

TOWN OF LANESBOROUGH SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Submitted by Lorna Gayle for Diane Stevens, Town Secretary
September 10, 2015

Present: Mr. John Goerlach, Chairman
Mr. Henry Sayers
Mr. Robert Ericson
Mr. Paul Sieloff, Town Administrator

Warrants: None.

The meeting was opened by John Goerlach at 5:05 p.m.

Public Comment

Mr. Goerlach invited public comment on the proposed letter, by the Selectmen, to the Massachusetts School Building Authority relating to the Mt. Greylock High School Building Project requesting to delay their final decision on the new school to allow for additional research to be completed. Mr. Goerlach requested that comments be held to 5 to 7 individuals from the group of 40 that were in attendance before opening the floor.

In total, 12 residents spoke against the need to delay the process in any way, citing the age of the Mt. Greylock High School and the need to replace or renovate the existing structure with a safer, up to date facility and concern that any delay in the process might impact funding.

Additionally, a number of speakers touched on the recent meeting held by the towns of Adams-Cheshire inviting Lanesborough students to attend Hoosic Valley High School.

Mr. Sayer's assured the attendees that the Town would like to work together with the Mt. Greylock School Committee to get the best education for a reasonable amount. He noted the Town has seniors adversely impacted by the rising taxes and his concern that young families will be put off purchasing homes by an increasing property tax.

The discussions in total lasted an hour, at which time Mr. Goerlach moved a motion to draft and send a letter to the Massachusetts School Building Authority, there was no second. Motion failed.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 6:05 pm was made by Mr. Goerlach and seconded by Mr. Ericson. All in favor.