

Town of Amherst
Minutes of the Select Board

May 2, 2018 – 6:00 p.m. – Music Room, Amherst Regional Middle School

Members present: Chair Doug Slaughter; Alisa Brewer, Connie Kruger, Andy Steinberg, Jim Wald
Members absent: None
Staff present: Town Manager Paul Bockelman
Other present: Scott Merzbach, Daily Hampshire Gazette

Meeting called to order by Mr. Slaughter at 6:01 p.m.

Vote and Assign Positions on Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles

The Board reviewed Article 37, a petition for a general bylaw to address excessive noise from a gun range. After discussion, Mr. Steinberg moved to recommend dismissal of “Article 37 Petition – Amend General Noise Bylaw” to the April 30, 2018 Annual Town Meeting, as not-consistent with the Charter transition process; and, if that motion fails and there is a motion on the substance of the article that the Select Board does not recommend the article. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wald and passed unanimously with one member absent.

At this point, Ms. Brewer entered the meeting.

Charter Bylaw Review Committee Charge

Mr. Bockelman presented the Charge for the Charter Bylaw Review Committee. He noted that one member questioned whether the Committee was limited to reviewing General Bylaws or if Zoning Bylaws were included.

Ms. Kruger moved to delete two uses of the word “General” in the charge, from the name and from the body, and to update the revision date and add the date that Special Municipal Employee status was voted. Mr. Wald seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 6:30 p.m. to attend the Annual Town Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m. with no further discussion or action.

Submitted by: Paul Bockelman, Town Manager

List of Documents Presented at the Meeting – Available in the Online Packet for Meeting Date

Agenda and Draft Motions

Charter Bylaw Review Committee Charge

Approved by the Select Board: July 23, 2018