

TOWN OF SEABROOK

SELECTMEN'S SPECIAL MEETING

JANUARY 11, 2013

Present: Brendan Kelly 9:00AM  
Aboul B. Khan  
Edward J. Hess, Jr.  
Joseph Titone

Chairman Kelly opened the meeting at 9:39AM.

**PETITION ARTICLE - COMMUNITY HOME SOLUTIONS - \$7500**

Mr. Khan said he cannot support this article due to budgetary and articles. He would like to see the voters vote on this.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To not recommend this  
Second: Edward J. Hess, Jr. article.  
Unanimous

**PETITION ARTICLE - WRESTLING MAT - \$10K**

Mr. Khan said if this had been presented through the budget process the budget could have supported this article due to this he cannot support this article.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To not recommend this  
Second: Brendan Kelly article.  
Unanimous

**PETITION ARTICLE - EXPANSION GOVERNOR WEARE PARK - \$119,500**

The Board feels this should also be included in the budget and due to the tax decrease by the power plant they feel the voters should know everything that is needed within our departments.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To not recommend this  
Second: Edward J. Hess, Jr. article.  
Unanimous

**PETITION ARTICLE - DASH CAMERAS IN POLICE VEHICLES - \$2,800**

Due to the timing and budgets the Board cannot support this article.

MOTION: Aboul B. Khan To not recommend this  
Second: Edward J. Hess, Jr. article.  
Opposed: Brendan Kelly

Ms. Gilligan said that if all of the warrant articles pass it would be a \$0.742 cent increase on the tax rate.

Mr. Titone commented that the Board of Selectmen has been consistent in their recommendations of allowing the voters to choose what they want to support.

Mr. Titone discussed the state retirement and said it could prompt some individuals to retire and cause a burden to the town.

Mr. Kelly said that after receiving all of the information and the budgets and warrant articles increasing the tax rate it is appropriate to discuss the article for \$300K for the unfunded liability of the town. He would like to see this article cover the most likely to retire from the town that would be a liability.

Ms. Gilligan said if every employee were to retire in 2013 it would cost the town \$646,171, for all of the fire and police to retire it would cost the town \$498,666 and it would cost \$179,578 for the employees who are most likely to retire. Ms. Gilligan would recommend \$150K to minimize the liability for 2013.

Mr. Kelly and Mr. Khan agree the \$150K is a better number to look at and would recommend decreasing the article from the \$300K. Mr. Khan requested this explanation be provided to the voters at the public hearing on Monday, January 14 and the deliberative session on Tuesday, February 5.

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To recommend decreasing the  
Second: Edward J. Hess, Jr. \$300K to \$150K for the  
Unanimous unfunded liability article.

#### **DEFAULT BUDGET**

Ms. Gilligan explained she had given the default budget to the budget committee to review and make recommendations. Based on this she has some changes and discussed (building consultant for DDR project, stipend for private vehicle use - IT and Assessing and full time position in Finance). She said the new default budget would be \$18,715,449.

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To approve and recommend  
Second: Aboul B. Khan the default budget at  
Unanimous \$18,715,449.00.

Public Hearing for the Budget Committee is Monday, January 14 at 6PM at the Community Center

MOTION: Brendan Kelly To adjourn the meeting  
Second: Edward J. Hess, Jr. at 10:10AM.  
Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 10:10AM.  
Minutes taken by Kelly J. O'Connor

Approved and endorsed

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Edward J. Hess, Jr., Clerk

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