

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
April 23, 2024
MINUTES

First Selectman, Jeffrey Maguire called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. and read the meeting notice.

Catherine Palazzi nominated Wally Barton as Moderator. David Gostanian seconded. There were no additional nominations. Wally Barton will serve as Moderator.

Wally introduced Town Administrator, Eric Anderson who explained both of the proposed boundary line agreements. All questions were answered about the proposed boundary line agreements between the King family (Attachment #1) and the Town of Andover and the Hawes family (Attachment #2) and the Town of Andover.

Jeff Maguire moved "That this Town Meeting approve the proposed real estate transaction between the Town and the King family of 90 Burnap Brook Road, Andover and authorize the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator to enter into a Boundary Line Agreement and any other documentation necessary to legally implement the transaction". Dave Gostanian seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot.

Motion passed **74 Yes 1 No**

Jeff Maguire moved "That this Town Meeting approve the proposed real estate transaction between the Town and the Hawes family of 45 School Road, Andover and authorize the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator to enter into a Boundary Line Agreement necessary to implement the transaction". Gerry Crème seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot.

Motion passed **75 Yes 0 No**

Eric Anderson introduced Mike Russo who presented information for the proposed improvements at Veterans Memorial Field. All questions were answered about the STEAP grant and the required municipal match. (Attachment #3)

Jeff Maguire moved "That this Town Meeting approve the Town's application and receipt of a STEAP grant of \$500,000.00 from the State of Connecticut for improvements at Veterans Memorial Field, including the authorization of the State's requirement of a Town match not to exceed \$150,000.00 to be provided both monetarily and in kind by labor provided by the Department of Public Works". Robert Hamburger seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot.

Motion passed **69 Yes 7 No**

Eric Anderson introduced Public Works Supervisor, Jay Tuttle who presented information about the failing condition of the current mower used by Public Works. All questions were answered about the condition of the current mower and the need to replace it and information about the new mower. (Attachment #4)

Jeff Maguire moved “That this Town Meeting approve the Lease to Own Agreement by the Town of a new, in stock, demonstration John Deere 6110M Roadside Mower for the price of approximately \$237,500.00 as requested by the Town”. Cathy Desrosiers seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot.

Motion passed 42 Yes 34 No

The Special Town Meeting was recessed at 8:30 p.m.

The Public Hearing was called to order at 8:31 p.m.

Eric Anderson introduced Town Attorney, Dennis O’Brien who presented and explained each of the proposed Ordinances. All questions were answered about the proposed Ordinances.

Jeff Maguire moved “That this Town Meeting vote to enact the proposed Zoning Violation Ordinance authorized by State Law permitting the Town to fine persons who violate any Town Zoning Regulation, while providing due process protections to any alleged offender”. Gerry Crème seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot. (Attachment #5)

Motion passed 57 Yes 6 No

Jeff Maguire moved “That this Town Meeting vote to enact the proposed Ordinance authorized by State Law permitting the Town to fine contractors and property owners who excavate in the Town right-of-way without seeking or obtaining a permit from the Town or posting the required bond, while providing due process protections to any alleged offender”. Ricky Kaufman seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot. (Attachment #6)

Motion passed 52 Yes 9 No

Jeff Maguire moved “That this Town Meeting vote to enact the proposed Ordinance authorizing the Creation and Filling of Alternate Positions on the Commission on Aging by the Commission on Aging. Cathy Palazzi seconded. The question was moved to paper ballot. (Attachment #7)

Motion passed 59 Yes 1 No

Public Hearing adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Special Town Meeting reconvened at 9:01 p.m.

Jed Larson moved to adjourn. Bill Desrosiers seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wally Barton, Moderator

Carol H. Lee, Town Clerk