

**TOWN OF GREENWICH  
BET LAW COMMITTEE  
Minutes of Meeting Held on  
February 22, 2008**

The meeting began at 2:00 P.M. Attendance:

Committee Members: Nancy Barton, Jim Campbell

Other BET Members: Larry Simon (part of the meeting)

Law Department: Wayne Fox

Aamina Ahmed (part of the meeting)

Fred De Arango (part of the meeting)

Others: F. Burgweger (RTM Legislative & Rules  
Committee) (part of the meeting)

By Telephone: Richard DiPreta (RTM Legislative & Rules  
Committee) (part of the meeting); Frank D'Ercole &  
Susan Kreutzer (Robinson & Cole) (part of the meeting);  
Ted Gwartney (Assessor) (part of the meeting)

1. Approval of January 23, 2008 Minutes: The draft minutes of the Committee's meeting held on January 23, 2008, were approved.
2. The Committee and the other participants in the meeting discussed the draft Budget Resolutions for the Town's 2008-2009 fiscal year. With respect to the bonding resolution, outside bond counsel concurred in the Committee's desire to use one resolution for both the BET and the RTM. Various other provisions of the bonding resolution were explained. With respect to the remaining resolutions, suggestions were made for additions, deletions, and minor changes. At the close of the discussion, the Committee voted 2-0 that, subject to each member's approval of the language changes to be implemented, the resolutions would be recommended to the Budget Committee during its deliberations and to the full BET at the time the budget is adopted.
3. The Committee voted 2-0 to take up the discussion of the land trust ordinance out of order. Mr. Gwartney explained the process normally followed by the Assessor's office in considering applications for exemption and abatement of taxes by charitable organizations, in particular those that are or might be considered to be land conservation organizations. The language of the proposed ordinance was reviewed, and changes were recommended. The Town Attorney's office will revise the language of the proposed ordinance and circulate it for further consideration by the Committee.

4. The Committee voted 2-0 to take up the review of pending litigation and claims in executive session. Following review, the Committee voted 2-0 to return to regular session.

In the only matter requiring a decision, the Committee approved, by a vote of 2-0, the requested authorization to seek \$5,000 from the full BET to accomplish the settlement of the case entitled Rolla v. Town of Greenwich Public Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.