

CTCA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 20, 2021, 2:30 PM
ZOOM Meeting

ATTENDANCE

CTCA Executive Committee: Kate Wall, President; Patty Spruance, First Vice President; Lisa Dalton, Second Vice President; Katie Sandberg, Assistant Secretary; Antoinette Pancaro, Treasurer; JoAnn Doyle, Assistant Treasurer

County Vice Presidents: Lisa Bergh, Fairfield County; Ericka Butler, Hartford County; Carol Anderson, Litchfield County; Ryan Curley, Middlesex County; Marc Garofalo, New Haven County; Gayle Furman, New London County; Cheryl Grist, Windham County

Invited Guests: Anna Posniak, Immediate Past President, Mark Bernacki, Legislative Committee Chair

Absent: Kelly Bilodeau, Secretary; Lori Tollmann, Tolland County

CALL TO ORDER

The ZOOM meeting was called to order at 2:36 PM by President Wall.

NEW BUSINESS

To empower and authorize its President, Kate Wall, to execute contracts on behalf of the Connecticut Town Clerks Association, Inc.

Motion was made by Marc Garofalo; seconded by Antoinette Pancaro. Upon unanimous voice vote motion passed.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING LEGISLATION

Legislative Committee Chair Mark Bernacki provided an update of pending legislation stating that the CTCA started by tracking 156 different bills and out of those there are still 54 live active bills. Out of the 54 bills, 30 were particularly pertaining to CTCA duties. Of those 30 only 2 have been enacted into law at this time which are HB 6516 regarding DSS release of lien filings for state assistance received during COVID-19 and HB 6686 regarding EO 12B extending the governors executive powers through July 20, 2021.

Mark reviewed the 30 bills in detail that are of particular interest to the CTCA and stated that the legislative session is over on June 9, 2021.

The following bills have had some action taken at this time:

HB 5011 copy fee bill under FOIA altering copy fees, HB 5591 redefine what a Veteran is, HB 6105 the adoptee bill allowing uncertified copies of original birth certificates, HB 6318 regarding service animals, HB 5178 Connecticut Parentage Act regarding surrogates, HB 6516 regarding DSS release of liens which has passed in March, HB 6579 election bill mostly regarding ROV, HB 6665 removal of restrictive covenants, HB 6686 extending the governors Executive Power through July 20, 2021 which has passed in March, HJ 58 no excuse absentee ballots, HJ 59 early voting, SB 901 extend election changes due to COVID-19 through the November 2021 election and adds signature verification, SB 916 free certified copies of vitals in connection with the Sailors, Soldiers & Marine Fund, SB 1016 mandate an ethics commission is formed locally, SB 1017 redistricting bill requiring ROV to get redistricting approved by SOTS.

The following bills have had no action taken at this time:

HB 6205 alter absentee ballot application to include commuters & caregivers, HB 6448 access to local government bill in regard to virtual meetings, HB 6504 animal welfare, HB 6549 gender box alteration on marriage licenses, HB 6604 Remote Notarial Act, HB 6605 regarding trade names, HB 6641 remote online municipal services, HB 6650 town committee elections affecting towns with a population over 100,000, HB 6651 remote meetings, SB 5 elections bill codifying some of the governors Executive Orders and amends municipal terms of office, SB 183 remote meetings, SB 353 requiring all town elections to be held in November, SB 1074 remote meetings, SB 1083 marriage license amendments changing bride/groom to spouse #1/spouse #2.

DISCUSSION OF ADDING ADDITIONAL “DELIVERY AGENTS” FOR ERECORDINGS

President Wall informed us that an additional vendor for eRecordings has contacted the CTCA to work with us. She asked that you inform her if you are contacted by any new delivery agent looking to work with the CTCA and she will look into possibly forming a subcommittee for this.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Lisa Bergh; seconded by Lisa Dalton. Meeting adjourned at 3:36 PM.