

1 Board of Selectmen

2 **Town of Upton**



3 **Massachusetts**

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6 Meeting Minutes of August 30, 2010

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8 Location: Mendon Town Hall, 20 Main Street, Mendon – 2nd floor meeting room.

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10 Present: Chairman Michael E. Goodwin, Selectman Robert J. Fleming, Selectman Kenneth
11 E. Picard, Town Manager, Blythe C. Robinson.

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13 The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

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15 The Mendon Board of Selectmen welcomed the Upton Selectmen and Town Manager to
16 discuss the logistics associated with a possible district wide meeting about the MURSD school
17 budget. Ms. Robinson gave an overview of the items that need to be addressed if the meeting
18 takes place in Upton at one of the school facilities. She told the Boards that she is in contact
19 with the chairman of the State Moderator's Association for a list of possible candidates for both
20 boards to consider. She also reviewed the logistics that our public safety personnel are
21 concerned about if a large number of voters attend. These include traffic control, parking, the
22 number of detail officers needed, school bus routes to ferry passengers, locations of EMS
23 personnel and mutual aid. Selectmen Ammendolia indicated that he has requested names of
24 potential moderators from State Rep. John Fernandes and he suggested that the Upton Selectmen
25 make the same request to Rep. Peterson. The boards also discussed the timing of the Mendon
26 Special Town Meeting and the district wide meeting should it be necessary. Mendon intends to
27 vote tonight to hold the special town meeting on September 20th. If the outcome of that meeting
28 is not favorable to appropriating additional school funding, the MURSD School Committee will
29 post a warrant for the district wide meeting to take place in early to mid-October. Both boards
30 agreed that a joint Selectmen's meeting should be held on Monday, September 13th at 7:30 PM in
31 conjunction with Mendon's Selectmen's meeting. Both boards will provide each other with
32 background on the moderator's proposed. Ms. Robinson also suggested that a meeting of the
33 school committee members coordinating the district wide meeting and relevant staff take place
34 soon so that logistics can be coordinated among the towns.

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36 The Upton Selectmen left the meeting at 8:00 PM and conferred on several other items
37 outside the meeting room at the front door to the Mendon Town Hall. These items included staff
38 updates and planning for a ceremony to welcome the new fire chief and thank the outgoing
39 Board of Fire Engineers.

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41 Selectman Picard motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second: Selectman Fleming,
42 unanimous: Chairman Goodwin.

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44 Blythe C. Robinson, Town Manager