Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403



BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN Special Town Meeting April 30, 2015 MINUTES (Subject to Revision)

1. Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag

First Selectman Chris Bielik called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: First Selectman Chris Bielik, Selectman Dom Sorrentino, and Selectman Peter Betkoski

Others Present: 32 members of the public at the start; 4 more members of the public arrived after voting for in favor of the call was complete; and 7 more members of the public arrived after Method of Voting was completed.

2. Purpose for the Town Meeting

To vote on the following:

1.) Municipal Operating Budget for the Town of Beacon Falls, CT for the Fiscal Year 2015/2016.

BUDGET SUMMARY:

TOTAL to be RAISED by TAXATION	\$15,717,710
Less Revenue Other than Current Taxes	\$ 5,476,627
Proposed Town Budget	\$ 6,232,465
2015/2016 Budget	
Regional School District No. 16 – using PROPOSED	\$14,961,872

3. Clerk Reads Call

C. Bielik asked for the temporary clerk to read the call. Marla Scirpo, clerk for the Board of Selectmen, read the legal notice for the Town of Beacon Falls for the Special Town Meeting as posted in the newspaper.

Motion to accept call: **Helen Mis/Len Greene**; *no discussion*; **32 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.** Peter Betkoski and Dominick Sorrentino acted as the counters for the voting process by show of hands.

4. Nomination of Permanent Clerk for Town Meeting

C. Bielik asked for a nomination for a permanent clerk for tonight's town meeting. Joe Rodorigo nominated Marla Scirpo and the nomination was seconded by Bob Doiron. C. Bielik asked three times for any other nominations. There were no other nominations for the permanent clerk and one ballot was cast for Marla Scirpo as the Permanent Clerk for tonight's town meeting.

5. Nomination of Permanent Moderator for Town Meeting

M. Scirpo asked for a nomination for a moderator for tonight's town meeting. Len Greene nominated Chris Bielik and the nomination was seconded by Ned Grace. M. Scirpo asked three times for any other nominations. There were no other nominations for the moderator and one ballot was cast for Chris Bielik as the Permanent Moderator for tonight's town meeting.

6. Discussion for Method of Voting

C. Bielik asked for a motion for the method of voting for tonight's town meeting. Gary Komarowsky made a motion for the method of voting by show of hands. Joe Dowdell seconded the motion.

Motion for the method of voting for tonight's town meeting to be by show of hands: **G. Komarowsky/J. Dowdell**; *no discussion*; **33 ayes**, **3 nays**, and **0 abstentions**. Peter Betkoski and Dominick Sorrentino acted as the counters for the voting process by show of hands. **C. Bielik indicated the motion passes for voting at tonight's Special Town Meeting to be by show of hands.**

7. Motion to Approve the Call

With a brief discussion that a motion needs to be made to approve the call, C. Bielik asked for a motion to be made to approve the call for tonight's Special Town Meeting.

Motion to approve the call for tonight's Special Town Meeting: Marc Bronn/Joe Rodorigo; no discussion; 38 ayes, 5 nays, 0 abstentions.

With voting by show of hands, C. Bielik indicated that the Call as Read by the Temporary Clerk for tonight's Special Town Meeting was approved with a vote of 38 ayes, 5 nays, and 0 abstentions. Peter Betkoski and Dominick Sorrentino acted as the counters for the voting process.

8. <u>Vote In Favor of Accepting the Proposed Budget 2015/2016 as Read in the Call</u>

With voting by show of hands, C. Bielik indicated that the Proposed Municipal Operating Budget for the Town of Beacon Falls, CT for the Fiscal Year 2015/2016 passed with a vote of 38 ayes, 5 nays, and 0 abstentions. Peter Betkoski and Dominick Sorrentino acted as the counters for the voting process.

9. Adjournment

With completion of the voting, C. Bielik asked for a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting.

Motion to adjourn tonight's Board of Selectmen Special Town Meeting at 7:09 P.M.: Bob Doiron/Joe Rodorigo; no discussion; all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Scirpo Clerk, Board of Selectmen