TOWN OF UNITY Unity Select Board MINUTES February 16, 2017 PUBLIC HEARING 2017 BUDGET

PRESENT

Edward ("Ed") Gregory William ("Bill") Schroeter John Callum Craig Shute, Resident Bob Day, Resident Vanessa Keith, Resident Gordon Brann, Resident

Ed opened the Public Hearing at 5:30 pm.

Ed read the Warrant of the Town. There was a discussion on Article 3 regarding the purchase of a new truck for the Highway Department. Ed stated that after searching it was determined that there was little inventory for used trucks. The current Highway vehicles are getting older and there is a need for this new truck.

Gordon Brann asked about Article 4, where tax deeded property may be sold. He was concerned that families would move in and bring children into the school which would raise taxes. The Selectmen stated that the current properties being sold would not be suitable for a family.

John spoke on Article 5 regarding the Fire Department and Chief appointment, stating that it was a petitioned Article which dealt with having the Selectmen appoint the Fire Chief.

Ed discussed Article 7 regarding Stage Road reconstruction. The engineering firm will be on hand at Town Meeting to discuss further.

Bill made a motion to approve the MS-636 Budget of the Town and the 2017 Warrant as written. Second by John. All in favor.

At 6:45 Bill made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Second by John. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,		
Tracy Decker		
Secretary	SELECTBOARD	
Edward A. Gregory	William A. Schroeter	John M. Callum, Jr.