



APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 21, 2011

7:30 p.m.

Selectmen's Meeting Room

Present: Chairman, Elaine Kelly
Rick Nieber
Janice Hight
Dan McInnis
Bob D'Amico
Tony Poteete

Also Present: John W. Coderre, Town Administrator
Charles Gobron, Superintendent of Schools
Susan Sartori, Northborough School Committee Vice-Chair
Jason Perreault, Financial Planning Committee Chair

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

J. Hight moved approval of the Meeting Minutes of the April 7th meeting; R. Nieber seconded; approved unanimously.

Review of Town Meeting Articles

The Town Administrator and School Superintendent updated the Committee on the Green Repair Project at the Melican Middle School. Following additional review by the Project Manager, it was determined that the Town will not be pursuing the window replacement. As a result, the Melican Middle School "Green Repair" project will consist of limited repair of the windows and full replacement of the boilers at an estimated cost of \$780,000.

The School Superintendent indicated that the K-8 School Committee met to review the information and has voted unanimously to recommend the revised project to Town Meeting.

The Town Administrator indicated that the Peaslee roof project under Article 27 will now be funded entirely using Free Cash and Mitigation Funds. This is in lieu of using mitigation funds for the Middle School window replacement.

B. D'Amico moved that the Committee vote to recommend the revised green repair project as presented to Town Meeting; J. Hight seconded the motion; approved unanimously.

Lastly, the Committee reviewed information that the appraisal for the property under Article 40 came in lower than the purchase and sale figure of \$1.5 million. The Open Space Committee,

Conservation Commission and Community Preservation Committee were meeting to decide how best to proceed. The Appropriations Committee will make their recommendation at Town Meeting.

J. Hight moved that the Committee vote to recommend the Town vote approval of Article 41 if Article 40 doesn't pass at Town Meeting; R. Nieber seconded the motion; approved unanimously.

Adjournment

8:30 p.m. – J. Hight moved to adjourn; R. Nieber seconded, unanimously approved.

The next meeting is prior to Annual Town Meeting at 6:45 p.m. in Room B124.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Coderre

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