

**Town of Brookfield  
Board of Selectmen - Special Meeting  
Advisory Committee – Special Meeting  
Elementary School Classroom  
Friday, November 18, 2011 – 6:30 pm**

Selectmen present:

Peter O’Connell  
Rudy Heller  
Stephen J. Comtois II

Advisory Committee present:

Gerald Johnson  
Paul Ayers  
Mary Beth Harrity  
Ian Von Hold  
Michael Breuer  
Timothy Roughan

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Peter O’Connell called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, Gerald Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Mr. O’Connell led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Camera Operator:** None  
**Press:** None  
**Public:** None

The purpose of this meeting was for one final review of the motions.

**1. DISCUSSION OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES/MOTIONS:**

Mr. O’Connell gave the following review of changes to motions from what had been previously forwarded to the members of each board/committee:

**Treasurer’s Clerk – Article 14:** Chairman O’Connell informed all present that the Tax Collector, Brenda Caron McElroy, and Town Treasurer, Sheila Frangiamore, had together reviewed their clerical needs. The Tax Collector agreed to a transfer of \$2,000 and the equivalent in hours to the Treasurer’s Department. This means that instead of having a clerk for 12 hours a week, the Tax Collector will have only 4 hours of clerk assistance and that the motion will change to *transfer* the sum of \$2,000. The Board of Selectmen unanimously voted to support this article at their 11/17/11 Special Meeting.

**Eminent Domain – Article 23:** Mr. O’Connell reported that due to recent calculations by Donna Wentzell, Assessor, and Sheila Frangiamore, Treasurer, the value of tax liabilities for the Kroll/Mundell property cited in this Article is \$18,000 rather than the original \$7,000 calculated by former Treasurer, James Dunbar. He explained that because of the increased tax liabilities there was no need to allocate any money into an escrow account. If an heir should show up, the matter will be handled then.

**Mosquito Control – Article 7:** Mr. O’Connell reported the following from a telephone call: The Department of Public Health does not take a position on this as they deal with the matter as a nuisance or disease control. Data gathered to-date is not for this area as the problem is mostly urban and is habitat related.

**Tree Removal & Trimming of Hazardous Trees – Article 10:** Mr. O’Connell asked those present their feelings about deferring Article 10 until Article 21 was voted on. His idea was that if other articles did not pass then there would not be the need to take as much from Stabilization. The funds for this article could be taken from other available sources. There was no vote taken, but no one disagreed with this action. It was agreed that Mr. O’Connell would make the necessary motion.

**ADJOURNMENT BY SELECTMEN:**

Mr. O’Connell entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 pm; Heller so moved; Mr. Comtois seconded; so voted.

**2. NEXT MEETING FOR THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

The Advisory Committee then discussed a date for their next meeting. Due to the unavailability of one of their members, it was agreed that if a meeting was needed, one would be held on Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> in the Town Hall. Mr. Johnson will advise the members one way or the other regarding whether this meeting will be held or not.

**ADJOURNMENT BY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

Mr. Johnson entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 pm; Mr. Ayers so moved; Ms. Harrity seconded; so voted.

Respectfully submitted

Donna L. Neylon, Administrative Assistant

Approved: December 20, 2011