

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
JUNE 20, 2011
CARLTON FRENCH MEETING ROOM
WORKING MEETING
6:00 PM**

Board Members Present: Rene C. Wood, Chairman
 Julie M. Hannum, Clerk
 David A. Smith, Jr.

Others Present: Joseph A. Kellogg, Town Administrator

 Members of the public

Chairman Wood called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and explained the purpose of the meeting was to inform the public on the Town's perspective regarding the Southern Berkshire Regional School District's FY12 budget assessment and to discuss the Special Town Meeting scheduled for June 23, 2011.

Administrator Kellogg explained that the school assessment failed at the Annual Town Meeting and at the Annual Town Election. New Marlborough voters also defeated a Proposition 2 1/2 override question, which resulted in a failed budget for the SBRSD. The School Committee voted to recertify the same budget on May 12, 2011 and that began a 45 day deadline for the towns to respond.

The Board voted to hold a Special Town Meeting on June 23, 2011 at 7 pm at Mt. Everett Regional High School's auditorium. A Special Election has been scheduled for July 25, 2011 if a Proposition 2 1/2 override vote is necessary.

There are two articles on the warrant. Article #1 in the amount of \$5,812,155 to fund a portion of the SBRSD FY12 budget. Article #2 is for an \$83,000 Proposition 2 1/2 override question. The Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee have voted to recommend a yes vote for Article #1 and a no vote for Article #2.

Discussion ensued regarding the SBRSD and Town budgets.

Selectman Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman Hannum. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda LaBombard
Assistant Town Administrator