Board of Selectmen

Minutes of Regular Session, May 1, 2017

Bourne High School

Bourne, MA 02532

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In attendance

Selectmen: Donald Pickard, Chairman; Peter Meier, Vice-Chairman; George Slade, Clerk; Stephen Mealy;

Michael Blanton, late (excused)

6:17 p.m. Chairman Pickard called to order for the purpose of deliberation as necessary and to vote to approve Warrant and whether to support remaining articles to considered for special and annual town meeting in May, 2017.

Vote to approve warrant was unanimous, 4-0

Discussion ensured on Article 28, whether to support the CPC - Hoxie School. After discussing the merits of the project, Chairman Pickard made a motion to vote not to support the article. A vote was taken that resulted in a 2-2 deadlock. (Pickard, Mealy, not to support; Slade, Meier, to support). Chairman Pickard suggested that the Board continue discussion on stage at town meeting when all board members were likely to be in attendance.

At about 6:55, Blanton joined the remaining board members on the stage.

Chairman Pickard suggested a vote of Board of Selectmen to approve Article 28. The Board voted to support the Hoxie Article with a 3-2 vote. (Pickard and Mealy voted not to support).

Special and Annual Town Meeting began at 7:00 p.m. and continued until 10:00 p.m.

Annual Town Meeting resumed at 7:00 on Tuesday, May 2, 2017

Selectman Pickard rose twice to independently speak with regard to resuming funding of the Hoxie Center.

Selectman Mealy spoke independently with regards to Phase 2 and 3 of the Buzzards Bay Park. He also answered questions posed by members of the public and made final comments to the audience in general.

Vice Chair Meier spoke independently with regards to Phase 2 and 3 of the Buzzards Bay Park.

10:20 p.m. Vice Chair Meier adjourned