

**TOWN OF COLUMBIA**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 15, 2016 – 6:45 pm**  
**Adella G. Urban Administrative Offices Conference Room**  
**323 Route 87, Columbia, CT**

A Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in the Town Meeting of the Town of Columbia, Connecticut was held in the Adella G. Urban Administrative Offices Conference Room on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 6:45 pm.

**Present:** First Selectman Carmen Vance; Deputy Selectman Steven Everett; Selectman William O'Brien; Selectman Robert Hellstrom; First Selectman Robert Bogue.

**Also Present:** Town Administrator Natasha Nau; Town Planner Paula Stahl; Town Attorney Henry Beck.

**Moderator:** Millie Ramsey

**Clerk:** Kimberly A. Bona

**Citizens:** Columbia Congregational Church Pastor Betsey Polglase, Church Council President Kathleen Chapman, Ann Dunnack, Gary Littlefield.

The meeting was called to order by C. Vance at 6:45 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was then turned over to the Moderator who read the legal advertisement from the Chronicle which included the following CLAUSES into the record:

**CLAUSE 1** – To approve the agreement entitled “Boundary Line Agreement, Quit Claim Deeds and Easements” between the Town of Columbia and Columbia Congregational Church and the Boundary Line Modification Plan dated January 10, 2016.

**CLAUSE 2** – To approve the Town Hall Campus Consolidation as shown on the Boundary Parcel Consolidation Plan dated February 29, 2016.

C. Vance MOVED to approve the agreement entitled “Boundary Line Agreement, Quit Claim Deeds and Easements” between the Town of Columbia and Columbia Congregational Church and the Boundary Line Modification Plan dated January 10, 2016. G. Littlefield SECONDED. C. Vance MOVED to approve the Town Hall Campus Consolidation as shown on the Boundary Parcel Consolidation Plan dated February 29, 2016. G. Littlefield SECONDED. P. Stahl explained that the library parcel was not large enough for the proposed building expansion and in order to allow required lot size, all parcels owned by the Town, Church and School would need to be combined. She explained that there are 34 parcels in all. P. Stahl also explained that the Boundary Agreement is regarding deeding over the small area of land that includes the church’s ramp and the underground oil tanks. The land currently is owned by the Town but is used by the Church so this agreement will rectify that. P. Stahl explained that the first MOTION is to agree to and approve the boundary agreement on the property and the second MOTION is to approve a consolidation of all parcels.

Attorney Beck stated for the record that there have been changes to the Boundary Agreement, Quit-Claim deeds and Easements since the version that was originally approved by the BOS to go to Town Meeting for approval on February 2, 2016. H. Beck provided a copy of the document showing these changes. *See attached document.* K. Chapman stated that the proposed boundary agreement was approved by the Church Council at its February 28, 2016 meeting.

The Moderator re-read MOTION #1. MOTION CARRIED with H. Beck abstaining.

The Moderator re-read MOTION #2. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Special Town Meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly A. Bona