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Newfound Area School District

Public Hearing on Article 2 (by petition): Tax Rescission

Groton Town Hall

February 21, 2017 6 p.m.

School Board members present: Jeff Levesque, Don Franklin, Christine Davol, Sue Cheney, Jason Robert

District Staff present: Stacy Buckley, Michael Limanni

Public present: member of the NASD Budget Committee, Groton Selectboard, Steve Spafford, Sherry Nelsen

Jeff Levesque called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Levesque said the hearing was to discuss and ask questions concerning the petitioned Article 2 and he read the article aloud. The school board chair explained that the School Board have chosen to remain neutral and would not make a recommendation either direction on the petitioned article.

The petitioner of the article was absent from the meeting.

Sherry Nielsen asked if the Tax Cap were to be rescinded this year does it get put back in place next year. The answer is that the tax cap would be rescinded until and unless someone wrote a petition to reinstate it in the future.

Steve Spofford, Groton, said there was a reason for the tax cap and he supports it. He does not want the petitioned article 2 to pass.

Sue Cheney, Alexandria, spoke in favor of the petitioned article 2.

Sherry Nielsen, Groton, explained that the public is forced to cut his or her own budgets to anticipate a shortfall and so should the school board.

Christine Davol made a motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. Jason Robert seconded. ***Motion Passed***

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Whittier, School Board Clerk