

**FINAL**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

**OCTOBER 21, 2002**

**7:30 PM – HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM – HANOVER, NH**

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:35 pm by the Chairman, Brian Walsh. Present were: Brian Walsh, Chairman; Katherine Connolly, Vice-Chairman; William "Bill" Baschnagel; Peter Christie; Judson "Jay" Pierson; Julia Griffin, Town Manager; and members of the public.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**2. INFORMATIONAL SESSION REGARDING THE DRESDEN / HANOVER / DARTMOUTH AGREEMENT AND THE UPCOMING SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ON OCTOBER 29, 2002**

Brian Walsh said the Dresden School District first began to address the question of the physical needs, of the deteriorating Richmond Middle School, in 1992. A March 2002 Dresden vote, to grant the School Board permission to sell the current high school and middle school site on Lebanon Street, to Dartmouth College, passed by only 13 votes (out of about 3,700). Mr. Walsh said there were major differences between Hanover and Norwich relative to State funding for education and tax bases. These differences have led to a very acrimonious debate, both between Hanover and Norwich, and within Hanover, to make the school situation near gridlock, while the physical needs of the schools continued to deteriorate.

Mr. Walsh said dominant issues in the Selectmen's election, in May 2002, involved the location and cost of schools; issues the Selectmen are not directly responsible for. After those elections, the Selectmen sought a constructive middle ground between the various competing school site options. A three-way arrangement was envisioned between the Dresden School District ("Dresden"), Dartmouth College ("Dartmouth") and the Town of Hanover ("Hanover"). Initial conversations, amongst individual Hanover Selectboard members, Dartmouth representatives and Dresden members, indicated that there was interest amongst all parties to work to find a mutual arrangement. A negotiating team was put together consisting of: Paul Olsen, Sheila Culbert, and Kate Burke of Dartmouth; Margaret McNally and Geoffrey Vitt of Dresden; and Brian Walsh and Julia Griffin of Hanover.

To initiate the conversations and support a substantial financial commitment from Dartmouth, Hanover needed to come to the table with some value. That came in the form of 5.2 acres of playing fields on Reservoir Road, portions of Sargent Place and the parking lot at the end of Sargent Place. Hanover also needed playing fields of its own for

its recreation programs. The negotiating team met in May and June of 2002. Dresden and Hanover continued to meet in July, to work out some details of their working relationship. Mr. Walsh said questions were raised as to why the negotiating team's conversations were not done in a public setting. He explained that it was necessary, for a small group of people to discuss the very complicated interests, and be able to trade things, back and forth, in order to arrive at a proposal, which could hold water and meet everyone's interests. Those discussions led to the Warrant proposed for the Special Town Meeting, scheduled for October 29, 2002.

Mr. Walsh said this agreement was one of many in a long history of cooperation between Dartmouth, Dresden and Hanover. In the 1950's, Dartmouth passed what was now known as the soccer field, to the schools. In the 1980's, Hanover and Dartmouth worked together in the hospital relocation project. In the 1990's, Hanover and Dartmouth worked together to trade Reservoir Road fields for Elm Street and to construct the Parking Facility at 7 Lebanon Street. Dartmouth and Hanover's Conservation Commission also assisted in funded a large portion of the acquisition for the Barrett/Ransmeier Tract.

Mr. Walsh advised of four objectives the Selectmen sought in entering into the Tri-party Agreement:

1. To create and keep forever a community core for Hanover.
2. To obtain a large Dartmouth contribution for Dresden.
3. To make sure no other interests were severely harmed by this agreement.
4. To create a plan that would gain broad public support, in Hanover and Norwich, to end all debates and allow both communities to move forward positively to meet the schooling needs.

Mr. Walsh summed up the Agreement's many parts:

- Hanover would swap the Reservoir Road fields and Sargent Street to Dartmouth and would agree to lease land on the Gile Tract to Dartmouth, for 75 years, to be used as a joint storage and maintenance yard with Hanover.
- Hanover would lease the Reservoir Road fields, from Dartmouth, through 2009, for \$1.00 per year.
- Dresden would acquire 23 acres on Lyme Road from Dartmouth, at no cost, for a new middle school.
- Dresden would transfer Thompson Terrace (the practice football and baseball field behind the track area) and 11 acres on Lyme Road to Hanover.
- Playing fields built at the new middle school site would be made available to Hanover's Recreation Department when school was not in session.
- The high school would be renovated and expanded on Lebanon Street.
- Dartmouth would pay \$9.7 million to Dresden over five years, beginning when Dresden's bond payment was due.
- Hanover would pay \$2 million to Dresden over 20 years, beginning when Dresden's bond payment was due.

- Should Dresden abandon the Lebanon Street site, Hanover would have the right to purchase the entire site at a formulated price.

Mr. Walsh said Dartmouth Trustees were the first to formally vote on the proposed agreement; some time in June they voted in support. Believing they had met all of their objectives, set at the beginning of the negotiations, the Selectmen were now actively seeking the citizens' support of the Tri-Party Agreement, at the Special Town Meeting scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup>, the slogan of which was, "Vote early and often!" Mr. Walsh said State Law required that zoning amendments be voted on by paper ballot with voting booths. That will take place October 29, 2002, between 7:00 AM and 7:30 PM, at the Hanover High School. He advised of public hearings the Planning Board held to review the proposed amendments and of the Planning Board's unanimous vote to recommend them. Mr. Walsh said the Special Town Meeting would convene at 7:30 PM, at the Hanover High School. Articles Two and Three would be discussed and voted on during that meeting. Article Two dealt whether or not to enter into a note, to pay Dresden \$100,000 per year for 20 years. That would be done by paper ballot and would required a two-thirds vote to pass. Article Three would empower the Selectmen to enter into the land transfers and leases described in the Agreement.

Mr. Walsh introduced Jay Pierson who spoke of the land transfers involved in the Tri-Party Agreement.

Mr. Pierson said he would be speaking to the Town of Hanover's obligations in the Tri-Party Agreement. There were three parts to the Warrant Articles involving land transfers between Dartmouth, Dresden and Hanover.

Thompson Terrace: 7.2 acres located behind the high school and middle school

- currently owned by Dresden
- currently used for playing and practice fields
- originally purchased with federal funds
- would be conveyed to Hanover and used as outdoor recreation land

Reservoir Road: large area of athletic fields and a parking lot

- currently owned by Dartmouth and Hanover (5.42 acres)
- Hanover would convey their 5.42 acres to Dartmouth
- Dartmouth would lease the playing fields to Hanover through 2009 for \$1.00 per year

Lyme Road: 23 acres

- currently owned by Dartmouth
- Dartmouth would convey all 23 acres to Dresden to construct a new middle school and associated playing fields on the site
- Dresden would convey 11 of the 23 acres on Lyme Road to Hanover, to be used as recreation lands. Dresden will also make available the use of 2 playing fields,

associated with the new middle school, to Hanover's Recreation Department during non-school hours

Mr. Pierson said Hanover would continue to have playing fields comparable to what currently existed.

Mr. Walsh introduced Bill Baschnagel who spoke of the Lyme Road and the Gile Tract parcels involved in the Tri-Party Agreement.

Mr. Baschnagel pointed out the 23 acre Lyme Road parcel on an overhead projection and explained that the playing fields and parking lot were visible from the road. Behind them was a slope that led to the Hanover Improvement Society's and Storrs Pond's areas. The 23 acre parcel also shared a long border with the Ray School property, the back portion of which was the topic of discussion, amongst Ray School representatives and Hanover Conservation Council members, to be transformed into an educational asset.

Mr. Baschnagel said the new middle school would be built on the upper part of the property, along Lyme Road. The back 11 acres would be conveyed to Hanover for recreational purposes. He spoke of the possibility of developing a coordinated recreation area, involving the back 11 acres of this Lyme Road parcel and adjoining parcels (Storrs Pond, Oak Hill, the Hanover Improvement Society's land and the Ferguson Tract). He believed the Tri-Party Agreement provided the Town a unique opportunity to help in that effort.

Mr. Baschnagel pointed out the location of the Gile Tract on an overhead projection and explained that it was the site of the old Town landfill, which was closed and capped (35' deep). The Town's composting facility was located on the left portion of the site. The right portion contained a large open field, surrounded by a road. Per the Tri-Party Agreement, Hanover would lease the right portion of the site to Dartmouth to be used as a storage site for their construction materials. Currently, those materials were stored behind the Rivercrest area and CRREL. This arrangement would allow Dartmouth to clean up the Rivercrest area and proceed with future plans in that area and also allow the Town to make productive use of land not currently used (the Gile Tract) that was well suited for the proposed use.

Mr. Walsh introduced Katherine Connolly who spoke of Sargent Place's involvement in the Tri-Party Agreement.

Ms. Connolly said the Sargent Place portion was unlike the other land transfers proposed in the Tri-Party Agreement due to its size, but it was of great value, particularly to Dartmouth College, as they owned the majority of the land surrounding it. She pointed out Sargent Place on an overhead projection and explained an area highlighted as an existing town road would be conveyed to Dartmouth and would no longer exist as a town road. The 18-space, .25-acre parking lot at the end of Sargent Place, across from the Howe Library, would also be conveyed to Dartmouth. Ms. Connolly said discussions

were already underway involving relocating parking for Howe Library patrons. Relative to setbacks, one of the proposed zoning amendments would ask to eliminate the setback lines on the discontinued portion of Sargent Place that would be conveyed to Dartmouth. Ms. Connolly displayed a projection showing both the existing setbacks and the area where the setbacks would be eliminated if approved. She said this was not the first time this lot was sold by Hanover. In the 1970's, a Hanover Town Meeting vote authorized the Board of Selectmen to sell it to Burt Printing, who later decided against purchasing the land.

Mr. Walsh introduced Peter Christie who spoke on Hanover's option involved in the Tri-Party Agreement.

Mr. Christie said this involved one of the key objectives Mr. Walsh mentioned earlier, ensuring that the Lebanon Street property would remain as a municipal or school use forever. The option was developed by a task force represented by: Henry Scheier, of the Norwich Finance Committee; John Manchester, of the Hanover Finance Committee; and Mr. Christie, of the Town of Hanover Board of Selectmen. The taskforce tried to come up with something that was fair, reasonably quantifiable and as simple as possible.

Mr. Christie said, should Dresden decide to abandon the Lebanon Street property, this Tri-Party Agreement would provide future Hanover and Dresden leaders guidance on determining the value of that land and the amount of credit the Town of Hanover should receive as a result of the currently proposed transaction. In determining the land value, those future leaders will be instructed to look at fair market value, based on Hanover's intended use of the property, at the time the Town obtains the land. The Town would be bound to that use for a 20 year period. Looking at what the Town of Hanover has enabled for Dresden in this Tri-Party Agreement, in terms of tax relief for the new schools, the future credit will be calculated as follows:

Estimates of the present value of tax savings:

Dartmouth's Cash	\$7,000,000
Hanover's Cash	\$1,300,000
Lyme Road land	\$ 800,000 (80% of the \$1,000,000 estimate)
Thompson Terrace	<\$ 600,000>
All other	0
	<u>\$8,500,000</u>

In determining this number, future leaders will need to know: the bond rate, which will determine the discount rate; the timing of the Hanover and Dartmouth payments; and an accurate appraised value of Thompson Terrace. In terms of calculating the equivalent to \$8.5 million, 50 or 100 years down the road, they will be directed to use a Northeast cost of living index.

Mr. Walsh said, simply stated, money would move from Hanover and Dartmouth to Dresden. This would help to keep the taxes down and enable the building of a new middle school and renovation and expansion of the existing high school. Land transfers would enable Hanover to come out even, or perhaps ahead of the game over time, relative to playing fields, enable the creation of a new middle school and keep the high school at the Lebanon Street site. Hanover would also gain a long-term option to keep the Lebanon Street site as a public space should Dresden ever abandon it. If all of these votes pass, the Dresden School Board would then be able to move forward and make firm plans to bring to their voters in May 2003 for a bond issue.

Mr. Walsh opened the floor for questions:

Question: How much would this reduce the taxes and when would that happen?

Answer: That cannot be quantified at this time, as it would be directly related to the size of the school bond, which has not been decided. Considering the cost of the school renovations and construction, in relation to what the school aid formula would be from the State of New Hampshire and the State of Vermont, not following through on the Tri-Party Agreement would cost \$12,000,000 more in taxes, over time, on a bond issue. The Town of Hanover is taking steps to get the schools in the right locations, raise as much money from Dartmouth College as possible to take costs down, and enable the School District to use that money to decrease bond issue.

Question: Are there any specifics on how the School District could use the money for planning?

Answer: There is no way the School District could responsibly spend the money on planning or get more specific without knowing whether the voters of Hanover would approve this or not. The Town needs to take these steps to enable the School District to invest the money in planning.

Question: Do the Selectmen have a sense of where the middle school would be located on the Lyme Road property?

Answer: The school would be located on the front part of the property. The Town would get 11 acres on the back part of the property.

Question: What would happen if the Tri-Party Agreement was approved and the bond issue failed?

Answer: This is an enabling deal that allows the Selectmen to take steps assuming that it goes forward. If the Dresden voters turn down the bond issue, this all evaporates.

Question: What is the time span on the Town's use of the fields on Reservoir Road?

Answer: Up to January 1, 2010.



Question: Could you elaborate on the possible joint venture to create recreational lands adjacent to the Lyme Road parcel, specifically as it relates to Dresden's land ownership?

Answer: Dartmouth would convey to Dresden 23 acres. Dresden would design the middle school and playing fields on the front half of the property. The back 11 acres would be conveyed from Dresden to Hanover. The back portion is not easy land; it is not well suited for a football field but might be amenable to some other type of recreational use. The notion of integrating properties to create recreation land is just a vision. Dresden's parcel could be included in that process if their owners found that to be acceptable. All of the adjacent properties are owned individually, the hope would be for the owners to get together and make the land available for everyone. Looking at a broader view, the needs for a whole spectrum of recreational uses could be met if resources were pooled together in that area.

Question: Was consideration given to Dresden Road residents relative to the use of the playing fields for after hours use?

Answer: The fields on upper portion of the property have been used as playing fields for a long time.

Question: What happens if one Warrant Article fails?

Answer: If one fails the Tri-Party Agreement fails and the Town will return to gridlock. Most likely, there will not be any Dartmouth money available in the future. The College has set an October 2003 expiration date on their part of the Agreement.

Question: Is it still possible to sell the Lebanon Street site and move both schools to Reservoir Road?

Answer: The Dresden School Board will decide what to do if Hanover votes any one of these three articles down. Technically that would still be an option though in terms of that passing, with Hanover and Norwich voters, it is not clear if it is a real option.

Question: What year was the assumed beginning date for the contributions from Hanover and Dartmouth to Dresden relative to the calculation of the estimated values?

Answer: Henry Scheier used beginning of period years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 for Dartmouth, assuming a start date of 2004. The same was used for Hanover: beginning of period, for 20 years, beginning 2004.

Question: There was a notation in the July 11<sup>th</sup> draft of the Tri-Party Agreement that suggested the appraised value of the Lyme Road was low. Has that been worked out?

Answer: The value of that land, \$1.025 million, was based on a College appraisal from November 2000. With some guidance, the front portion of the land

was valued at 80% and the back half at 20%. Mr. Christie was not familiar with a previous statement that the land was "worth a lot more" than that.

Question: What is the value of the .25 acres on Sargent Place?

Answer: It was assessed at \$275,000.

Question: What is the value of 5.4 acres on Reservoir Road?

Answer: It was assessed at \$542,000.

Question: What is the value of lease on the Gile Tract? Is the Town getting any compensation?

Answer: \$1.00/year.

Question: How long would it take to come up with a plan suitable for a program at the Ray School that measures with the wishes of the neighbors and works well with the land at the Richmond School? Will the Selectmen come back to the voters with a proposal for how the back half of the Lyme Road property would be used?

Answer: Mr. Baschnagel was not sure how the Selectmen could guarantee a good plan would emerge, but there was time to work one out. Nothing would be done to the back portion of the property until the school has met their needs on the front portion of the property. The Town would not develop any piece of property without community involvement. Mr. Walsh said another alternative was that Dartmouth College could sell the land to another printing company or a housing developer. The Town's view was that it would be much better to locate a middle school and playing fields at that site and link the back portion to the other semi-public lands.

Question: Has consideration been given to improving the traffic flow, in particular opening up Tuck Drive?

Answer: Nothing is being done relative to Tuck Drive. The Town is looking to improve the turning lanes at the corners of Park/Wheelock and Park/Route 10. Traffic is an issue in the Town of Hanover. The sense is that having both schools together, at one location, is probably more difficult, traffic wise, early in the morning than having some separation. The Selectmen would like it to be better and believe there is time to work out these issues with Dresden to provide some improvements. Mr. Baschnagel advised of an ongoing dialogue and of a series of studies involving the College, the School District and the Town on traffic.

Question: Thompson Terrace fields are closed often. Is there a sense this area would become more available to neighborhood users after the land swap?

Answer: The expectation is that they will remain public playing fields and public land. One of the things balanced with the Agreement was getting sufficient playing fields for the Town's recreation programs. There are roughly 3,000



participants in the Town's recreation programs. A large portion of those are middle school students. The future use will not be any more intrusive to the neighborhood than it was currently.

Question: With all the land swapping involved, will there be enough adjacent playing fields or will there still be plans to develop fields in Norwich?

Answer: Mr. Walsh understood that playing fields would have to be developed in Norwich under any school building plan scenario.

Question: Assuming a school moves to Reservoir Road, will Etna, Hanover Center and Norwich residents have to travel around the outskirts of town to get to the new school? Was consideration given to continuing Wolfeboro Road?

Answer: Mr. Walsh assumed people driving to the middle school would continue to drive there the same way they drove to the Ray School. There were no plans to open Wolfeboro Road. Those people who chose to drive their children to school would continue to come over Trescott Road and Greensboro Road. The school was working hard to reinforce public transportation options. It would not be significantly more difficult to get to the new middle school site from Etna than it was to get to the Ray School or the Lebanon Street site. Julia Griffin added that most middle school students still rode the bus.

Question: If it is my desire to keep the high school downtown, I need to vote during the day and attend the Town Meeting in the evening to vote on the remaining articles?

Answer: Yes.

Question: What is needed for the two articles that will be voted on at the evening Town Meeting session to pass?

Answer: The appropriating article requires a two-thirds vote; the other requires a simple majority.

Question: Has the Selectboard considered the quality of health for the students at the new Lyme Road site due to the fact that there have been incidents at both Dartmouth Printing and CRREL in terms of hazardous material?

Answer: To the extent that the Selectmen worry about the health of everybody, yes; to the extent of making it a decision point on where the middle school would be, no. The Selectmen work hard with the employers in town to minimize any health risks. The Town also has a very active emergency medical team and hazardous waste program that would enable them to deal with anything like that.

Question: If the setback changes are approved during the day, but the land swap is not approve during the evening session, what would happen?

Answer: The land would remain town land. Relative to Sargent Place, Dartmouth is planning for that area under the new zoning regulations passed last May. The Planning Board would decide whether to re-institute setbacks as part of Town Meeting in May 2003.

Question: What is the estimated present value of the 75 year lease on the Gile Tract?

Answer: That was valued at approximately \$500,000 (\$50,000 per acre).

Question: Is it possible to vote by absentee ballot?

Answer: For zoning amendments, voted on during the day, yes. Legally you cannot vote by absentee ballot at Town Meeting.

Question: What will become of the Howe Library parking?

Answer: The Town met with the Howe Board of Trustees two or three times to discuss options to restore the 9 parking spaces the Howe would lose. Currently the Howe plans for expansion would enable them to put 7 to 10 additional parking spaces on their property. Another options discussed was to provide additional on-street parking on East South Street, in front of the Howe Library.

Comment: Long-term traffic patterns for the Town, including Wolfeboro Road, may have to be rethought. For the record, the speaker stated support in that rethinking.

Rebuttal: Mr. Walsh explained he did not want anyone going to the polls on Tuesday thinking the Town was going to do something to Wolfeboro Road as part of the Tri-Party Agreement. The problem the Town faced immediately behind the question of the physical plan for the Dresden schools was traffic.

Comment: An audience member thanked the Selectmen for taking the time and effort to pull the different interests together and come up with something that provided an attractive opportunity for keeping the high school in town.

Comment: It is important for the Selectmen to provide accurate figures relative to the financial aspects and present value estimates. The speaker urged town staff to double check the numbers listed.

Comment: It is a very good thing that the State of New Hampshire is not going to subtract out Dartmouth's contribution relative to State aid that will come to Dresden.

Mr. Walsh reminded everyone to vote on the zoning amendments between 7:00 AM to 7:30 PM on October 29, 2002 at the Hanover High School and later to attend the Special Town Meeting at 7:30 PM also at the Hanover High School. "Remember to vote early and often!"

**3. RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE GRANT SUBMITTAL FOR THE GIRL BROOK RESTORATION PROJECT**

Julia Griffin said information on this recommendation was provided to the Selectmen in their Friday packet. Jonathan Edwards was available to provide an overview if needed. Ms. Griffin said she was seeking the Selectmen's authorization to apply for grant funding.

**Katherine Connolly MOVED to authorize grant submittal for the Girl Brook restoration project. Bill Baschnagel SECONDED. THE SELECTMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE GRANT SUBMITTAL FOR THE GIRL BROOK RESTORATION PROJECT.**

**4. APPOINTMENTS: PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

Jay Pierson advised of Jack Stinson's actions to resign from the Recreation Board.

**Jay Pierson MOVED to nominate Roger Lohr and Graham Clarke, each for a three year term, to the Parks and Recreation Board. Katherine Connolly SECONDED. THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ELECT ROGER LOHR AND GRAHAM CLARKE, EACH FOR A THREE YEAR TERM, TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD.**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 7, 2002**

**Jay Pierson MOVED to approve the minutes of October 7, 2002. Bill Baschnagel SECONDED. THE SELECTMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2002.**

Peter Christie said the minutes pointed out that the Selectmen had not reached agreement on the format for the Special Town Meeting relative to calling votes for Articles Two and Three. Ms. Griffin reminded the Selectmen that Article Two would require a full hour of voting. The Selectmen decided to discuss the matter further on Wednesday, October 23, 2002 at the next scheduled informational session. Ms. Griffin will consult with the Town Moderator for additional suggestions.

**6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

There were no Administrative reports given.

**7. SELECTMEN'S REPORTS**

**Peter Christie**

Mr. Christie reported that the Dresden Finance Committee voted 7-3 not to support the school budget guidelines as proposed by the Dresden School Board. They also talked

about what their role might be, in providing input to the teacher's contract negotiations that will happen in the fall. Mr. Christie also participated in the Nominating Committee for the Hanover Chamber of Commerce. They also discussed possible bylaw changes that might be helpful in that nominating process.

**Katherine Connolly**

Ms. Connolly reported that the Planning Board was close to completing 8 chapters of the Master Plan. They also held a hearing to consider a school proposal to locate a platform on their playing fields.

**William Baschnagel**

Mr. Baschnagel reported on the PTB's discussion of the Chamber of Commerce's request to allow free holiday parking. A proposal would be submitted to the Selectmen in the near future. The Conservation Commission met and discussed work on Wolfeboro Road, the grant application and many other things. The Affordable Housing Commission met and discussed, among other things, meeting with the Selectmen in December 2002 to present results from the Gile Tract feasibility study.

**Judson Pierson**

Mr. Pierson reported that the Parks and Recreation Board discussed extensively the skateboard issue. One of the new Board members, with a particular interest in the Skateboard Park, was assigned the task of conducting a report on the matter and presenting it to the Selectmen after the winter season. The Board also discussed the Town's baseball field proposal relative to the wetland issues that will be heard by the Zoning Board of Adjustment Thursday, October 24, 2002. The Board was also reviewing their statistics relative to the programs the Recreation Department provides including some non-athletic programs. The Board will be reviewing their fee structure for the new facility in the near future.

Mr. Walsh asked to extend a "Tip of the Hat" to Jack Stinson for his many years of service on the Parks and Recreation Board.

**Brian Walsh**

Mr. Walsh did not have anything to report.

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business discussed.

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

A female speaker corrected Mr. Walsh's earlier statement that Dartmouth College and the Conservation Commission helped to preserve the Barrett/Ransmeier Tract. It was really a large group of citizens who put that together.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Katherine Connolly MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Bill Baschnagel SECONDED. THE SELECTMEN VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:17 PM.**

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Respectfully submitted,



Peter Christie, Secretary

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