

BOARD OF SELECTPERSON'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 16, 6:00 p.m.
Rumford Falls Auditorium

PRESENT: Chairperson Gregory Buccina, Vice-Chairperson Jeffrey Sterling, Selectperson Bradford Adley, Selectperson Jolene Lovejoy, Selectperson Frank DiConzo, Town Manager Carlo Puiia.

ATTENDEES: Ryan Palmer, Alan Gerace, Andrea York, Mark Belanger, Eric Davis, Arthur Chappell, Candice Casey, Kevin Saisi, Terry Karkos, Deborah Laurinaitis, Jennifer Kreckel

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. All present Pledged Allegiance to the American Flag
3. Approval of Special Town Meeting to Vote on Proposed Spending Cap Ordinance

Mr. Buccina read a letter prepared by Town Attorney Jennifer Kreckel in regards to a Spending Cap Ordinance Petition.

Mr. Adley made a motion to not approve the Spending Cap Petition.

Mr. DiConzo supports allowing the citizens to decide if they want the Spending Cap.

Ms. Lovejoy believes the voters spoke at the polls.

Attorney Kreckel explained the difference between this ordinance and other ordinances because this involves Charter powers and could not be binding on future legislative bodies.

Mr. Sterling acknowledged the Board's receipt of the petition; however, the Town Attorney's opinion should be accepted by the Board of Selectpersons.

Mark Belanger was concerned that the Board is not following the Charter.

Fire Chief Robert Chase spoke in regards to the Board and Finance Committee suggesting different amounts that could potentially exceed the spending cap and there are not mechanisms to deal with that issue.

Kevin Saisi supports having this done via a Charter Commission.

Vote on the motion: 4-1, Mr. DiConzo opposed.

4. Adjournment

Mr. Adley made a motion to adjourn at 6:22 p.m. Vote: 5-0

Carlo J. Puiia
Town Manager

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