

Members present: John W. Hadley
Christopher Rucho
Siobhan M. Bohnson
Members absent: Kevin M. McCormick
Michael J. Kittredge, Jr.

Mr. Hadley convened the special meeting of the Board being held in the cafeteria of the Middle/High School prior to town meeting at 6:14 p.m. Shirin Everett, Town Counsel, joined the Board for the meeting.

Town Meeting Discussion

Mr. Gaumond explained that we have a little bit of raise and appropriate still available and he doesn't have any expenses to spend it on. We could allow it not to be spent and the taxpayers get a little break, about three cents, but for next year's budget if we were to spend it, then we would be able to tax automatically to include that \$75,000 and another 2.5%. Once we set the tax rate in November then they have what the rate will be. Town Counsel advised that the language in Article 9 was transfer from available funds and it could be okay. Mr. Gaumond's concern is having something on the up and up. He is prepared to have the article passed over and he will do whatever the Board would like to do.

Mr. Rucho feels it should come back to the taxpayer. It was agreed to pass over Article 9. Mr. Rucho questioned where the money came from. Mr. Gaumond explained that ever year when we go to the October town meeting, four out of five years, we spend raise and appropriate money on town meeting floor. We got a little more New Growth than the Board of Assessors anticipated. They estimated \$100,000 and we got \$167,000. We also got some extra state aid. He anticipates the energy savings in the school building to give the school a windfall of \$160,000. We are also funding Stabilization at 5.3% opposed to the requires 5%.

Ms. Bohnson offered to read the motion for Article 1 and Mr. Hadley will read the motion for Article 7.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion Mr. Rucho at 6:29 p.m. to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Bohnson, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: November 5, 2014

Nancy E. Lucier, Municipal Assistant

John W. Hadley, Vice Chairman

Christopher A. Rucho, Clerk

Siobhan M. Bohnson, Selectman