

**RECORD
TOWN OF GRANBY
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 09, 2015**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on March 09, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier opened the Special Town Meeting at 7:00 p.m. a quorum was present (30 or more) 54 were in attendance at the time of opening.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by the Select Board Chair, Mark Bail and the residents joined in.

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.

The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Special Town Meeting was declared to be in order at 7:03 p.m.

The Committees and Boards present at this STM:

Select Board: Chair, Mark L. Bail, Members, Mary A. McDowell, and Louis M. Barry, All Present sitting with the Select Board was, the Assistant Town Counselor, Brian O'Toole and Town Administrator, Christopher Martin.

Finance Committee: Chair, John Libera, Jr., Members, Robert Cannon, Robert Glesmann III, and Scott Wilson Not Present James Hartley.

School Committee: Members, Emre Evren, Marie McCourt, Deanne Payne-Rokowski, and James Pietras Not Present was Chair, Michael Quesnel.

Vote Counters & Checkers: Richard Gaj, Sr., Elaine Lafleur, Jeanne Merrill, Debra Plath, and Nancy Sedlak.

Microphone Runner- Gabriella Mercier

Others in attendance: Highway Superintendent, David Desrosiers, Chief of Police, Alan Wishart, Town Treasurer, Steve Nally and the School Superintendent, Isabelina Rodriguez.

The Moderator recognizes Select Board Chairman Mark Bail:

Mr. Bail speaks briefly about the agreement with Innovative Engineering Solutions, Inc. This is pertaining to the property on East Street in Granby that Westover had purchased. He explains how solar would help in the long run with property taxes.

There is no discussion on this Article and the Moderator calls for a vote. She informs the voters that Article 1 only requires a Majority vote.

ARTICLE 1: move the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to negotiate a Payment In Lieu Of Tax (PILOT) agreement with Innovative Engineering Solutions Inc.

Only Majority Vote Required

Motion 2nd

Passed -by Majority- Declared by Moderator Show of Hands- 3 against

The Moderator recognizes the Highway Superintendent, David Desrosiers:

Mr. Desrosiers speaks on how hard this winter has been for his department, and besides the extra time spent in plowing and sanding, some of the trucks and equipment were hit hard too needing immediate repairs, therefore the need for more funds.

Dr. Abelson of Cold Hill remarks on the excellent job that Mr. Desrosiers and his department have been doing dealing with the snow and ice over this very long winter. Mr. Desrosiers gets a round of applause from the voters.

There is no more discussion on this Article and the Moderator calls for a vote. She informs the voters that Article 2 only requires a Majority vote.

**ARTICLE 2: move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of funding the Highway Department expense budget for FY2015.
Only Majority Vote Required Motion 2nd**

Passed -Unanimous- Show of Hands

The Moderator recognizes School Committee Member James Pietras:

Mr. Pietras explains that there is the need to replace heating pipes at the West Street School and that cost is \$40,000 and the other funds of \$45,000 was to cover the cost for the needs of the students with disabilities.

John Libera, Chairman of the Finance Committee; he speaks to the voters and explains that the school has been cutting back as much as possible in all areas of their budget and this request is determined as an unforeseen expense and that the Finance Committee is in favor of this Article.

There is no more discussion on this Article and the Moderator calls for a vote. She informs the voters that Article 3 only requires a Majority vote.

**ARTICLE 3: move the town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$85,000 for the purpose of funding the School Department expense budget for FY2015.
Only Majority Vote Required Motion 2nd**

Passed -by Majority- Declared by Moderator Show of Hands-4 against

**The Moderator motions to adjourn this STM
All in favor to adjourned:**

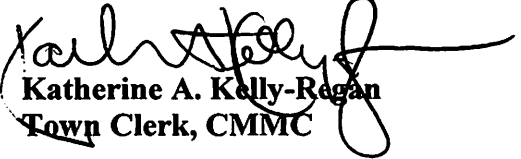
Motion 2nd

Passed - Unanimous- By Voice

The business for this STM held on March 09, 2015 has been completed, all Articles have been voted on and the Moderator officially dissolves this STM at 7:20 P.M.

This meeting went very smoothly and quick, at the end of the night there were 55 voters and 7 non-voters who showed up to support and participate in this Special Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


**Katherine A. Kelly-Regan
Town Clerk, CMMC**