

BOARD OF **SELECTMEN** DEEP RIVER TOWN HALL

Special Meeting April 21, 2016

Attendance: Selectmen Angus McDonald & David Oliveria. Others in attendance included Amy Winchell, Melissa Winchell, Lori Lenz, Edward Lenz, Sage Novak, Dan Kollman, Warren Elliott, and Charlie Stannard (Valley News Now). Videographers Margo Hilfinger and John Green were also present.

This Special Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Oliveria.

Appointment of First Selectman:

Oliveria discussed the statutory process and this board's obligation of appointing a new First Selectman. Oliveria and McDonald appreciated and thanked those citizens showing interest in the role and the board met in two executive sessions to discuss each candidate. We feel that the best choice for Deep River at this time is to appoint McDonald.

Oliveria moved, McDonald 2nd, to appoint McDonald as First Selectman of Deep River to fill the vacated office of Richard H. Smith upon his passing as in accordance with State Statutes 9-222. (McDonald was sworn in as First Selectman immediately following meeting adjournment).

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Appointment of Selectman:

Oliveria noted that McDonald's appointment to First Selectman now causes his Selectman office to be vacated. The same statutory process mentioned above directs the board to make appointment to fill the vacated seat within the next 30 days.

Audience of Citizens – Questions (Pertaining to the Agenda):

Oliveria opened the meeting to questions from the audience as long as they pertain to the agenda topic.

Q1 - Ms. Novak asked what the process is to be considered for the Selectman opening.

A1 – McDonald said that anyone interested in applying should send a letter of intent to town hall indicating their interest and their qualifications. Oliveria added that all letters of intent will be considered.

Q2 – Mr. Stannard asked when the newly appointed First Selectman would be sworn in.

A2 – McDonald said that he would be sworn in right after this meeting is adjourned.

Adjournment:

Motion by McDonald, Oliveria 2nd, to adjourn at 5:05 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dave Oliveria, Selectman