Shutesbury Select Board Meeting Minutes March 28, 2017 Shutesbury Elementary School

Select Board members present: Mike Vinskey/Chair, Michael DeChiara, and Melissa Makepeace-O'Neil

Staff present: Becky Torres/Town Administrator and Linda Avis Scott/Administrative Secretary

Vinskey calls the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Discussion Topics:

- 1. Special Town Meeting: Torres explains the proposed amendment to the special town meeting warrant article: "I move to amend Article 1, adding the sentence: And further authorize the Select Board to appoint said five members until the next annual election and seek special legislation to validate said appointments." Penny Kim/Town Moderator provides guidance on the amendment procedure. The Select Board will have a future discussion regarding the appointment process.
- 2. <u>MBI</u>: DeChiara moves to approve the 3.28.17 letter to Peter Larkin/MBI Board of Directors Chair stating that Shutesbury is not interested in pursuing an agreement with Comcast and prefers a municipally owned all-fiber network. Makepeace-O'Neil seconds the motion that passes unanimously.

Unanticipated Issues:

- 1. Select Board receives the citizen warrant article petition "Resolution to Preserve Native American Historical Sites and Traditional Cultural Properties, Including Ceremonial Stone Landscapes"; the petition was received by the Town Clerk within the time limit and has the required number of certified citizen signatures.
- 2. Select Board receives the citizen warrant article petition for zoning bylaw amendments. The Select Board acknowledges that it has fourteen days from the date of receipt to send this warrant article petition to the Planning Board.
- 3. Vinskey states his intention to make a motion relative to the FY18 budget during the 4.4.17 Select Board meeting and provides his proposed FY18 budget for review.
- 4. Vinskey presents a draft article for the upcoming issue of *Our Town* newsletter for review and discussion during the 4.4.17 meeting.

This portion of the meeting is closed at 6:54pm for the special town meeting.

Documents and Other Items Used at the Meeting:

- 1. 2017 Special Town Meeting Warrant and Proposed Amendment 1.
- 2. Warrant Article Petition: "Resolution to Preserve Native American Historical Sites and Traditional Cultural Properties, Including Ceremonial Stone Landscapes"
- 3. Warrant Article Petition: "Zoning Bylaw Amendments"
- 4. 3.28.17 "Vinskey proposed FY18 budget"
- 5. 3.28.17 Vinskey's draft article for *Our Town*

Respectfully submitted, Linda Avis Scott Administrative Secretary

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