

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2009
Harpswell Islands School
Approved on June 25, 2009

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Selectmen Present: James S. Henderson, Mark E. Wallace and Elinor Multer

Staff Present: Kristi Eiane, Town Administrator and Terri Sawyer, Deputy Town Administrator

Members of the M.S.A.D 75 School Board and administration were also present.

Chairman Henderson called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

Chairman Henderson stated the purpose of this meeting was to discuss and establish procedures for the 7:00 p.m. hearing regarding the Harpswell elementary schools consolidation matter. The hearing is to better inform the Selectmen of the issues regarding the matter. Chairman Henderson read the proposed procedure (attached). It was noted that with the exception of the procedures handout, the Town has no other handouts. Chairman Henderson moved, seconded by Selectman Multer to adopt the proposed hearing procedure.

Leon Ogradnik spoke against a time limit on speaking.

Selectman Multer reiterated that if the School Board votes to close the West Harpswell School, then another hearing and a vote would be required by Harpswell voters.

Calvin Rich stated tonight is a positional hearing to hear public comment on the issues. Jennifer Verplanck stated Harpswell would be required to pay to keep the school open if voters decide so it's important to hear input tonight.

The motion passed 3-0.

The Board adjourned the special Selectmen's meeting.

The hearing was opened at 7:04 p.m. and was closed at 8:40 p.m. [It was recorded by the local cable channel].

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri-Lynn Sawyer
Deputy Town Administrator