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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes – September 8, 2022

Pursuant to a notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held in person at 80 Church Street (Town Hall) on Thursday September 8, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

Board of Selectmen Members Present: Michelle Francesconi, Chair
Jason Levesque
Ray Killeen
Ron DeAngelis

Board of Selectmen Members Absent: Shawn McGrath, Vice Chair

Others Present: Jennifer Morse, Town Administrator

Michelle Francesconi called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 p.m.

Special Town Meeting Warrant- The Town Administrator shared that the excess levy capacity (difference between the actual tax levy and the communities maximum allowable levy) is $229,071.23. A tentative date of Monday September 26, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. as been set for a Special Town Meeting which will be held in the cafeteria. Discussion on raising and appropriating $200,000 of the excess capacity for projects including heat at the Fire Station, heat in the cafeteria at the school, additional hours for project management by the Facilities Manager, and stabilization funding. There was discussion about the heating system and the need for further research prior to funding hence the funding to the stabilization account.

The Town Administrator reviewed the following articles with the board and the warrant will be approved by their signatures.
Article 1: Raise and Appropriate $25,000 to fund the Special Repairs Town Building Account for the purpose of repairing the heating system in the cafeteria at the school.
Article 2: Raise and Appropriate $70,000 to fund the Special Repairs Town Building Account for the purpose of repairing the heating system at the Fire Station.
Article 3: Raise and Appropriate $13,203 to fund additional hours for the Facilities Manager position bringing the position to 35 hours per week
Article 4: Raise and Appropriate $92,000 to fund the Stabilization fund for the purpose of building repairs at the Cheshire Elementary School.

Announcements by Board Members
M. Francesconi shared the status of Adams Ambulance after a meeting last night with the organization, the communities of Adams and Savoy and Representative Barrett. The ambulance is struggling and will be coming

to the town for financial support in the next fiscal year. They will be increasing their fund drive, putting a budget into place, and doing community outreach in the coming months.

Adjournment: *A motion was made by M. Francesconi and seconded by J. Levesque to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.*
Roll Call Vote: R. DeAngelis – Yes, R. Killeen- Yes, J. Levesque – Yes, M. Francesconi- Yes
Motion Carries: 4-0

Respectfully Submitted.
Jennifer Morse
September 19, 2022

Approved: October 4, 2022