

May 6, 2009

Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order by First Selectman John Hodge at 7:33 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the call of the meeting was read by Janice Zackeo, Town Clerk. Allen Mardis made a motion to accept the call as read, seconded by Donald Blackwell. Call passed by voice vote.

First Selectman John Hodge called for nominations for moderator. Susan Chapman made a motion to nominate Ronald Oliveri, seconded by Paul Bruno. Donald Blackwell made a motion to close nominations, seconded by Jeanne Moore, approved by voice vote. Ronald Oliveri was approved as moderator.

Moderator Oliveri stated Resolutions #1, #2 and #3 would be removed for submission to the voters by machine vote at such date and time as may be determined.

Resolution #1:

Be it Resolved that the appropriation of Town Government expenditures totaling \$9,681,068 from the General Fund, \$485,048 from the Capital and Non-recurring Fund, and \$903,194 from other governmental funds as recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 be approved.

Resolution #2:

Be it Resolved that the appropriation of Education expenditures totaling \$35,288,515 from the General Fund, and \$140,000 from the Capital and Non-recurring Fund, as recommended by the Board of Finance, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 be approved.

Resolution #3:

Be it Resolved that the resolution entitled "Resolution Appropriating \$32,625,000 for the Planning, Design, Acquisition and Construction of Renovations and Improvements to Meeting House Hill Elementary School and New Fairfield High School and Authorizing the Issuance of \$32,625,000 Bonds of the Town to meet said appropriation provided that the bonds shall be reduced by the amount of any state grants-in-Aid Received for such Purpose" be approved. (The State grants-in-aid are currently estimated at \$8,076,457)

Moderator Oliveri stated that we will discuss and vote on Resolution #4 before setting a date and time for the machine vote on Resolutions #1, #2 and #3.

Moderator Oliveri read Resolution #4:

Be it Resolved that the acceptance of a STEAP grant totaling \$500,000 for Water Improvement be hereby approved.

Peter Viola made a motion to move Resolution #4 to the floor, seconded by Teri Lent, approved by voice vote. Moderator Oliveri opened Resolution #4 for discussion. After discussion by John Hodge, Rudy Behrens, Mary Behrens, May Meade and Robert Klick; Resolution #4 was called by Allen Mardis, seconded by Donald Blackwell. Motion to call the resolution was approved by voice vote, with 4

opposed, 0 abstentions.

Vote on Resolution #4 vote had 2 opposed, 0 abstentions - Resolution #4 approved.

Moderator Oliveri asked for motions for the date and time of the referendum vote. Thomas Edwards made a motion to hold the vote on Saturday, May 16, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ed Sbordone seconded the motion. Michelle DeLuise made a motion to hold the vote on Saturday, May 16, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Elaine Jordano seconded the motion. Michelle DeLuise called the motions, seconded by Scott Roberti. Moderator Oliveri called for a vote on the first motion of Saturday, May 16, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. After a voice and hand vote, Moderator Oliveri called for a vote on the second motion of Saturday, May 16, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. After a voice and hand vote on the second motion, Moderator Oliveri determined as chair of the assembly that the first motion carried. The adjourned annual town meeting vote will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Donald Blackwell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Susan Chapman, approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

42 registered voters, 2 property owners and 3 visitors in attendance

Voice and Hand Votes

Taped

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice D. Zackeo

Town Clerk