

CALL TO SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DURHAM

The eligible voters of the Town of Durham are hereby warned that a **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING** will be held in the Cafeteria of the Durham Community Center, 144 Pickett Lane, on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., to consider the following items:

1. To elect one member to the Durham-Middlefield Interlocal Agreement Advisory Board, said term to expire June 30, 2027
2. To fill 1 vacancy for the term expiring 2028 on the Compensation Review/Personnel Policy Board
3. To elect one member to a five-year term on the Compensation Review/Personnel Policy Board expiring 2028
4. To elect one member to a five-year term on the Compensation Review/Personnel Policy, expiring 2030
5. To elect 1 town representative to a term expiring 2028 on the Board of Trustees of the Durham Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.
6. To Transfer of \$35,500 from #980020-56900 Contingency to #418105-51640 Charter Review Commission for fiscal year 25-26 budget as recommended by the Board of Finance at their November 13, 2025, meeting

Brendan Rea
First Selectman

Robert Chadd
Selectman

Thomas Hennick
Selectman

Dated in Durham, Connecticut, this 3rd day of December 2025

RETURN OF THE CALL

Return is hereby made, that the Undersigned, on the 4th day of December 2025 caused to be posted on the Public Signpost in the Town of Durham, a written warning by the Selectmen, and on the 5th day of December 2025 caused to be published in the Middletown Press, a newspaper having a circulation in the Town of Durham, a like warning of the **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING** to be held the 16th day of December 2025.

Motion: Motion by Richard Parmelee seconded by Martin French to nominate Norm Hicks for Moderator. All aye, Motion passed.

Item number 2 term expiration was changed from “2028” to “2026.” There were no objections

Date: December 16, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm
Place: Community Center Cafeteria
Moderator: Norm Hicks
Clerk: Nicole Charest, Town Clerk
Call: The call was accepted as read by the clerk

Synopsis of Action

Item 1: To elect one member to the Durham-Middlefield Interlocal Agreement Advisory Board, said term to expire June 30, 2027

Motion: Martin French nominated Chuck Stengel, seconded by Richard Parmelee

Discussion: no further nominations

Action: The moderator declared Chuck Stengel elected by acclamation

Item 2: To fill 1 vacancy for the term expiring 2028 2026 on the Compensation Review/Personnel Policy Board

Motion: There were no nominations

Item 3: To elect one member to a five-year term on the Compensation Review/Personnel Policy Board expiring 2028

Motion: There were no nominations

Item 4: To elect one member to a five-year term on the Compensation Review/Personnel Policy, expiring 2030

Motion: This position was filled by Roger Kleeman at the previous Town meeting

Item 5: To elect 1 town representative to a term expiring 2028 on the Board of Trustees of the Durham Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.

Motion: There were no nominations

Item 6: To Transfer of \$35,500 from #980020-56900 Contingency to #418105-51640 Charter Review Commission for fiscal year 25-26 budget as recommended by the Board of Finance at their November 13, 2025, meeting

Motion: By Brendan Rea, seconded by Martin French

Discussion: Brendan spoke to the motion. The formation of the Charter Revision Commission occurred after the budget cycle. Events occurring over the course of the last few years prompted the need to revisit the charter after 20 years. The budget was determined based on the 2006 budget adjusted for inflation.

Richard Parmelee noted no members of Charter Revision were present

Martin French, who was on the previous Charter Revision Commission, stated that funds are used for legal fees for use of Town Attorney and for legal notices

Richard Parmelee asked how much money has been spent so far. Brendan Rea did not have this information. Noted that 2006 Charter Commission spent approximately \$20,000. Richard Parmelee expressed he did not support this transfer due to the members not being present and lack of information.

Brendan Rea expressed appreciation for charter commission

Action: With none in opposition, the moderator declared the motion passed

Adjourn: Chuck Stengel motioned and several seconded to adjourn. The moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 7:12pm

Attest: Nicole Charest, Town Clerk