



**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
November 10, 2015**

A Special Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 in the Deep River Town Hall Conference Room. First Selectman Richard Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was attended by First Selectman Richard Smith, Selectman Angus McDonald, Selectman David Oliveria, Town Clerk Amy Winchell and two residents. The meeting was video graphed by Margot Hilfinger and John Greene.

A motion to appoint David Oliveria as moderator was made by Angus McDonald and seconded by Lori Guerette. The motion was approved unanimously. David Oliveria appointed Town Clerk, Amy M. Winchell to act as clerk of the meeting who then read the call.

A motion to accept the call as read was made by Lori Guerette and seconded by Dick Smith. The motion was approved.

A motion to approve item #1 of the call was made by Jonathan Kastner and seconded by Lori Guerette.

#1- To approve the expenditure of \$25,000 to convert the Town Hall and Library from fuel oil to natural gas, and to replace the furnace at the Fire Department Museum building at 34 River Street.

DISCUSSION: Margo Hilfinger asked why this money hadn't been put into the budget in the first place so no appropriation of funds would be necessary. Dick Smith explained that the move forward with bringing a natural gas pipeline through town was not approved until the end of the budget planning process. They had previously thought the project would be too expensive and so did not consider it for this year's budget. There should be money available in the budget to appropriate from the sewer project because payment on that will not come due until next year. Anticipated cost to convert the Town Hall and Library is approximately \$19,000. The Fire Department Museum was in need of a new furnace anyway and the savings on fuel oil should help offset conversion costs.

There being no further discussion, a voice vote was held. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made by Angus McDonald, seconded by Lori Guerette, and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

ATTEST: Amy M. Winchell, Town Clerk