

**TOWN OF SHELBURNE  
TOWN MEETING MINUTES  
March 9, 2010**

At 5:00 PM at the place designated in the foregoing warrant, voting was declared open by the Town Moderator, John Henne. The ballot boxes were shown to be empty. The checklist was sworn to and used during balloting.

At 7:00 PM at the place designated in the foregoing warrant, the Town Meeting was called to order by Town Moderator, John Henne.

On a motion by Jo Carpenter and a second by Stan Judge, Ann Leger was nominated to act as Town Clerk for recording the proceedings of this meeting. The motion was approved.

The Town Meeting then proceeded to act on the printed warrant articles:

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers. This was done by printed ballot.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to approve the proposed amendment to the Town Zoning Ordinance This was done by printed ballot.

Article 3: It was voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers heretofore chosen as reported in the Town Report.

Motion: Jo Carpenter

Second: Bob Corrigan

Article 4: It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$347,286 for **General Operation.**

Motion: Stan Judge

Second: Bob Corrigan

4130 Executive	\$27,025
4140 Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	\$12,970
4150 Financial Administration	\$19,128
4152 Revaluation of Property	\$7,500
4153 Legal Expense	\$5,500
4155 Employee Benefits	\$46,086
4191 Planning and Zoning	\$3,000
4194 General Government Buildings	\$44,200
4195 Cemetery (\$300 to be received from Cem Fds)	\$3,700
4196 Insurance	\$13,000
4197 Regional Association	\$547
4210 Police	\$2,100
4215 Ambulance	\$14,181
4220 Fire Department	\$17,810
4240 Building Inspection	\$2,500
4250 Dispatch Agreement	\$3,014
4290 Emergency Management	\$4,500

4312 Highway	\$52,000
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	\$32,750
4414 Animal Control	\$200
4415 Health	\$400
4444 Welfare	\$2,500
4520 Parks & Recreation	\$6,200
4550 Library	\$2,075
4590 Memorial Forest	\$400
4611 Conservation Commission	\$1,000
4711 Principal Long Term Note	\$20,000
4721 Int. Long Term Note	\$2,100
4723 Int. TAN Note	\$900

**Article 5:** It was voted to abolish the position of Constable as a ballot position and to authorize the Board of Selectpersons to appoint police officer(s) under RSA 105:1 or to execute contract(s) of not more than one year with other agencies or municipalities for police coverage for the Town of Shelburne, whatever they deem to be in the best interest of the town.

**Motion:** Bob Corrigan

**Second:** John Gralenski

This was done by secret ballot. Results were 52 for abolishing the elected position, 3 against.

**Article 6:** It was voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to purchase a new computer for the town office. This will be a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the purchase is complete or December 31, 2011, whichever is sooner.

**Motion:** Raymond Danforth

**Second:** David Landry

**Article 7:** It was voted to appropriate \$300 to cover the Town cost of planning for the restoration of the old Meadow's Bridge and immediate area. This will be a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the purchase is complete or December 31, 2013, whichever is sooner.

**Motion:** Stan Judge

**Second:** Asa Brosnan

The motion was amended to read "...to cover the Town cost of planning for the restoration of the old Meadow's Bridge "AND/OR" immediate area."

**Motion:** John Carpenter

**Second:** Kristy Laverture

**Article 8:** It was voted to raise and appropriate \$15,000 to be added to the Heavy Highway Equipment Capital Reserve fund previously established.

**Motion:** Stan Judge

**Second:** John Gralenski

**Article 9:** It was voted to raise and appropriate \$15,000 to be added to the existing fire truck capital reserve fund previously established.

**Motion:** John Gralenski

**Second:** Sally Baldwin

**Article 10: It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be added to the fire department equipment capital reserve fund previously established.**

**Motion: John Gralenski**

**Second: Peter Behling**

**Article 11: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to be added to the Paving Capital Reserve Fund previously established.**

**Motion: John Gralenski**

**Second: Kelly Cote**

**Article 12: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$500 to be added to the existing Peabody Farm Museum Capital Reserve Fund previously established.**

**Motion: Marc VanSant**

**Second: Robin Henne**

**Article 13: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$500 to be added to the existing Cemetery Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established.**

**Motion: John Gralenski**

**Second: Carol Clamp**

**Article 14: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$1,000 to be added to the existing Town Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established.**

**Motion: Stan Judge**

**Second: John Gralenski**

**Article 15: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to be added to the existing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established.**

**Motion: Lucy Evans**

**Second: Stan Judge**

**Article 16: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$2,600 to be added to the Cemetery Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This represents the sum of money received from the sale of cemetery lots in 2009. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation**

**Motion: Kristy Lavertue**

**Second: Asa Brosnan**

**Article 17: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$2,000 to be added to the existing Town Vehicle Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established.**

**Motion: John Gralenski**

**Second: Jo Carpenter**

**Article 18: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$500 to be added to the existing Fire Department Mutual Aid Expendable Trust Fund previously established.**

**Motion: Heidi Behling**

**Second: Lucy Evans**

**Article 19: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$500 to be added to the existing Sand/Gravel Expendable Trust **previously** established.**

**Motion: John Carpenter**

**Second: John Gralenski**

**Article 20: It was voted to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to be added to the existing General Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established and vote to withdraw \$13,700 from the Land Use Change Fund toward this amount; the balance (\$6,300) to be raised by taxation.**

**Motion: Heidi Behling**

**Second: Marc VanSant**

**Article 21: It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the purpose of supporting the Family Resource at Gorham (by petition)**

**Motion: Heidi Behling**

**Second: John Gralenski**

**Article 22: It was voted to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of Municipal assets (recyclables, etc.) under the authority of RSA 31:3.**

**Motion: John Gralenski**

**Second: Carol Clamp**

At this point, Moderator Henne stepped down from his post, wishing to speak to the following article. He appointed Robert Corrigan to fill his office for the ensuing discussion on this article.

**Article 23: To see if the Town will VOTE TO APPROVE the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative(s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House, and the Senate President:**

**Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines “marriage”.**

**Motion: Jackie Corrigan**

**Second: David Landry**

The resolution was presented by Kim Landry followed by a spirited debate. Call for close of comments and the vote.

**Motion: John Carpenter**

**Second: David Landry**

The vote was taken by petitioned paper ballot. The resolution was defeated 16 yes, 35 no.

Moderator Henne thanked Bob Corrigan for assuming the chair and resumed his duties.

**Article 24: Other business.**

Steve Tassej commended the Town and Town Departments for keeping their portion of the budget down. He was, however, disturbed by the amount of funds that were allocated to the County and urged fellow citizens to look at it carefully.

Lucy Evans announced the Gorham Middle School’s Community Service Day on May 9, and asked those interested in having students help with spring clean-up to call the school.

Jo Carpenter announced that the positions of Town Clerk and Tax Collector were open and anyone interested should apply at the Town Office by 5:00 PM, Friday, March 19.

Jo, on behalf of the Board of Selectpersons, then thanked Sue Waddington for her years of service to the town as Town Clerk and Tax Collector. She noted that the transition to limited hours at the Town Hall was not always easy for the citizens or for Sue, but she did a wonderful job overseeing that transition. The citizens attending the meeting gave her a spontaneous ovation.

Moderator Henne then called a recess of the meeting at 8:20 PM, for the purpose of counting the ballots.

The meeting was called back to order at 9:24 PM and returned to Articles 1 and 2 for the following reports:

**Article 1:**

**Selectman for three Years**

Lucy Evans 68 votes  
Dave Landry 1 vote

**Moderator for two Years**

John Henne 70 votes

**Auditor for Two Years**

Rodney Hayes 13 votes  
Kim Landry 1 vote  
Jackie Corrigan 1 vote  
Ben Mayerson 1 vote

**Constable for One Year**

Jerry Baker 48 votes  
Charlie Hillsborough 1 vote

**Town Memorial Forest for 3 Years**

Michael J. Ryan 60 votes

**Trustee of Trst Fnds for 3 years**

Benjamin Mayerson 65 votes

**Supervisor Checklist for 6 Years**

Robin Peters Henne 69 votes  
Eva Jane Demers 1 vote

**Cemetery Committee for 3 Years**

Robert Waddington 70 Votes

**Library Trustee for Three Years**

Betty Werner 28 votes  
Sue Waddington 1 vote  
Jody Landry 1 vote  
Lucy Evans 1 vote  
Robin Henne 1 vote  
Reny Demers 1 vote  
Joyce Carlisle 1 vote  
Ted Peabody 1 vote  
Bob Corrigan 1 vote  
Ravenal Bennett 1 vote

**Article 2:**

The zoning amendment failed to pass by a vote of 53 nays and 17 yeas.

On a motion by Hildy Danforth and a second by Joyce Carlisle the 2010 Shelburne Town Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 PM on March 9, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Ann Leger  
Town Clerk, Pro Tem