BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OCTOBER 18, 2010
Middle School Cafeteria
APPROVED

Present: Stuart M. Schulman, Chairman; Anna Eliot, Vice Chairman; George Dillon, Jr., Clerk; Peter Cunningham; Joshua A. Degen
Also Present: Mark W. Haddad, Town Manager; David Doneski, Town Counsel; Patrice Garvin, Executive Assistant

Mr. Schulman called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Article 12 - Establish Budget for the Groton Country Club: Mr. Degen asked for a vote for reconsideration. The last vote taken was 3 in favor and 1 against.
Mr. Degen moved to support Article 12 Mr. Dillon seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 16 - Land Acquisition - Old Dunstable Road: Mr. Schulman asked for another vote for reconsideration. Mr. Degen stated that the parcel was wetlands and did not support the article. Mr. Schulman called for positions on the article. The Board was two in favor, 2 against, and 1 abstention.

Article 5 - Offset the Tax Rate: Mr. Haddad asked the Board if they wanted to put $100k into this article having an effect of $24 on the average tax bill and $.06 cents on the tax rate. Mr. Haddad cautioned the Board that he would need to get this money back next year. Mr. Dillon was concerned that this was one-time money being used. The Board agreed unanimously to move $100k to offset the tax rate.

Article 17 Land Acquisition – Station Ave: Ms. Eliot asked about the purchase of the Downes property and how to address a P&S question at Town Meeting. Mr. David Doneski stated that the wording is not to exceed $325k.

Article 26 - Survey Expenses, Jenkins Road: Mr. Degen stated that he spoke to Mr. Friedrich and if the survey is done and shows results the town will then make a decision. Ms. Eliot stated that a survey only answers half of the question. Discussion ensued as to the access to the four points to conduct the survey.

Article 25 - Acquisition and Acceptance of Trail Easement: Mr. Cunningham stated that this article will not be postponed and that the Shattuck’s understand the easement.

ADJOURNMENT
Ms. Eliot moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Approved: ________________________________
George F. Dillon, Clerk

respectfully submitted,
Patrice Garvin
Executive Assistant to the Town Manager

Date Approved: 11-8-10