

Town of Northfield
Special Town Meeting
March 26, 2009
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Thomas Shearer at 7:25 p.m., at the Pioneer Valley Regional School. The "Rules of Debate" were read by the Moderator, and a voice vote was taken and passed to accept such rules. Non registered voters that may need to address the assembly were recognized by the Moderator, Joel Bard; Town Attorney from Kopelman and Paige. Three hundred and seventy four registered voters were present to vote on the following articles.

Article 1. Passed/ Voice Vote

Move that the Town vote to **waive the reading of the Warrant and the Notice to the Constables** and act on the motions of the following articles.

Article 2. Passed/ Paper Ballot Yes – 262 No – 99
Submitted by Petition

Motion:

"Shall the Town of Northfield amend the property tax surcharge of three (3) percent imposed by the ballot vote of November 4, 2008, from three (3) percent to one-half (0.5) percent effective beginning with fiscal year 2010 and as implemented under the provisions of Sections 3 to 7 inclusive of Chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts."

Motion: To "Stop Debate" Moderator did not accept

Motion: To "Move the Question " Voice Vote / Passed

2/3 Required

Motion: "Secret Ballot" Voice Vote / Passed

There being no further business to come before the Town, Moderator Thomas Shearer dissolved the Special Town Meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Registered Voters -- 2096
Votes Cast Via Paper Ballot – 361
Voter Turnout -- 18%

Betty Gibson
Keri Peila
Pamela Veith
Deborah Taricano

Election Worker
Election Worker
Election Worker
Warden

Attest

Gail V. Zukowski
Town Clerk