

Special Town Meeting October 11, 2017

The First Selectman, Rudy Marconi, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm in the large conference room of Town Hall, and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Marconi entertained a motion to appoint a Moderator. Bob Hebert made a motion to appoint Ed Tyrrell as Moderator, seconded by Maureen Kozlark.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the motion carried.

Mr. Tyrrell called the meeting to order and announced that the first order of business was to elect a secretary. He asked for a motion to appoint Barbara Serfilippi, Town Clerk, as secretary. John Katz made the motion, seconded by Maureen Kozlark.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the motion carried.

The Moderator read the legal notice of the meeting, which appears on page 234, to act on the proposition of the Town of Ridgefield assuming ownership of Ridgebury Cemetery, including all assets thereof. He then asked for a motion to approve. Barbara Manners made the motion to approve, seconded by Maureen Kozlark.

Discussion: The Moderator called for discussion and asked Rudy Marconi to give an overview of the proposal.

Mr. Marconi stated that Mr. Bob Reynolds, current owner and member of the Board of Directors of the Ridgebury Cemetery, is up in years and has expressed his concern that the cemetery will not be taken care of. He is asking the Town of Ridgefield to assume the cemetery and the funds not be touched by anyone for any other purpose other than the Ridgebury Cemetery. Mr. Marconi said he spoke to Mr. Reynolds a few weeks ago, and he was very positive about the Town taking it over.

Maureen Kiernan, 86 Governor St., wanted to make a correction. She stated that Mr. Reynolds does not own the cemetery. It is owned by the Ridgebury Cemetery Association and run by the Board of Directors.

The Moderator closed discussion and asked for a vote on the motion pending.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the motion carried.

John Katz made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Maureen Kozlark seconded.

Vote: "Aye" votes unanimous and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Serfilippi, Town Clerk

