

TOWN OF DERRY

Town Council  
Derry Municipal Center

July 16, 2015  
Thursday - 6:00 PM

**SPECIAL MEETING**

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**6:00 PM** Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance, warning of fire exits, handicap access, & turn off all cell phones

**Roll Call: Councilors Tripp, Fischer, Osborne, Bourdon, Dimmock, Katsakiores and Chairman Cardon**

Chairman Cardon was dismayed by the way he was notified in regards to this meeting; i.e. without an email, text, phone call or a heads-up. It is common courtesy to inform the Chair. He would never do that to this board. It is important to meet with the attorney next week to discuss any questions Council has regarding the opinion and other further information to have before going forward. This issue is too important not to have all the facts and information before it is voted upon. This is uncharted territory. This could have far reaching consequences on budgets of the future.

**Move that the Derry Town Council reschedule the meeting for the purpose of rejecting or accepting the (8) eight referendum petitions until Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Further if the petitions are rejected, the Town Council will schedule a special town election to vote on said petitions.**

**Councilor Katsakiores had a point of order.**

Councilor Katsakiores stated the attorney has given his opinion. We hired an attorney to review the charter and he found the petitions were valid. They were deemed to be sufficient. The most important thing is to set a date for the petitions and elections. Why are we bringing the attorney back?

Chairman Cardon stated there are questions and there has been discussion regarding the meeting with the attorney. Councilors have been noticed via email and it has been agendaized.

Councilor Tripp - Section 7 of the Council Rules states the posted agenda shall state the order of business. The purpose of this special meeting is to take action on the (8) petitions deemed sufficient by legal counsel on July 1, 2015 and set a date for a special election if required. He doesn't see a point where Council should be making motions on another agenda item.

Chairman Cardon stated we are taking action on the agenda item.

Councilor Fischer stated that at the meeting on July 7<sup>th</sup> the Chair asked if there were any questions on the correspondence from the attorney. He wants the opportunity to ask the questions he sent to the Chair for counsel. His questions are relevant in regards to municipal government. He has not spoken to the attorney and would like the opportunity to do so.

Councilor Katsakiores stated she is still concerned after the money is spent why are we questioning?

Councilor Bourdon stated he feels that the Chair consider scheduling the special election this evening?

Councilor Bourdon moved to amend the mention.

Councilor Osborne stated there were councilors at the last meeting that said they had questions of the attorney.

Councilor Bourdon asked if there were any councilors interested in changing the debate.

*Move schedule a special election for Saturday, September 12, 2015.*

*Councilor Katsakiores questioned the availability of the Town Clerk.*

**Move to schedule a special election September 1, 2015, seconded by Councilor Katsakiores**

**Vote: 3-4-0 (Councilors Fischer, Osborne, Dimmock, & Cardon) failed**

**Original Motion:**

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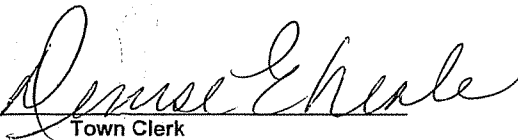
**Motion by Chairman Cardon, seconded by Councilor Fischer**

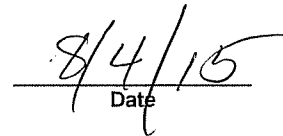
**Vote: 4-3-0 (Councilors Tripp, Katsakiores, Bourdon)**

**Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Fischer, seconded by Chairman Cardon**

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**Adjournment 6:20 p.m.**

  
Town Clerk

  
Date

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