

Town of Knox

Special Town Meeting

May 31, 2017

Town Clerk Carol Hamblet opened the meeting at 7:00PM by the reading of the greeting.

Article 1: Article 1 was read. Town Clerk C. Hamblet opened the floor for nominations for Moderator. Stephen Curry was nominated. No other nominations were received. The floor was closed for nominations. A written ballot was done with three (3) ballots cast with all three (3) votes for Stephen Curry. Stephen Curry was sworn as Moderator by Town Clerk C. Hamblet. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the moderator.

Article 2: Article 2 was read. Motion to accept the article as read to have the Town appropriate \$4,000 from the Municipal Building Fund for repairs to the Hearse House. Seconded. Discussion. Motion to amend the article to have the roofing materials be metal and not shingles. Seconded. Discussion. Amendment Carries with a Show of Hands Vote. Main Motion as amended Carries with a Show of Hands Vote to appropriate \$4,000 from the Municipal Building Funds for repairs to the Hearse House and the roofing materials should be metal.

Article 3: Article 3 was read. Motion to accept the article as read and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a Snow Plow Contract for a three year term. Seconded. It was questioned if the town legally needed to have the plow contract put out to bid. Discussion. Motion Carries with a Show of Hands Vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a Snow Plow Contract for a three year term.

Article 4: Article 4 was read. Motion to accept the article as read and to raise \$4,900 for the 2017/2018 year of the Snow Plow Contract. This is in addition to the \$110,100 raised at the March 18, 2017 Town Meeting. Seconded. Discussion. A citizen requested that the Board contact the town's insurance company in writing to advise them that the contract was not being put out for bid and a bond was not being required. The Board agreed to do so. Motion Carries with a Show of Hands Vote to raise an additional \$4,900 for the 2017/2018 year of the Snow Plow Contract.

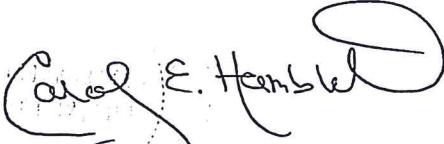
Article 5: Article 5 was read. Motion to accept the article as read and to appropriate \$40,000 from Surplus for the repair and maintenance of Roads and Bridges. Seconded. Discussion. A citizen questioned the legality of the article due to State Law 30-A M.R.S.A. ss 5654 that states the acceptance of gifts need to have voter approval, especially ones with conditions attached. Gravel was donated for the Shibles Road work. Discussion. The Board said that the \$40,000 requested would be to finish the Shibles Road, fix a four foot culvert on the Morse Road and fix the end of a culvert on the Bailey Road. The contractor estimated that it would cost \$16,000 to finish the ground work on the Shibles Road. Discussion. Motion Carries with a Show of Hands Vote: 25 Yes Votes and 19 No Votes to appropriate \$40,000 from Surplus for the repair and maintenance of Roads and Bridges.

Article 6: Article 6 was read. Motion to accept the article as read and to appropriate \$328,000 from the Local Roads Assistance Account for the Paving of Town Roads. Seconded. Discussion. The Board said

the initial estimate to pave the Shibles Road was \$280,000. This was from the same company that is paving the Dolloff Road in Thorndike. Pike also gave the same estimate according to the Board. The company doing the Dolloff Road gave a second price later of \$250,000. The Board recommends that a rolled inch be applied which costs \$50,000 per mile. Discussion. Motion Carries with a Show of Hands Vote: 23 Yes Votes and 17 No Votes to appropriate \$328,000 from the Local Roads Assistance Account for the Paving of Town Roads.

Article 7: Article 7 was read. Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:20PM. Seconded. Motion Carries with a Show of Hands Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carol E. Hamblet". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Carol E. Hamblet

Town Clerk of Knox