TMMA Minutes: January 12, 2005

Attendance:
Charles Hornig (Acting Chr), Andy Friedlich (Treas.-P5), Gloria Bloom (Clerk-P4)
Pct 9: Anne LoRusso, Vicki Blier
Pct 7: Marsha Baker
Pct 6: Alan Lazarus, David Kaufman, Jane Pagett, Sheldon Spector
Pct 5: Sam Silverman, Elaine Dratch, Eph Weiss
Pct 4: Norm Cohen, Ellen McDonald
Pct 3: Darwin Adams
Pct 2: Disab. Comm: Victoria Buckley
Pct 1: John Bartenstein, Joel Adler

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm at the TOB. Charles explained that Hank was on a temporary leave as chairman, as he is running for Selectman. Sheldon moved that we accept Hank’s temporary leave and appoint Charles as Acting Chairman. Approved unanimously.
Treasurer reported a balance of $3855.16. After committed but unexpended funds, the balance is about $2400. Report accepted

Pre town meeting activities:
1. Warrant info book. (still need coordinator and art. 7,22,23,34(a,f,g)). Edit session Feb. 26, 9 am
2. Info sessions on March 17,22, and 23 at Clarke. School budget on 23rd, TMMA on the 17th.

Suggestions to improve info sessions: Have small group q & a sessions; ask presenters to describe changes and not read what is in the info book, which should have answers to questions already. Charles will collect suggestions using TMMA list and e-mail.
The bus tour is currently on 20th. Consult clergy since this is Palm Sunday.
Suggestions for disseminating the Budget Info Alert(a list of links for people to get information on the budget): churches, PTA, Minuteman, Interfaith Council, political parties, through the TMMA list and ask people to forward to interested parties.

Should town meeting start at 7:30? Straw vote: no 4, start early end early 9, start early end same and have one less session 2

Victoria Buckley discussed accessibility problems at Cary, including heavy entry door that needs a push button opener and a window for visibility, some rooms not accessible, access to stage, way to use microphone. Eph moved that the TMMA resolve to generally support full inclusion of handicapped in Cary Hall. Passed unanimously (Note: Article 34 includes bldg improvements)
Comm. to honor 20 plus year members of town meeting hasn’t met yet. Will report next meeting.
Al Lazarus volunteered to replace John doing the TM update e-mail before each session of TM. The Bylaw committee (Eph, Andy, John) will bring update to next meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted without correction. Pictures were taken (again).

Meeting adjourned at 8:40. The next meeting is February 9, 2005
Submitted by Gloria Bloom, Clerk