

**TOWN OF NEW GLOUCESTER  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
November 16, 2015**

The Town meeting was called to order at 7:08p.m., by the Town Clerk, Paul R. First.

*The Clerk led the Town Meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.**

<i>Nomination of:</i>	<i>Ben Detroy</i>
<i>Nomination by:</i>	<i>Glen Mercier</i>
<i>Seconded by:</i>	<i>Jim Fitch</i>
<i>No other nominations were made.</i>	
<i>Motion to close nominations:</i>	<i>Stephen Hathorne</i>
<i>Seconded by:</i>	<i>Jim Fitch</i>
<i>Those in favor of closing nominations:</i>	<i>All</i>
<i>Opposed:</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>Nomination of Ben DeTroy carried.</i>	
<i>4 votes were cast for Ben DeTroy.</i>	
<i>Ben DeTroy was elected Moderator.</i>	

*The clerk administered the Oath of Office to the Moderator.*

The Moderator asked a motion to allow non-residents to speak.

*Steven Libby moved and Jim Fitch seconded a motion to allow non-residents staff to speak. The vote carried unanimously.*

**Article 2. Be it resolved that we, the citizens of New Gloucester, support the Town's efforts to promote a *village orientation*\* in the Upper Village by revision of zoning standards and the implementation of strategies consistent with a master planning effort for the area.**

***Village orientation\****

A quality possessed by successful town centers that accrues from a variety of factors including, but not limited to, a unified streetscape, sensitive building layout and design, mixed uses, pedestrian amenities, traffic calming, and a focus on creating and maintaining a human scale rather than an automobile-dominated landscape.

**Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented**

*Motion:* Jim Fitch moved that Article 2 have passage as presented.  
*Second:* Jean Couturier  
*Discussion:* Roger Levasseur and Will Johnston commented on this article.  
*Motion:* Roger Levasseur moved to take Article 3 before Article 2.  
*Second:* None.  
*Discussion:* Joshua McHenry, Steven Libby, Jim Fitch, Roger Levasseur, Kathleen Potter and Will Johnston commented on the motion.  
*Vote:* The motion to amend failed. No vote taken, as no second.  
*Discussion:* Kathleen Potter, Joshua McHenry, Will Johnston, Norton Lamb, Hal Bartlett, Paul First, Patrick Gwinn, Joe Davis, Steve Libby, Frank Staton, George Carman, Scott Doyle, Jerry Witham, Penny Hilton, Mike Brakey, Stephen Hathorne, George Hinkley, Maryanne Crane and Tammy Donovan commented on original motion.  
*Motion:* Roger Levasseur made a motion to move the question  
*Second:* Glen Mercier  
*Vote:* It was voted that Article 2 be passed as presented 57-56  
*Motion:* Garrett Jordan moved for a paper vote.  
*Second:* Fletcher Griffin  
*Vote:* It was voted that Article 2 passed as presented 66-59  
  
*Motion:* Alan Gregory moved that Article 4 be taken before Article 3  
*Second:* Tamilyn Wayboer  
*Motion:* Stephen Hathorne made a motion to move the question  
*Second:* George Carman  
*Vote:* It was voted that Article 4 be taken before Article 3.

**Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to move the holding of Annual Town Meetings from Monday evenings to Saturday mornings.**

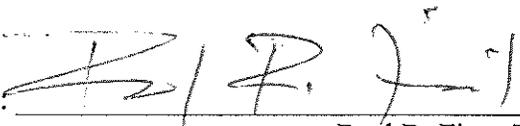
*Motion:* Jean Couturier moved that Article 4 have passage as presented.  
*Second:* Kathleen Potter  
*Discussion:* Penny Hilton, Garrett Jordan, Roger Levasseur, Paul First, Joshua McHenry, Barbara Seaver, Hal Phillips, Donald Libby and Jim Fitch commented on this article.  
*Vote:* The motion on Article 4 failed.

**Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance to include a new Upper Village Zoning District and additional housekeeping changes per the attached text.**

**Board of Selectmen recommend passage as presented**

*Motion:* James Couturier moved that Article 3 have passage as presented.  
*Second:* Jim Fitch  
*Discussion:* Roger Levasseur, Will Johnston, Kathleen Potter, Paul First, Joshua McHenry, Jim Fitch, Joe Davis, Louis Talarico, Stephen Hathorne, Patrick Seelig and Laura Sturgis commented on this article.  
*Vote:* It was voted that Article 3 have passage as presented.

*Donald Libby moved and Barbara Seaver seconded a motion to adjourn at 10:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

ATTEST:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul R. First, Town Clerk