

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
Special Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2011

Town Hall Meeting Room

12:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by President Farrell.

President Farrell stated this meeting was being recorded. If any other person present was doing the same, they must notify the chairperson at this time. It was noted the Town Council was audio recording and GCTV-15 was video recording the meeting for future broadcast.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll Call was taken. Councilors McLellan, Ronhave, and Sluter were absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor William Martin; Town Clerk Maureen Winseck; Town Council Administrative Assistant Kathy Scott; GCTV-15 staff; WHAI/WPVQ; Anita Phillips, *the Recorder*; and members of the public.

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Sutphin, second by Councilor Wisnewski, it was unanimously,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE RULES OF PROCEDURE, RULE 8, ORDER AND DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS.

President Farrell relinquished the Chairmanship to Senior Council member Allis.

Councilor Allis asked for nominations for the position of Town Council President.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Farrell, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was,

MOVED: TO NOMINATE COUNCILOR DAVID SINGER AS TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT.

Councilor Allis asked for further nominations for Town Council President. Seeing none, the nomination for Town Council President was closed.

Councilor Singer stated he would like to be Town Council president and believed at this time he had the skills and experience to lead the Council.

It was unanimously, 10 yes,

VOTED: TO ELECT COUNCILOR DAVID SINGER TO THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT.

Councilor Allis relinquished the Chairmanship to President Singer.

President Singer asked for nominations for the position of Town Council Vice-President.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Hirschfeld, second by Councilor Vicencio-Rasku, it was,

MOVED: TO NOMINATE COUNCILOR PATRICK DEVLIN AS TOWN COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Sutphin, second by Councilor Allis, it was,

MOVED: TO NOMINATE COUNCILOR TIMOTHY FARRELL AS TOWN COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT.

President Singer asked for further nominations for Town Council Vice-President. Seeing none, the nomination for Town Council Vice-President was closed.

Councilor Devlin was honored to be nominated as Vice-President, although he was still learning, he would do his best for the town if elected to the position. Councilor Farrell reviewed the role of Vice-President. He believed his experience would be a valuable tool for the young Council.

President Singer asked for a vote for those in favor of Councilor Devlin as Vice-President to raise there hand.

It was by majority show of hands, 6 yes,

VOTED: TO ELECT COUNCILOR PATRICK DEVLIN TO THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT.

It was by majority show of hands, 3 yes,

VOTED: TO ELECT COUNCILOR TIMOTHY FARRELL TO THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT.

President Singer announced Patrick Devlin was elected by majority vote as Vice-President.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Wisnewski, second by Councilor Hirschfeld, it was,
MOVED: TO NOMINATE COUNCILOR HILLARY HOFFMAN AS TOWN COUNCIL TREASURER.

President Singer asked for further nominations for Town Council Treasurer. Seeing none, the nomination for Town Council Treasurer was closed.

Councilor Hoffman reviewed her background in business and meeting attendance history.

It was unanimously, 10 yes,
VOTED: TO ELECT COUNCILOR HILLARY HOFFMANTO THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL TREASURER.

DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEES: President Singer requested all Councilors return the Committee forms sent by the Office. He would notify the Councilors when committee assignments had been determined.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilor Allis suggested the Council consider appointing a member as parliamentarian.

Town Clerk Winseck noted Channing L. Bete Company had donated "Parliamentary Procedure" pamphlets for Councilors.

President Singer discussed the following:

- o The duties of the Town Council.
- o Membership representing the citizens.
- o Respect for the membership of the Council.
- o All decisions must be made with the best interest of the town in mind.
- o This was a very exciting time in Greenfield.
- o Appreciate and honor your role as a Town Councilor.

Councilor Vicencio-Rasku questioned how information was disseminated from town offices. It was suggested this may need to be a discussion to amend the Rules of Procedure.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Allis, second by Councilor Sutphin, it was unanimously
VOTED: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 12:50 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: _____
Maureen T. Winseck, Town Clerk

GREENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

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| 1. Kelner, Mariann | P | | | | | | |
| 2. McLellan, Thomas | A | | | | | | |
| 3. Allis, Brickett | P | | | | | | |
| 4. Ronhave, Steven | A | | | | | | |
| 5. Singer, David | P | | | | | | |
| 6. Hoffman, Hillary | P | | | | | | |
| 7. Sluter, Shenandoah | A | | | | | | |
| 8. Vicencio-Rasku, Iris | P | | | | | | |
| 9. Hirschfeld, Norman | P | | | | | | |
| 10. Farrell, Timothy | P | | | | | | |
| 11. Wisnewski, Mark | P | | | | | | |
| 12. Devlin, Patrick | P | | | | | | |
| 13. Sutphin, Tracey | P | | | | | | |