

Middletown Springs Select Board Minutes
July 30, 2014 Special Meeting Approved

CALL TO ORDER 6:32 pm

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, C. Haynes, S. Moyer, T. Redfield

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

The purpose of this special meeting was to act on a petition received by Town regarding a proposed article for the August 26, 2014 ballot. C. Haynes discussed the petition with Brian Leven, Deputy Secretary of State—since the requested ballot item isn't a special budget vote by a town entity, the warning must be not less than 30 or more than 40 days prior to the election. In addition, a private entity can't name the time and date for the vote as part of the ballot language; that is the responsibility of the Selectboard.

T. Redfield moves that the Selectboard does not accept the petition as presented, due to insufficient time to properly warn the ballot item, given that state law requires that petitioned articles be warned not less than 30 or more than 40 days prior to the election. C. Haynes 2nd. [*all in favor, motion carried*]

C. Haynes will ask Mark McManus to attend a Selectboard meeting in the near future to discuss the appropriate way of getting this petitioned article onto a future ballot, possibly without the need for obtaining new signatures.

T. Redfield moved to adjourn; C Haynes 2nd. [*all in favor, motion carried*]. Meeting adjourned 6:55 pm.