Special Town Meeting May 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the First Selectman, Rudy Marconi, in the large conference room of Town Hall.

Mr. Marconi asked for a motion to elect a Moderator. Barbara Serfilippi made a motion to appoint Ed Tyrrell, and it was seconded by Tom Madden.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and Mr. Tyrrell was elected Moderator.

The Moderator asked for a motion to appoint Barbara Serfilippi, Town Clerk, as secretary of the meeting. Mr. Marconi made the motion, and it was seconded by a member of the audience.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the motion was approved.

Mr. Tyrrell read the notice that appears on page 192 to act on the System Site Lease Agreement for Farmingville Elementary School Solar Panels, between the Town of Ridgefield, as Lessor, and CEFIA Holdings, LLC, as Lessee. He then asked for a motion to approve.

Rudy Marconi made a motion to approve, and Barbara Serfilippi seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Mr. Marconi asked Dwayne Escola, 52 Catoonah St., a representative of CEFIA, to give some background on the proposed lease. Mr. Escola reported that the panels will be on the rooftops of the school, and the state will maintain the panels for 20 years, resulting with less cost of maintenance to the school. Mr. Marconi also explained that the project will not cost the taxpayer any money. Mr. Marconi also said that everyone, including the Board of Selectmen, Town Engineer, and the facilities team at Board of Ed reviewed the lease and were in favor of it.

After discussion, the Moderator called for a vote.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the lease was approved.

Dwayne Escola made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by a member of the audience.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Serfilippi, Town Clerk