

TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
FINANCE COMMITTEE
TOWN HALL
334 MAIN STREET, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA
MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2013
5:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

THOMAS BLAUVELT, CHAIRMAN

WALTER ATWOOD

MARK LEFENFELD

ANDREW MORO

SHARON GREGORY – ABSENT

I. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M.

II. Approval of Minutes of March 27, 2013

MOTION: Mr. Atwood to approve as amended.

SECOND: Mr. Lefenfeld

VOTE: 4-0

ARTICLE 31 – To see if the town will authorize the use of Free Cash to appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of repair/improvement projects for Ramsdell Library.

MOTION: Mr. Moro to recommend.

SECOND: Mr. Lefenfeld

VOTE: 4-0

Ms. Hammer was present from the library and noted that she was under the impression that it was the correct way to ask for the funds by petition.

ARTICLE 32 – To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$2,500 from the Free Cash Fund for the purpose of hiring a part-time, temporary, per-diem intern to assist the Library and Housatonic Commission in cataloguing historic documents and objects at Ramsdell Library.

MOTION: Mr. Lefenfeld

SECOND: Mr. Atwood

VOTE: 4-0

ARTICLE 33 – To see if the Town will appropriate the unspent, accumulated Library State Aid account up to but not to exceed the sum of \$22,000 to hire a consultant to implement a multi-year, economical way to provide ADA accessible compliance and upgraded systems at the historic Ramsdell Library.

MOTION: Mr. Atwood

SECOND: Mr. Moro

VOTE: 4-0

ARTICLE 21 – (Eminent domain lake Mansfield Boat Launch) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, eminent domain, or otherwise a parcel of land located off of Lake Mansfield Road and at or adjacent to the Lake Mansfield Boat launch. (The complete article is in the Town Warrant for 2013).

It was noted that surveyors found a corner of land under water. In order to work with the Fish and Game, the Town needs to own it.

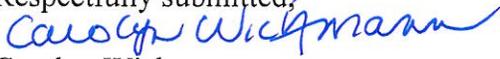
MOTION: Mr. Moro to appropriate up to \$2,500 only for compensation for the land. Other legal fees are to come out of current funds.

SECOND: Mr. Lefenfeld

VOTE: 4-0

The meeting was continued until May 6, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carolyn Wichmann

Secretary