



BEACON FALLS TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF BEACON FALSELECTM

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

**TOWN MEETING** 

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2011** 

TO PASS A RESOLUTION FOR TOWN ROADS

(Draft copy-subject to revision)

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 P.M.

Present: S. Cable, D. Sorrentino and M. Krenesky and approximately 18 town residents

The Temporary Clerk L. Classey read the call.

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- M. Krenesky motioned to accept the call with corrections (the following words are misspelled; improvements, costs, defray, 6:00 ) D. Sorrentino 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion with the corrections. Vote: 1 No, all the rest voted aye. Motion passed.
- M. Krenesky motioned to amend the call to correct 6:00 to 6:00 A.M. B. Mariano  $2^{nd}$  the call. All voted aye.

C. Bielik nominated L. Classey to be the permanent clerk. M. Krenesky 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The clerk cast 1 ballot for herself after asking if there were any other nominations 3 times. L. Classey will be the Permanent Clerk.

C. Bielik, 119 Rice Lane Extension motioned to nominate S. Cable as permanent moderator. M. Krenesky  $2^{nd}$  the motion. All voted aye.

The Clerk asked 3 times if there were any other nominations. With no further nomination, the clerk cast one vote and S. Cable was the permanent moderator.

M. Krenesky motioned to have voice, age or nay be the accepted method of voting. S. Dowdell 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All voted age.

- S. Cable explained that she passed out the resolution and that this is protocol. It was recommended by the BOS and the BOF and that is what tonight's meeting is for.
- S. Cable noted that the referendum will be set for September 29, 2011.
- S. Cable noted that the resolution is very similar to the call that was read noting that an e has to be added to Wolfe Avenue and Maple Street has to be changed to Maple Ave.
- S. Cable asked if there were any questions or comments.
- G. Smith, 163 Lasky Road, noted that in reading the resolution, it says that the roads are the same roads mentioned that were determined by the town engineer that total the 5.1 million but on the report here it doesn't included Johnson St. and Lopus Road. He asked if there was a written report from the town engineer or do we just have this piece of paper to go by.
- S. Cable answered that there is an official report and she rode with them and all the crew was out taking pictures and that the report is in Navis and Young's office. G. Smith asked what was the cost of the report? S. Cable answered that she is not prepared to give him that answer. She noted that she would be happy to do that noting that her goal for tonight was to come forth and present this to the public. S. Cable noted that there are some roads that were discovered after Irene and some roads that have to be fixed. S. Cable noted that the bond attorney told her this is the way it needed to be presented and that there should be some latitude in there because of some roads like Johnson Street. She noted that these roads all have issues and have been examined.

- G. Smith asked if the 5.1 million number from Fiscal Year 2010 is accurate because there are two other roads added in there. S. Cable explained that this was done prior to Blackberry Hill noting that Blackberry Hill is going to be paid for by grants.
- C. Bielik noted that as he looks at it, it says at the top of section 1, reconstruction of any or all portions of roads, so we may not even get to the ones that are on the list.
- S. Cable noted that it's very hard to come up with a plan on things you do not know. She noted that she could show written plans from roads since 1999 that were damaged, some of which we were able to do but they take a big hit when it comes to budget time. Roads always get beat up at budget time. S. Cable noted that we have a good bond rating. She also noted that it doesn't mean we are going to go out and spend this right away. We will continue to look for grants and use it as need be.
- B. Mariano, asked about Blackberry Hill. S. Cable noted that to do this properly, the vote is the most important thing. Legally you have to go to all the commissions and all the groups to pass the resolution. They are following the process. In the interim they received a grant for Blackberry Hill so they were able to move ahead with Blackberry Hill and this savings will hopefully allow us to go and do other roads.

The discussion continued. S. Cable noted that this is a draft proposal plan to get us where we are headed. She noted every step they go they still have to go back to the townspeople.

B. Mariano asked if they have to for a town meeting for everything. S. Cable answered that they have to go to the BOS and BOF for approval.

Russell Bacon asked if Mark IV is going to be the contractor. S. Cable answered yes. R. Bacon noted that Mark IV is being sued by the town of Trumbull for not completing work. S. Cable noted that we have a very high bond which will protect us and she has not heard that about Mark IV noting that they have done a lot of work for us.

- E. Groth, asked if the money we will be borrowing will be fixed or variable. S. Cable noted that it will be fixed but they continue to sell the bonds and re-buy to get the best rate.
- E. Groth asked why they made this an all or nothing option noting that is why it failed last time.
- S. Cable noted that this is what was recommended by the Bond Council Engineers.
- E. Groth asked if they could be assured that this money goes only to the roads. S. Cable answered absolutely.

- G. Smith, asked if the Navis and Young report noted the specifics of each road and will there be any widening of roads.
- S. Cable noted that some will be cut but we did not pay for any designs of what we will be doing to each road. We know that there are issues but we don't know the exact details of the repairs but there will be widening of Wolfe Ave. S. Cable noted that until you get into the roads and see what they need, that is when we will know the design.
- C. Bielik asked if it would be fair to call the report preliminary and when they get more into it will they get more details of the design. The answer was yes. S. Cable noted that we also applied for FEMA money.
- G. Smith asked if these numbers were based on that report. S. Cable noted that these numbers are based on the fact that we have no money except for the bonds. G. Smith noted that he was talking about if it's inclusive of exactly of what it says. S. Cable said she would be happy to get all that information to him.
- E. Groth asked if she knew how much taxes would go up. S. Cable noted that in the worse scenario, for 20 years with the current grand list, no growth and going by today's interest rates and we go for the whole 10 million at once you could possible see a 1.53 mil increase. However if you go back in history regarding the bridge and renovation at the sewer plant, etc., we never felt that much of an impact because of grant money. This BOS just didn't take the money and lets go spend it they continued to get grants. The vote is to authorize this amount of money and use it however it will be fiscally wise.
- E. Groth asked if we were to see the worst case scenario is the town planning any spending cuts. S. Cable noted that she can't answer that now. The point of this meeting is to get this resolution passed.
- E. Groth asked what happens if it fails again? S. Cable noted they go back to the drawing board.

Frank, Oak Drive, asked what they do about FEMA on a private road. S. Cable noted the owner has to apply however S. Cable noted the town would be happy to help. M. Krenesky noted that the information to apply for FEMA aid is now on the town website.

- L. Krokosky, 7 Oak Drive asked why if they live on a private road do they have to pay for the improvements of all the town roads.
- C. Bielik motioned to pass the resolution with the corrections noted. S. Dowdell 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The vote resulted in 2 abstentions, 1 no, the rest voted aye. The motion passed.

D. Chadderton motic end to adjourn the meeting to a referendum. C. Bielik 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting was adjou<sup>e</sup> to referendum at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submit 1,

L. Classey

Clerk for the Board of Selectmen

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# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

BOARD OF SELECT

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BEACON FALLS TOWN CLERK

September 15, 2011

Please publish the following Legal Notice one (1) time on Friday, September 16, 2011. Thank you.

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF BEACON FALLS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2011
7:00 P.M. TOWN HALL ASSEMBLY ROOM
NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2011
LAUREL LEDGE SCHOOL

A Special Town Meeting of the Electors and Citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings of the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut, will be held in the Assembly Room of the Beacon Falls Town Hall, 10 Maple Avenue in Beacon Falls, CT, on Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 7:00 P.M> for the following purpose:

- 1. To consider a Resolution,
  - (a) To appropriate \$10,000,000 for costs in connection with various road and related sanitary sewer main improvements, including (1) reconstruction of all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Town Engineer: Patricia Terrace, Highland Avenue, Dolly Drive, Maple Street, Blackberry Hill Road, Wolfe Avenue, Johnson Street and Lopus Road; and such other roads as may be determined by the Board of Selectmen following receipt of any report from the Planning & Zoning Commission required pursuant to Section 8-24 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958 as amended, which reconstruction may without limitation include reclaiming and repaving of roadway systems, replacement of catch basin tops, installation of new catch basins, storm drainage piping, curbing, guide rails, driveway aprons, landscaping and restoration; (2) rehabilitation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by Water Pollution Control Authority, Highland Avenue, Maple Street and Wolfe Avenue; (3) installation of sanitary

sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority Patricia Terrace, Dolly Drive and a portion of Lasky Road; and (4) related work, imp0rovements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and co0sts, landscaping restoration, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project. The Town anticipates applying an estimated \$400,000 in Small Town Economic Assistance Program grants from the State of Connecticut to defr4ay in part the costs of the project;

- (b) To authorize the issue bonds or notes of the Town in am amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 to finance the appropriation for the project to provide that the amount of bonds and notes to authorize to finance the project shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project and to authorize the issue of temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes and the receipt of project grants;
- (c) To authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes, and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes;
- (d) To take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer To bond the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) To authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes;
- (f) To authorize the First Selectman, or other proper officers or officials of the Town are authorized to apply for and accept grants on behalf of the Town to defray the appropriation for the project; and;
- (g) To authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issued bonds or notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation;

2. Pursuant to Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, to adjourn said Town Meeting at its conclusion and to submit the resolution to the presented under item 1 of this Notice to vote upon voting machines or paper ballots between the hours of 6:0. to 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 29, 2011. Electors and persons qualified to vote in Town Meetings who are not electors shall vote at the following polling place:

#### Laurel Ledge School 30 Highland Avenue in Beacon Falls

Absentee Ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's Office. The Resolution will be placed on the ballot under the following heading:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$10,000,000 FOR VARIOUS ROAD AND RELATED SANITARY SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE SUCH PORTION OF THE APPROPRIATION AS IS NOT DEFRAYED FROM GRANTS:"

Voters approving the resolution will vote "Yes" and those opposing said resolution will vote "No".

Dated at Beacon Falls, Connecticut, this 15 <sup>t</sup>	<sup>n</sup> day of September 2011.
Susan A. Cable, First Selectman	Dominick S. Sorrentino, Selectman
Michael A. Krenesky, Selectman	Kurt Novak, Town Clerk





# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut



# BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN MEETING BUDGET TRANSFERS September 13, 2011 MINUTES (Draft Copy-Subject to Revision)

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: First Selectmen S. Cable, Selectman D. Sorrentino, Selectman M. Krenesky and approximately 12 town residents

The Temporary Clerk (Lauren Classey) read the call.

- S. Dowdell, Wolfe Ave., motioned to accept the call. R. Doiron, Lasky Rd., 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- C. Bielik motioned to nominate L. Classey as the permanent clerk for this meeting. K. Grace 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- S. Cable asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Lauren Classey will be the permanent clerk of this meeting.

- G. Smith motioned to nominate S. Cable as the Permanent Moderator for this meeting. C. Bielik 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- L. Classey asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Nominations closed: 1 ballot for S. Cable. S. Cable will be Permanent Moderator for this meeting. All voted aye.

- G. Smith motioned that a show of hands be the method of voting for this meeting. R Doiron 2nd the motion. 14 voted aye, 1 voted nay and 1 abstention. Motion passed.
- S. Cable began the meeting explaining the transfer process and that when the amount is over \$20,000 it needs to go before a town vote. S. Cable explained that these transfers have been reviewed by the BOF and the Finance Manager prior to being brought before a town meeting. The transfers were being made to moving items from one line item to another to make it a clean ending budget for auditing purposes.
- R. Doiron motioned to approve the transfers. C. Bielik 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- G. Smith asked if this would be the final round of transfers. The answer was yes.
- R. Doiron motioned to adjourn the meeting. K. Grace 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Lauren Classey

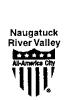
Clerk for the Board of Selectmen and Finance

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10-65-1750	Bulky Waste Transfer	\$3,447.00	10-13-1245	Medical Insurance	\$4,587.00
10-67-1765	Equipment Replacement	\$22,819.00	10-13-1250	Pension Plan	\$44,337.00
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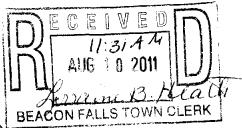






#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

#### TOWN OF BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN ANNUAL TOWN MEETING August 8, 2011



(Draft copy-subject to revision)

#### Monday August 8, 2011

#### CALL TO ORDER

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:05 P.M.

Present: S. Cable, D. Sorrentino and M. Krenesky and approximately 23 town residents

The Clerk L. Classey read the call.

- S. Dowdell motioned to accept the call. H. Mis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All voted aye.
- M. Krenesky motioned to nominate L. Classey as permanent clerk for this meeting. D. Sorrentino 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All voted aye.
- M. Krenesky motioned to nominate S. Cable as permanent moderator. B. McCasland  $2^{nd}$  the motion. All voted aye.

The Clerk asked 3 times if there were any other nominations. With no further nomination, the clerk cast one vote and S. Cable was the permanent moderator.

- G. Komarowski motioned to have voice be the accepted voting method. M. Krenesky  $2^{nd}$  the motion. All voted aye.
- B. Mariano motioned to vote on all items in one motion. H. Mis  $2^{nd}$  the motion. All voted aye.

S. Dowdell motioned that the BOS be authorized on for all accounts of the call. F. Smith  $2^{\rm nd}$  the motion. All voted aye.

M. Fernandez motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:10. M. Smith  $2^{nd}$  the motion. All voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Lauren Classey** 

Clerk for the Board of Selectmen





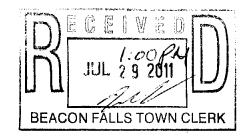


#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

July 28, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Dear Mr. Novak:



Please be advised that the **Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen** will hold the **Annual Town Meeting** on **Monday, August 8, 2011** beginning at **7:00 P.M.** in the **Town Hall Assembly Room,** 10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Maintenance of Town Roads
- 2. Lighting of Streets
- 3. Rental of Hydrants
- 4. Collection of Solid Waste
- 5. Bulky Waste and Recycling
- 6. Library Appropriation
- 7. All Other Town Expenses not Specially Mentioned Herein
- 8. To Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Approve Funds for the Expenses of the Ensuing Year.
- 9. To Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Enter into an Agreement in the Name of and on Behalf of the Town of Beacon Falls with the State Highway Commissioner for the Expenditure of Town Aid Funds that may become available to the Town.
- 10. To Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Name the Town Depository
- 11. To Vote on the Salaries of all Town Officials.

This document is prepared for the benefit of the public, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation. This document does not represent the intent of the Legislative Body of the Town of Beacon Falls, CT for any purpose.

Dated at Beacon Falls, this 28th day of July 2011.

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman
Dominick S. Sorrentino, Selectman
Michael A. Krenesky, Selectman





# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

ON FALLS TOWN CLERK

# BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN MEETING Vote for Ordinances July 25, 2011 MINUTES (Draft Copy-Subject to Revision)

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: First Selectmen S. Cable, Selectman D. Sorrentino, Selectman M. Krenesky and approximately 55 town residents.

The Temporary Clerk (Lauren Classey) read the call.

L. D'Amico motioned to accept the call. D. Bousquet, 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

M. Krenesky motioned to nominate L. Classey as the permanent clerk for this meeting. H. Mis, 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

S. Cable asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Lauren Classey will be the permanent clerk of this meeting.

Jeremy Rodrigo motioned to nominate S. Cable as the Permanent Moderator for this meeting. G. Komerowski 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

L. Classey asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Nominations closed: 1 ballot for S. Cable. S. Cable will be Permanent Moderator for this meeting. All voted aye.

- L. D'Amico motioned to have the method of voting be a show of hands. Jeremy Rodrigo 2nd the motion. 56 voted aye. All aye.
- S. Cable explained the first ordinance was because of the need to have certified assessors for the Board of Assessors. With no further discussion:
- L. D'Amico motioned to eliminate the entire ordinance. M. Pratt 2nd the motion. All voted aye. 57 aye.

The 2nd ordinance is related to local tax relieve for the elderly and disabled. S. Cable noted that there were 2 changes. The first was to change the income threshold for eligibility from \$75,000 for a married couple to \$55,000 and from \$55,000 to \$50,000 for a single.

The 2nd change was to eliminate the sentence in the ordinance that "total of all tax credits granted by the Town of Beacon Falls shall not exceed .05%". S. Cable noted that those are the only 2 changes in the ordinance.

#### Comment:

Laurie Heath, asked what the change was. S. Cable explained again.

- L. D'Amico motioned that this be open to discussion. J. Fitzpatrick 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- L. D'Amico noted that this is a very difficult time for the BOS with state aid being cut, etc. However he doesn't believe that they should go into this ordinance and penalize the seniors. He noted that he thinks the town is in good shape to maintain the status quo. L. D'Amico noted statistics of 302 applicants that qualify for the \$500 stipend. He noted that by lowering the married option out, they are taking 122 seniors out of the group and singling them out. He noted that last year the Town of Beacon Falls received \$77,044 from the State of CT Manufacturing and Machinery Equipment but this year they lowered that amount to \$38,500 making it a net reduction of \$38,580. He noted that in 2012 they state is going to give the town \$38,580 but they are also going to give the town a municipal revenue sharing grant in the amount of \$72,831. Putting these two amounts together you have \$143,967 which more than off sets. L. D'Amico does not see where the town is that hard pressed where they have to single out 1/3 of the seniors that are out there.
- S. Cable asked him to comment on the .05% (not exceeding it). L. D'Amico noted that he thinks that should be removed. S. Cable noted that the town of Beacon Falls has one of the highest tax reliefs in comparison to other towns.

L. D'Amico is opposed to lowering the amount. S. Cable noted she appreciates L. D'Amico sharing this information but she noted that this is not just against seniors, there are a lot of other things that are taking place in the town.

S. Cable noted that they call the hearing to change the hearings as such but by going by the Robert Rules, this ordinance would have to be voted down and revisited.

A discussion continued.

G. Komerowski asked where Beacon Falls stands in reference to the other towns in the state.

S. Cable noted that she does not have those exact numbers but knows that it is somewhere in the \$30,000's.

L. D'Amico motioned that this proposal be rejected. W. Yankowski, Dolly Drive, 2nd the motion. 48 residents voted aye. 3 residents voted nay and 4 residents abstained. Motion passed. The ordinance was not adopted at this voted.

The 3rd ordinance to be changed was the local option tax relief for Volunteer Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics and Ambulance Drivers.

L. D'Amico was pleased to motion that item 9 and 10 of this ordinance be adopted. E. Rose, 144 Pond view Circle 2nd the motion. 61 Residents voted aye. Motion passed.

M. Krenesky motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 P.M. D. Sorrentino 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Classey

Clerk for the Board of Selectmen and Finance

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(Revision June 2011)

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July 6, 2011

Town Meeting Held on:

July 25, 2011

Legal Notice Published on:

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Any individual serving as the local director of Civil Preparedness without salary shall qualify for relief as set forth in this ordinance.

#### 4. AMOUNT OF ABATEMENT (flat grant)

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• Any volunteer with less than three years of service is not eligible.

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#### FLAT GRANT

3 years completed service	\$300.00	
4 years completed service	\$400.00	
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10 years completed service and maximum benefit \$1,000.00		

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- E. **Initial Year**: Members who begin service in a qualifying organization after April 1st, shall not receive relief for that year.
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- 7. **SEVERABILITY**: If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall for any reason, be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance, which shall remain in effect.
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#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance becomes effective fourteen (14) days after publication in the most widely circulated newspaper in the Town of Beacon Falls.

Public Hearing held on December 5, 2005

Town Meeting held on December 12, 2005

Ordinance published on December 21, 2005.

This Ordinance became effective January 6, 2006

(Revision June 2011)

#### **New Revision**

Public Hearing Held on: July 6, 2011

Town Meeting Held on: July 25, 2011

Ordinance Published on:

This Revised Ordinance Became Effective:

(Revision - June 2011)

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WHEREAS, the Board of Finance has recommended to the Board of Selectmen that certain property tax relief be afforded to elderly or disabled residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen desires to provide tax relief to the elderly and disabled in accordance with Section 12-129n of the Connecticut General Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS THAT:

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#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

BEACON FALLS TOWN CLERK

July '14, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Dear Mr. Novak:

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A volunteer member must participate in a minimum of twenty-five (25%) of Department activities, from October 1 of the preceding year, in order to be eligible for the next succeeding October 1 Grand List. The Chief Executive Officer of the organization will be responsible for tracking volunteer hours. The Chief Executive Officer of the organization must provide a list of eligible members, to the Service Award Committee for its review before it is submitted to the Office of the Assessor, on or before October 1 to be considered for property tax relief.

3. **ELIGIBILITY**: Individuals who serve in a qualifying organization and maintain their status, as a member in good standing shall be eligible for a Property Tax Relief as set forth in this ordinance.

Any individual serving as the local director of Civil Preparedness without salary shall qualify for relief as set forth in this ordinance.

### 4. AMOUNT OF ABATEMENT (flat grant)

Any volunteer with less than three years of service is not eligible.

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### **FLAT GRANT**

3 years completed service	\$300.00			
4 years completed service	\$400.00			
5 years completed service	\$500.00			
6 years completed service	\$600.00			
7 years completed service	\$700.00			
8 years completed service	\$800.00			
9 years completed service	\$900.00			
10 years completed service and maximum benefit \$1,000.00				

5. **PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINING CREDIT**: The Chief Executive Officer of each qualifying organization shall provide to the Assessor, by October 1, each year, a list of members in good standing in their organizations. Such list shall include the members full name, address and the number of years the individual has served with the organization for the 12 months prior to October 1, and dates that individuals who served less than the full 12 months began and ended service.

Individual members of a qualifying organization requesting exemption or relief shall notify the Assessor of Beacon Falls of their name, address, the name of the organization of which they are a member, and the item of real or personal property to which they wish to have their exemption or tax relief applied. Such request must be received by the Assessor, in writing, on or before October 1, to be applied towards the Grand List.

**Appeals**: Any member of a qualifying organization who feels that they have been unjustly deprived of a tax relief may file a written request with the Board of Selectmen requesting a review of their status. The Board of Selectmen shall hold a public hearing on such request at which time the aggrieved party shall be offered an opportunity to present written and oral testimony and other evidence. The Board of Selectmen shall determine by simple majority if such person shall qualify for a tax relief. Such appeals shall be limited to situations where the Chief Executive Officer of a qualifying organization refuses to certify that an individual is a member in good standing. The Board of Selectmen may, on their own, hold a public hearing to determine the eligibility of any individual certified by the Chief Executive Officer of the qualifying organization as a member in good standing. The individual shall be served not less than 21 days notice by first class mail return receipt requested, sent to the address appearing on the list of members in good standing prepared by the qualifying organization's Chief Executive Officer, and shall be offered an opportunity to present written and oral testimony, and other evidence. The

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Board of Selectmen shall determine by a simple majority if such person shall qualify for a tax relief.

- B. Termination of Membership in a qualifying organization: Any individual who qualifies for a tax relief under the terms of this ordinance and discontinues service with a qualifying organization for any reason shall not qualify for a tax relief in the terminal year unless they qualify as a member in good standing for more than six (6) months in that terminal year.
- C. Breaks in Membership: A break in membership of less than six (6) months shall be considered continual membership providing that the individual has been a member in good standing for no less than 24 months prior to the break in membership. For example, a member who leaves in March of a given year, and return in July shall not be penalized for that period in determining the amount of the relief as long as that person served as a member in good standing for the 24 months preceding the March separation. An individual who has a break in membership for more than six (6) months for any reason, and then rejoins a qualifying organization, after completing one (1) year continual service shall receive credit for prior qualifying years. For example, if a member who has qualified for three (3) years of service for membership in 1998, 1999 and 2000 leaves on April 1, 2001, then rejoins December 15, 2001, the individual would not receive a relief for the year 2001 because he or she did not serve six (6) months in the terminal year, but at the end of the 2002, he or she would receive credit for the three (3) prior years service and for the full year of 2002, for a total of four (4) years credit.
- D. **Dual Membership**: An individual can receive credits for service in any qualifying organization in any combination, but cannot receive double credit for serving in two qualifying organizations at the same time. For example, an individual who served in a qualifying volunteer fire department from January 1<sup>st</sup> through July 15<sup>th</sup>, and in a qualifying volunteer ambulance company from August 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, would receive credit for the entire year.
- E. **Initial Year**: Members who begin service in a qualifying organization after April 1st, shall not receive relief for that year.
- 6. **APPLICABILITY:** Any tax relief is limited to an individual's real or personal property tax payable to the town of Beacon Falls. Such relief may be applied to any property held either completely or partially in the individual's name. No relief may be carried over from one twelve month period to another. No relief may be transferred from one person to another.

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- 7. **SEVERABILITY**: If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall for any reason, be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance, which shall remain in effect.
- 8. **STATE AND FEDERAL TAXES**: Any individual who receives a Tax Relief shall be solely responsible for determining what State and/or Federal Taxes are due because of such relief, if any, and the individual shall be solely responsible for paying such taxes, if any.
- 9. Any Volunteer Firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician, Paramedic or Ambulance Drivers serving in the active military service shall be eligible for the Optional Tax Relief Program for Volunteer Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics or Ambulance Drivers.
- 10. Permanent Earned Relief (Lifetime) (New Revision)
  - a. Individuals who have completed twenty (20) years of service as a "Qualified Participant" of the "Service Award Plan" and have reached the age of 65 or greater, shall receive a permanent annual tax abatement at the maximum benefit. This benefit will be passed on to the surviving spouse upon death of participant.
  - b. Individuals who are currently collecting entitle3ment benefits from the "Service Award Plan" as of the date this Ordinance change becomes effective, shall qualify for this permanent earned relief.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance becomes effective fourteen (14) days after publication in the most widely circulated newspaper in the Town of Beacon Falls.

Public Hearing held on December 5, 2005

Town Meeting held on December 12, 2005

Ordinance published on December 21, 2005.

This Ordinance became effective January 6, 2006

(Revision June 2011)

### **New Revision**

Public Hearing Held on: July 6, 2011

Town Meeting Held on: July 25, 2011

Ordinance Published on:

This Revised Ordinance Became Effective:

### ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TRAINING AND HOURLY REQUIREMENTS FOR

### ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(Revision June 2011)

### Elimination of Ordinance:

This Ordinance shall be null and void.

Public Hearing Held on:

July 6, 2011

Town Meeting Held on:

July 25, 2011

Legal Notice Published on:

Effective Date of Ordinance Elimination:

### **HISTORY:**

The effective date of this Ordinance is April 18, 1997.

Public Hearing Held on August 9, 2007

Town Meeting Held on September 6, 2007

Effective Date of Ordinance: September 29, 2007

REVISION TO THE ORDINANCE – Eliminate the six (6) hours of mandated hours of work per month.

Public Hearing Held on November 24, 2008

Town Meeting Held on December 15, 2008

Ordinance Published in Republican American on December 22, 2008

Effective Date of Revised Ordinance: January 7, 2009

### ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TRAINING AND HOURLY REQUIREMENTS FOR

### ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS REVISION

All members elected or appointed (to fill an unexpired term) to the Board of Assessors, shall attend a minimum of eight (8) hours of instruction and training for said position to be administered by a Certified Connecticut Municipal Assessor at no cost to the new member.

These sessions will be scheduled immediately following the Election and/or appointment of said individual and must be completed within a reasonable time thereafter. Instructions shall include responsibilities of **being a member of the Board of Assessors.** 

**Training** shall include but not necessarily be limited to working familiarity with State Statutes and Reports, Methods of Valuation of Real Estate, Motor Vehicles, and Personal Property, Exemptions, Tax Relief, Prorated Construction, Measuring of Property, Mapping, Sales Ratios, Certificates of Correction, and Transfers.

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This Ordinance passed at a duly scheduled Town Meeting held February 18, 1997.

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(Draft copy-subject to revision)

Wednesday, June 22, 2011

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:35 P.M.

Present: S. Cable, D. Sorrentino and M. Krenesky and approximately 50 town residents

The Clerk L. Classey read the call.

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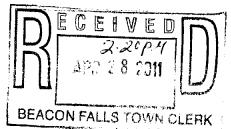
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# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**



### BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN MEETING

Notice of Referendum re: 2011/2011 Municipal Budget
April 27, 2011
MINUTES
(Draft Copy-Subject to Revision)

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: First Selectmen S. Cable, Selectman D. Sorrentino, Selectman M. Krenesky, Finance Board Members C. Bielik, W. Hopkinson, B. Ploss, R. Doiron, J. Dowdell and approximately 30 town residents.

The Temporary Clerk (Lauren Classey) read the call.

- F. Smith, 4 Patricia Terrace motioned to accept the call. S. Dowdell, 32 Wolfe Ave., 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- M. Krenesky motioned to nominate L. Classey as the permanent clerk for this meeting. R. Doiron 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- S. Cable asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Lauren Classey will be the permanent clerk of this meeting.

- M. Krenesky motioned to nominate S. Cable as the Permanent Moderator for this meeting. C. Bielik 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- L. Classey asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Nominations closed: 1 ballot for S. Cable. S. Cable will be Permanent Moderator for this meeting. All voted aye.

S. Cable began the meeting for thanking everyone for coming out to the meeting. She then explained that there will be a change to the agenda as a result of a petition containing 281 certified names requesting that the vote for the 2011/2012 budget go to a referendum.

At this meeting, they will vote to go to adjournment to referendum on May 3rd.

- W. Classey, Wolfe Ave. asked if the signatures on the petition were attested to. He asked if anyone could sign the petition and how they were verified. He noted that the petition was just sitting around on the counter at the Dan Mart noting that anyone could come in and sign it. He noted that someone from Naugatuck could come in and sign his name pointing out that this could happen if it was just on the counter.
- K. Novak explained that the Town Clerk's office checks the names against a voters list of anyone assessed for \$1000 or more. At the bottom of the form, the person who submitted the petition attests that these signatures are legitimate. He noted that they do not police this as that is the job of the Secretary of State. He noted if there are any complaints regarding this, they need to be directed to the Secretary of State.
- W. Classey asked who witnessed the signatures.
- **K.** Novak answered that the person that signed the bottom of the form attested to witnessing the signatures.
- S. Cable noted that by law the person who attests to the signature had to witness the signature.
- W. Classey pointed out again that the petition was sitting at Dan Mart and anyone could have signed it.
- S. Cable noted that the names were confirmed that they were property owners or registered voters. If there is a complaint that there was not a witness to the signatures then it would have to be lodged with the Secretary of State's office for an investigation and we are told it would take 3 to 6 months. She noted that you could only hope that the person who brought the petition in witnessed every signature.
- S. Cable noted that W. Classey's point was taken. She noted that this was a valid point and that people who go around with petitions are supposed to witness every signature.
- C. Sullivan, Pond Spring Village, noted that the phone bill at the Senior Center was very high and asked how that could possibly be. S. Cable noted that they are not answering questions on the budget but as a courtesy she will. She noted that is 2 phone lines and was for the internet and was not all spent. The new budget will reflect the adjustment.

- S. Cable noted that they are supposed to act on the referendum but the BOS and BOF noted that they will answer any questions regarding the budget.
- R. Spears, 14 Lake View Dr., asked about the 2 million in unpaid taxes. S. Cable noted that there are 6 properties going up for a tax sale on June 23rd and that the owed taxes are the first debt to be paid to the town. The 6 properties result in \$140,000. She noted that we now have a very aggressive program that they are initiating right now and that they were very conservative with what they budgeted for.
- H. Daniels, Pines Bridge Road, asked when the town gets the money from the tax sale.
- S. Cable noted that they get the money within 10 days.
- E. Groth asked if the budget doesn't pass what would be the next step.
- S. Cable noted that they do not have any idea at this point. They will sit down and look at the budget and see what they could cut. She noted that they asked the unions for concessions and at this point have not received any. She noted that they had a meeting today as to what they are going to do and they are in negotiations. She noted that most likely there will be extensive furloughs and layoffs.
- **B. Mariano,** asked about the sewer plant reserve noting that they took \$100,000 out of this line item for a one time equipment replacement. He noted that the equipment replacement line went down again this year by about \$15,000. He asked if it was actually a onetime replacement.
- S. Cable noted that expense was for one particular thing. She noted that we have mandates from the state and the state is saying that we have to turn over a nitrogen and phosphate services which is very costly.
- **B.** Mariano noted that he thought the bond package that was just voted on was meant to cover that.
- S. Cable noted that the bond money was to cover the materials to start doing that noting that this is a very long process and she would be happy to walk him through the process.
- **B.** Mariano suggested that the bond package did not cover all that they needed.
- S. Cable explained that the bond package covered the clarifier that is supposed to go in to do these items noting that there are other things connected with the wastewater treatment plant and that there are continual changes. S. Cable noted that they also have sewer lines that need to be addressed and a grinder pump that has to be taken care of. She noted that it is never a onetime thing but ongoing.
- J. Pavlik, 21 Fieldstone Lane, pointed out that Prospect came in with a slight decrease in the budget and asked for help in understanding how Prospect could come in at a slight decrease.

- S. Cable noted that each town is unique and that Prospect was able to do that because they were able to pay off the bond last year and one of the businesses in town received a huge tax benefit. S. Cable noted that an example would be that we have garbage pick-up and Prospect doesn't.
- D. Sorrentino motioned that they adjourn this town meeting to a referendum on Tuesday May 3rd from 6 to 8. The question will be "should the proposed 2011/2012 town operating budget in the amount of \$5,878,429 be adopted?". M. Krenesky 2nd the motion.

Discussion: It was noted that there will be two separate ballots, 2 separate machines and 2 separate moderators.

All voted aye. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Classey

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# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

BOARD OF SELECTI

BEACON FALLS TOWN CLERK

April 18, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Dear Mr. Novak:

Please be advised that the **Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen** will hold a **Town Meeting** on **Wednesday**, **April 27**, **2011** beginning at **7:00 P.M.** at the **Firehouse**, **35 North Main Street**, **Beacon Falls**, **CT**. to **VOTE** on the following:

1. Municipal Operating Budget for the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut for the Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

#### **BUDGET SUMMARY**

Regional School District No. 16 – using
PROPOSED 2011/2012 Budget \$ 13,328,173
Proposed Town Budget \$ 5,878,429
Less Revenue Other Than Current Taxes \$ 5,202,060
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION \$ 14,004,542

Copies of the Proposed 2011/2012 Municipal Operating Budget are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, 10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT.

Dated at Beacon Falls, Connecticut, this 18th day of April 2011

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman

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Please publish the following Legal Notice one (1) time on Wednesday, April 20, 2011.

### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING APRIL 27, 2011

Please be advised that The Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen will hold a **Special Town Meeting** of the electors and citizens of the Town of Beacon Falls, on **Wednesday**, **April 27**, **2011** beginning at **7:00 P.M**. at the **Beacon Falls Fire House**, 35 North Main Street, Beacon Falls to **VOTE** on the following:

1. Municipal Operating Budget for the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut for the Fiscal Year 2011/2012.

### **BUDGET SUMMARY**

Regional School District No. 16 – using
PROPOSED 2011/2012 Budget \$ 13,328,173
Proposed Town Budget \$ 5,878,429
Less Revenue Other Than Current Taxes \$ 5,202,060
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION \$ 14,004,542

Copies of the Proposed 2011/2012 Municipal Operating Budget are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, 10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT.

Dated at Beacon Falls, Connecticut, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2011

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman

Dominick S. Sorrentino, Selectman

Michael A. Krenesky, Selectman





# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

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### BEACON FALLS BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN MEETING

Notice of Referendum re: Bond Package and Special Town Meeting re: Transfers March 7, 2011 MINUTES (Draft Copy-Subject to Revision)

S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: First Selectmen S. Cable, Selectman D. Sorrentino, Selectman M. Krenesky and approximately 30 town residents.

The Temporary Clerk (Lauren Classey) read the call (5 pages) attached to this filing.

- F. Smith, 4 Patricia Terrace motioned to accept the call. J. Dowdell, 32 Wolfe Ave., 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- M. Krenesky motioned to nominate L. Classey as the permanent clerk for this meeting. H Mis, 108 Feldspar Ave. 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- S. Cable asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Lauren Classey will be the permanent clerk of this meeting.

- B. Ploss motioned to nominate S. Cable as the Permanent Moderator for this meeting. J. Blesse 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- L. Classey asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Nominations closed: 1 ballot for S. Cable. S. Cable will be Permanent Moderator for this meeting. All voted aye.

S. Cable explained that the purpose of this meeting was to bring everyone up to speed regarding the final questions before going forward with a referendum for the proposed resolutions. She noted that there will be no voting at this meeting however if there were to be a vote, she asked what the choice would be.

## L. Damico, 57 Maple Ave., motioned to have a show of hands be the acceptable vote process. F. Smith, 4 Patricia Terrace, 2nd the motion. A count of 33 voted aye and 1 abstention.

- S. Cable explained that she was going to read the questions on the resolutions and then have discussions. She explained that by voting yes at the referendum would give them authorization (she noted that they had the same authorization to do the Depot Street Bridge). She noted that they were able to secure 3.5 million dollars of grants for the bridge and noted that by authorizing them does not mean that they are going to spend all the money just because it's been authorized. She noted they only borrow what they need to borrow to do the project. She noted that during the last road project, they did not authorize enough money because of an agreement with a developer on Oakwood but finally we are starting to get some of that money back (that is why they couldn't finish it at the time). She noted that the bond for the bridge was under 1% and the dedication will be scheduled for the spring. She wanted all to understand that the BOS and BOF will be responsible and that just because the authorization is there does not mean they are going to spend all the money but use it and make decisions wisely they will continue to apply for grants and loans and any way to defer the costs.
- S. Cable read the first resolution question: "Shall the Town of Beacon Falls appropriate \$5,115,000 for various road and related sanitary sewer main improvement, and the acquisition, if so determined by the Board of Selectmen, of Benedetti Recycled Hot Emulsified Asphalt Treatment Equipment; and authorized the issue of bonds and notes to finance such portion of the appropriation as is not defrayed from grants?"
- L. D'Amico asked about the machine they a referring to in question 1. S. Cable deferred the question to L. Krepinevich and took the time to applaud Lou for thinking out of the box in this tough economic time and doing all the research on this machine. His research prompted the BOF and BOS to continue research and wanted to have the opportunity of this in the question. She noted that Lou spent a lot of hours and took time off from work to research this machine and it's application.
- L. Krepinevich explained that this machine, if the town decides to purchase it, gives the town the ability to dig up the first 3" of a road, add an additive called cyclogen to the asphalt which allows the same asphalt to be re-applied to the road (recycling). He noted that someone could actually leave for work in the morning and at the end of the day, the road would be repaved. Lou noted

that he has done research on not only the cost of the paving aspect but also on the cost of other towns paving their roads. He noted that Bethel CT estimated that the repaving cost of one mile of road will be between \$150,000 to \$350,000. He noted a quote from the Fairfield Citizens newspaper dated 2/13/11, there is a quote "on average the town resurfaces 14 miles of road per year and current costs amount to \$220,000 per paved mile. The machine that Lou researched was looked at by several cities, one being Pittsburgh. Pittsburgh noted that if they had purchased the machine, the cost to repave the road would have been \$42,000 per mile. Lou noted that what he presented to the BOS was that these machines would be used for two weeks in May and two weeks in August for paving during the warm weather. The machines do 1/4 of a mile of roadway per day noting that 2 miles of road could be done in a two week period. The town of Beacon Falls consists of 29 miles of roadway and these machines would allow for 4 miles each year on a rotating basis. All roads could be repaved every 7 years (the cost of the first 4 miles if the machine was purchased would be a approximately \$200,000 plus the annual payment of the machine with a 4% loan for 20 years would equal \$116,000 - total cost for the first 4 miles for the first year would be approx. \$316,000). If a contractor was hired to repave the road "the old fashioned way", it would cost \$200,000 per mile making the savings \$484,000. He noted that at this rate, the machines would pay for themselves in 3 years. He noted that the \$116,000 a year includes the purchase of a steel building to house the equipment when not in use as well as the material and the construction needed to put the building up. The machines at 4 miles per year would last at least 30 years. They require training and noted that the company who we would purchase the machines from are willing to spend the first paving season in Beacon Falls training the Public Works Department on how to use the machines. Lou noted that he contacted 3 other municipalities that have used these machines over the last 2-3 years. They all had favorable responses and that the roads are holding up just fine and that they saved money.

- L. Krepinevich noted that the bond package only addresses 5 roads and after the type of winter that we just had, there are going to be more roads that are not on that list that will need work. He noted that this option would give us the opportunity to do the roads on our own schedule and time table without having to go out for bids with other contractors and bond hundreds of thousands or millions of dollars to maintain the rest of the roads.
- L. D'Amico thanked L. Krepinevich for his detailed explaination of this machine and concept. He noted that he thinks this is an excellent process and a very worthwhile project.
- S. Cable commented that after speaking with other elected officials in the area and noted that other towns who are interested in either sharing the cost and use of the machine or leasing the machine from Beacon Falls should we purchase it. She noted that this could offset the cost of materials. S. Cable also noted that a lot of people came to the town hall very upset (basically construction workers), with comments like this machine can't be used on manholes she noted that is not true she researched this herself. Her comment on people saying it can't be used on roads that are chip sealed was that you can actually use this machine on roads that have been chip sealed once or twice that have an asphalt underneath it. S. Cable noted that they recommend 3" but you could go lower which remains to be seen. She noted that the machine also absolutely can go up hills she noted in Pittsburgh they did Alleghany Trail. She noted that there was a question regarding the safety of the 500 gallon propane tank: this machine does not require hazmat training and has less pressure than a back yard propane tank grill.

- S. Cable noted that personally, in the long run of things, she thinks this machine would be better.
- S. Cable asked if there were any other questions regarding question number 1:
- B. Ploss, Skokorat Road, noted that he was supposed to bring his laptop so that L. Krepinevich could do a presentation on this equipment but unfortunately his laptop fell in water during the day and he was not able to provide another device for the presentation. He apologized for not being able to supply one.
- F. Smith, 4 Patricia Terrace, commented that he thinks this is a fantastic thing that you can go look at something and save money at the same time. He noted that this is a no brainer.
- L. Krepinevich noted that as he is on the BOF as well, he looks at this as allowing us to free up some money to get other items for the people in the future. He also noted that hopefully we will get enough interest in use from other towns that the machine can be leased out with monies going to help fund the machine.
- L. Krepinevich also noted that the company would throw in a roller machine if we were to go ahead with this purchase. They will also throw in a set of blades which last approximately a year.
- K. Hummel, 6 Patricia Terrace, noted that he thinks this is a fantastic idea and asked if this housing building would be at the Public Works and if we would be hiring any other employees to operate the machine.
- L. Krepinevich responded that you would need two pieces of equipment; 1 heats the asphalt and 1 recycles it. To operate the machines, you would only need 3 people on the machinery. He suggested that laborers would be needed to work on the side of the road with rakes or shovels to kick back any extra asphalt to where it should be on the road. He does not know the particulars of hiring people but his suggestion would be to hire 2 or 3 people for the two week period to push a rake around or hold a shovel but it is not in the fine print and it would only be temporary. He noted that the people who would be trained would be the town employees.
- N. Grace, asked if these machines are similar to the machines we see around highways in different states?
- L. Krepinevich noted that they may be but he knows for sure that these machines have never been used in the state of CT. He noted that there is a company that will be doing work in the state but have not started yet.
- S. Falzone, 195 Lasky, asked if we would be the first town in the state that would be using this machine. L. Krepinevich answered, yes. He wondered why other towns who have bigger budgets than we have, have not purchased this machine. S. Cable noted that the reason the other towns have not purchased these machines is that they did not research this like L.

Krepinevich did. She noted it took a lot of energy and time for Lou to research this and motivate the rest of them to continue to research it.

- J. Blesse, Rice Lane, noted that while we would be the first in the state to use it, there are other towns in the Northeast that use this. He noted that there is a company in the Northeast that you could hire today to come and do these services and it would also be a cost savings. He also reiterated that there was another Mayor that actually talked about sharing the cost with us. J. Blesse re-capped the points made regarding this machine.
- 1. This machine will potentially save us money
- 2. This project can potentially create seasonal jobs (S. Cable noted that it could and there are work programs for that)
- 3. Currently we might have someone who might want to share in the cost with us or worse case scenario rent the machine from us for some period of time
- 4. We can do a lot more roads in a lot quicker time
- S. Cable added that the elected official who showed an interest in sharing the cost is from the town of Wolcott and he is a former Public Works employee himself.
- J. Blesse commended L. Krepinevich for an extraordinary job and thanked him for his thinking out of the box.
- L. D'Amico asked for confirmation that this was a recycling machine. L. Krepinevich confirmed that it was. He noted that they hired contractors to do the same process in the past.
- E. Groth asked if this equipment is purchased, does it do anything to the requested bond amount. M. Krenesky answered saying that the question is appropriating 5.1 million dollars of which (if we make the decision to purchase this equipment) will save us money.
- E. Groth asked if we have looked into leasing the equipment. L. Krepinevich noted that they really don't lease this equipment. E. Groth asked about bank leasing companies and S. Cable answered that it is in the bond package now.
- M. Heneghan asked who manufacturers this equipment. L. Krepinevich noted that Caterpillar is in the same conjunction with this manufacture. The hardware is Caterpillar based.
- S. Cable read the second question.
- "Shall the Town of Beacon Falls appropriate \$125,000 for various fuel and heating oil storage facility improvements and authorize the issue of bonds and notes in the same amount to finance the appropriation?".
- S. Cable noted that we have been cited by the DEP because the tanks at the fire house are underground. They have to be brought to above ground. We have received some grant money but are still short. We will be able to monitor the fuel use by the Fire Department and Public

Works more closely by putting a control on the tank. It will be housed at Public Works. S. Cable noted that because we have been working towards the goal of removing the tanks, the DEP has left us alone for now.

There were no questions regarding this question.

S. Cable read the 3rd question:

"Shall the town of Beacon Falls appropriate \$1,000,000 for improvements to the wastewater treatment plant and authorize the issue of bonds and notes in the same amount to finance the appropriation?"

- S. Cable noted that we are constantly under mandates at our sewer plant. We are currently switching over to phosphate and that has to be monitored all the time. The BOS and BOF are aware of how tight the economic times are. She noted that after much thought and discussion, these are the 3 issues that the BOF and BOS felt were most important.
- E. Groth asked how the million dollars for the wastewater treatment was arrived upon. S. Cable noted that town engineers have evaluated this and this is what they came up with and the BOS is comfortable with this number.
- E. Bea, Public Works, noted that the machine sounds really good so when they are not paving the two miles of roads every year, he's going to get money to reclaim some of these roads? He said that the machine is not a reclaiming machine; it will basically just take off the asphalt. S. Cable noted that he is going to get the money they said he was going to get during the morning meeting.
- E. Bea asked the question with regards to the fuel system going over the garage; where over the garage will it be going? He noted he brought this up before. S. Cable answered that they have a map and design and they can go over it. E. Bea noted there are other things he has to worry about over there.
- L. D'Amico asked about appropriating the money for the Fire Department breathing apparatuses. S. Cable noted that the Fire Department received a grant for some of the equipment. The balance will be budgeted at \$13,000 per year for 5 years (it was more economically efficient to purchase these items this then to put them in a 20 year bond). The grant was for \$160,000.

The second part of the meeting began with the clerk (L. Classey) reading the call regarding transfers.

### L. D'Amico motioned to accept the call. S. Dowdell 2nd the motion. All (27 people in the room) voted aye.

S. Cable noted that the town received a \$94,000 refund from Region 16. The BOF recommended that this money be put into the contingency for auditing purposes as it would be the best use of it. We are now using this money for the unexpected expenses of the recent snow

removal costs, etc. After these expenses, there will still be money left in contingency for the next 4 months. Both BOS and BOF felt comfortable with this after lengthy discussions. S. Cable noted that they are in their rights to use the money this way. She also noted that Prospect is doing the same thing.

L. D'Amico asked for the transfers to be reviewed again for the approximate amounts. M. Krenesky reviewed each transfer and the amounts.

E. Groth wanted to know what the costs were for the Fire Department. M. Krenesky explained that there was a break in the sewer pipe at the Fire House which made it necessary to dig up the apron in front of the Fire House. While digging up, they cut the electrical wire which had to be replaced and rerun. The new map is now updated to show where the new electrical work is.

M. Heneghan asked if insurance covered this. S. Cable answered that the Fire House was built so many years ago, there was no insurance on this instance.

S. Dowdell asked if they would be applying for any grants or emergency help for the snow removal. S. Cable noted that yes they have already applied for the first round (first storm in January) and they will get about \$37,000 back from that. They are currently waiting for a 2nd round.

L. D'Amico motioned to approve the call. H. Mis 2nd the motion. All (27 people in the room) voted aye.

B. Ploss motioned to adjourn the meeting to a referendum on March 15, 2011 to vote on the 3 questions for the bond package. L. Falzone 2nd the motion. All (26 people in the room) voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lane Clusy

Lauren Classev

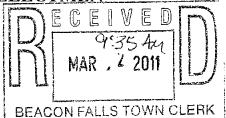
Clerk for the Board of Selectmen and Finance





# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 



February 25, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Please be advised of the following Special Town Meeting and Notice of Referendum:

# LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING -- MARCH 7, 2011 NOTICE OF REFERENDUM - MARCH 15, 2011

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut, will be held at the Assembly Room of the Beacon Falls Town Hall, 10 Maple Avenue in Beacon Falls, Connecticut, on Monday, March 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider a resolution,
- to appropriate \$5,115,000 for costs in connection with various road and related sanitary sewer main improvements, including: (1) reconstruction of all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Town Engineer: Patricia Terrace, Highland Avenue, Dolly Drive, Maple Street, Blackberry Hill Road and Wolf Avenue, which may without limitation include reclaiming and repaving of roadway systems, replacement of catch basin tops, installation of new catch basins, storm drainage piping, curbing, guide rails, driveway aprons, landscaping and restoration; (2) acquisition, if so determined by the Board of Selectmen, of Benedetti recycled hot emulsified asphalt treatment equipment to enable Town personnel to carry out various Town roadway system pavement reclaiming and repaving operations; (3) rehabilitation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Highland Avenue, Maple Street and Wolf Avenue; (4) installation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Patricia Terrace, Dolly Drive and a portion of Lasky Road; and (5) related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, landscaping restoration, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project. The

Town anticipates applying an estimated \$400,000 in Small Town Economic Assistance Program grants from the State of Connecticut to defray in part the costs of the project;

- (b) to authorize the issue bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$5,115,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized to finance the project shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project; and to authorize the issue temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$5,115,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes and the receipt of project grants;
- (c) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes;
- (d) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes;
- (f) to authorize the First Selectman, or other proper officers or officials of the Town, are authorized to apply for and accept grants on behalf of the Town to defray the appropriation for the project; and
- (g) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

### 2. To consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$125,000 for costs in connection with various fuel and heating oil storage facility improvements, including: (1) removal of underground storage tanks for fuel and heating oil at the Public Works Garage and Beacon Falls Volunteer Fire Department station sites; (2) installation of above-ground heating oil storage tanks at the Public Works Garage and Beacon Falls Volunteer Fire Department station sites; (3) creation of a central fueling facility at the Public Works Garage site; and (4) related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials,

engineering and inspection fees and costs, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project;

- (b) to authorize the issue bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; and to authorize the issue temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes;
- (c) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes;
- (d) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes; and
- (f) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

### 3. To consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$1,000,000 for costs in connection with various improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority, contemplated to include refurbishing of existing aeration tanks; refurbishing of secondary clarifiers; acquisition and installation of air blowers/vfd's and RAS pumps; aerated flumeway modifications; flow distribution improvements; retrofitting of emergency generator cooling system; and related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project. The Water Pollution Control Authority will be authorized to reduce or modify the scope of the project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced or modified project;

- (b) to authorize the issue bonds, notes or other obligations of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; and to authorize the issue temporary notes or interim funding obligations of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in anticipation of such bonds, notes or obligations;
- (c) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds, notes or other obligations; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds, notes or other obligations;
- (d) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds, notes or other obligations to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds, notes or other obligations;
- (f) to authorize the First Selectman to apply for and accept grants and loans to finance the appropriation for the project, and to enter into any grant or loan agreement; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other actions necessary to obtain such grants or loans, or to implement such grant or loan agreements;
- (g) to authorize the Water Pollution Control Authority to construct the sewer project, to approve design and construction expenditures incurred for the sewer project, and to contract with engineers, contractors and others on behalf of the Town for said sewer project; and
- (h) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds, notes or other obligations and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, to adjourn said town meeting at its conclusion and to submit the resolutions to be presented under items 1 through 3, inclusive, of this notice to vote upon

voting machines or paper ballots between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 15, 2011. Electors and persons qualified to vote in town meetings who are not electors shall vote at the following polling place:

### Laurel Ledge School 30 Highland Avenue in Beacon Falls

Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office. The resolutions will be placed on the voting machines or paper ballots under the following headings, respectively:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$5,115,000 FOR VARIOUS ROAD AND RELATED SANITARY SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS, AND THE ACQUISITION, IF SO DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, OF BENEDETTI RECYCLED HOT EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TREATMENT EQUIPMENT; AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE SUCH PORTION OF THE APPROPRIATION AS IS NOT DEFRAYED FROM GRANTS?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$125,000 FOR VARIOUS FUEL AND HEATING OIL STORAGE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$1,000,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

Voters approving a resolution will vote "Yes" and those opposing said resolution will vote "No."

Dated at Beacon Falls, Connecticut, this 25th day of February, 2011.

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman

Dominick S. Sorrentino, Selectman

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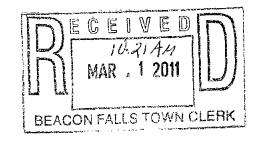
# Town of BEACON FALLS onnecticut

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

February 25, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Dear Mr. Novak:



Please be advised about the Board of Selectmen has scheduled the following Town Meeting.

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011 7:00 P.M.

Please be advised that the Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen has scheduled a **Town**Meeting of the Electors and Citizens of the Town of Beacon Falls to be held on Monday,

March 7, 2011 at the Town Hall Assembly Room, 10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT
beginning at 7:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

### 1. To vote on upon the follow Budget Transfer Requests:

AMOUNT	FROM		ТО	
\$23,997	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-44-1435	Fire Department
\$94,000	10-88-2001	Region 16	10-83-1170	Contingency
\$31,310	10 <b>-</b> 83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1685	Snow Removal
\$17,600	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1685	Snow Removal
\$13,000	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1703	Vehicle Maintenance
\$ 5,000	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1780	Sewer Maintenance
\$ 2,000	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1690	Equipment

This document is prepared for the benefit of the public, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation. This document does not represent the intent of the Legislative Body of the Town of Beacon Falls, CT for any purpose.

Dated at Beacon Falls, this 28th day of February 2011.

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman

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Michael A. Krenesky, Selectman

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### RESOLUTION OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

APPROPRIATING \$5,115,000 VARIOUS ROAD AND RELATED SANITARY SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS, AND THE ACQUISITION, IF SO DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, OF BENEDETTI RECYCLED HOT EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TREATMENT EQUIPMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE SUCH PORTION OF THE APPROPRIATION AS IS NOT DEFRAYED FROM GRANTS

March 7, 2011

### RESOLVED,

- That the Town of Beacon Falls appropriate FIVE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,115,000) for costs in connection with various road and related sanitary sewer main improvements, including: (1) reconstruction of all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Town Engineer: Patricia Terrace, Highland Avenue, Dolly Drive, Maple Street, Blackberry Hill Road and Wolf Avenue, which may without limitation include reclaiming and repaying of roadway systems, replacement of catch basin tops, installation of new catch basins, storm drainage piping, curbing, guide rails, driveway aprons, landscaping and restoration; (2) acquisition, if so determined by the Board of Selectmen, of Benedetti recycled hot emulsified asphalt treatment equipment to enable Town personnel to carry out various Town roadway system pavement reclaiming and repaving operations; (3) rehabilitation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Highland Avenue, Maple Street and Wolf Avenue; (4) installation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Patricia Terrace, Dolly Drive and a portion of Lasky Road; and (5) related work, improvements. equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, landscaping restoration, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project. The Town anticipates applying an estimated \$400,000 in Small Town Economic Assistance Program grants from the State of Connecticut to defray in part the costs of the project.
- 2. That the Town issue bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed appropriate FIVE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,115,000) to finance the appropriation for the project. The amount of bonds or notes authorized to be issued shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-369 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town.
- 3. That the Town issue and renew temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes and the receipt of grants for the project. The amount of the notes outstanding at any time shall not appropriate FIVE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,115,000). The notes shall be issued

pursuant to Section 7-378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of Section 7-378a of the General Statutes with respect to any notes that do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7-378.

- 4. That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign any bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The law firm of Day Pitney LLP is designated as bond counsel to approve the legality of the bonds or notes. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; to designate one or more banks or trust companies to be certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the bonds or notes; to provide for the keeping of a record of the bonds or notes; to designate a financial advisor to the Town in connection with the sale of the bonds or notes; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.
- 5. That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that (except to the extent reimbursed from grant moneys) the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the project. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution, if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
- 6. That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes.
- 7. That the First Selectman, or other proper officers or officials of the Town, are authorized to apply for and accept grants on behalf of the Town to defray the appropriation for the project, and to take any other actions necessary to obtain such grants.
- 8. That the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

## RESOLUTION OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATING \$125,000 FOR VARIOUS FUEL AND HEATING OIL STORAGE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION March 7, 2011

### RESOLVED,

- 1. That the Town of Beacon Falls appropriate ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) for costs in connection with various fuel and heating oil storage facility improvements, including: (1) removal of underground storage tanks for fuel and heating oil at the Public Works Garage and Beacon Falls Volunteer Fire Department station sites; (2) installation of above-ground heating oil storage tanks at the Public Works Garage and Beacon Falls Volunteer Fire Department station sites; (3) creation of a central fueling facility at the Public Works Garage site; and (4) related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project.
- 2. That the Town issue bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) to finance the appropriation for the project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-369 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town.
- 3. That the Town issue and renew temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes for the project. The amount of the notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000). The notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of Section 7-378a of the General Statutes with respect to any notes that do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7-378.
- 4. That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign any bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The law firm of Day Pitney LLP is designated as bond counsel to approve the legality of the bonds or notes. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; to designate one or more banks or trust companies to be certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the bonds or notes; to provide for the keeping of a record of the bonds or notes; to designate a financial advisor to the Town in connection with the sale of the bonds or

notes; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.

- 5. That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that (except to the extent reimbursed from grant moneys) the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the project. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution, if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
- 6. That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes.
- 7. That the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

## RESOLUTION OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATING \$1,000,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION March 7, 2011

### RESOLVED.

- 1. That the Town of Beacon Falls appropriate ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) for costs in connection with various improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority, contemplated to include refurbishing of existing aeration tanks; refurbishing of secondary clarifiers; acquisition and installation of air blowers/vfd's and RAS pumps; aerated flumeway modifications; flow distribution improvements; retrofitting of emergency generator cooling system; and related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project. The Water Pollution Control Authority may reduce or modify the scope of the project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced or modified project.
- 2. That the Town issue its bonds, notes or other obligations, in an amount not to exceed ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) to finance the appropriation for the sewer project. The bonds, notes or obligations shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-259 or Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and any other enabling acts. The bonds, notes or obligations shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town.
- 3. That the Town issue and renew its temporary notes or interim funding obligations from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds, notes or other obligations and the receipt of grants for the sewer project. The amount of the notes or interim funding obligations outstanding at any time shall not exceed ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000). The notes or interim funding obligations shall be issued pursuant to Sections 7-264 and 7-378 or Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and any other enabling acts. The notes or interim funding obligations shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of Section 7-378a and Section 7-378b of the General Statutes with respect to any temporary notes if the notes do not mature within the time permitted by said Sections 7-264 or 7-378, and the Town shall comply with the provisions of Section 22a-479(c) of the General Statutes with respect to any interim funding obligations.
- 4. That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign any bonds, notes or other obligations by their manual or facsimile signatures. The law firm of Day Pitney LLP is designated as bond counsel to approve the legality of the bonds, notes or other obligations. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other

details of the bonds, notes or other obligations; to designate one or more banks or trust companies to be certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the bonds, notes or other obligations; to provide for the keeping of a record of the bonds or notes; to designate a financial advisor to the Town in connection with the sale of the bonds, notes or other obligations; to sell the bonds, notes or other obligations at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds, notes or other obligations; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds, notes or other obligations.

- 5. That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that (except to the extent reimbursed from grant moneys) the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the project. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized by this resolution, if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
- 6. That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds, notes or other obligations to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds, notes or other obligations.
- 7. That the First Selectman, on behalf of the Town, is authorized to apply for and accept grants and loans to finance the appropriation for the project, and to enter into any grant or loan agreement prescribed by the State of Connecticut or any other grantor or lender, and the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town are authorized to take any other actions necessary to obtain such grants or loans pursuant to Section 22a-479 of the Connecticut General Statutes, Revision of 1958, as amended, or to any other present or future legislation, or to implement such grant or loan agreements. Any grant proceeds may be used to pay project costs or principal and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued to finance the project.
- 8. That the Water Pollution Control Authority is authorized to construct the sewer project, to approve design and construction expenditures incurred for the sewer project, and to contract with engineers, contractors and others on behalf of the Town for said sewer project.
- 9. That the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to construct and complete the sewer project and to issue bonds, notes or other obligations and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

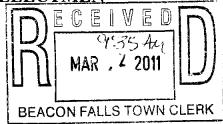
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN



February 25, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Please be advised of the following Special Town Meeting and Notice of Referendum:

### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING -- MARCH 7, 2011 NOTICE OF REFERENDUM – MARCH 15, 2011

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut, will be held at the Assembly Room of the Beacon Falls Town Hall, 10 Maple Avenue in Beacon Falls, Connecticut, on Monday, March 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider a resolution,
- to appropriate \$5,115,000 for costs in connection with various road and related sanitary sewer main improvements, including: (1) reconstruction of all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Town Engineer: Patricia Terrace, Highland Avenue, Dolly Drive, Maple Street, Blackberry Hill Road and Wolf Avenue, which may without limitation include reclaiming and repaying of roadway systems, replacement of catch basin tops, installation of new catch basins, storm drainage piping, curbing, guide rails, driveway aprons, landscaping and restoration; (2) acquisition, if so determined by the Board of Selectmen, of Benedetti recycled hot emulsified asphalt treatment equipment to enable Town personnel to carry out various Town roadway system pavement reclaiming and repaving operations; (3) rehabilitation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Highland Avenue, Maple Street and Wolf Avenue; (4) installation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Patricia Terrace, Dolly Drive and a portion of Lasky Road; and (5) related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, landscaping restoration, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project. The

Town anticipates applying an estimated \$400,000 in Small Town Economic Assistance Program grants from the State of Connecticut to defray in part the costs of the project;

- (b) to authorize the issue bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$5,115,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized to finance the project shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project; and to authorize the issue temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$5,115,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes and the receipt of project grants;
- (c) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes;
- (d) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes;
- (f) to authorize the First Selectman, or other proper officers or officials of the Town, are authorized to apply for and accept grants on behalf of the Town to defray the appropriation for the project; and
- (g) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

### 2. To consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$125,000 for costs in connection with various fuel and heating oil storage facility improvements, including: (1) removal of underground storage tanks for fuel and heating oil at the Public Works Garage and Beacon Falls Volunteer Fire Department station sites; (2) installation of above-ground heating oil storage tanks at the Public Works Garage and Beacon Falls Volunteer Fire Department station sites; (3) creation of a central fueling facility at the Public Works Garage site; and (4) related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials,

engineering and inspection fees and costs, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs related to the project;

- (b) to authorize the issue bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; and to authorize the issue temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes;
- (c) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes;
- (d) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes; and
- (f) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

### 3. To consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$1,000,000 for costs in connection with various improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority, contemplated to include refurbishing of existing aeration tanks; refurbishing of secondary clarifiers; acquisition and installation of air blowers/vfd's and RAS pumps; aerated flumeway modifications; flow distribution improvements; retrofitting of emergency generator cooling system; and related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances. The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition, installation and construction, appurtenances, equipment, materials, engineering and inspection fees and costs, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project. The Water Pollution Control Authority will be authorized to reduce or modify the scope of the project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced or modified project;

- (b) to authorize the issue bonds, notes or other obligations of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; and to authorize the issue temporary notes or interim funding obligations of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in anticipation of such bonds, notes or obligations;
- (c) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds, notes or other obligations; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds, notes or other obligations;
- (d) to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized by the resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years;
- (e) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds, notes or other obligations to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds, notes or other obligations;
- (f) to authorize the First Selectman to apply for and accept grants and loans to finance the appropriation for the project, and to enter into any grant or loan agreement; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other actions necessary to obtain such grants or loans, or to implement such grant or loan agreements;
- (g) to authorize the Water Pollution Control Authority to construct the sewer project, to approve design and construction expenditures incurred for the sewer project, and to contract with engineers, contractors and others on behalf of the Town for said sewer project; and
- (h) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Treasurer and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds, notes or other obligations and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, to adjourn said town meeting at its conclusion and to submit the resolutions to be presented under items 1 through 3, inclusive, of this notice to vote upon

voting machines or paper ballots between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 15, 2011. Electors and persons qualified to vote in town meetings who are not electors shall vote at the following polling place:

### Laurel Ledge School 30 Highland Avenue in Beacon Falls

Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office. The resolutions will be placed on the voting machines or paper ballots under the following headings, respectively:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$5,115,000 FOR VARIOUS ROAD AND RELATED SANITARY SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS, AND THE ACQUISITION, IF SO DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, OF BENEDETTI RECYCLED HOT EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TREATMENT EQUIPMENT; AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE SUCH PORTION OF THE APPROPRIATION AS IS NOT DEFRAYED FROM GRANTS?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$125,000 FOR VARIOUS FUEL AND HEATING OIL STORAGE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS APPROPRIATE \$1,000,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

Voters approving a resolution will vote "Yes" and those opposing said resolution will vote "No."

Dated at Beacon Falls, Connecticut, this 25th day of February, 2011.

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman

Michael A. Krenesky, Selectman

Dominick S. Sorrentino, Selectman





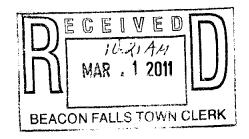
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### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

February 25, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Dear Mr. Novak:



Please be advised about the Board of Selectmen has scheduled the following Town Meeting.

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BEACON FALLS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011 7:00 P.M.

Please be advised that the Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen has scheduled a **Town Meeting** of the Electors and Citizens of the Town of Beacon Falls to be held on **Monday**, **March 7**, **2011** at the Town Hall Assembly Room, 10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls, CT beginning at **7:00 P.M**. for the following purpose:

1. To vote on upon the follow Budget Transfer Requests:

AMOUNT	FROM		TO	
\$23,997	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-44-1435	Fire Department
\$94,000	10-88-2001	Region 16	10-83-1170	Contingency
\$31,310	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1685	Snow Removal
\$17,600	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1685	Snow Removal
\$13,000	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1703	Vehicle Maintenance
\$ 5,000	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1780	Sewer Maintenance
\$ 2,000	10-83-1170	Contingency	10-59-1690	Equipment

This document is prepared for the benefit of the public, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation. This document does not represent the intent of the Legislative Body of the Town of Beacon Falls, CT for any purpose.

Dated at Beacon Falls, this  $28^{th}$  day of February 2011.

Susan A. Cable, First Selectman

Michael A. Krenesky, Selectman





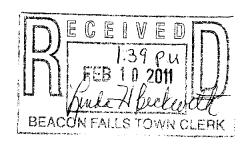


### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

February 10, 2011

Town Clerk, Kurt Novak C/o Town Hall 10 Maple Avenue Beacon Falls, CT 06403

Dear Mr. Novak:



Please be advised that the **Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen** will hold a **SPECIAL MEETING** on **Tuesday**, **February 15**, 2011 to begin at 8:00 P.M. in the **Town Hall Assembly Room**, 10 Maple Avenue, Beacon Falls.

Purpose of the Special Meeting is to consider and act upon a Resolution to reschedule the February 15, 2011 Special Town Meeting and the February 22, 2011 Referendum established to consider and act upon the appropriations and borrowing authorizations for various road and related sanitary sewer main improvements, various fuel and heating oil storage facility improvements, and various improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

### RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby reschedules the February 15, 2011 Special Town Meeting and the February 22, 2011 Referendum established to consider and act on the resolution with respect to capital project appropriations and borrowing authorizations for the \$5,115,000 Various Road and Related Sanitary Sewer Main Improvements Project; the \$125,000 Various Fuel and Heating Oil Storage Facility, Improvements Project, and the \$1,000,000 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project, to February 22, 2011 and March 1, 2011 respectfully; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Notice of Special Town Meeting and Referendum presented to this meeting is hereby approved. A copy of the notice shall be attached to the Minutes of this Meeting and made a part thereof.

Thank you.

Sincerely.

Karen A. Wilson

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Clerk for the Board of Selectmen



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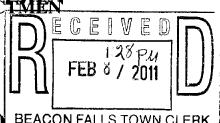
TOWN MEEETING

LAND USE ORDINANCE

Enhance 7, 2011

February 7, 2011 MINUTES

(Draft Copy-Subject to Revision) BEACON FALLS TOWN CLERK



S. Cable called the Town Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: First Selectmen S. Cable, Selectman M. Krenesky and approximately 16 town residents.

The Temporary Clerk (Lauren Classey) read the call.

Naugatuck River Valley

- J. Rodrigo, 42 Bonna St., motioned to accept the call. J. Dowdell, 32 Wolfe Ave., 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- J. Rodrigo motioned to nominate L. Classey as the permanent clerk for this meeting. M. Krenesky 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- S. Cable asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.
- J. Rodrigo motioned that the nominations are closed. M. Krenesky 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

Lauren Classey will be the permanent clerk of this meeting.

- J. Rodrigo nominated S. Cable as the Permanent Moderator for this meeting. C. Beilik 2nd the motion. All voted aye.
- L. Classey asked if there were any other nominations 3 times.

Nominations closed: 1 ballot for S. Cable. S. Cable will be Permanent Moderator for this meeting. All voted aye.

S. Cable explained that there was a public hearing held on the ordinance before them. She noted that a few questions came to her at that time; making sure that not too much power was given to the Conservation Commission and one of the concerns was that the power was not taken away from the other Boards. These questions were answered by the Land Use Attorney S. Byrd. S.

Cable noted that they are comfortable with the ordinance that is before them. She asked that a motion be made to accept this motion.

Anita Goerig, 65 Cambridge, Ct., motioned to accept the motion. J. Dowdell, 32 Wolfe Ave., 2nd the motion.

### Discussion:

- J. Rodrigo noted that this ordinance did address some of the issues but did not address all of the concerns of the other Boards and Commissions it effects. Examples are: Item 4: Town Land Management authorization of the Conservation Commission to develop these rules and regulations may be the same as Park in Rec but they may also be in conflict and item 4 does not address how it will satisfy a conflict.
- **J. Rodrigo** notes that under section 5: Regulations for all Assigned Town Owned Lands: B.: Trails shall be constructed only after their location and construction has been reviewed and approved by the Conservation Commission. Again, this gives the authority to the Conservation Commission and not Park and Rec.
- **J. Rodrigo** notes that under section F: Overnight camping will be allowed where approved by the Conservation Commission. J. Rodrigo notes, again the authority goes to the Conservation Commission.
- J. Rodrigo notes that under section 6: Concurrent Authority with Other Town Agencies-J. Rodrigo objects the strongest to the last line in this section: "However, such rules and regulation should be referred to the Beacon Falls Conservation Commission so as to insure that their rules and regulations are not in conflict with the rules and regulation adopted by the Conservation Commission certainly implies that the authority of the ruling body would go to the Conservation Commission.
- J. Rodrigo noted that there are two reason that this was written; one of the reasons was to protect the town against liability. He noted that currently there are a senate bill and a house bill being presented at the state legislature to basically immune municipalities against any liability. He noted that because there are two bills in both houses, that there is a good probability that both bills will pass which will make this document null and void by the end of May. He encouraged those voting to not support this ordinance.
- Ed Groth, 13 Laurel Ridge, noted that it seems like one part of the ordinance would be nullified by the state bill that would be coming but not the rest. J. Rodrigo noted that is correct, the liability issue is what will be addressed by the state. J. Rodrigo noted that the rest of the ordinance regarding managing the property will be shifted from Parks and Rec and given to Conservation Commission.
- S. Cable noted for clarification purposes that she is very involved with these bills that are being presented and does not believe this ordinance will affect us so negatively as being presented. S. Cable noted that the ultimate authority is with BOS. S. Cable noted that they generally allow their boards to run pretty much clear and that they are proud of their boards. She noted that they

wouldn't promote something that we feel would put a conflict between the boards and cause further problems. She noted that they are not a BOS that dictates to the Boards and noted that everything comes back to the Board of Selectmen.

Diane Betkowski, 133 Blackberry Hill, Chairman of the Conservation Commission: She clarified that the Conservation Commission is governed by the standing CT general statue noting the commission has no authority. The purpose of the Conservation Commission is strictly to advise. The research and work done by this commission is just brought to the other commission and the selectman who have the authority. Diane noted that they have been working with the appropriate staff and town to mark boundaries, assess resources and make recommendations for possible use. She also noted that Atty. Byrne recommended that the commission put together an ordinance. After several revisions, this ordinance was brought to Land Use (which is made up of representatives of every board) for their input which was put into this revision. D. Betkowski noted that she certainly endorses this ordinance and thinks it's in the best interest of the town and if changes come out in the state level, the ordinance can be modified. She would like to move forward with the management of open space and encourages all to support this ordinance.

- M. Krenesky, 22 Maple Ave., noted that based on what the Chair of Conservation just said (he noted he supports Item 7): the conservation is controlled and regulated by state statues but looking at item 6, it appears that they are trying to put an authority in place that maybe shouldn't be there noting that D. Betkowski noted that they do not have any authority however item 6 is stating that another commission has to abide by the rules and regulations of the Conservation Commissions authority. He noted that this is a grey area that doesn't make any sense. He's concerned that they are trying to put something into place that based on what Diane just said, may be in conflict with state statute.
- **D. Betkowski** responded by saying that they hired and attorney to address this matter and basically the authority is really the responsibility or task, authority not meaning "power", it's the responsibility to identify recourses and make appropriate recommendation keeping in line with the responsibility of what a Conservation Committee does. She noted that Attny Byrne has looked at this document multiple times and she does not believe that he would ill advise us. She noted that ultimately the BOS is the elected body that has the responsibilities for all properties in this town.
- S. Cable clarified that General Statutes supersede any of our ordinance. She noted that when ordinances are put together they are for guidelines with plans she noted that yes we can find fault in them if they are analyzed enough but they are meant as guidelines to move us in a positive direction.

Anita Goerig, 65, Cambrige Court., noted that she believes that when there are changes to any park and rec, they should be bringing these changes to the BOS. She noted that basically what the conservation committee does is work with Land Use and also work with the BOS. Anita noted that she thinks that part of the problem is that they don't all want to work together and that has been very clear in the last year and a half. She noted that the Conservation Commission has no desire to take over any other commissions. She noted that this came up as a result of trying to determine the best use of two open space parcels.

- **J. Rodrigo** noted that Anita may be right however the document states that they authority will be put on the conservation commission therefore the ordinance should be re-worded noting what their intent is rather than transferring authority
- M. Krepinevich, 134 Essex Ct. asked if that just because we say this will stop liability, does it really mean we can? S. Cable answered that no, nothing does.
- L. Krepinevich, 134 Essex Ct., Summarized that the Conservation Commission is saying that they do not have authority but want to make recommendations however he noted that on the other hand they are asking to pass an ordinance which appears to give them authority and noted that the Conservation Commission will make recommendations whether we pass this ordinance or not.
- S. Cable noted that nothing in the ordinance should be interrupted as denying a town agency to adopt rules and regulations for the town. The key is communication comparing them to rules and regulations that are set by the Conservation Commission. S. Cable noted that she has gone over this with other towns, etc. M. Kreneksy noted that the BOS voted to bring this ordinance to a vote. S. Cable noted that if there are conflicts or changes with the ordinance by any selectmen, they should be resolved before it is brought to the town.
- **C.Beilik**, noted that this ordinance documents the procedure of what the Commission is to do. There is no ordinance in place at this time and this would put something in place.
- Allison Sirowich, 153 Munson Road noted that she is on the Parks and Rec committee and that if the ordinance were to be reworded it would be fine however, she does not agree that it tightens up or clarifies the Conservations proposes, she thinks it just adds another layer of bureaucracy to keep things from being done. She suggested that it either be re-worded or re thought out. She noted that the conservation commission is saying that they have no authority but she did read the ordinance and it is stating that it does give the conservation committee authority.
- Lisa Swanson, 12 Fawn hill Road, Chairman of Park and Rec, noted that she does not recommend that we pass this ordinance because it starts to tell you what you can and can't do on Park and rec noting that Park and Rec already have a set of rules. She noted that it sounds like the Conservation Commission also has their rules.
- S. Cable noted that she did not ask for a motion as to how to vote so would like to make a motion to vote. M. Krenesky noted that there is already a motion on the floor so the motion on the floor needs to be withdrawn.
- A. Goerig withdrew her motion to accept the ordinance. J. Dowdell withdrew his 2nd.
- J. Rodrigo motioned to vote by a show of hands. J. Dowdell 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

A show of hands was counted to be 18.

A. Goerig motioned to accept the ordinance. C. Beilik 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

All those in favor of supporting this Land Use Ordinance were asked to raise their hands. After a count of hands, 7 were in favor and 11 were opposed. Ordinance did not pass.

J. Rodrigo motioned to adjourn the Town Meeting. A. Sirowich 2nd the motion. All voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Classey

Clerk for the Board of Selectmen and Finance

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TOWN OF BEACON FALLS WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY JANUARY 11, 2011

The Water Pollution Control Authority of the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut, will hold public hearings in the <u>Assembly Room</u>, of the <u>Town Hall</u>, at <u>10 Maple Avenue</u> in Beacon Falls, Connecticut, on Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at <u>7:00 P.M.</u> to consider the advisability of the following projects:

- 1. Various sanitary sewer main improvements, including: (1) rehabilitation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads: Highland Avenue, Maple Street and Wolf Avenue, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority; (2) installation of sanitary sewer mains and appurtenances on all or any portion of the following roads, as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority: Patricia Terrace and Dolly Drive; and (3) related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances.
- 2. Various improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant as to be determined by the Water Pollution Control Authority, contemplated to include refurbishing of existing aeration tanks; refurbishing of secondary clarifiers; acquisition and installation of air blowers/vfd's and RAS pumps; aerated flumeway modifications; flow distribution improvements; retrofitting of emergency generator cooling system; and related work, improvements, equipment and appurtenances.

Affected property owners and voters of the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut will be heard at the public hearing concerning the proposed projects.

Dated at Beacon Falls, Connecticut this 17th day of December, 2010.

Jeffrey T. Smith
Chairman
Beacon Falls Water Pollution Control Authority