

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S SPECIAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

Present: Raymond Smith  
Aboul B. Khan  
Theresa A. Kyle  
William Manzi

10:00AM

Mr. Smith opened the meeting at 2:00PM.

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS**

Angela Silva was present for this discussion.

Mr. Manzi said these agreements are to settle with Northern Utilities and Unitil. This would not be cash back but abatements toward future tax bills for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2015 and 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2016. There would be no interest bearing on these accounts.

Ms. Silva said Skip Sansoucy handles the assessments for utilities and is good for the town so they don't have to issue huge payments all at once. She said this for 2011 and 2012 and without coming to terms of settlement they would continue to file for abatements. She said this is that the superior court level not at the BTLA level.

Mr. Khan said this has been ongoing for a long time but asked what the assessed values before were to what the new figures are. He would like to see the difference in the numbers. Ms. Silva said there is a \$5 million difference in the value. Mr. Khan said he is not satisfied with the numbers the way they are as it is not clear. Ms. Silva and Mr. Manzi said the town did better than half on both.

Ms. Silva said she was not involved in these negotiations. Mr. Khan said as the Assessor she should have been involved. Mr. Manzi said the attorney and Skip Sansoucy came in to see the Board and it went into the court and from there it is handled by the Town's attorney. He said there is a deadline for these agreements of September 19 or it goes back to court. He recommends along with Ms. Silva, Attorney Ciandella and Skip Sansoucy for the Board to sign these agreements.

Mrs. Kyle said she doesn't like to give money back at any time but no real money is going out and still addressing 2013 and 2014. She agrees only as it is the lessor of the two evils being the attorney fees and interest.

Mr. Manzi said he believes the 2013 and 2014 is at the BTLA level.

MOTION: Theresa A. Kyle  
Second: Aboul B. Khan  
Unanimous

To accept and sign the agreement for Northern Utilities with the provision that future negotiations with this company include the Assessor.

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Unanimous

To accept and sign the agreement with Unitil with the provision that future negotiations with this company include the Assessor.

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Unanimous

To adjourn the meeting at 2:26PM.

Meeting adjourned at 2:26PM.  
Minutes taken by Kelly J. O'Connor

Approved and endorsed

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Theresa A. Kyle, Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_