

Board of Selectmen Minutes  
Meeting, November 7, 2012

**Present:** Selectmen: Mark Gilmore, Elizabeth Clarke      Absent: Carolyn Shores Ness  
Town Administrator: Bernie Kubiak

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 PM in the Conference room.

**Minutes:** none reviewed

**Public Comments:** none

**Selectmen's Comments/ Announcements:** none

**Board of Health Comments/ Announcements:** none

**Appearances before the Board/ Hearings:**

6:40 PM – Tax Classification Hearing

Present: John Coderre, David Rohrs, Bruce St. Peters, and Karen Menard

The Assessors reported a tax rate of \$13.44/ 1,000 of valuation. Last year's rate was \$12.82. Values are down slightly from \$271,000 for a single family home to \$265,000. The average tax bill will raise approximately \$92.00. **A motion was made by Ms. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Gilmore, and voted, to keep taxation at a single rate.**

7:00 PM – Special Town Meeting – At 7:00 pm, Ms. Ness joined the Board as it moved to the main room to participate in the Special Town Meeting.

**Discussion/ Decision Items:**

Appoint Negotiating Team Representative: no action taken

**Award of Bid: A motion was made by Ms. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Gilmore, and voted, to award the bid for restoration of the Tilton Library steps to RAC Builders in amount of \$73,430.00 and to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the contract.**

**Cultural Council: A motion was made by Ms. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Gilmore, and voted, to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the FY'13 contract with Massachusetts Cultural Council. The amount granted for FY'13 is \$3,870.00.**

**Appointment: A motion was made by Ms. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Gilmore, and voted, to appoint M.A. Swedlund as a representative to the Solid Waste District.**

**Public Information Officer** - Ms. Clarke volunteered to be the primary contact person in a health emergency.

**Agricultural Preservation Restriction applications (APR):** The Franklin Land Trust has notified the Town of a request to put an APR for parcels of farmland at the base of Sugarloaf. Mr. Kubiak reported that the Conservation Commission, Agricultural and Planning Boards are also being consulted as to how this farm fits into the Town's Open Space Plan. The Board chose to wait for comment from those boards before discussing further. Ms. Clarke requested this be put on the Open Items List.

The next Board of Selectmen meeting will be November 14, 2012 at 6:30 PM at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Priscilla Phelps  
Attachments: FLT request