

**ANNUAL DELIBERATIVE SESSION
TOWN OF CANDIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FEBRUARY 2, 2013**

Moderator H. Clark Thyng called the annual meeting to order at 9:01 AM. Invocation by Reverend Barbara Sanders. Presentation of the colors was made by the Candia Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Cub Scouts. The pledge of allegiance was led by Selectman Joe Duarte. The Moderator then introduced the Town Officers seated on the stage: Town Clerk Christine Dupere, Deputy Town Clerk Cheryl Bond, Chairman of the Selectmen Joe Duarte, Selectman Dick Snow, Selectman Dave DePuy, Selectman Amanda Soares, Selectman Fred Kelley, Selectmens' Assistant Cheryl Eastman, and Accounting and Payroll Clerk Donna Becker. Moderator Thyng also introduced the remaining Town officers and department heads. Ballot clerks were Robin Gray, Bob Panit, and Joanne Beckwith. Tom Giffen was Assistant Moderator. Non registered persons Police Chief Mike McGillen, Legal Counsel Matt Serge, and Senator David Boutin were allowed to speak since there was no objection from the floor. Rules of conduct were briefly reviewed by Moderator Thyng. Matt Serge, Town Counsel was recognized to explain the 10 percent rule to those assembled.

Moderator Clark Thyng then read the following:

FIRST SESSION:

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Candia, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote on Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Moore School in said Candia, on Saturday, 2nd of February, 2013 at 9 a.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and deliberation of the Warrant Articles numbered 1 through 34. The Warrant Articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, and (b) Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion as amended.

SECOND SESSION:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Candia, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote on Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Moore School in said Candia on Tuesday, the 12th of March, 2013. This session shall be the Voting Session to act on all Warrant Articles, as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of the action of the "First Session". The Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1.

To choose the following Town Officers for the year ensuing:

Selectman	3 year term	Vote for Two
Budget Committee	3 year term	Vote for Two
Planning Board	3 year term	Vote for Two
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 year term	Vote for One
Superintendent of Cemeteries	1 year term	Vote for One
Tax Collector	3 year term	Vote for One
Treasurer	3 year term	Vote for One

ARTICLE 2.

Are you in favor of the following amendment:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by petition to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To rezone Map 407, Lots 66 & 71 from residential zoning district to commercial zoning district. Section 4.03 Zoning District. These adjacent lots have existing access from Route 27 in Raymond. Rezoning will allow for rock quarrying, excavation and other commercial uses permitted in the commercial district, which may provide the Town will more tax revenue. (Submitted by petition).

Moderator Thyng explained that a Protest Petition had been received for Article 2 with the required number of registered voters' signatures. The petition read as follows: We, the undersigned, are submitting this petition in protest of the proposed amendment to the Candia Zoning Ordinance which will place lots 66 and 71 from residential zoning to commercial zoning. Rezoning will allow for rock quarrying, excavation and other commercial uses.

The area in question is next to a fairly dense residential neighborhood, is in very close proximity to the North Branch of the Lamprey River, abuts the historic Bean Island Cemetery, as well as wetlands. We wish to have the area in Candia remain a residential zone.

ARTICLE 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (**\$163,500**) for the renovation, septic, and well of the **Smyth Memorial Building (the old library)**, to be used as a community center, and to authorize the issuance of One Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$163,500) of bonds and/or notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and/or notes and determine the rate of interest. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (3/5 ballot vote required). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1). Motion to accept the article as read was made by Amanda Soares, second Dick Snow. Diane Philbrick of the heritage Commission spoke to the article. The building was constructed in 1932 and dedicated as a memorial to Gov. Smyth a resident of Candia. It was erected to be a building of distinction for the community. The library was a very important part of the Town. It was built to be as

fireproof as possible. It was placed almost in the geographical center of the community amid many historic buildings. The Smyth memorial Building was recently placed on both the State and National Registers of Historic places. The building should be made available for multiple uses for the community, such as meetings, concerts, museum storage, etc. The Heritage Commission has worked with the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance to come up with a code compliant building. An architect was involved in the design plans. The Heritage Commission was able to get the bids for the work lower. The final figure will be dependent on how many donations can be received and how many community members can help. There is no water on the site, so the money also includes a well.

Amanda clarified that the Selectmen researched looking at a five year bond and would negotiate a loan with the bank, seeing the best rate and having the least impact on the taxpayers. An estimate of 40 cents per thousand had been made. The Commission felt the building is important and should not be torn down. Mr. Goekjian asked if there was any thought to costs of repairs of the building and was told not at this time. There was further discussion. Vote was by a show of ballots. **Article 3 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an **operating budget**, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Two Million, Three Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty Four Dollars (**\$2,339,564**). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Two Million, Three Hundred Thirty Six Thousand, Two Hundred Sixty Three Dollars (\$2,336,263) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Candia or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 3 to 2) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0) Motion was made by Dick Snow, seconded by Fred Kelley. Mr. Snow explained that the departments did a marvelous job keeping expenses down and there will be money coming back to the Town to lower the tax rate this year. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 4 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

Mr. Snow requested that articles 5 through 17 be voted on as a block, seconded by Bob Bruce. There was no objection by the assembly. It was voted by a show of ballots to move the articles as a block..

ARTICLE 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven Dollars (**\$6,807**) in continuation of its support of the **Rockingham County Community Action**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (**\$4,000**) in continuation of its support of the **Visiting Nurse Association**. (Recommended by the Board

of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1).

ARTICLE 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (**\$2,500**) in support of **Home, Health, & Hospice**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1).

ARTICLE 8.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Four Dollars (**\$1,854**) in continuation of its support of the **Lamprey Health Care**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (**\$1,400**) in continuation of its support of the **American Red Cross**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (**\$1,400**) in continuation of its support of the **Area HomeCare and Family Services**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (**\$1,250**) in support of the **Child Advocacy Center**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0).

ARTICLE 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (**\$1,000**) in continuation of its support of the **Child and Family Services**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars **(\$1,000)** in support of **Big Brother/Big Sister**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1).

ARTICLE 14.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars **(\$700)** in continuation of its support of the **Aids Response Seacoast**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1).

ARTICLE 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars **(\$669)** in continuation of its support of the **Rockingham County Nutrition and Meals on Wheels Program**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 16.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars **(\$500)** in continuation of its support of the **CASA** (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 17.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars **(\$225)** in continuation of its support of the **Retired and Senior Volunteer Program**. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1)

Ken Goekjian asked why some members of the Budget Committee did not recommend these articles. Matt Broadhead, Budget Committee Chair, explained that they had not received information on any of the agencies except for Article 11, dealing with the Child Advocacy Center. Wendy Ducharme spoke for Child and Family Services. Donna DelRosso explained, as Welfare Director, how much these agencies assist the Town. Fred Colbrath Jr. representing the American Red Cross, asked for our continued support. explaining it is a vital mission to the State. Mark Hardy spoke in support of this block of articles. He stated these agencies have impacted his life as well, such as Visiting Nurses. They provide a lot of good for a small amount of money. There was no further discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Articles 5 through 17 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

Paul LeBlond made a motion to consider article 31 before we consider Article 30 and to place Article 31 on the ballot immediately after Article 29 and before Article 30, renumbering the Articles as necessary. Seconded by Mr. Royer. Mr. Lewis stated he had no problem moving this article before the Currier Road article. Mrs. Soares stated there are many other private agencies that do not ask the Town for money. Mrs. Eastman explained the order of Articles on

the ballot is determined by order received. Mr. St. Martin urged the assembly to consider placing this article as requested. Tom Dimaggio stated this is a private organization and moving it up is not fair. Mr. Lewis explained if the Currier Road amount is reduced, the only thing would be the lack of a top coat. A call to question was received. A hand count was requested. Yes:46 No:44: Article 31 will be placed in the order requested.

ARTICLE 18.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars **(\$150,000)** for the sixth and final phase of **Patten Hill Road**. This phase will include the final one inch wearing course of asphalt from Main Street to the intersection of Lane, Depot, and Green Roads, and guard rail replacement at the Abe Emerson Marsh. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. Submitted by the Road Agent. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0). Motion was made by Selectman Snow, seconded by Selectman. Kelley. Dennis Lewis explained that this needs to be done to finish the project. There were no questions. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 18 will be moved to the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 19.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars **(\$75,000)** for excess **winter road maintenance**, these funds will not be used unless the operating winter maintenance funds are exhausted. This will be a non-transferable appropriation. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. Submitted by the Road Agent. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0) Motion was made by Mr. Snow, seconded by Mr. Kelley. There was no discussion. Vote was by a show of ballots. **Article will be placed on the ballot as read.19**

ARTICLE 20.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars **(\$20,000)** to be placed in the existing **Revaluation Capital Reserve** fund for the Future Revaluation of the municipality. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0) Motion by Fred Kelley, seconded by Dave DePuy. There was no discussion. Vote by show of ballots. **Article 20 will be moved to the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 21.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars **(\$55,000)** to cover the reimbursable costs associated with Police activities, including but not limited to **Police Special Details** and grant programs. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0) Motion was made by Selectman Joe Duarte, seconded by Fred Kelley. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 21 will be moved to the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 22.

To see if the Town will vote to establish a **revolving fund** pursuant to RSA 31:95-h for the purpose of **Police Special Details**. All of the revenue received from fees, charges, or other income derived from the Police Department providing public safety services outside of the ordinary detail of police officers including but not limited to public safety concerns in connection with special events, highway construction and other construction projects shall be placed in the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year-to-year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general surplus. The town treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and Police Chief and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Any surplus remaining in the fund, after the payment of the expenses associated with special details shall be used for the purchase of police vehicles and equipment. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1) Motion by Selectman Snow, seconded by Selectman Kelley . Chief McGillen spoke, stating he has been trying to establish this for the past two years. It will help with the future purchase of cruisers as well as other police equipment. Mr. Lazott feels the fund should have a cap on it so it would not be used on things that it should not be. Mr. Goekjian asked that if we passed the preceding article, would this be double dipping? Mrs. Eastman explained both needed to pass for this year only. Mrs. Penfield explained if we establish this fund, we would no longer know what the money will be used for and the Budget Committee would no longer have oversight over this account. **Mr. Goekjian then proposed the following amendment: If this article is adopted, Article 21 would be reduced to \$5,000.00**, seconded by Amanda Soares. Mr. Goekjian explained there should be a little money to start the fund. Todd Allen asked if this amount of \$5,000.00 would be adequate? Mrs. Eastman stated the \$5,000.00 should be enough to start the fund. Deb LaBlond asked would this be enough? Mrs. Eastman explained the revenue would be coming into the fund from special details. The fund would be self funding. Sharon Despathy asked how this would be affecting the 10% rule? Mr. Snow explained it would reduce the amount next year to be raised by taxes. There was no further discussion. Vote was taken on the amendment by a show of ballots. **Article 22 was amended.**

Discussion then resumed on the amended article. Mrs. Penfield felt this would be a roundabout way to purchase a new cruiser without the Budget Committee's input. Mr. Lazott explained this would not accumulate a huge amount and it is necessary to replace cruisers. Mrs. Penfield pointed out other funds that have been established over which there would be no say. Mr. Goekjian explained the savings accounts are to keep the tax rate stabilized. There was no further discussion, therefore the amended article was moved to a vote by a show of ballots. **Article 22 will be placed on the ballot as amended.**

Moderator Thyng called for a brief recess until 11:00 AM

ARTICLE 23.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars **(\$50,000)** to be deposited in the **Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund**, established under RSA 35:1 at the March 1991 Town Meeting, for the future purchase of fire apparatus and equipment with the Selectmen appointed as agents. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 3) Motion was made by Selectman Kelley, seconded by Selectman Soares. Janet Wilderman asked why is this listed apart from the Municipal Budget if the Department is part of the Town.

Mrs. Eastman stated this is for apparatus only and must be kept separate. It depends on the money being appropriated by the town. It is to save money for a future purchase. Selectman Duarte explained that by us putting money aside every year to purchase a very expensive piece of equipment. Chief Dean Young explained it would not create a huge spike in the tax rate. It is a way of saving money ahead of time. Mr. Goekjian explained this is lay-away. There was no further discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 23 will go to the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 24.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars **(\$15,000)** to allow the Town to sponsor a **Household Hazardous Waste Day** for Candia residents. The event is to be scheduled for the fall, and is to allow residents the opportunity to properly and safely dispose of household hazardous waste materials that the Recycling Center does not normally accept. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 7 to 2). Motion to adopt the article as read was made by Selectman DePuy, seconded by Selectman Snow. There was no additional discussion. Vote was by a show of ballots. **Article 24 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 25.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars **(\$100,000)** for the completion of the **closure plan for the New Boston Road Incinerator Site**, with the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1) Motion was made by Selectman Snow, seconded by Selectman Duarte. Selectman Snow explained he had a handout available, which featured photos as well as the extent of the cap. He explained the Department of Environmental Services (DES) has mandated that we close the old incinerator site. There are costs associated with every dumpster that leaves the site. The material that is in the ash piles must be disposed of in the most cost effective manner. The buildings will be gone and the materials will be taken away. The Town will need to make a decision. Rick Lazott asked if the DES has given a completion date? Mr. Lazott stated that we have many local contractors that can remove the old buildings and the fencing. Selectman Soares explained we are not following procedures. We need a qualified engineering firm that does random testing to determine what is in those piles. Judy Szot explained she had attended the walk through. The ash pile must be removed, so it has to be tested. The tests are for metal and solubility of the material. If it does not pass the test, it is considered hazardous waste. Don't dig up the land fill. The issue is to determine what the extent of the ash pile and the content of the pile, it will then determine the final cost of the removal. We should do the testing this year. **Mrs. Szot proposed the following amendment: to reduce the amount to \$1.00. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Bowman.** Selectman Dave DePuy spoke in opposition of the amendment. Mr. Snow explained he had done a lot of work. Mr. Goekjian stated you cannot ask someone for a quote for something that is still unknown. We need a professional evaluation of what is contained at the site. Mrs. Penfield explained there are more choices. We need to know what we are dealing with and we do not have the information at the present time. The Towns always have responsibility for hazardous waste. Mr. Lazott feels the amendment is a good thing. Selectman Duarte explained there is a very reputable firm located in Epping. If we take this on ourselves, we have no idea how much this will cost us. There was no further discussion, so a vote was taken on the amendment to reduce the amount to \$1.00. Vote was taken by a count of hands. Yes: 46 No: 25 **Article 25 is amended to \$1.00.**

Vote was then taken on the amended article by a count of ballots. Yes: 50 No: 37 **The amended Article 25 will be placed on the ballot.**

A request to restrict reconsideration on article 25 was made by Rick Lazott, seconded by Amanda Soares. Reconsideration is restricted by vote of the assembly.

Dick Snow moved to restrict reconsideration of all the other articles we have voted on so far, seconded by Fred. Kelley. Vote was in the affirmative to restrict reconsideration.

ARTICLE 26.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars (**\$6,650**) for the **first phase of updating the Candia Master Plan** per RSA 674:3. (Submitted by the Planning Board) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1). Motion was made by Fred Kelley, seconded by Amanda Soares. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots in the affirmative. **Article 26 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 27.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (**\$10,500**) for the purchase of a new **copier/scanner/fax/printer** for the Selectmen's Office. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 1). Motion by Mr. Snow, seconded by Mr. Kelley. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 27 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 28.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (**\$127,990**) for the operating expenses of the **Smyth Public Library**. Funds are to be expended under the direction of the Smyth Public Library Association. The library has no default budget; a no vote means you favor closing the library. (Submitted by the Smyth Public Library Trustees) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 3 to 2). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0 with 1 abstaining). Motion by Selectman DePuy, seconded by Selectman Snow. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 28 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 29.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (**\$4,000**) for the operation and maintenance of the **Fitts Museum**. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Fitts Museum. (Submitted by the Trustees of the Fitts Museum) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 9 to 0). Motion was made by Amanda Soares, seconded Dick Snow. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 29 will be placed on the ballot as read..**

ARTICLE 30.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (**\$17,500**) to the **Candia Youth Athletic Association** for the specific expenses of providing youth recreation programs to the children of Candia. Said expenses to be expended under the direction of the Candia Youth Athletic Association Board of Directors in accordance with the approved budgets. (Submitted by petition). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2 with 1 abstaining). Motion to adopt the article as read was made by Mr. Snow, seconded Mr. DePuy. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 30 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 31.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (**\$190,000**) to replace culverts, add under drains, and pave the southeast portion of **Currier Road** from the intersection of New Boston and North Roads to the Deerfield town line. Submitted by the Road Agent. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1). (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 5 to 3 with 1 abstaining). Motion was made by Selectman Snow, seconded by Selectman Duarte. Road Agent Dennis Lewis explained that the gravel road is extremely difficult to maintain. Last year, it was impossible to maintain. \$30,000.00 was spent maintaining it last year. Paul Frazier asked if there was any way to ditch the road. Mr. Lewis explained that the more cars that go over the road, the more the mud pumps up through the dirt. Mr. Frazier likes living on a dirt road. Agent Lewis explained that the volume of traffic makes it difficult to maintain a dirt road. Kyle Frazier asked what sections would be paved? Mr. Lewis explained if he thought he could maintain this road in the future as a dirt road, he would, but it is becoming a safety hazard both for fire apparatus as well as school busses. Mr. Lazott spoke in opposition of paving the road. Mrs. Soares asked where Currier Road was in his fifteen year plan. Mr. Lewis explained that paving Currier Road was first on his plan. Sean James explained that as a resident of Currier Road, it is becoming unsafe and he agrees with Dennis. Mr. Snow requested we move the question .. Seconded by Mr. Kelley. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 31 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

Deb LaBlond moved to restrict reconsideration of prior votes, seconded by Sean James. It was voted to restrict reconsideration.

ARTICLE 32.

To see if the Town will vote to establish, in accordance with RSA's 72:27-a and 72:62, an **exemption** from a property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, when the property is equipped with one or more **solar energy** systems as defined by NH RSA 72:61. Such exemption shall be for 100% of the amount, if any, by which installation of solar energy systems on the property increases the total assessed value of the property. (Submitted by petition). Moved by Dick Snow, seconded by Fred Kelley. Selectman DePuy explained there were already 82 towns in NH which had voted this in. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 32 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

ARTICLE 33.

Are you in favor of setting the office **hours** the **town clerk** is open to the public as follows: Monday 8AM-12PM, Tuesday 4PM-8PM, Wednesday 8AM-12PM, Thursday 4PM-8PM, Friday 8AM-12PM, Saturday 8AM-1PM. (Submitted by petition). Motion was made by Amanda Soares, seconded by Fred Kelley. Motion to Amend article 33 was made by Chris Dupere as follows:, are you in favor of The Town Clerk setting her hours as needed, Seconded by Tom St. Martin. Selectman Goekjian explained something must go on the ballot. Tom Dimaggio questioned if the hours could be changed at a whim. Mrs. Byrd asked to leave the article as it was. Sharon DeWitt asked to let the people here decide. Mr. Snow is not in favor of micromanaging. Mrs. Szot feels we should have something to say about the Clerk's hours. There was no further discussion. Vote was taken on the amendment by a show of ballots. The article was amended. There was no further discussion. Vote on the amended article was by a show of ballots. **The amended Article 33 will be placed on the ballot.**

Chris Dupere requested that reconsideration of Article 33 be restricted, seconded by Todd Allen. It was voted to restrict reconsideration.

ARTICLE 34.

Pursuant to RSA 36-A:1, to see if the Town shall vote to **rescind the adoption of the Conservation Commission**. All funds held by such said commission shall be returned to the general fund of the Town. All future funds from the Land Use Change Tax and any other funds that would be automatically placed in this fund shall instead be placed in the general fund of the Town. All property managed by the Commission will hereafter be managed by the Town. (Submitted by petition). Motion was made by Amanda Soares, seconded by Fred Kelley. The following amendment was moved by Boyd Chivers: To see if the Town shall vote to confirm its continued support of the Candia Conservation Commission. All funds held by such commission as presently authorized by previous legislated bodies shall continue in effect. The amendment was seconded by Tom St. Martin. Betsy Kruse urged supporting the commission because of its' many benefits. Judy Lindsey also spoke in favor of retaining the Conservation Commission. Mr. Lazott stated he had signed the petition because he has a problem with how the money is spent. Mrs. Soares stated that she felt that all they seem to want to do is buy pieces of land, with no plan in place. People are getting easements to avoid paying so much in taxes. Betsy Kruse stated the Commission does not make decisions lightly. All their meetings are public and people need to understand how these decisions are achieved by attending the meeting. Mr. Snow stated he would strongly support the defeat of the original warrant article. Mr. Snow suggested we should not accept the amendment, then he will tell everyone to vote no on the original article. There was no further discussion on the amendment. Vote on the amendment was taken by a show of ballots, which were counted. Yes: 44 No: 32 The amendment was adopted. There was no discussion on the amended article. Vote was then taken on moving the amended article to the ballot by a show of hands. **Article 34 will be placed on the ballot amended.**

Moderator Clark Thyng declared the meeting dissolved at 12:52 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Christine Dupere, Town Clerk of Candia