

**SPECIAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 15, 2015 – 5:00 P.M.
SELECTMEN'S CONFERENCE ROOM – TOWN HALL**

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectmen William N. Tinsley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: William N. Tinsley, First Selectman; Martin E. Flynn, Selectman; William R. Davidson, Selectman; Members of the public; Virginia Giovanniello, Recording Secretary.

49 FEDERAL ROAD: Bill Davidson made motion that the meeting goes into Executive Session to discuss strategy and negotiations concerning pending claims and possible sale of land adjacent to 49 Federal Road and invite Attorney Jeffrey Sienkiewicz to attend the Executive Session at 5:01pm. Motion seconded by Martin Flynn, and carried unanimously.

Bill Davidson made motion to come out of Executive Session at 5:30pm, and authorize Attorney Sienkiewicz to proceed in accordance with the plan discussed in Executive Session with respect to land adjacent to 49 Federal Road. Motion seconded by Martin Flynn, and carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION: The Selectmen greeted the members, coaches and parents of the Brookfield Barracudas who won the 10 & Under State Championship. Mr. Tinsley presented a Certificate of Recognition to the team.

JULY 6 BOS MEETING: The Selectmen discussed the Still River Greenway project and the three motions made at their regular meeting on July 6, 2015. One (the third) of those motions was to recommend to the Board of Finance a supplemental appropriation for the additional funds needed above the amount previously authorized by the June 24, 2014 referendum.

At the July 6, 2015 meeting, when the motion was verbalized by Mr. Davidson, the intent was to request an additional authorization for the full needed gross amount of \$396,000. The source of funds were to be 80% DOT grant funding, and 20% (\$79,200) Brookfield funds with borrowing authorization. However, the actual verbalization of the motion used the wrong gross amount of (\$262,000). The Selectmen unanimously agreed that this was an unintended error and that the intent was to authorize \$396,000 (not \$262,000) as the gross amount.

In that regard, Mr. Davidson moved, and Mr. Flynn seconded a motion, to modify the record of the July 6, 2015 motion to read as follows: "Mr. Davidson moved that the Board of Selectmen recommend to the Board of Finance an appropriation of \$396,000 gross for the balance of the Still River Greenway contract with the knowledge that the State will provide 80% of that amount from grant funds, and the Town will pay 20% of that amount. And further, to schedule an August 3, 2015, 7:00pm Special Town Meeting to consider the amount." The motion passed unanimously.

WORKSHOP – RETIREMENT BENEFITS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Robert Belden and Irv Agard, members of the RBAC, gave an “Overview and a Proposal for Change of the Town’s Pension Plan” as presented in a 32 page proposal dated February 25, 2015 that was prepared by the Brookfield Retirement Benefits Advisory Committee. At conclusion of presentation and discussion, the Selectmen stated they were supportive of the proposal conceptually, and that the Selectmen needed a budget or rough estimate and would have to formally adopt the proposed plan.

ADJOURN: Bill Davidson made motion to adjourn at 6:56pm, seconded by Martin Flynn. The motion carried unanimously.

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