

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM, Thursday, October 22, 2015. Present were: Ed Jurkiewicz, Mike Vollono, David Goshdigian, Pat Miller, Dick Alden, John Derewonko, and Mary-Jane Ugalde, Town Clerk.

Citizen Comment: None

Election of Officers: The following officers were elected:

Ed Jurkiewicz was elected as Chairman unanimously.

Mike Vollono was elected as Vice Chairman unanimously.

David Goshdigian was elected as Secretary unanimously.

Solid Waste and Recycling Ordinance Update: Rob Jorgensen, Chairman of the Solid Waste Committee, reported the following. Mr. Jorgensen reviewed the history of the Solid Waste and Recycling Ordinances. He then presented a draft ordinance, prepared by the Solid Waste Committee in collaboration with the Town attorney, which will be submitted to the Committee when it is complete. He reported that the timeframe for completing the draft is approximately three to four months. The Solid Waste Committee's goal for the draft is to codify the current practices with respect to solid waste and recycling. Mr. Jorgensen stated that a current important issue regarding recycling is educating the residents that plastic bags may not be recycled; he indicated that efforts to resolve this are underway.

Organization: The Committee discussed general approaches that could be taken for reviewing and categorizing the Town ordinances. The Committee acknowledged the possibility of forming subcommittees with specific tasks. The possibility of subcommittees will be considered at a future meeting after Mary-Jane Ugalde researches the relevant requirements.

John Derewonko presented a list of chapters contained in the Avon and Farmington town ordinances. Mr. Derewonko also reported on the companies that these towns use to post their ordinances on the internet. The Committee discussed having Mary-Jane Ugalde contact the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities to ask about their knowledge of and experience with these companies. Furthermore, the Committee considered inviting representatives from these companies to attend a regular meeting and discuss their services. The Committee then discussed various aspects of the chapters used to organize the Avon and Farmington ordinances.

Items for Future Meetings: The members discussed preparing a list of preliminary categories, or possible chapters, for the next meeting. Also, the Committee discussed preparing a list of ordinances that could be repealed outright. Furthermore, the Committee considered seeking input from the First Selectman as to what ordinances he considers priorities for review.



Minutes from Monday, September 28, 2015 Meeting: Pat Miller moved to accept the minutes of the September 28, 2015 meeting; Dick Alden seconded the motion. The Committee accepted the minutes unanimously without modification.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Goshdigian Secretary, Ordinance Committee