

Special Town Meeting
February 28, 2017

Town Clerk, Debra H. Denette called the Annual Town Meeting to order at 8:00 pm at the Town Meeting Hall, 492 Town Street, East Haddam. Seven people were in attendance, six were electors of the town. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Edward Blaschik motioned to nominate Deb Denette as Moderator, First Selectman Emmett Lyman seconded the motion. Additional nominations were solicited, none were offered. Mr. Blaschik motioned to close nominations. Mr. Lyman seconded the motion. The motion closing nominations carried unanimously via voice vote. The Town clerk called for a vote appointing Deb Denette to serve as Moderator, the motion carried unanimously via voice vote.

The Moderator briefly defined the rules of conduct and presented the call of the meeting. Mr. Blaschik motioned to accept the call as presented. Mr. Lyman seconded the motion. The motion accepting the call as presented carried unanimously via voice vote.

Item #1 Motion by Mr. Blaschik, seconded by Mr. Lyman that the legislative body herein assembled act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance:

RESOLVED: That a grant in an amount of \$2,000 is hereby accepted from the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management through the Neglected Cemetery Account (Cemeteries operating budget, account 10544350-54424) to provide upkeep of local cemeteries to keep them in orderly and decent condition upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Notice of Grant Award.

In furtherance of this resolution, Emmett J. Lyman, the First Selectman, is duly authorized to enter into and sign said contracts on behalf of the Town of East Haddam. Emmett J. Lyman currently holds the office of First Selectman and has held that office since July 20, 2016. The First Selectman is further authorized to provide such additional information and execute such other documents as may be required by the local, state or federal government in connection with said contract and to execute any amendments, rescissions, and revisions thereto.

Opportunity for discussion was offered. Mr. Parker stated that this was a good thing for the Town. There being no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. The motion authorizing the following resolution carried unanimously.

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Item 2. Mr. Blaschik motioned, Bruce Dutch provided the second that the legislative body herein assembled is to consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that a grant in the amount of \$4,000 is hereby accepted from the State of Connecticut, State Library, for the purpose of historic document preservation and appropriated to the Historic Document Preservation Fund (account 26041-43000); and that Emmett J. Lyman, First Selectman, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this municipality, a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Document Preservation Grant.

Mrs. Denette advised that a map cabinet is to be purchased to house the mylar maps that require permanent retention. Because of space limitations the maps are housed much tighter than they should be, this cabinet will allow for better storage.

Opportunity for comments or questions was offered, none were raised. The Moderator called for a vote on the motion, the following resolution carried unanimously via voice vote.

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Item 3. Mr. Blaschik motioned, Dave Denette provided the second that the legislative body herein assembled consider and act a the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance:

RESOLVED: That a Wheelchair-Accessible Motor Vehicle for Elderly and/or Disabled Persons Transportation Programs Grant in the amount not to exceed \$55,200.00 is hereby accepted upon the terms and conditions set forth in an Agreement between the Town of East Haddam and the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation, that the First Selectman, Emmett J. Lyman, is authorized to negotiate and execute all necessary agreement/contract documents on behalf of the Town of East Haddam with the Department of Transportation of the State of Connecticut, and is authorized to affix the corporate seal of the municipality; and that the purchase price of the vehicle be appropriated and funded 80% (\$55,200) from said grant funds and 20% (\$13,800) from the Senior Transportation Fund (account 91092037-58820).

Responsive to inquiry from Mr. Denette, Mr. Parker stated that he believed that the vehicle would be a 2016.

There being no further questions, the Moderator called for a vote on the following resolution.

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The resolution was unanimously approved via voice vote.

Item 4. Mr. Parker motioned, Mr. Blaschik provided the second that the legislative body herein assembled consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to approve a transfer of \$57,980.00 from Shared Services (fund 2630) to the Capital Projects Fund (fund 3320).

Opportunity for comment and question was offered, it was noted that these unexpended funds were the result of the Facilities Director position that was vacant for a period of time and the new facilities director not utilizing the town's insurance. The Moderator called for a vote.

The motion authorizing a transfer of \$57,980 from Shared Services (fund 2630) to the Capital Projects Fund (fund 3320) carried unanimously via voice vote.

Item 5. Mr. Blaschik motioned, Mr. Dutch provided the second that the legislative body herein assembled consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to approve a transfer of \$39,452.20 from the General Fund (10549010-58928) to the Board of Education Capital Reserve Fund.

Opportunity for discussion was offered, none was raised. Accordingly the Moderator called for a vote. The motion authorizing a transfer of \$39,452.20 from the General Fund to the Board of Education Capital Reserve Fund carried unanimously via voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Blaschik, seconded by Mr. Parker to adjourn at 8:04 pm. The motion carried unanimously via voice vote.

Attest: Debra H. Denette, Town Clerk
March 6, 2017