2017 TOWN MEETING

Town of Greenfield State of New Hampshire

18 March 2017

March 17, 2017, Moderator Gilbert W. Bliss opened the polls at 10:00 A.M. and then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor of the Checklist Linda Dodge read the checklist with 1216 names.

Article 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Moderator Gilbert W. Bliss declared the polls closed at 7:00 P.M.. Results were tallied and reported, and the meeting was to reconvene at 9:00 A.M. Saturday, March 18, 2017.

Town Meeting reconvened as scheduled. Moderator Gilbert W. Bliss called the meeting to order at 9:08 A.M. The Boy Scout troop brought in the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Moderator then introduced the Selectboard, read the house rules, and reported the results of the election.

OFFICER ELECTION RESULTS:

Selectman for three years: Margaret Charig Bliss received 127 votes, Therefore Margaret Charig Bliss is elected for the ensuing three years.

Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years: Vicki Norris received 138 votes. Therefore Vicki Norris is elected for the ensuing three years.

Library Trustee for three years: Bruce Dodge received 139 votes. Therefore Bruce Dodge is elected for the ensuing three years.

Cemetery Trustee for three years: Gilbert W. Bliss received 138 votes. Therefore Gilbert W. Bliss is elected for the ensuing three years.

Planning Board Members for three years: Paul Renaud received 138 votes. Therefore Paul Renaud is elected for the ensuing three years. One seat remains vacant.

Budget Committee Member for three years: No one ran for this position, and no one had enough write-in votes. Therefore two Budget Committee seats remain open.

Budget Committee Member for two years: No one ran for this position, and no one had enough write-in votes. Therefore two Budget Committee seats remain open.

ConVal School District results for the Town of Greenfield only:

Article #1	82 Yes	62 No
Article #2	113 Yes	34 No
Article #3	112 Yes	34 No
Article #4	100 Yes	45 No
Article #5	104 Yes	41 No
Article #6	112 Yes	32 No
Article #7	133 Yes	12 No
Article #8	117 Yes	29 No

Article 1(a): To hear the reports of agents, standing committees, or other officers heretofore, and chosen and to pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 1(b): To vote by ballot on the following proposed amendments to the Greenfield Zoning Ordinance.

NOTE: The purpose of amendments 1-4 is to comply with new state mandated requirements for accessory dwelling units.

AMENDMENT 1:

Section II. DEFINITIONS, A.

A. "Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit" shall mean [a separate dwelling unit incorporated within or to become attached to an existing one-family dwelling] an independent living unit for sleeping, cooking, eating and sanitation, with adequate water supply and sewage disposal, and having an interior door in a shared wall between it and the principal dwelling unit.

Section III. DISTRICTS, A. Business District:

- 2. By special exception, the Board of Adjustment may permit the addition of not more than three (3) accessory dwelling units under the following conditions:
 - a. Such additions [are within or attached by shared walls to the primary unit] conform to the definition of "Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit" in Section II of this Ordinance.

Section III. DISTRICTS, C. Center Village District: 2.

a. Such additions [are within or attached by shared walls to the primary unit] conform to the definition of "Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit" in Section II of this Ordinance.

Section III. DISTRICTS, D. Lakeside Village District: 2.

- 2. No building shall house more than one (1) family as permanent residents. However, by special exception, the Board of Adjustment may permit the addition of not more than one (1) accessory dwelling unit under the following conditions:
 - a. Such addition [are within or attached by shared walls to the primary unit] conforms to the definition of "Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit" in Section II of this Ordinance.

Section III. DISTRICTS, H. Rural/Agricultural District: 6.

a. Such addition [are within or attached by shared walls to the primary unit] conforms to the definition of "Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit" in Section II of this Ordinance.

Yes = 111 No = 29 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 2:

Section III. DISTRICTS, H. Rural/Agricultural District: 6.c.

c. The accessory dwelling unit shall have a minimum floor area of three hundred (300) square feet [but shall be no greater than twenty-five (25%) percent of the total floor area of the building].

Yes = 92 No = 48 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 3:

Section IV. GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, C. Number of Buildings:

- 4. There shall be no attached accessory dwelling unit(s) or apartment unit(s) on the lot.
- 5. The detached accessory dwelling unit is subordinate and clearly secondary to the main residence and shall contain no more than [seven] eight hundred [(700)] 800 square feet.
- 6. There can be no more than one (1) detached accessory dwelling unit on the lot.

Yes = 110 No = 32 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 4:

Add to Section III. DISTRICTS, F. General Residence District:

- 10. By special exception, the Board of Adjustment may permit the addition of not more than three (3) accessory dwelling units under the following conditions:
 - a. Such additions conform to the definition of "Attached Accessory Dwelling Unit" in Section II of this Ordinance.
 - b. The accessory dwelling unit(s) shall have a minimum floor area of three hundred (300) square feet.
 - c. All dwelling units shall have adequate egress in case of fire or other hazard.
 - d. No change shall be made to the exterior of the residence, which would detract from its appearance as a residence unless required by Life Safety Codes.

- e. The sewage disposal system for the residence, either existing or as it may be modified, shall be shown adequate for all occupants, and shall have been approved by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- f. The accessory dwelling unit(s) shall comply with all the other ordinances of the General Residence District.

NOTE: The purpose of amendment 5 is to differentiate apartment buildings, currently allowed in the General Residence District, from residences with accessory dwelling units.

Yes = 89 No = 50 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 5:

Add to Section II. DEFINITIONS:

A. "Apartment Building" shall mean a residential structure with multiple individual dwelling units, with or without a common entrance and/or hallway, but with no direct access between dwelling units.

(Change lettering following in Section II as appropriate.)

Section III. DISTRICTS, F. General Residence District:

2. No "apartment building" shall house more than four (4) families as permanent residents. The lot size shall be not less than one and one-half (1.5) acres for each dwelling unit in the "apartment building" and off-street parking for two (2) cars for each dwelling unit in the "apartment building" must be provided.

NOTE: The purpose of amendments 6 and 7 is to allow apartment buildings in the Center Village District and Business District respectively. The passage of either or both of amendments 6 and 7 is also contingent on the passage of amendment 5.

Yes = 116 No = 26 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 6:

Add to Section III. DISTRICTS, C. Center Village District:

2. No "apartment building" shall house more than four (4) families as permanent residents. The lot size shall be not less than one and one-half (1.5) acres for each dwelling unit in the "apartment building" and off-street parking for two (2) cars for each dwelling unit in the "apartment building" must be provided.

(Change numbering following in Subsection C as appropriate.)

Yes = 102 No = 40 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 7:

Add to Section III. DISTRICTS, A. Business District, 1:

b. No "apartment building" shall house more than four (4) families as permanent residents. The lot size shall be not less than one and one-half (1.5) acres for each dwelling unit in the "apartment building" and off-street parking for two (2) cars for each dwelling unit in the "apartment building" must be provided.

(Change lettering following in Paragraph 1 as appropriate.)

NOTE: The purpose of amendments 8-12 is to remove impediments to economic development opportunities.

Yes = 96 No = 45 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 8:

Amend Section III, DISTRICTS, A. Business District:

- 1. The Business District shall observe the following regulations and restrictions:
 - a. This District shall be principally a District for the transactions of business [and the following uses are permitted: stores & shops for the conduct of any retail business or personal service, offices, banks, and food service facilities]. All [the above] businesses must be conducted in permanent buildings. Residences are allowed in this District however, mobile homes and/or travel trailers used as a residence shall not be permitted. The Planning Board has the responsibility to request an impact analysis from the applicant.

Yes = 107 No = 31 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 9:

Remove Section III. DISTRICTS, A. Business District: 1d.

[d. No entertainment halls shall be permitted in this District except those under public ownership.]

(Change lettering following in Paragraph 1 as appropriate.)

Yes = 88 No = 51 Therefore the Amendment passes.

<u>AMENDMENT 10:</u>

Section III. DISTRICTS, A. Business District:

- 1. The Business District shall observe the following regulations and restrictions:
 - b. The lot area shall be not less than one-half (1/2) acres and the frontage not less than [one hundred fifty (150')] sixty-five (65') feet, provided, however, that a lot with less acreage or less frontage, or both, which is recorded in the Office of the Registry of Deeds at the time of passage of this amendment shall be deemed a conforming lot. There shall be between the nearest side of any public highway and the extreme front of

any building, a setback at least equivalent to the "build-to" line. There shall be between the nearest part of any building or structure on the lot, a [side or] rear yard and side yards of not less than [twenty-five (25')] twenty (20') feet. There is, however, an exception to these setback requirements. For lots smaller than one-half (1/2) acres in area and deemed conforming per the above, setback requirements will be reduced in proportion to the actual lot size divided by the minimum lot size, however, in no case will setbacks be less than the "build-to" line at the front, and [twenty-five (25')] twenty (20') feet at the sides and rear. No building addition shall have to be set back from the lot line any further than any existing building on the lot.

Yes = 80 No = 61 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 11:

Section IV. GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, B. Professional Uses and [Customary] Home Occupations:

Subject to the requirements of this Ordinance, nothing herein shall prevent a profession or [customary] home occupation from being conducted in a residence or in a structure accessory to the residence in any district, provided, however, that said profession or [customary] home occupation is first approved by the Greenfield Planning Board through a Site Plan Review and permit issued.

- 1. For purposes of this Section, an approved professional or [customary] home occupational use will be one that can be conducted in accordance with the conditions and requirements set forth in paragraph 2 below.
- 2. There shall be no adverse effect caused by the use on the residential character of the site or of any structure on it, on surrounding properties or on the natural environment. Thus, there shall be no nuisance or health hazard generated by noise, vibration, odors, heat, smoke, dust, light, glare, traffic or parking, or by soil, water or air pollution, or by any other effect of the use. Pursuant to these conditions the following requirements shall be met:
 - c. [The use shall be conducted by, members of the household occupying the dwelling. No more than two (2) persons outside the household shall be employed in the use.] The number of employees will be determined by Site Plan Review.
 - h. The Home-Based Business permit shall become void if there are any significant changes in the business or if the business ceases operation [,or when the residence is sold]. If the business is proposed to continue following the sale or transfer of the property, the new owner must file a Site Plan application with the Planning Board for their review and approval if there is a change in the type of use or an increase in intensity of use.

Yes = 104 No = 35 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 12:

Remove Section III. DISTRICTS, H. Rural/Agricultural District: 6.b.

[b. Either the accessory dwelling unit or the primary residence shall constitute the domicile of the person or persons who own the lot on which the residence is situated.] (Adjust lettering which follows in paragraph 6 as appropriate.)

NOTE: The purpose of amendment 13 is to safeguard the Planning Board from potential litigation issues when commenting on cases before the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Yes = 81 No = 58 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 13:

Section XVI. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, F. Planning Board Report:

Before granting any special exception or variance, the Board of Adjustment [shall] may refer the application to the Planning Board for a report. The Planning Board's report shall be considered informational in character and may take into consideration the effect of the special exception or variance proposal upon the character of the neighborhood or any other pertinent data in respect to the Master Plan for the Town. In the case where conflict of interest or bias is possible, the Planning Board reserves the right to respond to this request with a copy of relevant minutes.

NOTE: The purpose of amendment 14 is to repeal an ordinance which is unsatisfactory for development and conservation purposes with the intent to replace it with one or more alternative subdivision ordinances that are within the parameters of the Master Plan.

Yes = 107 No = 31 Therefore the Amendment passes.

AMENDMENT 14:

Repeal Section IX. Open Space Development Ordinance. (Renumber following sections of Ordinance as appropriate.)

NOTE: The purpose of amendment 15 is to correct references to the Village District which were omitted when the district was split into two districts at the 2016 Town Meeting.

Yes = 63 No = 65 Therefore the Amendment fails.

AMENDMENT 15:

Section III. DISTRICTS:

For the purpose of regulating and restricting the use of land and the location, construction, and use of buildings, the Town is divided into [four (4)] five (5) districts, identified and defined as

follows: Business District; Center Village District; Lakeside Village District; General Residence District; and Rural/Agricultural District.

Section IV. GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS,

- E. Backlots/Reduction of Required Frontage:
 - 1. For the purpose of implementing the policies and goals set out in the Town's Master Plan, avoiding strip development and encouraging good civic design, the Planning Board, at its sole discretion, is hereby authorized to approve subdivision proposals containing backlots with less frontage than otherwise required by this Ordinance. Such back lots may be approved in the **Center** Village District, Lakeside **Village District**, General Residence District and the Rural/Agricultural District only and no such approval shall be granted unless the following conditions are met:

SECTION VII. ORDINANCE OF REGULATIONS GOVERNING

ADULT-ORIENTED BUSINESSES:

- B. Applicability and Where allowed:
- 1. Sexually oriented businesses, as defined in Section A; shall only be permitted by Special Exception of the Board of Adjustment, and subject to the following conditions:
 - a. No such use shall be permitted within two thousand (2,000') feet of the property line of a church, cemetery, school, day care center, any public buildings, public facilities, or the **Center** Village District.

Yes = 114 No = 23 Therefore the Amendment passes.

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)** and place said amount in the existing <u>Assessment Capital Reserve Fund</u> for the reappraisal of all real estate within the municipality every five years as required by RSA 75:8-a. *The Selectmen recommend this article.* (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (**2016** values) of \$0.07.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the purpose of expending funds that will be offset by the Used Oil Collection Grant Assistance Program, to purchase materials and/or obtain services to establish, improve, or operate a used oil collection center in accordance with the terms and conditions of Used Oil Collection Grants at the Recycling Center. (Majority vote required). This article has no tax impact.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty One Dollars (\$6,531) as the second of three annual installments, totaling

\$19,591.92, for the purpose of <u>purchasing a paper Compactor</u> at the Recycling Center. This lease agreement was originally approved in 2016 and contains a municipal escape clause. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (**2016** values) of \$0.05.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) and place said amount into the existing Recycling Center Facilities and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 Values) of \$0.004.

A motion was made to amend the amount to appropriate to One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00).

Voice vote: unclear. Moderator called for hand count: YES = 44 NO = 16. Therefore the amendment passes. Voice vote: Amended Article passes.

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand, Six Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$112,612) to support the Recycling Center. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.82. Allocation as follows:

RECYCLING CENTER	
Advertising	300.00
Contract Services	
Electronics Recycling	1,000.00
Monadnock Disposal	28,000.00
Northeast Resource Rec. Assoc.	5,000.00
Total Contract Services	34,000.00
Dues and Certifications	450.00
Education/Conventions	625.00
Electricity	1,000.00
Equipment Repairs/Maintenance	1,500.00
Fuel	300.00
General Supplies	700.00
Glass Disposal	2,170.00
Hazardous Waste	2,100.00
Heating Fuel	2,500.00
Mileage	675.00
Part-Time Wages	23,519.00
Refrigerant Removal	500.00
Safety Equ./Sppl/Protection	600.00
Supervisor Wages	39,098.00
Telephone	1,975.00
Tire Removal	600.00
Total RECYCLING CENTER	112,612.00

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) and place said amount in the existing Fire/Rescue Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.29.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) and place said amount in the existing Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.29.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)** and place said amount in the existing <u>Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund</u>. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (**2016** values) of \$0.07.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 10: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **One Hundred Thirty Thousand, Two Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$130,210)** to support the <u>Fire Department</u>. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (**2016** values) of \$0.94. Allocation as follows:

FIRE

Chief's Salary	20,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	500.00
Electricity	4,250.00
Emergency Management	3,000.00
Equipment	9,500.00
Equipment Replacement	3,000.00
Fire Fighter/Rescue Stipends	22,500.00
Fire Prevention	250.00
Forest Fire Equipment	500.00
Gasoline & Diesel Fuel	1,250.00
General Supplies	500.00
Heating Fuel-Oil	4,000.00
Medical Supplies	3,250.00
Mileage	750.00

Mutual Aid Dispatching	20,360.00
Physicals/Inoculations	2,000.00
Postage	250.00
Propane	1,250.00
Radio Repairs/Maintenance	2,500.00
Telephone	2,100.00
Training Services	7,500.00
Turnout Gear	9,000.00
Uniform Allowance	2,000.00
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	10,000.00
Total FIRE	130,210.00

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500) and place said amount in the existing Fire Department Non-Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of replacing firefighter gear and equipment not associated with the Fire Truck(s)/Apparatus or the Fire Department building. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 Values) of \$0.05.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 12: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty Thousand, Four Hundred Sixty One Dollars (\$240,461) to support the Police Department. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$1.73. Allocation as follows:

POLICE	
Chief's Salary	71,212.00
Dispatch Services - 911	18,500.00
Full-Time Wages	96,129.00
Gasoline	13,500.00
General Supplies	2,500.00
Officer Equipment	4,000.00
Over-Time Wages	4,000.00
Part-Time Wages	20,320.00
Postage	300.00
Radio Repair/Maintenance	500.00
Telephone	3,000.00
Training Services	2,500.00
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	4,000.00
Total POLICE	240,461.00

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 13: To see if the town will vote to authorize a lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of <u>purchasing a Police Cruiser (SUV)</u>, in the amount of \$38,760, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand**, **Two Hundred One Dollars (\$10,201)** for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains a municipal escape clause. *The Selectmen recommend this article*. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.07.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) and place said amount in the existing Town Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.18.

Several meeting house repairs were discussed, including restoring the steeple, stained glass windows, and clock, as well as refinishing the floor.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 15: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Five Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars (\$905,887) to support the Operation and Maintenance of the Town. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$6.55. Allocation as follows:

Ambulance	70,455.00
Building Insp./Code Enforcement	16,585.00
Cemeteries	17,215.00
Conservation	4,050.00
Executive	114,881.00
Financial Administration	51,521.00
General Government Buildings	37,055.00
Health Agencies	2,825.00
Insurance	44,810.00
Interest on Bonds	16,585.00
Interest TAN	1.00
Legal Expense	15,000.00
Other Debt Service	7,035.00
Other General Government	47,825.00
Parks and Recreation	15,280.00
Patriotic Purposes	1,000.00
Personnel Administration	321,700.00
Planning Board	11,250.00
Principal on Bonds	65,000.00
Regional Association Dues	3,499.00
Street Lighting	7,000.00
Welfare Administration	30,165.00
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5,150.00	
905,887.00	

Article 16: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000)** for the purpose of providing <u>Road Paving and/or Reconstruction</u>. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (**2016** values) of \$0.62.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 17: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Seventy Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$470,855) to support the Department of Public Works. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$3.40. Allocation as follows:

DPW BLDGS & GRNDS

Buildings & Grounds Maint.	
DPW Building Maint.	4,800.00
Fire Station Building N	Maint. 3,525.00
Library Building Maint	. 3,954.00
Meeting House Buildi	ng Maint. 7,500.00
Oak Park + Beaches	Maint. 3,875.00
Recycling Center Buildi	ng Maint 3,000.00
Town Office Building	Maint. 5,500.00
Total Buildings & Grounds Maint.	32,154.00
Cell Phone Reimb.	360.00
Contract Services	1,200.00
DPW B&G Mgr. Salary	47,476.00
Dues and Subscriptions	200.00
Education/Conventions	300.00
Equipment Rental	1,500.00
Gasoline & Diesel Fuel	500.00
General Supplies	1,250.00
Mileage	500.00
Protective Equipment	300.00
Signage	500.00
Small Tools & Equipment	600.00
DPW ROADS DIV.	
Advertising	500.00
Calcium Chloride - Summer	3,500.00

Contract Services	6,000.00
DPW Roads Mgr Salary	52,000.00
Drainage Material	4,000.00
Drug/Alcohol Testing	675.00
Dues and Subscriptions	100.00
Education/Conventions	600.00
Electricity	2,700.00
Equipment Rental	6,000.00
Full-Time Wages	83,000.00
Gasoline & Diesel Fuel	22,000.00
General Supplies	2,500.00
Gravel	15,000.00
Heat	3,300.00
Mileage	500.00
Over-Time Wages	11,000.00
Part-Time Wages	6,500.00
Protective Clothing	1,500.00
Road Maintenance	70,000.00
Safety Equipment	500.00
Salt	20,000.00
Sealing & Tarring	10,000.00
Small Tools & Equipment	2,000.00
Street Signs	1,000.00
Telephone	2,000.00
Tree Trimming	500.00
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	20,000.00
Welding Supplies	750.00
Wetlands Engineer	3,000.00
Winter Maintenance	5,000.00
W.A. '13 2014 Dump Truck	27,890.00
Total DPW	470,855.00

There was lengthy discussion regarding the change in Federal law for full time salaried employees.

A Motion was made to amend the total amount of the DPW budget, reducing it by Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00).

A request was made to vote by secret ballot.

YES = 20 NO = 52 Therefore the Amendment fails.

Voice vote: original Article passes.

Article 18: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand, Two Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$103,266) to support the Stephenson Memorial Library (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.75. Allocation as follows:

850.00

1,020.00

1,800.00

103,266.00

572.00

LIDITANI	
Books/Print/Digital Collections	6,500.00
Clerical Wages	825.00
Computer Support/Maint.	3,460.00
Computer Technology	2,600.00
Director Salary	34,480.00

4,000.00 Electricity 800.00 Fire/Security System 2,750.00 General Supplies & Postage 6,500.00 Heating Fuel 200.00 Marketing 300.00 Mileage 500.00 Office Equipment 2,000.00 Overtime 34,025.00 **Part-Time Wages** 84.00

The new librarian was introduced.

Dues & Professional Expenses

Voice vote: Article passes.

Post-Office Box

Sewer Fees

Telephone

Total LIBRARY

Programs/Entertainment

LIDDADV

Article 19: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) and place said amount in the existing Library Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact of (2016 values) of \$0.004.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 20: To see if the town will raise and appropriate the amount of Fifty Two Thousand Dollars (\$52,000) to repair the foundation and install drainage around the library building. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.38.

Selectman Robert Marshall stated that an engineering study had been done, explained what the project will entail, and added that Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) of the cost of the project will come from the Capital Reserve Fund.

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Six Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (\$26,100) to fund the operation of the Town Clerk's office. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.19. Allocation as follows:

ELECT./REG./VITAL STAT.

Computer Equipment	100.00
Computer Support/Maint. INTW	1,150.00
Dues and Subscriptions	20.00
Education/Conventions	90.00
Elections	1,100.00
General Supplies	400.00
Mileage	50.00
Postage	500.00
Publications	90.00
Town Clerk - Other Compensation	10,000.00
Town Clerk Deputy Wages	2,000.00
Town Clerk Salary	10,000.00
Vital Statistics	600.00
Total ELECT./REG./VITAL STAT.	26,100.00

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 22: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500)** and place said amount in the existing <u>Forest Fire Fighters Expendable Trust Fund</u>. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). This article has a tax impact (2016 values) of \$0.004.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 23: To see if the town will vote to adopt RSA 41:14-a, to allow the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. This article will remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote. (Majority vote required).

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 24: To see if the town will vote to allow the Selectmen to dispose of tax deeded properties "as justice may require" per RSA 80:42; which "shall include the power of the selectmen to convey the property to a former owner, or to a third party for benefit of a former

owner, upon such reasonable terms as may be agreed to in writing, including the authority of the municipality to retain a mortgage interest in the property, or to re-impose its tax lien, contingent upon an agreed payment schedule, which need not necessarily reflect any prior redemption amount. Any such agreement shall be recorded in the registry of deeds. This paragraph shall not be construed to obligate any municipality to make any such conveyance or agreement." This article shall continue indefinitely, until rescinded. (Majority vote required). This article has no immediate tax impact.

Voice vote: Article passes.

Article 25: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

1) Adele Hale made a motion "to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee to study the feasibility of establishing solar power at the town properties, to further investigate any grants available, and to have this information available for the 2018 budget process".

It was mentioned that an Economic Development Committee already exists and may be the appropriate committee to study the idea.

Voice vote: Motion passes.

- 2) Linda Dodge thanked the Selectboard for the Fact sheet regarding Capital Reserve Funds, noting that it was helpful. David Simmons added that perhaps next year comparative figures could be added.
- 3) Selectman Robert Marshall stated that the Meeting House repairs are high on the agenda, and that non-profit fundraising for the projects is currently taking place.
- 4) Linda Dodge stated that some organizations in town can benefit from sales on Amazon.

There being no other business to come before the Town, the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith P. Sleeper, Town Clerk