

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Village of Waterbury  
November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Thatcher Brook Primary School Gym – 7:00pm

The inhabitants of the Village of Waterbury who are legal voters in Village Meetings are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Thatcher Brook Primary School at 47 Stowe Street in the Village of Waterbury on Monday November 30<sup>th</sup> at seven o'clock in the evening.

P. H. Flanders called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Tom Stevens was appointed Moderator and explained the rules of procedure for the evening. He then read the warning for the meeting.

Article 1: Shall the voters of the Village of Waterbury authorize the Trustees of the Village to sell real property and improvements owned by the Village located at 51 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT, that formerly served as the municipal offices, to DWJ Properties, LLC for the sum of \$30,000?

L Sayah made a motion that the voters of the Village of Waterbury authorize the Trustees of the Village to sell real property and improvements owned by the Village located at 51 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT, that formerly served as the municipal offices, to DWJ Properties, LLC for the sum of \$30,000. The motion was seconded by N. Sherman.

P. H. Flanders showed a power point presentation prepared by the Trustees outlining the changes in the purchase and sales agreement since the last vote on June 30, 2015 (see attached).

Z. Gordon, Economic Development Director, spoke to the project. She offered FAQ's for the voter's review and talked about the public process that has taken place since the first proposal, including comments that were made and considered. Important factors include the need for parking, the opportunity to discuss additional housing in the Village, and the possibility of mixed use commercial space. She stated Revitalizing Waterbury would provide a facilitation role for public outreach, help establish the next best use for the project, and open up a broad conversation as to what should happen with the property. This would involve community involvement lead by a trusted organization in Waterbury (RW). The goal is to allow temporary alleviation for parking in the Downtown, and if the vote passes, have a partner that wants to invest in the community.

T. Stevens asked if the voters had any objection to D. Johnson speaking to the Article. J. Smith made a motion that debate be limited. The motion was seconded. The voice vote was unclear. By a standing vote, the motion to limit debate passed 57 – 45.

The Trustees had previously requested a paper ballot vote, and at least seven voters concurred. By a paper ballot vote, Article 1 failed with 36 votes if favor, 73 votes opposed and 1 blank, for a total of 110 votes.

**Article 2:** To do any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

K. Grace thanked Trustees for their efforts and time.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

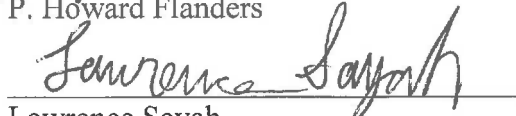
Respectfully submitted,

Carla Lawrence, Village Clerk


Approved on: December 9, 2015

  
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