



## Special Town Meeting

August 31, 2021

A Special Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, August 31, 2021. The meeting was attended by the Board of Selectmen including First Selectman, Angus L. McDonald and Selectmen Duane Gates and James Olson. Also in attendance were residents: Gary Clark, Jonathan Kastner, Adam Kerop, Jerry Clark Sr., Jerry Clark Jr., Rick Daniels, John Kennedy, Robert Raymond, Donald Lee Sr., Carol Flaim, Jack White, Christine Nowack, Lori Guerette, Al Guerette, Tom Lee, Tim Lee, George Eckenroth, Katherine Cryder, Thomas Lindner, Marian Staye, Joyce Berardis and Paula Weglarz.

First Selectman Angus McDonald called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Duane Gates made a motion to appoint George Eckenroth as moderator which was seconded by James Olson. The motion was approved unanimously. George Eckenroth appointed Joyce Berardis, to act as clerk of the meeting who then read the call.

A motion to adopt the call as read was made by Rick Daniels and seconded by Lori Guerette. The motion was approved.

Motion to approve item #1 was made by Lori Guerette and seconded by James Olson.

### **To approve actions of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance regular meetings of July 27, 2021:**

#### **1. Approve the appropriation of \$17,020 for a Fire Department Needs Assessment.**

A short discussion followed in which John Kennedy, Gary Clark, James Olson and Lori Guerette all spoke in favor of approving the Needs Assessment. There being no further discussion, a voice vote was held. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

### **To approve actions of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance regular meetings of July 27, 2021:**

#### **2. Approve a total expenditure of \$159,500 with additional funding of \$132,000 provided by the State of Connecticut.**

Motion to approve item #2 was made by Lori Guerette and seconded by James Olson.

A discussion followed in which Eckenroth explained that the \$159,500 expenditure appertains to the Deep River Elementary School roof. Eckenroth went on to explain roof repairs to the elementary school have been in the budget in recent years and covered the cost for portions of the roof, however, the additional funding of \$132,000 from the State of Connecticut will allow for the completion of the school roof. Once completed the entire Deep River Elementary School roof will be less than 5 years old. John Kennedy questioned if there will be adequate funds to complete the project and questioned if the project was competitively bid and what materials are being used. McDonald responded the funds will be adequate to complete the remaining 4 sections of the school roof and the project was competitively bid when the Town began the project. Gary Clark asked if a local company was doing the work. McDonald noted a Meriden

company is completing the roof repair and that local companies were included in the RFP process. There being no further discussion, a voice vote was held. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

Motion to approve item #1 from the Board of Selectmen’s regular meeting of August 24, 2021 was made by Rick Daniels and seconded by Jonathan Kastner.

**To approve actions of the Board of Selectmen’s regular meeting of August 24, 2021:**

**1. Appointments to Planning and Zoning Commission:**

<b>Stanley W. Rheinheimer (regular)</b>	<b>Term to Expire: 12/01/2021</b>
<b>Marian G. Staye (regular)</b>	<b>Term to Expire: 12/01/2023</b>
<b>Michael A. Dinello (alternate)</b>	<b>Term to Expire: 12/01/2022</b>
<b>Alexander Ewalt Strobel (alternate)</b>	<b>Term to Expire: 12/01/2023</b>

A short discussion followed. Daniels questioned if any of the candidates were at the meeting. McDonald responded no. There being no further discussion, a voice vote was held. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

Motion was made by Gary Clark and seconded by James Olson to adjourn. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm.

ATTEST: Joyce Berardis, Clerk of the Call