

## **Results of the Special Town Meeting**

**April 13, 2009**

The Special Town Meeting of April 13, 2009 was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Joseph Kearns, Moderator. There were 30 people in attendance. Moderator Kearns led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance, and then he read the warrant.

Article 1. It was moved and seconded to accept the Article as read. There was a great deal of discussion surrounding this Article. The two Selectmen that were present explained the reason for the article. There was \$7,500.00 appropriated for the Secretary's position and when Ms Walker couldn't work in the building due to air quality concerns, the Selectmen hired a recording Secretary for the Selectmen's meetings and Ms Walker did her part of the work at her home. Because of the hours worked between them (Ms Lemeiux worked 6 hours and Ms Walker worked 12 hours the \$7,500.00 was soon depleted.) The Article was "To see if the Town will vote to transfer an amount of \$3,240.00 from Stabilization Account to the Selectmen's Secretary Account or take any other action relative thereto." After the discussion, a vote was taken on the Article. A voice vote was taken and the results were 10 "yes's" and 16 "no's". As a 2/3 vote was needed for the Article to pass, the Article did not pass as there was not a 2/3 vote.

Article 2. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to transfer an amount of 44,692.52 from Stabilization Account to the Snow Removal Account or take any other action relative thereto. Being no discussion, a vote was taken and it was unanimous.

Article 3. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote transfer an amount of \$2,000.00 from Stabilization Account to the Town Counsel Account or take any other action relative thereto. There was discussion concerning this Article, Selectman Pease explained that there had been several requests for Legal Advice and Selectman Gazda also explained that there had been controls put upon this account. A motion was made and seconded to amend this Article to read "To see if the Town will reduce the \$2,000.00 to \$1,000.00"

A vote was taken on the amended article and it was passed by a 2/3 vote. There was one no.

Article 4. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to transfer \$1,2000.00 from Stabilization Account to the Software Support/Payroll Account or take any other action relative thereto. As there was little discussion, the vote was taken and it was unanimous. The Article passed.

Article 5. A motion was made and seconded to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. This Article created some discussion concerning the new Road

Grader. Where did the money come from? Did the Townspeople get to vote on it? Answers were the money came from Chapter 90 money and no, the Townspeople did not have to vote on it as Chapter Money is State Money and it can be used for equipment or on the roads as the Highway Superintendent sees fit. He needed a new grader. A motion was made and seconded to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:55 pm. It was a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned.

Marjorie Batorski

Town Clerk

Vote and the meeting were dissolved.