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SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 19, 2013 - 5:30 P.M. SELECTMEN'S MEETING CHAMBERS

I PRELIMINARIES

- 1.1 The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30PM and roll call showed Sue Lisio, Chairman (SL) and Colin McNabb, Clerk (CM) present. Robert Plamondon, Vice-Chairman (RP) arrived at 5:33PM.
- 1.2 Chairman's Additions or Deletions: 3.4: approve cross-alter permits

III MEETING BUSINESS

- 3.1 Accept \$2,000 Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, administered by the Mass. Department of Conservation & Recreation. CM moved to accept the grant. SL seconded. Unanimous.
- 3.4 Approve permits to cross, alter or construct in a public way for Unitil for 124 and 125 South Row Road and 551 Main Street. CM moved to approve the permits to cross, alter, or construct. SL seconded. Unanimous.
- 2.2 At 5:33PM CM moved to enter Executive Session under G. L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(3) regarding collective bargaining and litigation. SL seconded. SL: aye, CM: aye. The Board returned to open session at 5:40PM.

III MEETING BUSINESS (continued)

- 3.2 Review and ratify collective bargaining agreements with unions representing the Firefighters, Police, Telecommunications, and Highway/Water employees. Mr. Sheehan reported that he is working with the unions to finalize some minor wording on contracts. He said he spoke to labor counsel who advised that the funding for Article 4 can still be approved at Special Town Meeting. Once the agreements are signed the funding goes into effect. He recommended taking no action on the contracts this evening.
- 3.3 Special Town Meeting: review and discuss motions. Mr. Sheehan updated some motions and finalized the packet. Motions were assigned to the Board members. Considerable discussion ensued on Article 13. Various options were presented and opinions were voiced. A quorum of four members of the Capital Planning Committee (CPC) was present. The members indicated that the CPC remained deadlocked and would not support the project. Mr. Sheehan discussed the capital planning bylaw. According to the bylaw the project cannot go to this Town Meeting without the assent of the CPC. Fire Chief Don Klein asked to take no action on Article 13.

CM moved to recess to Special Town Meeting at 6:34PM and adjourn immediately thereafter. RP seconded. Unanimous.