

**TOWN OF HOPKINTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Date: Friday, May 11, 2007
MINUTES**

Board of Selectmen members present: Muriel E. Kramer, Chairman; Mary A. Pratt, Vice-Chairman; Leonard Holden; Ronald M. Clark; Michael W. Shepard; **Member Absent:** Leonard Holden
Others Present: Anthony J. Troiano, Town Manager; and Geri Holland

Public Meeting Opened (Room 213)

6:00 p.m. Mrs. Kramer, Chairman, opened the public meeting. Those present were Muriel Kramer, Mary Pratt and Michael Shepard.

Mrs. Kramer said that the Board should vote to rescind the vote of Tuesday, May 8, 2007 to approve the warrant articles for the June 11, 2007 Special Town Meeting. She said that this vote is necessary as the articles were due today at 4:30 p.m.

Vote: Mrs. Kramer entertained a motion to rescind the vote from Tuesday, May 8, 2007 to approve the June 11, 2007 Special Town Meeting warrant. **So moved Mr. Shepard. Second Mrs. Pratt. Unanimously voted.**

The Board moved into Room 211 and Mr. Clark joined the meeting at this time.

Mr. Troiano stated the purpose of the meeting is to vote the ballot questions for the Special Town Election scheduled on June 18, 2007; he added that Bond Council, Attorney Dennis, and Town Counsel, Attorney DeAngelis, researched how the questions should be presented and suggested that there would be two articles one for the ADA issue and the other for the Weston Nurseries purchase of property. Mr. Troiano handed out the two ballot questions for the Board's review.

The Board discussed the issue should the June 11 Special Town Meeting adjourn to a second evening if the High School gym would be available on June 12. The Town Manager's Office would contact the High School to check on the availability of the High School Gym should this be necessary. Also, Mrs. Pratt asked if the Town Manager's Office could ask the Town Clerk if a Special Town Election could be held in less than a week should the Town Meeting adjourn to a second evening.

Mr. Troiano passed out a short-list of the June 11, 2007 Special Town meeting articles that were due at 4:30 p.m. this day; and the Board agreed to discuss the articles and the placement of the articles on the warrant at the next Selectmen's meeting. It was noted that the warrant does not need to be posted until May 25, 2007.

Mr. Troiano suggested inviting Town Counsel and Bond Counsel to attend the Selectmen's May 15th meeting at 6 p.m. to discuss the ballot questions more thoroughly.

Vote: Mr. Clark motioned to accept the ballot questions as written by Town Counsel and Bond Counsel. **Second Mr. Shepard. Discussion:** Mr. Shepard recommended on behalf of the ADA article adding after municipal buildings to add "and municipal grounds" before school buildings, and school grounds. The Board agreed with this addition. Mrs. Pratt requested the addition of an article regarding addressing the financing of the Weston Nurseries. The Board agreed to this addition. **Unanimously voted.**

5:40 p.m. Vote: Mrs. Kramer entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. **So moved Mr. Clark. Second Mr. Shepard. Unanimously voted.**

Respectfully submitted,

Geri Holland

Date Approved: 5/22/07