

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
JULY 26, 2008

Meeting called to order and read by Town Clerk Kathleen Hutchins at 9:00 a.m. with approximately 150 people in attendance.

OXFORD:

To Jolene Adley, Resident in the Town of Canton, Maine, County of Oxford.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the voters of the said Town of Canton, qualified to vote in the Town affairs, to assemble at the Old Municipal Building in Canton Village in said Town on Saturday, the 26th day of July 2008, AD at Nine O'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

Article 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Jackie Conant nominated Terry Hayes, Paula Marsters seconded. Harold Jones nominated Colby Davis. Mr. Davis declined. 4 ballots were cast all for Terry Hayes. Terry Hayes was elected as moderator and sworn in by town clerk in open meeting.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the acceptance of Article 17 by the voters at the Annual March 2008 Town Meeting.

Article 17 read as follows: To see if the town will vote to raise and/or appropriate a sum of money for paving projects, or take any action relative thereto.

Not recommended by the Selectmen & Budget Committee

Requested \$75,000.00

This is an article presented by a Citizen petition.

Michael Ranhoff moved to accept the article as read. Don Hutchins seconded. Hand vote, yes; majority vote. Motion passes.

Polly Bussiere moved to take Article 4 out of order. Michael Ranhoff seconded. Hand vote, yes; majority vote. Motion passes.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to take by eminent domain the property owned by Raymond J. Fortier, as depicted on Canton Tax Map U2-41 and U2-37, and more particularly described in a deed recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2418, Page 111. The Board of Selectmen have determined a public exigency

requires the immediate taking of the property and have determined the amount in compensation for the property of interest therein taken is \$10,000.00.

Jim Parisi moved to accept the article as read. Norris Conant seconded. Scotty Kilbreth requested that Mac Ray give a presentation. Hand vote, yes; majority vote. Motion passes.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to accept donations for the Canton Dam Project and appropriate the funds for the same.

Tammy Richardson moved to accept the article as read. Michael Ranhoff seconded. Hand vote yes; majority vote. Motion passes.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town of Canton to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town on such terms as they deem advisable.

Harold Jones moved to accept the article as read. Michael Ranhoff seconded.

Harry Smith moved to amend the article to eliminate the word "any" and put in "Village Ridge Property". Harold Jones seconded. Hand vote was taken but was very close, paper ballot then requested by moderator. Paper ballot votes cast-Yes, 57; No 67. Motion defeated.

Hand vote no; majority vote. Motion defeated.

Motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Hutchins, Town Clerk*

A True Copy:

Kathleen A. Hutchins

Town Clerk