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6:30 Chairman Smith opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

6:31 Pledge of Allegiance

6:32 Chairman recognized State Committee Woman Danielle Fish who spoke about State Meeting coming up in Milford February 5th, 6th (flyer included in materials). Danielle also mentioned our 16 seat pick up in the State Legislature.

6:45 Chairman recognized State Representative Jay Barrows who mentioned the town meeting last night and the TIF for Horizon Beverages. He also mentioned that he was now part of the special committee that is investigating the probation scandal. He then brought up the fact that we had three Republicans now representing Norton with the election of Steve Howitt.

7:15 Vote on approving the minutes form last meeting, voted yes unanimously.

7:19 Vote on Removing James Perry from Board of Registrars Position, voted yes unanimously.

7:24 Vote on nominating Dottie Freeman to the Board of Registrars Position, voted yes unanimously.

7:27 Discussion of Vacant Secretary Position, still no nominees came forward so no vote was held

7:30 Discussion of new MASSGOP elections and fallout from those elections

The Chair started off the conversation by saying...

- The NRTC is a sovereign body as all RTC's are. that does not take marching orders from anyone
- Who the current Chairperson of MASSGOP is, is really irrelevant because it does not have a real effect on us.
- If we like a particular candidate we can back him or her. If we do not we don't have to. We don't have to do everything that everyone else does.

Horace Mello said

- He didn't like the way the McCarthy people were treated during the State Committee Meeting
- He echoed my sentiments about the MASSGOP takes its base for granted and wants to attract the liberal and moderate voters to the point that they alienate conservatives voters but still demand conservatives vote for them in the end.
- He then went on to say they always take credit for victory but seldom take responsibility for defeat and usually end up blaming someone else.

Ray Issler and Pam Kulibaba said

- They are sick and tired of hearing "where else you gonna go??"
- We all agreed if MASSGOP does not learn it's lessons soon they will find themselves in the wilderness, not us

Janine Izzo said

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- Did not like the Bay Windows interview or the pro-gay stance taken afterwards.
- did not like that Jen Nassour took credit for the State Legislature races that she did not fund, but would not take blame for the Governor seat loss and the Congressional seats loss.
- The RNC is supposed to fund Congressional seats. MASSGOP gave them a ton of money that they could have used on closer races in the State legislature
- Thinks MASSGOP takes us for granted just wants to win elections and then have us "shut up"
- Thinks they are elitist snobs that don't care about us
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Mike Mayer said

- Thinks MASSGOP take us for granted.
- Thinks there's no difference between MASSGOP and Dems on most issues that do not relate to money

In Closing we all thought there has to be changes made in the way MASSGOP does business. In the meantime we will just be doing our own things our own way. The majority of us think Scott Brown does not deserve to be re-elected because of the way he voted on the START treaty and other bills. He has wronged us for the last time...

Most of the committee agrees with me also that MASSGOP's push for Mitt Romney for President will only hurt our chances because no one will support him because he's not one of us and it will force a third party candidate which will hand the election back to President Obama.

8:00 The Chair recognized State Representative Steve Howitt to speak. He spoke about the successful campaign. He thanked all of us for the help and said he could not have won without winning such a large margin in Norton's District 1. He then stated he was in Office 237 in the State House. He then talked about a bill he introduced to remove the benefit from retired MBTA employees from riding the MBTA train, bus and subway for free in order to save money and he handed out a flyer regarding the circuit breaker bill that would allow people that are over 65 and make less than 51,000 a year to save money on their taxes. (Included in materials)

The Chair then adjourned the meeting at 8:20.