



Special Town Meeting

March 12, 2019

A Special Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 in the Richard H. Smith Town Hall Conference Room. The meeting was attended by First Selectman Angus McDonald, Selectman Duane Gates, Selectman William Burdick and Assistant Town Clerk Joyce Berardis. Also in attendance were Margo Hilfiger and John Greene, videographers, as well as approximately 25 residents.

First Selectman Angus McDonald called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. William Burdick made a motion to appoint Duane Gates as moderator which was seconded by Jonathan Kastner. The motion was approved unanimously. Duane Gates appointed Joyce Berardis to act as clerk of the meeting who then read the call.

A motion to accept the call as read was made by Rick Daniels and seconded by Jane Samuels. The motion was approved.

Motion to approve Item #1 was made by Jonathan Kastner and seconded by Margo Hilfiger.

To approve actions of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance regular meetings of February 26, 2019:

- 1. Approve supplemental appropriation of \$34,992.62 from General Fund to the General Fund Capital Expenditures Fire Department: turnout gear 010-90-190-54163 as designated by the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance.**

Discussion: Angus expressed his gratitude that the Town and the Fire Department has had nine new members join the fire department in the last few months and, as such, new turnout gear and safety gear is required so they can safely fight fires. Angus then asked the Fire Commissioner, Scott Bowden, to speak. Scott Bowden stated that the Town is blessed to have nine new members join in a year as it's unusual for Deep River or any town to get nine new members or volunteers in a year. Scott Bowden stated that the Fire Department is requesting the funds to purchase personal safety gear for the new firefighters so they can start working to protect our Town and property.

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

Motion was made by William Burdick and seconded by Sarah Laporte to adjourn. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

ATTEST: Joyce Berardis, Assistant Town Clerk