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OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
DONNA G. ZELLER

BCA Meeting

February 29, 2016

Rutland Town School – Conference Room

6:15 PM

Re: Review upcoming Town Meeting/Primary Election procedure; Presiding Officer Duties, Voter Checklists, Challenged Voters, Voters 18 years of Age by November Election, Counting Ballots, and schedule for Poll Workers.

Members present:

Donna Zeller	Thomas Terenzini
Dick Bailey	Norman Cohen
Joe Dicton	Mary Ashcroft
Howard Burgess	Don Chioffi
Marcia Chioffi	Carl Zeller
Leigh Adams	Susan McGee
Dana Peterson	Marty Wasserman
Chris Howland	Dick Lloyd
Joshua Terenzini	Anita Duch

Meeting called to order by Ms. Zeller at 6:15 p.m.

Agenda items were discussed:

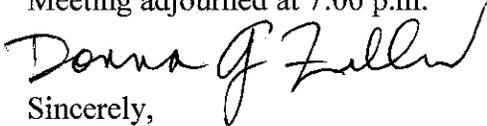
- Voter Checklists for two elections: Town Meeting AND Presidential Primary
- Challenged Voters need to sign an affidavit that they are still Town residents before they can be given a ballot
- Voters 18 years of Age by November Election may vote in the Presidential Primary ONLY
- Counting Ballots afterwards will be carried out in pairs of two workers, one each Democrat and Republican
- Presiding Officer duties

Mr. Chioffi made a motion that Susan McGee, Assistant Clerk will be the Presiding Officer at the West Side/Town Hall, and that Donna Zeller, Town Clerk will be the Presiding Officer at the East Side/Town School. The motion was seconded by Dick Bailey. An amendment to the motion was made by Norman Cohen that the motion add

that Donna Zeller, Town Clerk will be the alternate Presiding Officer in case Ms. McGee has to leave; and Leigh Adams, Moderator will be the alternate Presiding Officer in case Ms. Zeller has to leave. Amended motion seconded by Mary Ashcroft. The vote was unanimous in favor of the amended motion.

It was discussed that this is a very emotionally-charged election, and that if there is any trouble at the polls, the Presiding Officer will call 911 to have the police intervene in any altercations. The Town does not want poll workers to get injured in case of any violence erupting around the polling area. The poll workers were reminded that people campaigning outside the polls may not impede the ingress or egress of voters, and that no campaign material was allowed inside the polls in any areas at all, nor visible on people inside the polls, or they will be asked to remove the campaign material or leave the inside polling area. There is to be no discussion of candidates or ballot items inside the polling area. If any poll workers have problems at the polls, they are to go to the Presiding Officer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Sincerely,

Donna G. Zeller

Rutland Town Clerk

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