

**Town of South Hadley
Special Town Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2011**

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by the Town Moderator, Mr. Edward Ryan, Jr. at 7:00PM in the town hall auditorium. There were 80 town meeting members present. After greetings were delivered by the Moderator the members pledged allegiance to the flag. A review of the how the meetings would proceed was reviewed and Mr. Ryan appointed Larry Dubois Gerry Lacasse as tellers. A statement was read by the Chair of Appropriation Committee Tom Terry. He spoke to the body on the financial state of affairs.

ARTICLE 1.

The Town did not authorize the Selectboard to enter into a Phase 1 energy savings performance contract for the amount of \$174,691 with Siemens Industry.

Appropriation Committee voted 4-2 not to supported this article
Capital Planning voted unanimously not to support this article
Standing vote 29 members in favor 52 members opposed
Motion failed

ARTICLE 2.

No motion was offered.

ARTICLE 3.

No motion was offered.

ARTICLE 4.

The Town body amended the motion and the following was passed unanimously.

The Town voted to allow the Town, with prior approval of the governmental body, Selectboard, to enter into contracts of up to ten years, including option years, for certain equipment and service contracts, related to the Ledges Golf Course, if it is in the best interest of the Town to do so, or take any other action relative thereto.

Appropriation Committee supported the amendment
Unanimous affirmative vote
Motion passed

ARTICLE 5.

The Town voted to authorize the Selectboard to petition the General Court to enact legislation that read as follows: provided, however, that the General Court may reasonably vary the form and substance of the legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of this legislation.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY TO PAY CERTAIN UNPAID BILLS.

SECTION 1. The Treasurer of the Town of South Hadley is hereby authorized to pay Meadowbrook Golf for management services provided to the Ledges Golf Course, notwithstanding the failure of the Town to comply with the appropriate provisions of the law relative to procurement and competitive bidding, or take any action relative thereto.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Appropriation Committee – unanimously supported this article
Unanimous Affirmative
Motion carried

ARTICLE 6.

The Town did not vote to transfer from the overlay surplus a sum of \$44,424.00, for the purpose of paying Meadowbrook Golf for services rendered to the Ledges Golf Course during FY11.

Appropriation Committee did not support this article
Unanimously Opposed
Motion Failed

ARTICLE 7.

The Town voted to transfer from stabilization fund the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of preparation of a preliminary design and repair and or replacement of sections of the roof of the Fibermark building.

Appropriation Committee unanimously supported this article
Capital Planning unanimously supported this article
Unanimous affirmative vote
Motion carried

ARTICLE 8.

The Town voted to transfer from overlay surplus in the treasury the sum of \$25,000 to cover the cost of basic utilities and any other necessary building repair and maintenance projects at the Fibermark building.

Appropriation Committee unanimously supported this article
Capital Planning did not support this article
Unanimous affirmative vote
Motion carried

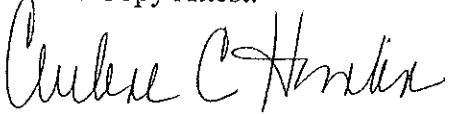
ARTICLE 9.

The Town voted to transfer from the overlay surplus, the sum of \$10,000.00 to the Liability Insurance Account for the purpose of paying increased premium costs.

Appropriation Committee – unanimously supported this article
Unanimous Affirmative
Motion carried

Meeting Adjourned at 9:36P.M.

A True Copy Attest:



Carlene C. Hamlin, Town Clerk