph Michelangelo explained in joint session that, if accepted the grant would be there for the town to use should it decide to do so within the 12 month allotted window. He stated that it would be the intention of the town to replace the 16 seat diesel van used by the senior center with a green alternative utilizing compressed natural gas. The grant would cover the incremental cost of the green solution. Representatives Steele, Lee, and others expressed their support for the move in this direction. Representative Ference expressed some concern with respect to the frequency with which vehicles are replaced at the Senior Center and requested a listing of the fleet in order to conduct an informal audit. This Resolution was passed unanimously in single session.

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

“RESOLVED, that a 2011 \$100,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant be, and hereby is, accepted, in order to install permanent canopy structures over, and restore, the staircases at Fairfield Center Train Station, and

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*Comments:* In joint session Director of Public Works, Mr. Joseph Michelangelo summarized the need for the project. He cited safety concerns associated with accumulation of snow during winter months, and pointed out the need for resurfacing the concrete which were showing signs of deterioration. He addressed concerns relating to the choice of materials for the awning, assuring the committee members that the heavy mill nylon solution was in fact the prevailing material of choice for commercial use, adding that it came with an 8 year warrantee but 12 year useful life. This Resolution was passed unanimously in single session.

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

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*Comments:* In joint session Director of Public Works, Mr. Joseph Michelangelo offered an overview of how the grant funding would be used to add handicap parking, upgrade/replace the present bathroom facilities with ADA compliant facilities not only for the rest rooms but the Life Guard Station as well. He added that DPW would contribute \$35K of town workforce labor to the project. Representative Bateson requested assurance that the proposed location of the additional parking places did not compromise sea grass or erosion conservation measures. This request was approved unanimously in single session.

## Legislative and Administrative Committee Meeting Minutes for 9/18/2012

Committee Members in attendance: Bateson, Becker, Braun, Garskof, Hoffkins, Stamler, Steele.  
Absent: Brogan, DiMartino, Varian

Respectfully submitted; Kathryn L. Braun (Secretary).

RTM Agenda Items and actions taken by L&A Committee:

6. To consider and act upon the following resolution recommended by the First Selectman:  
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Motion to approve: Hoffkins; seconded: Stamler. Approved 5-0-2 (Becker, Braun).

7. To hear, consider and act upon the following appointment to the Solid Waste & Recycling Commission, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Wendy Brandt Martinenas (U), 684 Catamount Road, Term Nov. 2008 - 2012 (To fill vacancy created by the resignation of Marc Patten) *(Referred to All Standing Committees)*

Motion to approve: Hoffkins; seconded Stamler. Approved 7-0-0.

8. To consider and act upon the following appointments to the Town Facilities Commission as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:  
Nicholas F. Caruso (R), 32 Nutmeg Lane, term July 2012 - 2016  
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(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of James R. Pesci)  
Terri F. Leopold (U), 146 Coleman Road, Term July 2011 - 2014  
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Howard Rosenbaum (U), 151 Wilton Road, Term July 2011 - 2014  
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*(Referred to All Standing Committees)*

Motion to approve: Hoffkins; seconded Stamler. Approved 7-0-0.

9. To hear, consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen: "RESOLVED, that Michael Tetreau, First Selectman of the Town of Fairfield, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Documents Preservation Grant."

*(Referred to All Standing Committees)*

Motion to approve: Garskof; seconded Stamler. Approved 7-0-0.

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*(Referred to All Standing Committees)*

Motion to approve: Garskoff; seconded by Steele. Discussion revolved around the need for the first resolution and whether that is in the RTM's jurisdiction; and as to the second resolution, adequacy of information presented, and how and why the project location was selected. Not Approved 3-0-4 (Bateson, Becker, Braun, Stamler).

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*(Referred to All Standing Committees)*

Motion to approve: Steele; seconded by Braun. Discussion revolved around value of land conveyed; history of use; designation as open space or not; potential liability of the Town owning driveway used to access private residence. Approved 7-0-0.

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Motion to approve: Stamler; seconded by Braun. Approved 7-0-0.

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Motion to approve: Steele; seconded by Hoffkins. Discussion revolved around the lifespan and quality of the canopy. Approved 6-0-1 (Hoffkins).

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*(Referred to All Standing Committees)*

Motion to approve: Braun; seconded by Hoffkins. Discussion revolved around whether the proposed walkway would adversely impact prior work done to preserve sand dunes and sea grass. Approved 5-0-2 (Bateson, Braun).

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:25 pm.

**Town of Fairfield RTM**  
**Minutes of Public Health and Safety Committee**  
**Wednesday September 19th, 2012**

Chairman: Rep. Michael Herley (R-1)

Vice Chairman: Rep. Ruth Smey (D-5)

Secretary: Rep. Bill Domeika (R-9)

The joint meeting of the Ed/Rec and Health and Public Safety Committees was called to order by the Chairman Mary McCullough (R-3) at 7:35pm EDT.

o Roll Call

Present: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).

Absent: Rep. Arthur Hug (R-4), Rep. Gaylord Meyer (R-1), Rep. Bill Domeika (R-9), Rep. Ruth Smey (D-5).

o Guests/Speakers

Mark Barnhart

Patrick McHale

Mary Carol Mirylees

Joseph Michelangelo (new Public Works Director)

Betsy Brown

Brian Fatse

o Administrative Matters

None

o Meeting Business

**Items:**

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Presentation: Patrick McHale, Mary Carol Mirylees

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

[ABSTAIN: Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

PH&S Committee: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain (4 absent)

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No Presentation

[ABSTAIN: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

PH&S Committee: 0 in favor, 0 opposed, 6 abstain (4 absent)

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Attendance of Candidates

Nicholas F. Caruso (present)

Edwin G. Hill (present)

Terri F. Leopold (present)

Howard Rosenbaum (absent)

Nicholas F. Caruso (present)

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

PH&S Committee: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain (4 absent)

Edwin G. Hill (present)

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

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Terri F. Leopold (present)

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

PH&S Committee: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain (4 absent)

Howard Rosenbaum (absent)

[Abstain: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

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Presentation: Betsy Brown

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

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Presentation: Mark Barnhard

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

[ABSTAIN: Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9).]

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Presentation: Brian Fatse

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

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Presentation: Joseph Michelangelo

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PH&S Committee: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain (4 absent)

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

“RESOLVED, that a 2012 \$100,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant be, and hereby is, accepted, in order to increase handicap accessibility at Jennings Beach, and FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and execute the grant agreement and accept the funds for this project.”

Presentation: Joseph Michelangelo

[IN FAVOR: Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6), Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), Rep. Michael Herley (R-1), Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R-9), and Rep. Joe Felner (R-9), Rep. Matthew Ambrose (D-5).]

PH&S Committee: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain (4 absent)

o Adjournment There was a motion to adjourn by Rep. Jay Wolk (D-6) that was seconded by Rep. Jennifer Hochberg (D-7), at 9:40 pm EDT and that was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by Rep. Carol Pontrelli (R 9) Acting Secretary for the Public Health and Safety Committee, on September 21, 2012.

## **Public Works & Planning Committee Meeting Minutes 9/18/12**

Committee Present: Amy Mezoff, Jeff Stopa, Joe Palmer, Chuck Abercrombie, Eric Sundman. Leigh Hannum, John Mitola.

Absent: Dana Kery, Tom Conley, Chris McAleese

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Eric Sundman PW&P Chairman

6. To consider and act upon the following resolution recommended by the First Selectman:  
"RESOLVED, that a certain contract negotiated by and between the Town of Fairfield and Fairfield Public Health Nurses, Unit 34 of the Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals - Connecticut State Federation of Teachers - American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, concerning conditions of employment for a period commencing July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2014 be, and hereby is, ratified."

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**There was discussion on this item and some members wanted to hear more information at the full RTM meeting.**

**Yes 3 No 0 Abstentions 4**

7. To hear, consider and act upon the following appointment to the Solid Waste & Recycling Commission, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

Wendy Brandt Martinenas (U), 684 Catamount Road, Term Nov. 2008 - 2012

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of Marc Patten)

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**Without prejudice, some members were concerned that proposed appointments who want to be on this commission should do their homework researching their role.**

**Yes 5 No 2 Abstentions 0**

8. To consider and act upon the following appointments to the Town Facilities Commission as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

Nicholas F. Caruso (R), 32 Nutmeg Lane, term July 2012 - 2016

Edwin G. Hill (U), 80 Potters Lane, Term July 2010 - 2013

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of James R. Pesci)

Terri F. Leopold (U), 146 Coleman Road, Term July 2011 - 2014

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of William J. Sapone)

Howard Rosenbaum (U), 151 Wilton Road, Term July 2011 - 2014

(To fill vacancy created by the resignation of James G. Gallagher)

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**There was no further discussion on this item.**

**Yes 6 No 0 Abstentions 1**

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

"RESOLVED, that Michael Tetreau, First Selectman of the Town of Fairfield, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Town of Fairfield a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Documents Preservation Grant."

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**There was no further discussion on this item.**

**Yes 7 No 0 Abstentions 0**

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

“RESOLVED, that, in accordance with a request from the Director of Community and Economic Development, the Fairfield Center Improvement Plan be, and hereby is approved; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the First Selectman be, and hereby is authorized to submit an application under the Main Street Investment Fund Program as referenced in Section 78 and 79 of Public Act 11-1, to execute documents necessary to facilitate the Town’s participation in said program, and to administer any grant funds provided in connection therewith.”

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**Some members of our committee wondered who decides how the Improvement Plan is decided upon and implemented.**

**Yes 7 No 0 Abstentions 0**

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

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approve the sale by the Town of Fairfield of the parcel of land which includes the driveway which presently serves 3171 Bronson Road, Fairfield, CT, which sale shall be to the owner (Elinor S. Garcia-Garcia) or her respective successors heirs and assigns for the sum of \$18,000. The buyer shall provide a class A-2 survey delineating the boundaries of the property.

This approval shall be contingent on the approval of the Fairfield Conservation Commission should same be required by statute or ordinance.

The First Selectman is hereby authorized to execute a deed and all other documents necessary to effectuate said sale.”

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**There was no further discussion on this item.**

**Yes 7 No 0 Abstentions 0**

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

“RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau, be, and hereby is, authorized to accept a 2012 Clean Energy Fuel Grant in the amount of \$8,000 to pay for the incremental cost of a compressed natural gas vehicle for the Senior Center.”

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**Some members of the committee wanted to see a breakdown of vehicles, cost comparison of fuel consumption, and also wanted to wait to hear more information at the full RTM meeting.**

**Yes 6 No 0 Abstentions 1**

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

“RESOLVED, that a 2011 \$100,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant be, and hereby is, accepted, in order to install permanent canopy structures over, and restore, the staircases at Fairfield Center Train Station, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and execute the grant agreement and accept the funds for this project.”

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**There was no further discussion on this topic.**

**Yes 7 No 0 Abstentions 0**

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

“RESOLVED, that a 2012 \$100,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant be, and hereby is, accepted, in order to increase handicap accessibilty at Jennings Beach, and FURTHER RESOLVED, that First Selectman Michael Tetreau be, and hereby is, authorized to apply for and execute the grant agreement and accept the funds for this project.”

(Referred to All Standing Committees)

**There was no further discussion regarding this item.**

**Yes 6 No 0 Abstentions 1**