

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFIELD
DECEMBER 21, 2020**

A Meeting of the Town of Fairfield was held via phone on December 21, 2020 at 7:30 PM.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Moderator Karen Wackerman.

PRESENT: 34 ABSENT: 6 VACANCY: 0

PRESENT: Mahoney, Monahan, Ruggiero, Gerber, McCormack, Perham, Durrell, Jacobs, Nickel, Pistilli, Karson, A. Kelly, Odinak, Spolyar, Garskof, Siebert, Wolk, Havey, Powell-Dunmore, Bove, McDermott, Vergara, Wackerman, Ference, Iacono, Tallman, Georgiadis, Grauer, C. Kelly, Perugini, Britton, Altobelli, Petise, Ringel

ABSENT: O’Shea, Steele, Diaz, Ambrose, Gale, Messina

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

The Moderator led the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM NO. 2 ON CALL: APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL PACEWICZ TO THE SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING COMMISSION

Dru Georgiadis, District 9 moved this Item as distributed with the Call, duly seconded.

VOTE: The appointment of Michael Pacewicz to the Solid Waste & Recycling Commission was approved by unanimous voice vote.

ITEM NO. 3 ON CALL: TO HEAR, CONSIDER AND ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE: “RESOLVED, THAT THE BOND RESOLUTION ENTITLED, ‘A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$5,123,928 FOR THE COSTS OF PURCHASING LAND AND EXISTING BUILDINGS TO OPERATE THE WALTER FITZGERALD HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS AND TO UTILIZE FOR FUTURE TOWN PROJECTS, MOVING COSTS AND IMPROVEMENTS RELATED THERETO AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION,’ BE, AND HEREBY IS, APPROVED.”

Mark McDermott, District 7 moved this Item as distributed with the Call, duly seconded.

Town Attorney Jim Baldwin recommended amending the resolution to add the location of the property.

Amendment: Josh Garskof, District 5 moved to insert “located at 309 Barberry Road” following the word “building” in the bonding resolution, duly seconded.

Dru Georgiadis asked who is supposed to ensure that the information is correct to avoid amendments. Attorney Baldwin noted that earlier versions had included the address, but for clarity it should be included in the captioned resolution.

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Jill Vergara, District 7 asked if the resolution must be identical to what was approved by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance to which Attorney Baldwin said it did not and it does not affect the purchase of the property.

VOTE: The motion to amend the resolution to include “located at 309 Barberry Road” was approved with 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention (Georgiadis).

VOTE: The motion to approve the bonding resolution as amended in the amount of \$5,123,928 for the purchase, moving costs, and improvements of land and buildings located at 309 Barberry Road was approved by unanimous voice vote.

ITEM NO. 4 ON CALL: REPORT ON COVID-19 FROM THE HEALTH DIRECTOR

The Moderator reported that the report had been postponed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth P. Browne, MMC, MCTC
Town Clerk