

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

Special Town Meeting

Tuesday October 9, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M.

Town Hall Conference Room

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2]]	Special Services contingency, copier	\$22,707.57
3]]	Police Protection Resident Trooper, vehicle maintenance	\$13,403.50
4]]	Elementary School, Supervisory District	\$44,549.62

Dated at Deep River, CT, this Tuesday, October 2, 2012

Board of Selectmen:

Richard H. Smith

Angus McDonald

David 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 October 2, 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 October 3, 2012.

Richard H. Smith

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
October 9, 2012

A Special Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, in the Deep River Town Hall Conference Room. Selectmen present were Dick Smith, Angus McDonald, and David Oliveria. Film Crew for the Comcast Public Access Channel was Margo Hilfinger and Richard Strukus. Charlie Stannard, reporter for Zip06, was also in attendance. There were no citizens in the audience.

Dick Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A motion to appoint Angus McDonald as moderator was made by David Oliveria and seconded by Richard Strukus. 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 David Oliveria and seconded by Richard Strukus. Motion carried.

A motion to accept items #1-#4 of the call was made by David Oliveria and seconded by Richard Strukus:

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DISCUSSION: Item #1 covers all vehicles for all departments. While we have a set price for heating oil, the gasoline, especially diesel, was much more expensive than anticipated. Also, in an effort to help the Ambulance Association, they now have a key to the pump at the Town Garage to fill the Ambulance.

Item #2 Budget line is for unallocated contingencies such as Memorial Day costs, dog run, and, in this case, for the copier that the VNA had leased and which the Town assumed when VNA was dissolved.

Item #3 additional costs arise because the Town now pays for State Police presence at the Muster and because we now pay 100% of any overtime worked by our Resident State Trooper.

Item #4 caused the most discussion. While Special Education costs were ultimately the cause of the overage, it was an oversight in payment to the Pension Plan that requires this appropriation. Rich Strukus would like to see a separate line in the budget for Pension Plans with all participating agencies included, however Dick would prefer to keep the school's Pension Plan in their budget. Margo Hilfinger pointed out that, because of that oversight, the Board of Education missed the opportunity to cut costs in other areas in anticipation of the overage. She also asked what steps were being taken to keep this from happening again. Dick said the Board of Finance wants the School to submit a monthly budget report for their meetings as the Town is required to do. Region #4 intends to reimburse the Town \$30,000.00 for the \$44,549.62 payment made on the School's behalf.

There being no further discussion, all items were APPROVED with one vote against.

A motion to adjourn was made by David Oliveria and seconded by Dick Smith. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

ATTEST: _____

Amy M. Winchell, Town Clerk