

**Town of Brookfield
Selectmen's Meeting
Town Hall, Selectmen's Office
Tuesday, May 14, 2013 – 8:30 a.m.**

SPECIAL SESSION

Selectmen Present: Stephen J. Comtois II, Nicholas M. Thomo, Linda M. Lincoln
Camera Operators: None
Press: None
Others Present: Conservation Commission: Timothy Simon, Kenneth Cleveland

Mr. Comtois called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda:

1. TREASURER'S POSITION

Selectmen discussed the possibility of hiring a consultant to work in the Treasurer's office. Mr. Comtois said he would call Jim Dunbar and a temp agency and Ms. Lincoln said she would put some feelers out. Mr. Comtois asked Ms. Grybowski to put the matter on next Tuesday's agenda.

2. MUNICIPAL RELIEF TRANSFER

Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to sign a Municipal Relief Transfer transferring \$3,000 from the Treasurer's Salary account to the Municipal Clerk Wages account; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.

3. CON COM/QUABOAG BRIDGE

The Board had a discussion with Mr. Simon and regarding a letter the Conservation Commission wrote about not wanting chemicals used in the Quaboag River for the mitigation of invasive weeds. Mr. Simon said he couldn't find a connection between the taking of the land with the bridge project and the chemicals, but that he advocated for no chemicals being used. Mr. Cleveland entered the meeting at 8:45 a.m. and joined the discussion. The discussion continued and Mr. Comtois told the Conservation Commission members the Board would take their concerns under advisement.

4. ATM WARRANT

- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to remove from the warrant the article that addressed increases in fees; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois asked Ms. Grybowski to ask Peter Masuzzo about the cemetery transfer.

- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to add to the warrant the articles about the senior and veteran tax work-off as amended by Town Counsel; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to amend the Right to Farm bylaw article on the warrant to mention Chapter XIX; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to allow the Planning Board to contact Town Counsel in regards to their marijuana moratorium bylaw; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
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The Board of Selectmen made the following recommendations in regards to Annual Town Meeting Articles:

- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Articles 1-12; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 13; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 14; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 15; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 16; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 17; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 18; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 19; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Articles 20-23; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 24; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 25; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 26; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Articles 27-28; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 29; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 30; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 31; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.

- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 32; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Articles 33-34; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion not to recommend (Right to Farm) Article 35; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion not to recommend Article 36; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 37; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 38; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 39; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.
- Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to recommend Article 40; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.

5. STM WARRANT

Mr. Comtois asked Ms. Grybowski to check in with the Town Accountant regarding articles for the Special Town Meeting.

6. BUDGET

The Board decided to discuss the budget at the joint meeting between them and the Advisory Committee Thursday, May 16.

OTHER:

Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to allow Ms. Grybowski to contact CMRPC in regards to a competitive fuel oil bid; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.

Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. citing Exemption #6 and then return to Open Session to adjourn; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted with Mr. Comtois voting aye; Ms. Lincoln voting aye; and Mr. Thomo voting aye.

The Board came out of executive session at 10:24 a.m. At 10:24 am, Mr. Comtois entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Thomo so moved; Ms. Lincoln seconded; so voted.

Respectfully submitted

Jennifer Grybowski, Administrative Assistant

Approved: 6/4/13