Town of Essex
Special Town Meeting
December 16, 2015, 2015
Meeting Room A

First Selectman, Norman Needleman called the Town Meeting to order immediately following the 6:30 scheduled public hearing at 6:36 PM. Alvin Wolfgram was elected Moderator. Selectman Libby was also in attendance as was Director of Finance Kelley Sterner. The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting. There were approximately sixteen (16) people in attendance.

The following Resolutions were Read, Seconded and VOTED:

RESOLVED: That the Town of Essex adopt the Amended and Restated Ordinance creating a Park and Recreation Commission. Copies of said ordinance are on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Norman Needleman explained that Commission attendance has been down and that it would be more practical to have a smaller board in keeping with statutory quorum requirements.

Robert Russo stated that the Commission is in the process of looking at long term planning.

Donald Mesite, a former member, explained that in the past the Commission did not have hired help and that a ten member board of volunteers took on many of those now compensated tasks.

SECONDED: Claire Tiernan ALL IN FAVOR

RESOLVED: That the Town of Essex adopt the Policy Regarding Open Space Tax Abatements as adopted by the Essex Planning Commission with the 2015-2025 Plan of Conservation and Development. Copies of said policy are on file in the Town Clerk's office.

SECONDED: Lois Ely ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION TO CLOSE: Gerry MacMillian SECONDED: Norman Needleman

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel Marzi
Town Clerk