

# LEGAL NOTICE

## TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

Special Town Meeting

Tuesday June 12, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M.

Town Hall Conference Room

To confirm the following, as approved by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance:

- 1] Appointment of Sara Denegre as an alternate member of the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term to expire December 1, 2013.  
  
Appointment of Ben Whelan as a alternate member of the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term to expire December 1, 2014.
- 2] Tax abatement, for PCI Medical. per CT Statute **12.65b**, based on construction and renovations valued at greater than \$100,000 to property at 6 Winter Avenue.
- 3] Approve appropriation of \$55,977.06 to budget line 10190-54300 (General Government Capital – Road Repair). This amount has been offset entirely by the proceeds of a grant.

Dated at Deep River, CT, this Friday, May 25, 2012

Board of Selectmen:

Richard H. Smith

Angus L. McDonald, Jr.

David N. Oliveria

RETURN

I CERTIFY THAT I, RICHARD H. SMITH, First Selectman of the Town of Deep River, caused a copy of this notice to be posted on the Public Sign Post in the Town of Deep River on May 25, 2012, and I caused a copy of said notice to be published in the Middletown Press, a newspaper having a circulation in said town, in its issue of May 31, 2012.

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Richard H. Smith

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
June 12, 2012

A Special Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, June 12, 2012, in the Deep River Town Hall Conference Room. Selectmen present were Dick Smith, David Oliveria, and Angus McDonald, Jr. Film Crew for the Comcast Public Access Channel were Margo Hilfinger

and Rich Strukus. Charlie Stannard, press representative, and Russell Marth were in attendance.

Dick Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. A motion to appoint David Oliveria as moderator was made by Angus McDonald and seconded by Russell Marth. Motion carried. The moderator appointed Amy Winchell as clerk of the meeting, who then read the call. A motion to accept the call as read was made by Dick Smith and seconded by Angus McDonald. Motion carried.

A motion to accept item 1 of the call was made by Angus McDonald and seconded by Russell Marth.

- 1] Appointment of Sara Denegre as an alternate member of the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term to expire December 1, 2013.

Appointment of Ben Whelan as a alternate member of the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term to expire December 1, 2014.

DISCUSSION: Russ asked what the qualifications of these people were to serve on the P&Z Board. While neither has qualifications specific to Planning and Zoning, both have attended several meetings and have met with and been approved by the P&Z Board. Sara Denegre was recommended by long-time Board member Jane Samuels. It was also noted that Nancy Fischbach has resigned, leaving a Vacancy for a Regular Member of the P&Z Board.

There being no further discussion, item 1 was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion to accept item 2 of the call was made by Dick Smith and seconded by Angus McDonald.

- 2] Tax abatement, for PCI Medical. per CT Statute **12.65b**, based on construction and renovations valued at greater than \$100,000 to property at 6 Winter Avenue.

DISCUSSION: Dick Smith explained that Connecticut State Statute **12-65b** allows municipalities to abate taxes for businesses that renovate and / or expand their facilities at a cost of more than \$100,000. The abatement can be up to 50% of taxes levied, for up to three years, but is limited to taxes on the renovation / new construction only. Based on figures provided by the Assessor's Office the cost of the improvements on the PCI property at 6 Winter Avenue totaled \$703,290. The benefit of tax abatement, which the Town has employed twice before, is that it encourages new business to locate in Deep River, and older companies to expand their operations. This abatement would become effective with the next Grand List. Dick estimated the assessment on the new construction to be about \$15,000 in taxes on which they will pay about \$7,500 for three years. PCI Medical moved in in April after the building had stood vacant for the past five years. Support by the Board of Selectmen is based on an increase in the tax base and higher employment.

There being no further discussion, item 2 was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion to accept item 3 of the call was made by Russell Marth and seconded by Margo Hilfinger.

- 3] Approve appropriation of \$55,977.06 to budget line 10190-54300 (General Government Capital – Road Repair). This amount has been offset entirely by the proceeds of a grant.

DISCUSSION: The grant that has offset this expense is a Federal Grant received for damage caused by Tropical Storm Irene in August 2011.

There being no further discussion, item 3 was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dick Smith and seconded by Angus McDonald.  
Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amy M. Winchell, Town Clerk