

TOWN OF LEBANON
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
March 30, 2009
Minutes

A special town meeting of the electors and those qualified to vote at the town meetings of the Town of Lebanon was held on Monday, March 30, 2009 in the Lyman Memorial High School Auditorium, 917 Exeter Road (Route 207), Lebanon, Connecticut. Audience: 65

First Selectman Joyce Okonuk called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

First Selectman Okonuk then called for nominations for moderator.

Moved by Jim Donnelly, seconded by Al Vertefeulle, to appoint Edward Tollmann as moderator.

Vote Called – Motion Passed

Moderator Tollmann called for Town Clerk Susan Coutu to read the call of the Meeting.

Moved by Al Vertefeulle, seconded by Kevin Cwikla to bring item 1 to the floor *[consider and act upon the transfer of twelve thousand, five hundred and four dollars and no cents (\$12,504.00) from Fund Balance, Account #100-000-2290 to Workers Compensation Insurance, Account #100-418-5731 for the payroll audit assessment on workers compensation for FY 07-08]]*

First Selectman Joyce Okonuk explained that CIRMA, the town's insurance carrier, conducted a payroll audit assessment on the town side of the FY 07-08 budget. Based on their findings, CIRMA has determined that the town needs to place an additional \$12,504 in their Workers Compensation Insurance for FY 07-08. Robert Slate questioned why the funds are not being taken from Contingency Fund instead of Fund Balance. Selectman Okonuk stated that this was a question that should be addressed by the Board of Finance.

Moved by Robert Slate, seconded by Wayne Budney to amend the motion to read that funds are to come from Contingency Fund instead of Fund Balance.

Moderator Tollmann called the question. Motion Failed

Moderator Tollmann called item 1 to vote: *[consider and act upon the transfer of twelve thousand, five hundred and four dollars and no cents (\$12,504.00) from Fund Balance, Account #100-000-2290 to Workers Compensation Insurance, Account #100-418-5731 for the payroll audit assessment on workers compensation for FY 07-08)]* Vote Called-Item 1 passed

Moved by Al Vertefeulle, seconded by Tim Slate to bring item 2 to the floor *(consider and act upon the acceptance and expenditure of a State of Connecticut Department of Agriculture Farm Viability Grant in the amount of nine thousand five hundred dollars and no cents (\$9,500.00)).*

Town Planner Philip Chester stated that the grant funds would be used for advertising the farmers market and funding for land appraisals.

Moderator Tollmann called the question. Vote called-item 2 passed

Moved by Al Vertefeulle, seconded by John Lyon to bring item 3 to the floor *(consider and act upon the acceptance and expenditure of a State of Connecticut Emergency Management and Homeland Security Emergency Operations Center Equipment, Training and Exercise Grant in the amount of ten thousand dollars and no cents (\$10,000.00))*

Moderator Tollmann called the question. Vote called-item 3 passed

Moved by Al Vertefeuille, seconded by Joyce Okonuk to bring item 4 to the floor *(consider and act upon the release of previously allocated Capital Reserve, Fire Apparatus Fund, Account #220-900-6221, in the amount of up to ninety thousand dollars and no cents (\$90,000.00), to purchase and equip a 1987 Pierce Ladder Truck.)*

LVFD President Mark Elliot spoke to the question as follows. The LVFD is interested in purchasing the 1987 Pierce Ladder Truck from the Town of Salem. The \$90,000 will be used to purchase and equip the truck. When Mr. Elliot was questioned about the insurability of a 22 year old truck, he assured the audience that it had been completely refurbished in 2002, and insuring the vehicle will not be a problem.

Moderator Tollmann called the question. Vote called-item 4 passed

Moved by Jim Donnelly, seconded by Al Vertefeuille to bring item 5 to the floor *(consider and act upon the establishment of a Special Revenue Fund for the Senior Center to be administered by the Commission on Aging or its designee)*

First Selectmen Okonuk spoke to the question as follows: The purpose of the proposed Special Revenue Fund is to allow resources, donations and fees for events, in connection to the Senior Center, to be placed a separate account rather than in the General Fund.

Moderator Tollmann called the question. Vote called-item 4 passed

Moved by Al Vertefeuille, seconded by Jim Donnelly to adjourn at 7:50 P.M.
Vote called-motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Susan C. Coutu
Town Clerk