



**Woodbury Republican Town Committee
P.O. Box 255, Woodbury CT 06798
Emergency Services Building – 7 PM**

Lisa Amatruda the Chairman of the Woodbury Republican Town Committee came to the podium and asked everyone to stand for the pledge of Allegiance. She said that it was with great pleasure that she turns the meeting over to the new, seated members of the RTC. Mike Cunningham thanked her for all her service as Chairman of the Woodbury Republican Town Committee.

Call to Order: Mike Cunningham called the new Woodbury Republican Town Committee to order at 7:00 PM and called for nominations from the floor for permanent Chairman of the WRTC. Paul Zulpa made the nomination and it was seconded by John Lewis. All were in favor. Unanimously Approved.

Chairman Cunningham welcomed everyone and he was congratulated by members of the Committee.

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination for Secretary. Hearing none he declared a vacancy for that position.

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination for a temporary Secretary. Donna Kohanowski made the nomination for Paul Zulpa as temporary secretary and it was seconded by Dennis Roberts. All were in favor. Approved.

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination for Vice Chairman. Bob Ratzenberger nominated Mary Connolly for Vice Chairman and John Hughes seconded the nomination. There were no further nominations. All were in favor. Approved.

Chairman Cunningham called for nominations for Treasurer. Hearing none he declared a vacancy for Treasurer.

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination to elect a full slate for the new Woodbury Republican Town Committee. Dennis Roberts made a motion to elect Tom Gormley, Donna Kohanowski, Peter Perkinson and Burt Stevens as the full slate of members of the WRTC. The motion was seconded by John Lewis. There were no further nominations. All were in favor. Approved

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination for Secretary. Donna Kohanowski nominated Nancy Mackey and it was seconded by Paul Zulpa. There were no other nominations All were in favor. Approved

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination for Treasurer. Peter Perkinson nominated Burt Stevens and it was seconded by John Lewis. There were no other nominations. All were in favor. Approved

Chairman Cunningham called for a nomination for Alternates. Dennis Roberts nominated Bob DeLuca, Mike Novak and Don Trella as Alternates for the new Woodbury Republican Town Committee. The motion was seconded by Burt Stevens. There were no further nominations. All were in favor. Approved

Chairman Cunningham said he would like to appoint the CRC Chairman. He appointed Dennis Roberts as the Chairman of CRC.

Dennis Roberts appointed Susan Shepard, Rob Scott, Peter Perkinson Paul Luchetti and Don Trella to the CRC.

New Business:

1) Change of Logo: Chairman Cunningham said he believed everyone was in favor of the logo with the flag and olive branches. He asked if there were any other recommendations and there were none. This Logo is now the Logo going forward. Chairman Cunningham thanked Donna Kohanowski for the nice job she did on the logo which represents the Town Committee and the Town of Woodbury.

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2) Woodbury Republican Town Committee Name Change: Chairman Cunningham made a proposal for the name change of the Woodbury Republican Town Committee to the Republican Town Committee of Woodbury. There were no other recommendations and everyone was in favor of the name change. A discussion on the name change was had. Rob Scott and Sharon Scarlett brought up that it is not easy to change the name as all Towns in the State have the Town name first in the title of their Republican Town Committees. Chairman Cunningham said he would look into it.

3) Member Application Changes: Dennis Roberts gave new applications to everyone. The application just needs the new Logo and the name change on them. He is doing a cover letter to go along with the application. The whole thing is ready to go except for the investigation into the Logo and the name change.

4) Select Date for Special meeting to select Delegates: There will be a Special meeting of the Republican Town Committee of Woodbury on March 27th. Chairman Cunningham will set up the place to hold it and it will need to be posted. Chairman Cunningham will work on this this Wednesday.

5) Scholarship fund: Peter Perkinson explained that the Town Committee Scholarship fund, which consists of Peter Perkinson, Bob DeLuca, Mike Novack and Nancy Mackey, has \$10,180.93 in its Woodbury Scholarship account. This year the Town Committee Scholarship fund will have \$1,000, which is \$500.00 from last year and \$500.00 for this year, to give out for Scholarships to Woodbury High School students. The Scholarship Committee would like to take the \$500.00 and spread it out over five years so there is a consistency of \$600.00 every year. This notification has to go out tomorrow in time to get it to the High School. The Committee would like to keep all the criteria except for the essay of 200 to 250 words that has been required in the past and instead just require the applicants to submit a 50-word rationale for their chosen career and evidence of their Community Service. Peter Perkinson explained that it has been difficult getting students to write a 250-word essay in the past. Peter Perkinson made a motion to make the above changes to the Scholarship fund and Burt Stevens seconded the motion. There was some discussion. All were in favor. Approved

Burt Stevens thanked everyone for voting him in as Treasurer of the RTCW. He said he had asked Don Trella to assist him as Assistant Treasurer of the Republican Town Committee and Don said he would.

Motion: Burt Stevens made a motion to remove the following names from the Woodbury Republican Town Committee's Ion Bank Checking Account #154002068 effective immediately: Forest S. Love, Kenneth David Schultz, Christopher D. Griffith (deceased) and any other names not mentioned below that may still appear in Ion Bank's records and to add the following name as names to the Woodbury Republican Town Committee's Ion Bank Checking Account #154002068 effective immediately: Burton L. Stevens (new Treasurer) and Donald Trella (new assistant Treasurer). The motion was seconded by Paul Zulpa. There was no discussion and all were in favor. Approved.

Motion: Burt Stevens made a second motion to remove the following names(s) associated with Anedot and Square credit card processing accounts for the Woodbury Republican Town Committee: Forest Stan Love; if listed, also remove Kenneth D. Schultz and Christopher D. Griffith and to add the following name as administrator to WRTC's Anecdote and Square credit card processing accounts: Burton L. Stevens (new Treasurer) and Donald Trella (new assistant Treasurer) together with full website access and use to both credit card processing accounts. It was seconded by Tim Drakeley. All were in favor. Approved



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Privilege of the floor: *Sharon Scarlett from State Central asked everyone to introduce themselves to her. She asked Chairman Cunningham to please email her names and addresses of those on the Committee and gave him her email address which is piperescs@att.net. She discussed fundraisers and passed out the forms to donate to Senator Eric Berthel. There will be a fund raiser on Thursday March 21st. at Senior Ponchos.

*Secretary Mackey read the voter enrollment figures for February as follows: Democratic – 2227, Republican – 2,740, Unaffiliated – 3235 and other – 196 or a total of 8,398. These figures include inactive voters.

*Mike Cunningham said that for those people that signed up for George Logan on the 16th. things are all set and they will probably get some correspondence on that.

*The format of the agenda will be changed by the next meeting and committee reports will be included so Committee Chairman can report.

*Rob Scott thanked Stan Love for all the help that he has given the Town Committee. Burt Stevens and Mike Cunningham also said that he had been a terrific help to them during the change-over.

*Peter Perkinson read a letter he wrote to Mary Jane Traver of the Woodbury Scholarship Committee explaining the changes in the Woodbury Republican Town Committee Scholarship 2024 Fund.

*Chairman Cunningham thanked everyone for their hard work in helping to get the new Town Committee off the ground.

*Burt Stevens said that as of today there is \$1,015.09 in the Town Committee checking account. He passed out donation forms and asked everyone to make a contribution to help increase the account.

*John Lewis explained the need for Setback insurance which will be the first event of the new RTCW. He also went over what insurance, liquor license, etc. will be needed in order to have the six events he is planning.

*Mike Cunningham is working on a Meet and Greet for April 4th.

*First Selectman Barbara Perkinson thanked Lisa Amatruda and the former Woodbury Republican Town Committee for their hard work over the last two years. She wished the present Town Committee lots of luck and is looking forward to working with everyone.

Chairman Cunningham adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Mackey, Secretary