

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Working Session
Minutes of March 24, 2011

Chairman Dick Gandt called the meeting to order at 4:35PM. Board members present in addition to Chairman Gandt, were Martha Morrison and Laura Powers. Nancy Luther and Eldon Goodhue were absent. Of the Selectmen's staff, Town Administrator Virginia Wilder and Board Secretary Donna Rich were in attendance. Other persons present during all or part of the meeting were residents Ken Vogel, Jeannine Cunniff and Kim Sherwood.

Other Business

Chairman Gandt reported that the FY2010 Annual Report has been completed and Selectman Goodhue has agreed to review the Comcast Contract.

2011 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Budget

Chairman Gandt inquired as to what was remaining to be accomplished prior to the vote on the Warrant scheduled for Monday, March 28th. In reviewing Articles still up for discussion, it was stated that the Special Town Meeting Warrant would potentially be able to fund some of those activities, such as the Town Hall Boiler Project and lighting.

Ms. Wilder reported that Kopelman & Paige LLC had reviewed the Warrant and determined that the North Shore Vocational School articles should be separated due to the intent of each one.

Ms. Wilder commented that there is still no plan for the Exchange of Land on Pheasant Lane article. Chairman Gandt stated that if no plan is produced by 6PM on Monday then the article should be pulled from the Warrant.

Ballot Questions:

Selectman Morrison made a motion to place Masconomet Regional High School assessment of \$191,539 on an override question, seconded by Chairman Gandt; so voted: 2-1, Selectman Powers opposed.

Discussion: Chairman Gandt expressed his desire to make it one issue, therefore easier for citizen to understand, versus many items. Selectman Powers restated her opinion of only putting Masco on the Override as unbalanced and unfair and that it is not capturing the true picture.

There then ensued a conversation regarding what would happen if the override didn't pass and the impact of that on the education at Masconomet Regional School. The actual number being used was discussed for accuracy.

At 5:50 PM, Selectmen Morrison made a motion to adjourn and Selectman Powers seconded the motion; so voted: 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Rich, Secretary
Selectmen's Office

Approved as amended at the June 6, 2011 Board of Selectmen's meeting.

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