

**BOARD OF
SELECTMEN
MEETING
MINUTES**

April 22, 2014

TEMPORARY TOWN HALL, 3 Milford Street

Chairman James Brochu; Selectman Robert J. Fleming; Selectman Kenneth Picard; Town Manager, Blythe C. Robinson; Executive Assistant, Sandra Hakala.

1 The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm. Chairman Brochu opened the meeting and after the
2 reviewed the agenda, welcomed members of the Library Trustees present to participate in the
3 joint election of a library trustee.

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5 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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7 *Joint election to fill Library Trustee vacancy*

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9 Chairman Brochu invited the Library Trustees to partake in a joint election to fill the vacancy
10 due to the resignation of elected trustee Erin Alcott. The Selectmen reviewed the letter of interest
11 Mr. Joseph McMahon submitted.

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13 Chairman Brochu opened the nominations

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15 Selectman Picard nominated Joseph McMahon to fill the vacancy until the May 2015 election.

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17 Second: Selectman Fleming

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19 Chairman Brochu called for any other nominations, hearing none, nominations were closed and a
20 poll was taken.

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22 James Brochu; aye, Robert Fleming; aye, Kenneth Picard; aye, Linda White; aye, Charlotte Carr;
23 aye, Laurie Wodin; aye, John Minnucci; aye, John Robertson; aye.

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25 **MINUTES**

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27 ***Motion #1:*** Motion made by Selectman Picard to approve the April 14, 2014 Regular Session
28 Meeting Minutes.

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30 Second: Chairman Brochu, Majority action of the Board.

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32 ***Motion #2:*** Motion made by Selectman Picard to approve the April 15, 2014 Regular Session
33 Meeting Minutes.

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35 Second: Selectman Fleming, Unanimous: Chairman Brochu

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37 **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

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39 *Award Annual Scholarships*

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41 Selectman Picard recused himself from the discussion because his daughter was an applicant.

42 Selectman Fleming and Chairman Brochu awarded the following recipients for Town of Upton
43 scholarships;

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45 \$200 Bartlett, Matthew Roger
46 \$200 Bartlett, Tyler
47 \$500 Hetu, Rachel Elizabeth
48 \$500 Perkins, Danielle
49 \$500 Picard, Madeline
50 \$500 Poirier, Stephen
51 \$500 Shults, Conner
52 \$500 Wadehul, Sarah

53 *FY 2014/2015 Budget Review*

54 There were no changes to the budget recommendations.

55 *Execute Annual Town Meeting Warrant*

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57 *Discuss Strategic Initiatives*

58 The Selectmen reviewed the letter from the DOR commenting on their long standing position
59 favoring appointed over elected status for municipal treasurers and collectors. They asked that
60 this be included on the Town's website.

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62 They also decided to have this document available at town Meeting along with the letter to Ken
63 Glowacki written by Tony Roselli, the Town auditor in which cites his recommendation and
64 others as to favoring an appointed position for the treasurer collector. Selectman Fleming said he
65 would personally take care of having the copies made.

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67 ***Motion #3:*** Motion made by Selectman Fleming to approve as submitted the Annual Town
68 Meeting Warrant dated May 8, 2014.

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70 Second: Selectman Picard, Unanimous: Chairman Brochu.

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72 *Other Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated*

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74 *Orchard Street Proposal*

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76 The Town received one proposal for a Lot 1 on Orchard Street. Upon Town Counsel's review
77 the Selectmen asked the Town Manager proceed with a Purchase and Sale agreement. Ms.
78 Robinson will also discuss with the Treasurer Collector where the Town will target the debt from
79 the proceeds of the sale.

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81 *149 Main Street*

82 Selectman Fleming asked Ms. Robinson to identify the owners of the boarded up property on
83 149 Main Street. Selectman Fleming would like to target this property for potential future use.

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85 **ADJOURN MEETING**

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87 ***Motion #4:*** At 5:57pm motion was made by Selectman Fleming to adjourn the regular meeting.

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89 Second: Selectman Picard, Unanimous: Chairman Brochu.

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91 Respectfully submitted,

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94 Sandra Hakala

95 Executive Assistant