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Special Town Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 22, 2018, 7pm
Weston Middle School Cafeteria

In attendance: Susan Moch, Moderator; Barbara Reynolds, Parliamentarian; Randi Derene, Clerk; First Selectman Chris Spaulding; Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz; Selectman Brian Gordon; Town Engineer John Conte; Registrars and volunteers; Weston Residents.

This meeting was videotaped and can be viewed on Channel 79 and on our Town of Weston website.

- 1- **Call to order:** Mr. Spaulding called the meeting to order at 7pm

Mr. Spaulding made a motion to nominate Susan Moch as Moderator. Mr. Harvey Bellin seconds. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2- **Discuss the following question, as presented on a petition received February 20, 2018 that calls for a Special Town Meeting: "Shall the Town of Weston establish an enclosed, approximately 3 an ad1/2 acre dog park on the town-owned 36 acre parcel on Davis Hill Road as depicted in a visualization map and in accordance with a draft MOU between the Town and Weston Dog Park, Inc., both of which are available on the town website and in the Town Clerk's office?"**

Ms. Moch noted that Randi Derene is the Clerk of the Meeting and appointed Barbara Reynolds as the Parliamentarian and Timer. She then explained the process and rules of a Special Town Meeting.

Mr. Jonathan Luiz spoke about the absentee ballot question, explaining that the BOS were advised by the Town Attorney and the Secretary of State. He also explained the process once a petition is received.

Ms. Moch then called up Weston residents to speak.

Michael Lubell
Evelyn Schulz
Hutch Hutchins
Alan Berch
Lisa Moskal
Stephen Nevas
Sharon Murphy
Dania Anderson
Edina Field
Amy Sanborn

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Mark Harper
Michelle Halpin
Paul Deysenroth
Harvey Bellin
Michael Schlechter
Jason Revzon
Laura Stabell (not a Weston Resident so did not speak)
Carleigh Welsh
Jackie Austin
Clifford Feller

Once all residents had a chance to speak, Mr. Luiz and Mr. Spaulding addressed some of the questions that were asked such as absentee ballots, petition process and operating costs.

Other questions were asked regarding the language in the draft MOU. Mr. Luiz stated that he would like these question addressed by the Town Attorney

Ms. Moch then asked if anyone would like to have a second chance to speak.

The following residents spoke for a second time:

Michael Lubell
Ed Hutchins
Lisa Moscal
Steven Nevas
Dania Anderson
Adina Field
Michelle Halpin
Harvey Bellin
Theresa Brasco (spoke about curbside voting)
Jason Revzon
Carleigh Welsh

Mr. Uzenoff asked if he could call for a motion to allow Ms. Stabell to speak. Motion seconded. Ms. Field objected as they were informed before the meeting that they could not bring in anyone that is not resident. Ms. Moch also stated that it is not allowed to bring a motion to the floor.

Ms. Moch said she can officially adjourn the meeting and then Ms. Stabell would be free to speak.

- 3- **Adjourn:** Ms. Moch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded. Motion was then objected leading Ms. Moch to call for a standing vote. Motion passed 23 – 20. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

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Minutes respectfully submitted by Randi Derene, Administrative Assistant

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