

REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING

APRIL 29, 2019

MOTION: Jill Vergara, District 7 moved that the RTM refer the amendments to the Senior & Disabled Tax Relief Ordinance as unanimously approved by the bipartisan Senior & Disabled Tax Relief Committee to the Board of Finance for its recommendation based on the fiscal impact of the amendments on the Town and that the Moderator so notify the Chair of the Board of Finance by transmitting a copy of the amendments to the Chair and requesting that the recommendation be sent to the RTM as soon as possible, duly seconded.

Pamela Iacono, District 8 said she felt the motion was out of order since the full RTM had not voted on the amendments therefore the Republican caucus would abstain on the motion.

VOTE: The motion to refer the amendments to the Board of Finance was approved by voice vote with 24 in favor, 0 opposed and 12 abstentions (Chessare, Fogel, O'Shea, Durrell, Rotelli, Iacono, Tallman, Farnen, Herron, Cargill, Herley, Sundman).

Michael Herley raised a point of order that the amendment was not voted on to which the Moderator noted that it was a motion not an amendment and was properly acted upon.

ITEM NO. 5 ON CALL: TO HEAR AND CONSIDER FOR THE FIRST TIME A REUSABLE CHECKOUT BAG ORDINANCE, SPONSORED BY NANCY LEFKOWITZ, DIST 1; ERIC NEWMAN, DIST 2; HEATHER DEAN, DIST 3; MATTHEW JACOBS, DISTRICT 3; SHARON PISTILLI, DISTRICT 3; PHIL PIRES, DIST 4; JAY WOLK; DIST 5; LISA HAVEY; DIST 6; LAUREN BOVE; DIST 7; MARK MCDERMOTT; DIST 7 JILL VERGARA; DIST 7; KERRY BERCHEM, DIST 8; DRU GEORGIADIS; DIST 9; AND SAMUEL CARGILL, DIST 10.

Kerry Berchem, District 8 reviewed the ordinance and noted an amendment would be forthcoming regarding monetary penalties.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the ordinance: David McKinnis, Douglas Price & Mary Hogue.

New business:

Jill Vergara, District 7 advised the Body that she had attended a workshop with Representatives Tallman and Durrell held by the Fairfield Senior Advocates which she found to be very informative regarding legislative issues, including the Medicare Savings plan.

Moderator Pires welcomed new member Bonnie Rotelli in District 4.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth P. Browne, MMC, MCTC
Town Clerk

Recorded by: Frances Daly