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Present: Kevin Welch, Harold Simmons, Christine Muir, Ron Mikol, Joe Dean
Absent: Dana Metzler

Meeting opened at 7:20 p.m.

Tonight the Advisory Board held a Public Hearing to review the articles on the warrant for the Special Town Meeting (STM), which is to be held on Tuesday, November 12.

Several town residents were in attendance, including Selectman Walter Alterisio, Alan Chaney, Town Moderator Bob Nelson, Bob Kennedy, Road Commissioner Dana Kinne, and Planning Board member Joan Simmons.

The warrant had been revised since the night before, when the Advisory Board met and voted on each article. Articles 3, 4, and 7 have been removed and will not be presented at the STM. These minutes reflect the article numbers as they stand after the aforementioned articles were removed.

The Advisory Board plans to vote in support of all articles except 9 and 12. Article 9 requests funding for a feasibility study of the Pelletier property as a suitable location for a new Highway Department Salt Shed. The board does not support this article because we feel this item can wait until regular town meeting in the spring. The land should first be surveyed as provided for in article 8, and the results of the survey will provide some indication of how well suited the site is for a salt shed. Mr. Chaney mentioned that other departments in town may want the opportunity to offer feedback on how that land is used. Road Commissioner Dana Kinne said that the Highway Department will push for Article 9 to pass town meeting vote because that department doesn't want to have to wait to move forward with the project.

Article 12 provides for funding a Town Administrator salary of \$38,000. The Advisory Board does not support this article because we feel that additional work needs to be done to ensure the success of any individual put in this position. Examples of work to be done include a clear job description with requirements and responsibilities, as well as an organizational reporting chart that clearly delineates lines of responsibility and management.

We adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Joe Dean

Ron Mikol

Dana Kinne

Harold Simmons

Kevin Welch