

TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM
JOINT MEETING - BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND ADVISORY BOARD
WEDNESDAY – OCTOBER 19, 2011 – 6:00 p.m.
AUDITORIUM – OAKMONT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENT: Ed Vitone, Chair, Gregory Fagan, Clerk; Ron Reed, Member, Doug Briggs, Town Administrator and Sylvia Turcotte, Assistant to the Town Administrator. Also in attendance - Advisory Board Members – Bill Johnson, Chair, Duncan Phye, Meredith Fagan, Belden DiVito, and Gail Dumont, Secretary. Jeff Lawrence, Moderator, Debbie Phillips, Town Counsel, and Linda Ramsdell, Town Clerk were also present.

Ed Vitone called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

- FINAL REVIEW OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES

Doug Briggs stated that there were changes in the motion for Article 8 that Stan Herriott brought to his attention. He stated that the motion should read as follows:

“I move to transfer custody for the purposes of conveying and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey an easement to an LLC, its heirs and assigns, in a certain portion of town property, being the same land shown on Assessor’s Maps; Map 58 parcel 25 Center Street and Map 17 parcel 12, Book 3661, Page 38, said easement to be granted on such terms and conditions as are in the best interests of the town for purposes of allowing an LLC access to maintain a solar field on its adjacent land.”

Vitone then asked Briggs to review the articles one last time.

Briggs stated that Article 1 was okay and he added that the reason for this article was because the interest on the Water Tank loan wasn’t calculated right.

He stated that Articles 2, 3, and 4 were all set. He noted Article 5 – and stated that Steve Nims negotiated with the State to change the paving area from Chapel Street to Route 119, ¼ mile past the Wright farm and they would also include fixing the Rindge Turnpike area that was left unfinished. He stated that with these funds from this article, the Town would fix from Chapel Street to Main Street and would re-sleeve the drains, etc. He added that Steve Nims did a great job negotiating with the State.

He noted that on Article 6 the amount changed to the balance of free cash which is \$33,000.50, down from \$40,000 which was the original amount to be transferred.

He stated that they would pass over Article 7 as there are no funds remaining in free cash to transfer.

Briggs noted that Article 8 remains the same and Article 9 is the same and needs to be voted at town meeting per MGL 30B. Briggs gave a brief explanation on the circumstances behind the Water Treatment Plant bid.

It was noted by Bill Johnson that the Advisory Board would continue their meeting.

- ADJOURNMENT

At 6:23p.m. Reed motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Reed. Motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Turcotte
Assistant to the Town Administrator