

TOWN OF NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for Meeting of
March 20, 2023 6:30 pm
Regular Business Meeting
Municipal Building, 15 Sunapee Street, Newport, NH 03773
Remote Access:
Zoom.com - Meeting ID: 829 5291 9637 Passcode: 900805
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SELECTMEN PRESENT: Jeffrey Kessler, Chairman; Barry Connell, Vice Chairman Keith Sayer, Herbert Tellor, Jr.; James Burroughs

SELECTMEN ABSENT: none

STAFF PRESENT: Hunter F. Rieseberg, Town Manager; Paul Brown, Finance Director

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT: Wayne Boardman, Mary Boardman, Tobin Menard, Bert Spaulding, Sr.; Ed Karr, Jeff North, Reginald Dodge, Jr.; Audrey Zullo, Roseann Gentes, Myrtle McCullagh, Danielle McNeel, Sam McNeel, Gina Bruton, Rodney Ward, Mary Jane Cross, Marc Cross, Barbara Fortune, Tim Beard, Steve Morris, Doug Ring, Alex Lee, Police Chief; Jacqueline Cote, Larry Cote, Theresa Sherman, Dean Stetson, David Lantz, Virginia Irwin, Josh Stevens, Allyssa Stevens, Joe Osgood, representative Full Circle Farm; *Via Zoom:* Larry DeCristofaro, Jr.

GUEST SPEAKERS: Michael Curry, Wright-Pierre Environmental Engineering Firm; Frank Getchell, Weston and Sampson

NCTV: NCTV

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Kessler called the meeting of the BOS to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance (For full meeting go to: www.nctv-nh.org)

AGENDA REVIEW:

1. MOVE Informational: Main Street Striping Plan to after Consent Agenda (by Kessler)

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Chairman Kessler read aloud the Public Notice for the three Public Hearings:

The Town of Newport will hold public Hearings on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Selectman meeting room, 15 Sunapee Street, Newport, NH to address the following issues coming before the Town at the Annual Town Meeting:

1. The issuance of \$9,999,000 in bonds under RSA 33:8-a for costs related to the design and construction of upgrades to the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
2. The issuance of \$572,800 in bonds under RSA 33:8-a for costs related to the design and construction of a new water well in North Newport and its connection to the existing system.
3. The 2023-2024 budget in accordance with NH RSA 32.

Public Hearing One:

Chairman Kessler opened Public Hearing One. A 60% approval vote is needed at Town Meeting. He gave a general overview of the bond issuance for design and construction of upgrades to the WWTP as well as the pros and cons of doing it. The Town is currently under an Administrative Order to come into compliance. The project cost is \$28,000,000. Total grants for the project are \$14,800,000. Amount users will need to pay back is \$13,200,000. Mr. Michael Curry spoke to the public via zoom and gave an overview of the upgrades to the WWTP, the process the Town has been undergoing to comply with the order. Questions:

How was firm chosen? Did the Town have a list of contractors they use?

Towns' numbers septic versus sewer were questioned.

It was stated that the Town did not have a choice. The users are going to pay for the bond. The BOS was asked about the company under contract. Town Manager Rieseberg stated that Mr. Curry was one of the

design engineers (and for permitting). The figures were from their estimates of construction. The construction will be bid out later. How long until completion? Completion is scheduled December 2026. The Board and public discussed “good faith efforts” and final project costs. The public was told grant money and interest rates will remain the same until Town meeting.

The BOS was told that the problem was greater than the users. It affected the entire Town. The whole Town should pay for the upgrades (as they did the fire, police, schools). It is not “the way it works” we are all in it together; by having only the users pay, the BOS is dividing us (townspeople). The BOS was asked what the method would be to change the way we (Town) fund water and sewer. It is a credible burden on the users. They were asked what would be the process to make the sewer treatment plant a Town wide expense. Chairman Kessler said it would take a Warrant Article at Town meeting. It couldn’t be done in 2023, the BOS could put a Warrant Article (people could put a petition article) into making the WWTP a public entity in which all taxpayers would share.

There was additional discussion on the taxes on various projects, past discussions and votes to go town wide with sewer infrastructure bills as well as land spreading and looking to designs for future regulations, reuse of waste, use of lagoons and fees for engineers and contractors. The public in attendance asked to move on. The Board was told they hoped they got the message from the people; take a good look at the other things in the budget and how it will affect the community. There being no further comments or questions from the public in attendance; Chairman Kessler closed Public Hearing One at 8:11 PM.

Chairman Kessler opened Public Hearing Two A 60% approval vote is needed at Town Meeting.

The issuance of \$572,800 in bonds under RSA 33:8-a for costs related to the design and construction of a new water well in North Newport and its connection to the existing system.

Chairman Kessler gave an overview of the North Newport Well, the effects and oversight of NHDES. Frank Getchell spoke via zoom and explained the process of having a new well installed for the use of municipal water. The public was told it is a \$3,500,000 project. It is for water security. Users will be responsible for the bond; but the payments are already included in their bills. There was discussion on the rate of water withdrawal, the water table and the aquifer being affected. Mr. Getchell said that the NHDES will not allow a well to go online that will exceed the amount of water available. In discussion, the public was told the water filtration will be done in the ground in North Newport. The water is so pristine that only disinfection (chlorination) is anticipated at this time. The public had a general discussion on the proposed municipal well as well as other CIP items. Finance Director Brown spoke to the North Newport Well finances: The Town is asking for a \$572,800 bond. Grants total \$2,837,200. The 20 year Bond rate interest is 3.17%. The annual principal will be \$28,640. Interest payments start at \$18,158 and decrease over the twenty years. There being no further comments or questions from the public or Board in attendance; Chairman Kessler closed Public Hearing Two at 8:38 PM.

Chairman Kessler opened Public Hearing Three.

Finance Director gave an overview of the proposed 2023-2024 Budget totaling \$38,001,633 and the Default Budget totaling \$10,281,394. When asked, Finance Director Brown stated that he had passed out a sheet listing all money warrant articles. Questions from the public:

What was the Patriotic Purposes line item for? Flags and memorials; events on the holidays.

War service credits: tax credits to war veterans and disabled veterans.

Recreation Department increase: Salary surveys, insurance increases

Public Works Department increase: salary and benefits.

Itemization of benefits in various departments: No.

Take home vehicles: Personnel with vehicles are the police chief, fire chief and public works director.

There were questions and explanations on money from the increased taxes. There being no further comments or questions from the public or Board in attendance; Chairman Kessler closed Public Hearing Three at 8:58 PM.

Chairman Kessler stated he had a request to move Main Street Striping Plan Update to before Open Forum. On a roll call the Selectmen concurred to move the agenda item to before Open Forum.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S): March 6, 2023; NPS March 6, 2023
March 6, 2023

On a motion by Selectman Tellor, seconded by Selectman Burroughs; ***the Board voted to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2023 BOS meeting as presented. The motion passed 4-0-1 (Connell abstained).***

CONSENT AGENDA:

On a motion by Selectman Connell, seconded by Selectman Burroughs; ***the Board voted by roll call to approve the Consent Agenda of the March 6, 2023 BOS meeting as presented. The motion passed 5-0-0.***

Thirty four residents of Newport attended the March 20, 2023 BOS meeting. Many voiced concerns on problems occurring in Town; others came to support the speakers and to ask questions of their own.

Synopses of their statements are listed in the minutes. (For full meeting go to: www.nctv-nh.org)

Main Street Striping Plan Update

Town Manager Rieseberg stated they were in contact with the state concerning optimizing parking in the downtown area while maintaining safety and being in compliance with the MUTCD construction standards. The Town does not have a final set of options yet (expect it in the next few weeks). When Town Manager Rieseberg gets something from the state he will send it out.

Mr. Dodge said that he has heard of removing a majority of the parking spaces. The majority of the Main Street businesses are services. If the Town removed the parking spaces there will be no place to park. Mr. Dodge listed stores on Main Street that are now out of business. He listed current service businesses that needed parking spots for their livelihood. Without parking spaces the BOS would lose them; people will not use them. People won't come to Newport, they won't stop and they won't use them. The BOS wants to take away from the people in town; from the services we need. Mrs. Irwin said that she listened to the selectmen's meeting of March 6th. There were discrepancies in the information given by the state DOT representative Mr. Grandmaison and others at the meeting. Mr. Grandmaison gave the impression that the state did not require the (crosswalk) signs; someone had asked for them. She wanted to know (will submit a 91-A request if needed) how many people have been hit crossing Main Street, how many fatalities and how many people have had their cars hit while backing out within the last 10 years. Mr. Spaulding, Sr. read aloud a note to the BOS explaining the disservice of the proposed parking striping. Mr. Jeff North addressed the BOS and stated what the loss of spaces in downtown Newport meant. He presented information from his own research into what surrounding towns have done to save their Main Streets. He then expressed his and all business owners concerns and frustration in not being included in the proposed decision to change the striping on Main Street. Mr. North said that once the businesses go due to insufficient parking, they don't come back. If customers can't park, they go somewhere else. Mr. North passed out packets to the Board with information including pictures of municipal main streets in Hanover, Lebanon, New London, Claremont and Sunapee. They showed no MUTCD parking, but did show ways to support the livelihood of the businesses in their towns via on-street parking. Mr. North listed the 25 important businesses in the Opera House Historic District that would be negatively impacted by the proposed striping including the iconic MJ Harrington's and the Opera House. Mr. North spoke further on the rushed decision on line striping, the current and future impact of the proposed striping in the Opera House Historic District, and the importance of the business people on Main Street (he listed past and current business philanthropists). He concluded, asking the BOS to reconsider the proposed line striping on the Main Street of Newport.

Town Manager Rieseberg said the state was asked to produce new drawings and look at 3-4 different options for restriping (and not compromise safety). It will be days before the Town has the numbers settled

Doug Ring stated the hazards he has seen in travels down Main Street; it was not its parking. Darrell Jones stated he worked the EMS years ago. They never had a call to pick up a hit pedestrian on Main Street. Tim Beard said the BOS makes a lot of decisions; it doesn't seem as though they think of the impact of everybody. Speaking of the room full of people, he stated that those in attendance were the people; residents and constituents the BOS (should) represent. Jackie Cote made a statement that she was

asked as a member of the Heritage Commission to meet with Todd Cartier, PWD; and the NHDOT people in reference to putting in handicap ramps. She said it was not up to her or anyone else; it was up to the Town whether they lose parking spaces. She wanted to clarify that the Historical Society had nothing to do with her participation. After a statement by Chairman Kessler; Mr. North stated the information known in Town was that one person in the Town administration asked one person (Mrs. Cote) to go to the meeting, not a group. He stated that an overturned motion and vote by the Board would be a positive thing for the Town. Mr. Spaulding, Sr. gave his opinion that issues that come before the Board by Town Manager Rieseberg always seem to be decided beforehand (the meeting); there aren't many questions from the BOS. Town Manager Rieseberg stated he was in contact with the state. He will have a more agreeable plan to present in the future. When questioned, Chairman Kessler stated the Board had voted to reconsider. Selectman Connell addressed Mr. North and said he gave a wonderful presentation. The BOS needed more time, needed to step back (from the original decision) and give it more thought. Selectman Connell made a motion ***to table the last vote (of March 6, 2023) for reconsideration until more information can be obtained from the State of NH for their actual presentation on what exactly they will do.***

Mr. Karr addressed the Board and stated they were not listening to the people anymore. Board members are going to listen to the state again. He said the room full of people didn't want the (state) striping. The BOS didn't listen to the people they represent. Selectman Burroughs said that with the facts and input from the meeting (March 20) when the state comes, the Board can say no to their proposal.

Mr. North asked that instead of only the five man BOS making the decision, that a committee be formed to discuss as a town and community the pros and cons of striping options on Main Street. He had been emailed the proposed plans of Main Street. It was after the fact, stand-alone information. Rodd Ward gave his opinion of the loss of parking spaces on Main Street. Larry Cote informed the public in attendance that he did not participate in the meeting on February 2nd. His understanding was that the reason for the meeting was a handicap crosswalk and would reduce parking spaces. The meeting had nothing to do with striping. The state did approve bringing state approved crossing signs. His input was after the meeting to give the state officials historical information about Main Street. He had the information at the society's museum. Mr. Cote reiterated that no decisions were made at the February 2, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. ***The motion passed 4-0-1 (Tellor abstained).***

Mr. North stated the Newport Chamber of Commerce had written a letter. He asked that it be read aloud at the meeting and entered into the record. Chairman Kessler complied, reading aloud the Chamber's letter which informed the Board of Selectmen how installing MUTCD striping will harm the businesses along Main Street. They were glad the BOS is rethinking the proposed striping project and looked forward to the April 3rd meeting when more information will be provided regarding changes to the original proposal (see attached letter).

Selectman Tellor informed Chairman Kessler that he had missed the NPS minutes of March 6, 2023. NPS March 6, 2023

On a motion by Selectman Burroughs, seconded by Selectman Tellor; ***the Board voted to approve the NPS minutes of the March 6, 2023 BOS meeting as presented. The motion passed 5-0-0.***

Myrtle Mccullagh (Universal Physical Therapy) spoke to the Board against the proposed striping and how much each parking space lost would monetarily affect them as a business.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Reginald Dodge, Jr. listed grievances from several meetings that the Town and BOS have not helped resolve. Two in particular were: the diesel smoke and dust from trucks passing his home with uncovered loads. Mr. Spaulding, Sr. told Mr. Dodge if the speed limit was above 35 mph all trucks would legally have to cover their loads. Mr. Dodge also reminded Town Manager Rieseberg of his complaints on blasting at Bald Mountain. Town Manager Rieseberg had said there was nothing he could legally do. Town Manager Rieseberg had been invited and visited his home one afternoon; there was no sound of blasting. He asked if Town Manager Rieseberg or someone had made a phone call before the visit to his home. Selectman Sayer said that many places will install a seismometer to register the strength of

blasting in an area. He suggested Mr. Dodge inquire about having one installed at his home. Mr. Dodge thanked Selectman Sayer for the information.

Mr. Wayne Boardman stated trees have been damaged that at the Pine Street Cemetery from a recent storm. Town Manager Rieseberg informed the Board and public of grants that have been granted to Newport.

Mrs. Allyssa Stevens and Mr. Josh Stevens listed grievances from several meetings (old and new) that the Town and BOS have not resolved. Road Ban Waiver: whether or not it was acceptable to proceed with “business as usual” or whether only vehicles registered to KA Stevens are allowed to go into their pit. Two other waivers given to Newport businesses stated that the company vehicles and customers’ vehicles were allowed into their pit and quarry roads. It has been questioned as to whether (through the wording on their waiver) it is acceptable for that to happen with KA Stevens.

Chairman Kessler asked why they were at the BOS meeting about waivers. He was told again; because they (Stevens) were questioned whether or not they could continue to do business. Did the Town waiver covered customers’ trucks that went in and out of their facilities as well as their own?

Chairman Kessler said all three companies with waivers should be operating the same way. He gave an explanation of his understanding of the waivers. Selectman Burroughs said that his understanding was that the waivers were for the conduction of business. Trucks from both the company and their customers should be covered on the waivers. After discussion, Selectman Burroughs made a motion ***to amend the waivers to state for them to conduct business***. It was seconded by Selectman Teller.

Mr. Spaulding, Sr. read aloud a RSA concerning a Town impacting a local business. The RSA protects the business from the town. The three waivers sent to the companies were incomplete. The Town has to correct the wrong. Otherwise the “certified letter” stated in the RSA is by Mr. Stevens being in attendance at the meeting.

Town Manager Rieseberg said he stated what might come up was that Josh was making KA Stevens or whoever solely responsible for traffic. It saddles them with a lot of responsibility. In his experience, waivers have only covered the owner of the pit. The alternative is to not post the three roads or enforce it at all (He stated that he has had the town attorney look at the waivers). There was a discussion on what the waiver provided and its coverage.

The Stevens said Town Manager (Rieseberg) had questioned it (waiver) being for business and customers. The town manager denied it. The Stevens emphatically stated he did. Town Manager Rieseberg stated he didn’t know what they were talking about.

Mr. Stevens said he asked about the waivers in an email to the public works director. Mrs. Stevens read aloud the Stevens email about the road ban waivers and response from Public Works Director Todd Cartier: “I am hoping to have an answer to you soon”. Town Manager Rieseberg explained about 91-A requests and to the lack of response by the Town.

Mr. Stevens stated that the email was to Todd Cartier about the waiver. He had insisted on a 91-A request. Mr. Stevens asked how much more they needed to take as a business. They are sick of coming in for this. ***The motion passed 5-0-0.***

Mrs. Stevens addressed Selectman Connell and stated he had told them (gave date) the Town was putting policies and procedures in place and training for Town employees to ensure what had happened to the Stevens would never happen to another business in this Town. Selectman Connell told her he believed it has started.

Mrs. Stevens replied that it has been 4 ½ months. Nothing has changed.

Mrs. Stevens stated specific things needed to be done: a letter from the Town of Newport on Town letterhead needs to be written to Charles R. Willeke informing him that Todd Cartier gave false information about KA Stevens & Sons (If anyone else did that there would be criminal charges brought against him). A letter of apology is to be sent from Todd Cartier to KA Stevens & Sons.

Allyssa repeated the two things which needed to happen:

- 1) A letter be written by the Board of Selectmen, on Town letterhead, is to be sent to (C.R. Willeke, PE Municipal Highways Engineer, NHDOT) acknowledging the previous letter written by Town

employee, Todd Cartier, on behalf of the Town was written out of malicious intent and that the information in the letter was incorrect; there is no actual or factual basis for it.

- 2) A letter of apology written from Todd Cartier (personally) is to be sent to KA Stevens & Sons acknowledging his wrongdoing and the reason it was done to us.

Mrs. Stevens reiterated, the first one has to get done immediately. She will be following up with the state (again).

Mr. Spaulding, Sr. stated for emphasis that a lie by a town employee that has had this much damage has got to stop (it is grounds for dismissal).

Several residents in attendance spoke in support of the Stevens. They agreed with the two actions the Town/BOS has to take. They asked for the dismissal of the two Town employees. The BOS should go into NPS and fix the problem; when will the Board hear what is said by the residents and find it unacceptable. Mr. Spaulding, Sr. asked for the Public Works Directors salary. Town Manager Rieseberg said he would have to look it up, and then said about \$116,000; Chairman Kessler said about \$100,000.

Mrs. Stevens said there was an additional fact that needed to be set straight. At the previous meeting approving the waivers, Town Manager Rieseberg was asked if 'the' road had been fixed by the Stevens. Town Manager Rieseberg had said no; then backpedaled. Mrs. Stevens clarified for the BOS that 'that road' was paved at the beginning of October. They (Stevens) said they would pave and take care of it; they have. The BOS was reminded of the Stevens proposal in fall 2022. Chairman Kessler had stated he did not know why the Stevens were at the BOS with a proposal to pave and reconstruct the road. She asked him who the Stevens were asked to talk to. He asked about what. They reminded him about the road reconstruction proposal. Chairman Kessler couldn't remember. He was told that the minutes stated they should present it to the public works director. They had made an appointment; Todd Cartier did not show up. All correspondence was with the Highway Superintendent. Mr. Stevens said that they have built 1200 feet of road for the Town pro bono. Free. The BOS was asked if there were other companies that were building roads for the Town (free). Mrs. Stevens said she wanted to make clear that the Stevens were taking care and maintaining Coon Brook Road.

Mr. North said the Stevens actions are what he meant when he spoke about philanthropy. These philanthropic things the Stevens do for the Town of Newport, they do because it needs to be done. The Board is crushing the people; crushing their spirit until the people don't care. The Board could have told the people, they were right, that we own our town (they being the state, they don't own our town). It is unfair to those who give out of their own hearts. What the Stevens are saying are echoed by more and more people in Newport.

Ms. Fortune addressed the Board and asked if they could make a motion to follow through with Mrs. Stevens's request of a letter to the state. Chairman Kessler said that he would have to look at the letter that was written (the public in attendance had copies for him to read). Selectman Burroughs said that the BOS needed to correct anything in the letter that was not correct. The Board can't change the past; they can change what happens moving forward. If it means sending the letter (to the state), we send the letter. Mr. Spaulding, Sr. agreed they needed to undo the wrong.

Town Manager Rieseberg: addressed the BOS; they had to be careful with any decisions they made. There was a long discussion by the residents and BOS. There was further discussion on the Stevens, their work with the Town, the Public Works Director and RSA 91-A requests. Mr. Boardman asked if there would be a motion to send a letter to the state.

Chairman Kessler left the room before the motion and vote.

Selectman Burroughs asked that the BOS move the question.

Selectman Connell made a motion ***to send a letter to the state (C.R. Willeke) by the Board in regards to the action taken regarding the Stevens and their business and an apology letter to the Stevens.*** It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. ***The motion passed 3-0-1 (Teller abstained; Kessler did not vote).***

Mr. Beard addressed the Board and asked that the Full Circle Farm action item be moved up. The Board granted this request.

ACTION ITEM:

Request to Receive Non-Profit Rental Rate of Opera House on May 6, 2023-Full Circle Farm Therapeutic Horsemanship Event (Non-Profit Rate=\$150.00/day)

Selectman Tellor made a motion *to grant a Non-Profit Rental Rate (\$150.00/day) for the use of the Newport Opera House on May 6, 2023 for a Full Circle Farm Therapeutic Horsemanship Event*. It was seconded by Selectman Connell. In discussion, the BOS confirmed they (Full Circle Farm) would also pay for janitorial services. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

COMMUNICATIONS: none

INFORMATIONAL:

Community Center Update: Tabled to the April 3, 2023 BOS meeting.

NHDOT Bridge Funding Opportunity (Greenwood Road, Paradise Road)

Chairman Kessler stated that the BOS had to decide which bridge (Greenwood Road, Paradise Road) they would like to have redone. They are the only bridges that are closed in Newport. Town Manager Rieseberg said that the state was not asking the BOS decision. The Town was asking for their approval to have Greenwood Road Bridge redone. After a brief discussion on the bridge money to be used, the Board concurred to have Greenwood Road Bridge redone.

Community Power Coop- Explanation of the program tabled to the April 3, 2023 meeting.

Apple Pie Craft Fair Booth (Town)

The Selectboard agreed to have a Town booth at the Craft Fair. The Library Arts Center would be contacted.

ACTION ITEM:

Town Office Windows

We have applied for and received a \$250,000 grant to work on this building to replace all 97 windows in the building and install air conditioning. There is a 20% match proposed. The Town has allocated the funds. In the two years since acquiring the grant, the cost is now \$300,000. Town Manager Rieseberg explained the process he has gone through to get a notice to proceed. The caveat to that was; the Town had to get approval from State Historic Preservation Organization (SHPO); which is a federal grant granted upon approval of the NH State Historic Preservation Organization. They cannot stop the project, but they could put requirements on the grant. They have asked for the local Heritage Commission input. The Town has asked the one member to write a letter to SHPO. There was discussion among the Board members concerning moving forward. Selectman Burroughs said that the Heritage Commission now has four members. The Heritage Commission will meet on March 27, 2023 and will discuss the windows. Selectman Burroughs asked for information and diagrams to bring to the Heritage Commission. Selectman Burroughs made a motion *that we move forward and any changes that come out of the Heritage Commission can be addressed at that time*. But at least get this project moving forward. There was a brief discussion. Selectman Burroughs *made a motion that we proceed*. It was seconded by Barry Connell. There was no discussion. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Budget Overview and/or Draft Warrant Articles

The Selectboard read aloud, reviewed, and then recommended or included each warrant article for the Town of Newport Town Warrant 2023 Annual Meeting ballot as presented. Chairman Kessler read aloud Articles 1-4. The Selectboard then voted on the rest:

Article 5: Selectman Connell made a motion *to recommend Article 5*. It was seconded by Selectman Tellor. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 6: Selectman Burroughs made a motion *to recommend Article 6*. It was seconded by Selectman Connell. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 7: Selectman Burroughs made a motion *to recommend Article 7*. It was seconded by Selectman Tellor. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 8: Selectman Connell made a motion *to recommend Article 8*. It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 9: Selectman Connell made a motion *to recommend Article 9*. It was seconded by Selectman Sayer. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 10: Selectman Connell made a motion *to recommend Article 10*. It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 11: Selectman Tellor made a motion *to recommend Article 11*. It was seconded by Selectman Connell. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 12: Selectman Burroughs made a motion to include *to recommend Article 12*. It was seconded by Selectman Tellor. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 13: Selectman Tellor made a motion *to recommend Article 13*. It was seconded by Selectman Sayer. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 14: Selectman Connell made a motion *to include Article 14 on the Warrant*. It was seconded by Selectman Tellor. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 15: Selectman Connell made a motion *to include Article 15*. It was seconded by Selectman Tellor. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 16: Selectman Connell made a motion *to include Article 16*. It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 17: Selectman Tellor made a motion *to include Article 17*. It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. *The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Article 18: Selectman Connell made a motion *to include Article 18*. It was seconded by Selectman Tellor. *The motion passed 5-0-0. It will be discussed at the April 3, 2023 BOS meeting.*

Article 19: Selectman Connell made a motion *to recommend Article 19*. It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. *The motion passed 4-1-0 (Tellor no).*

Article 20: Selectman Connell made a motion *to recommend Article 20*. It was seconded by Selectman Burroughs. *The motion passed 4-1-0 (Tellor no).*

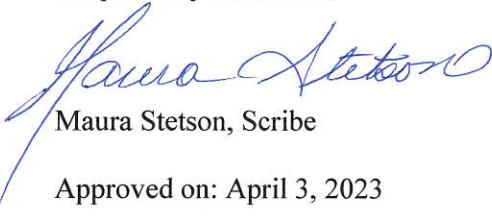
Article 21: There was no recommendation from the Board.

Article 24: Was read aloud.

Finance Director Brown stated he added the word "will" to Articles 20 and 21. In Articles 5 & 6 there were errors that needed to be fixed. They would be done before the April 4th Deliberative Session. Other proofing errors have been made.

On a motion by Selectman Tellor, seconded by Selectman Burroughs; *the Board voted to adjourn at 12:29 AM. The motion passed 5-0-0.*

Respectfully submitted,



Maura Stetson, Scribe

Approved on: April 3, 2023

The next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **April 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.**