Called to Order
The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. at the Montague Town Hall, as part of a joint meeting with representatives from DESE and local legislators, Gill Selectboard and Finance Committee, Montague Selectboard and Finance Committee, and GMR School Committee.

Present
Ann Banash, Nancy Griswold, and John Ward, Selectboard members; Ray Purinton, Administrative Assistant

Others Present
Assorted members of the various boards and committees, press and general public.

The stated goal of the joint meeting was to develop a process that will achieve long-term financial stability for the Gill Montague Regional School District. It was also suggested that educational stability should be part of that goal.

There was a lengthy roundtable discussion concerning issues of sustainability, and adequacy and equity in terms of educational spending.

It was decided to form two groups: a technical/study group and an oversight group. The technical group will identify issues and/or changes relating to educational and financial stability that should be “on the table for consideration”, and will research those scenarios. The oversight group will act to oversee the process of achieving the goal of educational and financial stability. Ann volunteered to represent the Gill Selectboard on the oversight group.

Nancy left the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

There was no discussion or deliberation by the Selectboard as an elected body, and no votes were taken.

Adjourned
The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by John Ward

John R. Ward, Selectboard Clerk