

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE, MODERATOR  
APRIL 23, 2012**

**PRESENT:** Daniel W. Trabucco (Chairman), Lewis W. Stone (Vice Chairman), Willard J. Boulter, Jr. (Selectman), Arthur P. Boyle, Jr. (Selectman), Edwin J. Thorne (Town Administrator), Michael Buckley (Town Accountant), Matthew McNeilly (Advisory Chairman), Stephen Curley (Advisory), Stephen Dodge (Moderator), Gary Fine (Advisory), Kathy Hassey (Advisory), James McCollum (Advisory), Marie Peeler (Advisory), Linda Peterson (Advisory), Miriam MacInnis, Sabrina Chilcott.

Mr. Dodge requested that Advisory lead the discussion of each article to simply establish who will be introducing each one and review any possible changes to motions that could be anticipated. Mr. McNeilly stated article one and two are routing and will have motions made by Advisory. Mr. McNeilly stated the budget is finished and there is no funding in the budget for articles 16, 17 and 20; Advisory will make the motion on article three. Articles four through ten are routine and Advisory will make the motions on them as well. Mr. Dodge stated the BOS should present the motion; Mr. Curley stated Advisory is fine with the first part but not the second part where special legislation would be sought for the automatic transfer of remaining funds of the health insurance liability. Mr. Buckley stated the article would be acceptable as amended by Advisory. Mr. McNeilly agreed that Advisory will present the amended motion. Mr. Dodge stated that article twelve will be moved by the Town Clerk and thirteen through fifteen will be moved by Advisory. Mr. Dodge explained he has asked Chief Neenan to present articles sixteen and seventeen and, while the article states "raise and appropriate", it is Advisory's option to offer an amendment to the motion that states "contingent upon a proposition 2 ½ override". Mr. Dodge asked what will happen if the article passes without the contingency. Mr. Curley stated that the money will come from the general budget, so article three, the budget, will need to be reopened. Mr. McNeilly stated that the article amount is for salaries only and inquired as to benefit amounts per firefighter. Ms. Peterson requested that the benefits amount be referenced on the bottom of the Assessor's Impact of Override handout at Town Meeting for the residents. More discussion ensued. It was agreed that the benefit amount would be referenced on the handout. Mr. McNeilly stated that Advisory will make the motion on articles eighteen and nineteen and that Deborah Wall will present article twenty. Mr. McNeilly stated that the Planning Board will present article 21 and Mr. Van Riper will present article 22 with an amended budgeted reserve amount of \$182,000.00. Mr. McNeilly also stated that Advisory will present the motions for articles twenty-three, twenty-four and twenty-five. Mr. McNeilly clarified that there were no changes as printed in article one of the Special warrant and Advisory will move to vote as printed in the warrant. Mr. McNeilly stated Advisory will make the motions on articles two through seven. Mr. Dodge has asked the DPW to make the motion on Article eight. Mr. Curley stated that Advisory is recommending unfavorable action on \$350,000.00. Mr. Dodge stated that Advisory will make the motion for article nine and the Board of Selectmen will make the motion for article ten.

Mr. Boyle motioned to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Boulter. The vote was unanimously in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.