

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
MAY 5, 2009**

Present: Linda Hodge, First Selectman, Selectmen: John Malsbenden, Stan Soby, Gregory Cordova, Rosemary Coyle; Board of Education: Karen Loiselle, Superintendent, Bill Hettrick, Chairman, Betsy Ciccone, Monica Swyden-Bolles, Tim Lamp, Donald Kennedy; Maggie Cosgrove, CFO, Jon Sandberg, Treasurer, Board of Finance: Bruce Hayn, Chairman, Ronald Goldstein, Ron Crabb, Brian Smith, Mike Ryan; Nancy Bray, Town Clerk, 78 townspeople and 1 reporter.

Meeting was called to order by Linda Hodge, First Selectman, at 7:07 p.m.

Motion that Nicholas Norton be Moderator made by John Malsbenden, seconded by Gary Avery. Motion to close nominations made by Dot Mrowka, seconded by Greg Cordova. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion that Nick Norton be Moderator. SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

Motion to waive reading of the entire text of resolutions made by Stan Soby, seconded by Bruce Hayn as follows:

“I move that the reading of the resolutions to be presented to this Special Town Meeting under Items #1 (a) – (f), #2 (a) – (f), #3 (a – f) and #4 (a –h) of the Notice be waived and that the full text of the resolutions, as made available to those in attendance at this meeting, be recorded with the minutes of this meeting.”

Motion to move all four resolutions to the floor made by John Malsbenden, seconded by Gary Avery.

Discussion:

Steve Schuster – Motion to amend bonding question on track; he would like to see the track removed from bonding because he is opposed to spending money on it for the following reasons: doesn't like location, accessibility, the budget won't pass and the town can't afford it. No Second was made; motion died.

Moderator addressed one resolution at a time and took the vote on each item individually.

Item #1, To consider a resolution to appropriate \$760,000 for costs related to the acquisition of a new fire engine tank (Motion by Ron Crabb, second by Gary Avery); SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

Item #2, To consider a resolution to appropriate \$560,000 for road improvements (Motion by John Malsbenden, second by Stan Soby); SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

Item #3, To consider a resolution to appropriate \$280,000 for acquisition of a new type 1 medium duty ambulance (Motion by John Malsbenden, second by Greg Cordova); SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

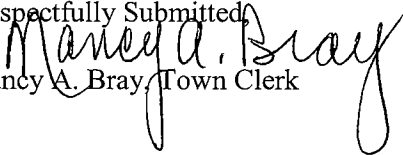
Item #4, To consider a resolution to appropriate \$680,000 for reconstruction of the track at Bacon Academy (Motion by John Malsbenden, second by Greg Cordova); SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

Copies of the entire resolutions are attached to these minutes.

Motion to move Item #5, To adjourn said town meeting and to submit the aforesaid resolution under items 1,2,3 and 4 of this notice to a referendum vote on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Colchester Town Hall, made by Greg Schuster, seconded by Stan Soby. SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

Motion to adjourn made by Stan Soby, seconded by Gary Avery at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Nancy A. Bray, Town Clerk