

CONNECTICUT TOWN CLERKS ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Town Clerks Association was held at the Mystic Marriott, Mystic, Connecticut, on Thursday, April 14, 2005. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Sandra Hutton. Approximately 118 towns were represented and those not members of the Association were asked to leave the room.

Joan Gerdson, Mansfield Town Clerk, moved seconded by Karen Marsden, Clinton Town Clerk, to accept the 2005-2006 fiscal year Budget. Marguerite Phillips, Treasurer, explained that when the proposed budget was sent to the membership there was a typographical error on the Income side and that Town Clerk Day \$2,000.00 should be \$2,500.00. Bill Hamel, Windsor Locks Town Clerk, moved seconded by Andy Garfunkel, Norwalk Town Clerk, and unanimously voted, to amend the Income side of the 2005-2006 proposed budget by \$500.00 to correctly reflect the \$124,375.00 total. Bill Hamel moved, seconded by Andy Garfunkel and unanimously voted, to adopt the 2005-2006 Connecticut Town Clerks' Association Budget as amended.

President Hutton called on George Buckbee, New Milford Town Clerk, to conduct the Vote on the CTCA Bylaw Revisions. George recognized Joe Camposeo, By-Laws Committee Chairman, who in turn asked all those on his committee to stand and be recognized. George then reviewed the Bylaw revisions.

Paula Ray, Farmington Town Clerk, questioned Article V. Section 1. changing the Annual Meeting from April to the Spring. It was the Committee's feeling that we shouldn't be locked into a particular month.

Paula Ray moved seconded by Joan Gerdson and unanimously voted, to amend Article IV. Section 5(a) by changing CCMC to CCTC (Connecticut Certified Town Clerk).

Marguerite Phillips moved seconded by Joan Gerdson, to discuss Article IV. Section 2. Paula Ray brought up the fact that there is no definition of the length of term and she suggested that those now serving draw lots to determine their term (1,2,3 years etc.) which would phase out in a staggered but orderly fashion. Considerable discussion was heard on the possible ways this could be handled. Joan Gerdson moved, seconded by Andy Garfunkel and unanimously voted, that this issue go back to the by-laws committee for revision and be brought back to the Fall conference for a vote.

Bill Hamel moved seconded by Karen Gaudreau, East Windsor Town Clerk, and unanimously voted to amend Article II Section 1. (last sentence) "The Office of the Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall serve no more than three (3) full consecutive terms."

Bill Hamel moved seconded by Karen Marsden and unanimously voted, to approve the Connecticut Town Clerks Association, Inc. Constitution & By-Laws as amended.

George Buckbee brought before the assembly the Election of CTCA Officers as follows:

President.....Sandra Russo Hutton
1st Vice President.....Joseph Camposeo
2nd Vice President.....Laura Francis
Secretary.....Sarah Becker
Treasurer.....Marguerite Phillips
Assistant Treasurer.....Elisabeth “Beth” Birmingham

County Vice Presidents

Fairfield County.....Patricia Strauss, Westport
Hartford County.....Leslie Cotton, Southington
Litchfield County.....Joe Quartiero, Torrington
Middlesex County.....Debra Denette, East Haddam
New Haven County.....Irene Masse, Meriden
New London County.....Dee Anne Brennan, Norwich
Tolland County.....Susan DePold, Bolton
Windham County.....Catherine Nurmi, Sterling

Joan Gerdson moved, seconded by Ellen Dupont, Griswold Town Clerk, and unanimously voted to approve the slate of Officers for the Connecticut Town Clerks Association, Inc. as presented.

Joe Quartiero, Torrington Town Clerk, moved, seconded by Debra Denette, East Haddam Town Clerk, and unanimously voted to adjourn at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah V. Becker, Secretary