

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN OFFICES EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM NON-PUBLIC SESSION 233 ATLANTIC AVENUE 6:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

> NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL REGULAR SESSION 231 ATLANTIC AVENUE 7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

IF YOU HAVE A COMMENT, OPINION OR QUESTION DURING ONE OF THESE PORTIONS OF THE MEETING PLEASE DIAL IN TO 603-758-1447 OR EMAIL DIRECTLY TO <u>JMAGGIORE@NORTHHAMPTON-NH.GOV</u> AND YOUR EMAIL WILL BE READ ALOUD DURING THE MEETING.

- 1. 6:30 O'CLOCK P.M. Call to Order by the Chair
- 2. 6:31 O'CLOCK P.M. Non-Public Session Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a)
- 3. Return to Public Session and Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. First Public Comment Session

Public Comment is an opportunity for residents to ask questions, request information and make comments on issues facing the Town. Individuals will be given not more than three (3) minutes to speak, and people who have already spoken will be asked to wait until everyone has had the chance to speak once. The total time devoted to this agenda item is fifteen (15) minutes. Individuals who are not able to speak during the First Public Comment Session will be given first opportunity to speak during the Second Public Comment Session at the end of the Meeting.

5. Consent Calendar

- 5.1 Payroll Manifest of January 27, 2022, in the amount of \$71,209.76
- 5.2 Payroll Manifest of February 3, 2022, in the amount of \$80,245.80
- 5.3 Payroll Manifest of February 10, 2022, in the amount of \$246,109.88
- 5.4 Accounts Payable Manifest of February 3, 2022 in the amount of \$214,627.12

6. Correspondence

7. Committee Update

- 7.1 Heritage Commission
- 7.2 Water Commission
- 7.3 Rails to Trails Committee
- 7.4 Budget Committee

8. Public Hearing

8.1 To Consider Acceptance of Unanticipated Revenue in the Amount of \$47,505.50 from the New Hampshire Governor's Office for Relief & Recovery (GOFFERR) to Purchase a 2022 Ford F250 4WD Pickup with Plow to replace Utility 1 in the Fire Department

9. Report of the Town Administrator

10. Items Left on the Table

11. New Business

- 11.1 Request to Use the North Hampton Bandstand
- 11.2 Presentation by Noah Robie and Julien Icher Regarding Lafayette Trail Marker
- 11.3 Inflation Cost Recovery Related to Trash and Recycling Collection Operations
- 11.4 Discussion of Fire/Police Complex Municipal Bond

12. Minutes of Prior Meetings

- 12.1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes January 18, 2022
- 12.2 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2022
- 12.3 Approval of Non-Public Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2022

13. Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board

The Board reserves the right to take action on any item relative to the prudential administration of the Town's affairs, which circumstances may require.

14. Second Public Comment Session

See Item 4, above

15. Adjournment

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TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE of the TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

CONSENT CALENDAR

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR MICHAEL TULLY

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CONSENT CALENDAR

TO:

SELECT BOARD

FROM:

MICHAEL TULLY, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: CONSENT CALENDAR FOR SELECT BOARD MEETING 02/14/2022

DATE:

02/11/2022

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COMMITTEE UPDATES

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TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE of the TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

PUBLIC HEARING

Jim Maggiore, Chair James Sununu, Vice Chair Jonathan Pinette



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TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE THE SELECT BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Select Board will conduct a public hearing pursuant to RSA Chapter 31:95-b:

WHEN: February 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.;

WHERE: North Hampton Town Hall

231 Atlantic Avenue

North Hampton, New Hampshire 03862;

PURPOSE: To consider the unanticipated revenue in the amount of \$47,505.50 from the NH Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery (GOFERR) to purchase a 2022 Ford F250 4WD pickup with plow, replacement for Utility 1.

Janet Facella

From:

Mark Cook

Sent:

Thursday, February 10, 2022 1:49 PM

To:

Janet Facella

Subject:

GOFERR info.

Hi Jan,

The grant is from the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery, locality equipment matching program.

Award is 47,505.60 with Town 5% match of 5,278.40, for replacement of Utility 1 with a 2022 Ford F250 4WD pickup with plow, and all associated equipment (lights/radio etc.)

Anything else just ask! Thanks

Mark A. Cook Deputy Chief North Hampton Fire & Rescue 235 Atlantic Ave. North Hampton, NH 03862 603-964-5500



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Order Receipt

Seacoast Media Group

P.O. Box 223592 Pittsburgh, PA 15251-2592

Phone: 866-470-7133 Option #3

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON OFFICE OF SELECTMEN 233 ATLANTIC AVENUE NO HAMPTON, NH 03862 Acct #:

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Date:

01/19/2022

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S3043016 Portsmouth Herald	01/21/2022	01/21/2022	1	102.93	102.93
S3043762 SMG Digital Internet	01/21/2022	01/21/2022	1	30.00	30.00

Ad Text:

Payment Reference:

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE THE SELECT BOARD

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Total: 132.93
Tax: 0.00
Net: 132.93
Prepaid: 0.00
Total Due 132.93

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REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Michael J. Tully Town Administrator

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FEBRUARY 14, 2022 SELECT BOARD MEETING

REPORTING PERIOD

The reporting period is from January 25, 2022 through February 11, 2022

Finance

Financially we are in good shape with 39% of the budget remaining with 20 weeks remaining in the fiscal year.

Police

The Police Department as well as the Fire Department have been experiencing several issues related to internet and phone. We have had First Light, PCG, Comcast and MD Com involved in attempting to straighten out the issues.

Fire

The FD will speak at the scheduled public hearing to discuss acceptance of a grant for the purchase of a utility truck and plow used to respond to emergency calls in addition to plowing the Town complex and hydrants. This grant will allow the department to replace the current utility vehicle and save the funds associated with its future purchase in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. The total cost outlay for the Town will be approximately \$5000.00 to replace this vital piece of equipment.

Facilities

Town Hall. Nothing new to report. I met with Mr. Schnitzler on the work requested by the Heritage Commission. He does not have an interest in completing the work, though, he is working on a contact that may assist us with the fire doors. He stated the basement sheetrock is a very difficult and time consuming job which will require electricians and plumbers to reroute wires and piping. We will also look into a type of drop ceiling and whether that would provide fire protection. This option will take away headroom in the already tight space.

The Library. The former Library has been winterized and the water meter removed. We had to cut the pavement in the parking lot entrance as the water shut off valve was paved over during construction of the new Library. The Police and Fire departments will be utilizing the building for training in the spring and summer. This will be training that will not damage the structure.

Stone Building. Nothing new to report. I have spoken to a qualified contractor who will look at the chimney flashing and complete it in the spring, weather permitting

Town Office/Chevalier Building. There is an item on the agenda under new business to discuss the bond estimates for the new Fire and Police buildings. We were required to hire a contractor to remove large ice dams from the Town Office building as water was leaking inside the walls and into offices in the Police Department.

Recreation

Director Manzi has been working with Centennial Hall to finish up the MOU. They will present the document to the Board on February 28th. A senior luncheon will be held at the Rec on February 15th at 1130. Summer camp sign-ups are on-going.

Highway

Highway personnel have been busy with the recent active weather pattern. Even shorthanded they were able to keep up with the storms and our roads clean. Equipment is now repaired and ready for the next storm. Director Hubbard will present a letter from Waste Management during new business to discuss a request for a fee increase.

Projects

Route 151/111 Intersection. The intersection is now complete. NH DOT will return in the spring to top dress and seed the area.

Route 1 Culvert. We received more complaints regarding the culvert. District 6 was notified and was keeping an eye on the situation of flooded properties on North Road. They are aware of the issue, though, funding is not available to repair the culvert and there are many in the area that are in far worse shape. We will continue to push for the culvert to be added to the 10 year plan or to be replaced with the upcoming bridge project.

PFAS Investigation. We have had communication with NHDES and are awaiting a meeting to discuss some of the findings in the final report submitted by StoneHill.

Telephone System/Communications. MD Com, PCG, Chief Mone and I have been working to figure out the issues causing packet loss in our system. Next Wednesday Comcast will be replacing the line from the router throughout the buildings.

Cell Tower. Nothing new to report. Work continues in the search for a suitable location for a cell tower. I will brief the Board when the issue requires action on their part.

Walkway Project. Nothing new to report. The Architect and Builder for the new Fire /Police /Town Office buildings have requested that we delay all projects for a short time until a final design has been determined for the buildings. We are designing a complex for the next 50 years encompassing several buildings. Anything we do at this point before a final plan is chosen affects our available choices.

Coakley Landfill Group. I attended a Coakley meeting on January 18th. The group has decided to meet bi-monthly going forward with the next meeting in March. I will plan to attend.

Junkyard Closures and/or New Problems: Nothing new to report. We are seeing some improvement with vehicles pulling off of Route 1 for deliveries. The Police have visited dealerships in Town and have issued Summonses to violators.

Rails to Trails. NH DOT requested to reschedule their presentation scheduled for February 28th. They will be rescheduled for a March meeting.

Philbrick Pond. Construction has begun. The bulk of the work will be completed now with top dressing and seeding done in the spring.

Meeting Schedule: Our next regularly scheduled meeting is on February 28, 2022.

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TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE of the TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

NEW BUSINESS



Memorandum

To:

Town of North Hampton Select Board

From:

Tracy (Emerton) Williams and Linda (Cusack) Libbey

Town of North Hampton Residents

Cc:

Sue Brooks, Sara Eames, Kelly Eaton, Jill Josselyn, Donna (Lang) Farrar

Reunion Planning Committee Members

Date:

January 31, 2022

Subject:

Request of use for North Hampton Town Green and Bandstand

Dear North Hampton Select Board,

The Winnacunnet High School Class of 1981 is requesting the use of the North Hampton Town Green and Bandstand on September 25, 2022, to use as part of the celebration of our 40^{th+1} WHS High School Reunion.

At the start of our event planning, we wanted our reunion to incorporate the four towns that comprise the Winnacunnet community in some way. To that end we are all attending the Exeter v. WHS Football Game in Hampton on Saturday, September 24th and then attending an evening event in **Seabrook** at The Brook.

We'd like to request the use of the **North Hampton** Town Green and Bandstand from approximately **12**pm – 6pm on Sunday, September 25, 2022, to host a luncheon and music for the afternoon. When we reached out to Dolores Chase, she directed us to the town and let us know that our planned date seemed clear of other events.

We plan on scheduling food trucks from Applecrest in **Hampton Falls** (dessert and donuts) and a Hampton based restaurant (TBD). We are also seeking the services of a local band to play 1970s and 1980s music while we gather around in beach chairs.

We have been advised by members of the North Hampton town staff to notify the North Hampton Police Department in advance of the event and will do so AND we are prepared to apply for a "large gathering" permit if we come close to 200 people.

Please let us know if you'd like us to appear at a town board meeting to make our request in person, it would be our pleasure.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING TOWN FACILITIES USE

1. TOWN FACILITIES USES:

- 1.1. This policy shall include the following facilities:
 - 1.1.1. Town Hall
 - 1.1.2. Mary Herbert Room
 - 1.1.3. Heritage Room
 - 1.1.4.Bandstand
- 1.2. All Town facilities shall be used solely for the public business functions that they were intended.
- 1.3. Use of buildings for any other purpose requires prior approval by the Select Board. Application for public uses of Town buildings may be made at the Town Administrator's office on the applicable form.
- 1.4. Approval of applications for use will normally take place at a regularly scheduled Select Board meeting. The Select Board may authorize the Town Administrator to execute applications for use of Town facilities.
- 1.5. The use of Town facilities by any non-municipal group or organization for any activity or expression of any viewpoint does not constitute an endorsement of that activity of viewpoint by the Town.
- 1.6. The use of Town Facilities is limited to North Hampton residents, organizations, and Town employees. Under no circumstances will the facilities be rented to non-residents or out-of-town political/other organizations.
- 1.7. Any form of commercial/for profit activity is strictly prohibited.
- 1.8. The use of the facilities by the following for official business shall always take precedence over any other use:
 - 1.8.1. Regularly Scheduled or Special Elections
 - 1.8.2.Select Board

- 1.8.3.Other Town Boards, Committees, or Town sponsored organizations (including but not limited to the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Municipal Budget Committee, Conservation Commission, Bandstand concerts, Recreation Department activities)
- 1.9. All others are hereby advised that, in the event an immediate need for the space arises, non-governmental uses may be deferred with little or no notice. In general, such instances are most likely to occur during evening hours, Monday through Thursday, due to unanticipated numbers in attendance at regularly scheduled Board meetings.
- 1.10. Requests for use of the facilities during normal business hours shall be evaluated on a case by case basis to ensure that there is no disruption of or interference with Town services to the general public.
- 1.11. Under no circumstances will the facilities be booked for more than three (3) separate functions/activities on any given day. Nor will events be scheduled such that an overlap may occur. A minimum buffer of two hours shall be maintained between events for which set-up/clean-up will be necessary.
- 1.12. Under no circumstances will the Town's tables/chairs be rented or loaned for use outside the meeting Facilities for any purpose other than a Town sanctioned event.
- 1.13. Under no circumstances will non-grounded extension cords be permitted. Non-grounded extension cords are "two pronged" and are designed for residential use only and rated not exceed 5 amps.
- 1.14. All gatherings other than regularly scheduled meetings shall have the final approval of the Fire Chief or designee to assure the place assembly capacity is adhered to.

2. APPLICATION:

- 2.1. An "Application for Rental of Town Facilities" shall be completed and signed by the applicant, and the rental fee and security deposit (if applicable) paid before the Facilities may be used.
- 2.2. Signature on the application indicates acceptance of premises "as is," as well as responsibility for the condition of the premises after the activity is held.
- 2.3. Application for rental must be made at least two (2) weeks prior to use.
- 2.4.24-hour notice is requested for any cancellations.

2.5. Rental fees received shall be refunded in full in the event of a cancellation.

3. PAYMENTS:

3.1 Fees for use shall be as follows:

3.1.1. Residents \$75.00 + Security Deposit

3.1.2. Town Political/Private Organizations \$75.00 + Security Deposit

3.1.3. Use of Bandstand \$75.00 + Security Deposit

- 3.2. The Select Board may waive all or part of any fees for civic organizations.
- 3.3. A security deposit of \$100 will be paid to the Town.
- 3.4. The Security Deposit may be forfeited in full, or in part, for any of the following reasons:
 - 3.4.1. Damage to Facilities, furnishings, and/or equipment.
 - 3.4.2. Facilities and accessory areas not cleaned and vacated before 1:00 AM of the day following its use as required.
 - 3.4.3. Monies for custodial services, calculated at the current hourly wage paid by the Town, shall be deducted from the applicant's security deposit for violations of this policy
- 3.5. Applicant is hereby notified that should the cost of damage(s) occurring to any part of the Town Facilities Facilities/area as a direct result of the applicant's negligence exceed the amount of the security deposit, the Town of North Hampton has an obligation to pursue any legal action available in order to collect said moneys from the applicant.
- 3.6. The Town will accept cash or two (2) personal checks made payable to the "Town of North Hampton" as payment for Rental Fees and Security Deposit at least one week prior to the events schedule.
- 3.7. The Town will not accept second party checks.

- 3.8. Payment is expected at the time of application, unless other arrangements are made in advance.
- 3.9. There is a \$25.00 fee on any returned check.

4. ENTRANCE/EXIT:

- 4.1. For evening, weekend, or holiday activities, the applicant must sign out a function key from the Town Administrator's Offices, between the hours of 8AM and 4PM, no earlier than the last regular business day immediately preceding the scheduled event.
- 4.2. Applicant is responsible for ensuring the return of the key no later than the first regular business day following the event.
- 4.3. Lost keys should be reported immediately, and are subject to a \$75 replacement fee.
- 4.4. It shall be the applicant's responsibility to ensure that, upon vacating the Facilities, the front and back doors are securely locked.
- 4.5. Applicant is responsible for ensuring that the facility, kitchen area, halls and bathroom are cleaned.
- 4.6. In addition, tables, counter and sink areas should be thoroughly wiped down, and all trash securely bagged and placed in the dumpster behind the fire station.
- 4.7. Applicant is responsible for ensuring that all tables are broken down, and that all chairs are folded and returned neatly to the racks.

5. GENERAL:

- 5.1. There shall be no decorations or other materials affixed to walls, woodwork, window/door frames, floors, or fixtures of any Town facilities.
- 5.2. Tables and chairs may be decorated, provided those decorations are attached only with tape or string and are removed entirely after the rental activity.
- 5.3. To avoid damage to the flooring, tables and chairs are not to be dragged across the floor when setting up or breaking down the room. Additionally, should the intended activity

involve any actions that could potentially damage the flooring, applicant shall take all reasonable steps to ensure said damage is avoided (i.e. requesting their attendees remove high-heeled footwear).

- 5.4. The following items/services are NOT provided:
 - 5.4.1. Setup/breakdown of the Facilities
 - 5.4.2. Linens, tableware, etc.
 - 5.4.3. Coffee pot
 - 5.4.4. Audio Visual Equipment or recording of events
- 5.5. During the course of any function, the Facilities shall remain open and available for inspection by Town officials to ensure compliance with the rental agreement rules and regulations.
- 5.6. Multiple date rental privileges may be revoked by the Town Administrator for any infractions of this policy, and/or the application agreement.
- 5.7. Any persons or organizations who have not complied with all these rules and regulations may be denied future use of the Facilities.
- 5.8. With the exception of cake candles and continually monitored sterno warmers, open flames are prohibited.
- 5.9. The use of alcohol at any function shall be prohibited.

6. BANDSTAND:

- 6.1. The Bandstand located at the intersection of Atlantic Ave. (State Route 111) and Post Rd. (State Route 151) shall not be used without the approval of the Bandstand Committee.
- 6.2. No signs, banners or other devices may be attached to the bandstand.
- 6.3. There shall be no vehicles parked on the common.
- 6.4. Individuals using the bandstand are responsible for coordinating parking with the Police Department prior to the event

6.5. Any materials, equipment, or waste that is brought to the bandstand must be removed when the event is over.

7. WAIVERS:

7.1. Waivers to any provisions of this regulation, including the fee to be changed for a specific use(s), may be granted by a majority vote of the Select Board.

8. AMENDMENTS:

8.1. This policy may, from time to time, be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen at a regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting.

Adopted November 22, 2010

All fees shall be paid at least one week in advance. The Board of Selectmen reserve the right to modify the fee schedule at anytime without notice.

Accepted and agreed to: Lacy Smerton Williams

Date: 1/27/2022 Address: 129 Walnut Aul Tel # 441-623-7325



Janet Facella

From:

Michael Tully

Sent:

Wednesday, February 9, 2022 11:25 AM

To:

Janet Facella

Subject:

FW: The Lafayette Trail - North Hampton, NH | September 1, 1824

Attachments:

Statesman_1824-09-10_[3].pdf; cornish.jpg; Marker request.pdf; text.docx

For the packet

Michael J. Tully Town Administrator Town of North Hampton, NH (603) 964-8087

From: Julien Icher [mailto:julien@thelafayettetrail.org]

Sent: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 11:15 AM

To: Michael Tully <mtully@northhampton-nh.gov>; Noah Robie <nrobie@berwickacademy.org>

Subject: The Lafayette Trail - North Hampton, NH | September 1, 1824

Mr. Tully,

Below is some useful information that I am sending prior to Monday's meeting. I think Noah should present some historical materials first about the chain of titles leading from the mention of Leavitt's in the historical newspapers to today's site near the North Hampton Bandstand on NH Route 151. I will briefly introduce the marker program afterward.

I am the president of The Lafayette Trail, Inc. (thelafayettetrail.org), a nonprofit organization with the mission to increase mutual understanding between the peoples of France and the United States, to raise awareness about Lafayette's critical contribution to the founding of the United States, and to document, map, and mark Lafayette's footsteps in the United States during his 1824-1825 Farewell Tour.

My organization would be interested in donating an official Lafayette Trail marker to the town of North Hampton, NH to commemorate Lafayette's visit on September 1, 1824. The Frenchman was received at Leavitt's Tavern, on his way from Newburyport, MA to Portsmouth, NH. The 1824 newspapers mention "Hampton", but Noah will explain why we believe Leavitt's business was in North Hampton.

The 2024-25 tour bicentennial celebrations will see increased traffic in heritage tourism of people following the Lafayette Trail. These visitors will pass through North Hampton, NH. Our program will contribute to advertising North Hampton on the Lafayette Trail to thousands of individuals across the country and Europe.

The Lafayette Trail, Inc. would donate the sign and pole. It would be up to the town's DPW to install the marker. It's a very simple process. We have donated over 65 historic markers, including in Cornish, Claremont, Warner, Bradford, Hopkinton, Derry, Portsmouth, Pembroke, and Greenland. One marker will be installed at the NH State House in Concord on May 20, which is NH Lafayette Day. Conversations are also underway with



TOWN OF GREENLAND

G. Berland, NM 03849 I Town Square - FO Box 100 I Ap. 1803.431 7111 - Fix 803.430 7.00

3/2/2021

Mr. Julien Icher, President The Lafayette Trail, Inc. 302 Hart Road Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878

Dear Mr. Icher,

On behalf of the Greenland Board of Selectmen, I am writing to request a historic marker commemorating Lafayette's visit to our community in 1824. This was unanimously approved at the Board of Selectmen meeting on 3/1/2021 and is also supported by the Greenland Historical Society. We are excited about the prospect of seeing such a marker installed in the proposed location, which is: 43.03680712202482, -70.8327903283098. This set of GPS coordinates designates a location near the Town gazebo bound by Portsmouth Ave, Post Road and Church Lane. It is also across the street from the tavern where he visited and is where he received a warm welcome from the residents of Greenland, NH. We propose the following text for the sign:

LAFAYETTE'S TOUR

ON SEPT. 1, 1824, GENERAL

LAFAYETTE WAS RECEIVED BY

THE CITIZENS OF GREENLAND

AT A TRIUMPHAL ARCH ERECTED

IN FRONT OF THE HOTEL.

We look forward to hearing more from you on this opportunity soon and stand ready to assist in any way and will be glad to do any site work necessary to place and mount the sign at the location and agree to maintain it.

Thank you.

Matthew Scruton
Town Administrator

Dover and Durham. North Hampton is among the last possible communities in the Granite State to benefit from our marker program.

Our marker signs are 2' x 3' cast aluminum installed atop 7-foot aluminum poles (3'of which would be underground after installation is completed). The marker design honors the national colors of France and the U.S. The title "LAFAYETTE'S TOUR" is generic and common to all our markers around the nation. So are the credits of the William G. Pomeroy Foundation at the bottom. Each line of text is limited to 27 characters. 5 lines are available. I am including a text proposal for your consideration.

In order to move forward with this project, I would need to determine a proposed location for the marker (GPS coordinates in decimal format), and obtain a letter of approval from the landowner giving permission to have the marker installed (similar to the attached Greenland, NH letter).

I think the location near the North Hampton Bandstand ($\underline{42.97789919561697}$, $\underline{-70.84657489663437}$) would be a great site for our marker near the gazebo.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Julien P. Icher

President,

The Lafayette Trail, Inc.

603 845 6929

sorge Sullivan, addressed the Ceneral in a ry eloquent speech, earnestly inviting him the name of the citizens of Exter to pay them is; The general in reply, expressed his ret that the necessity he was under of compring with his engagements at the south would event him from accepting their invitation, but theil, that it was his intention to return to this arter of the country again before he embark for France, and would then have an oppornity of paying them his respects.

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Lafayette's Tour of Our Town:

Tracking the General through Primary Sources

Aid to Presentation:

incl. Town Record, Chain of Title, Maps

Presented by Noah Robie February 14, 2022

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Transcription:

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Voted, to except [sic] Gen¹. La Fayettes respect & regard shown to the Citizens of this Town

Leavitt Tavern Chain of Title

From the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds and New Hampshire, U.S., Wills and Probate Records; compiled by Noah and Jane Robie.

Book/Page	Date	Grantor	Grantee	Additional Comments
5942/546	27 August 2018	Lisa F. Williams	Mark J. and Wioletta A. Botnick	100 Post Road, Rev. Jonathan French House, built by the Church, 1850.
5657/1510	23 September 2015	Lisa and Ethan Williams	Lisa F. Williams	
4423/971	10 January 2005	Richard M. and Sandra N. Walent	Lisa and Ethan Williams	
2298/1470	17 November 1977	Raymond P. and Ruth M. Ellis	Richard M. and Sandra N. Walent	
2159/117	1 August 1972	Kendall W. and Ruby A. Chevalier	Raymond P. and Ruth M. Ellis	
1878/276	19 September 1967	Jean F. Chevalier (Gidley)	Kendall and Ruby Chevalier	
1253/32	6 June 1952	Josephine C. Casey, Trustee for Charles M. Chevalier	Jean Gidley	
1150/44	1 December 1948	Lydia E. Towle	Josephine C. Casey	Declaration of Trust
1120/358	1 December 1948	Lydia E. Towle	Josephine C. Casey	Deed
1071/350	16 June 1947	Fred A. and Florence L. Wentworth	Lydia E. Towle	
1024/404	26 June 1944	Grace L. Chevalier	Fred A. and Florence L. Wentworth	
786/37	22 April 1924	Lewis A. Chevalier	Grace L. Chevalier	
614/375	5 April 1906	Wardens of Congregational Church & Society of North Hampton, NH	Louis [Lewis] A. Chevalier	"Being the Parsons-French property, so-called, and being the same property bequeathed to us in the will of Ebenezer Gove."

¹ Lisa Mausolf, North Hampton Town-Wide Area Form (2018), 50, New Hampshire Division of Historical Records.

Book/Page	Date	Grantor	Grantee	Additional Comments
Will	4 January 1896	Ebenezer Gove	Wardens of Congregational Church & Society of North Hampton, NH	Ebenezer Gove's Will: Bequeathed his property to the Congregational Church & Society after his wife died, which was 9 February 1901.
477/494	2 March 1881	Lucy A. French	Ebenezer Gove	
Will	6 April 1869 (d. 8 March 1870)²	Rebecca M. French	Lucy A. French	Rebecca M. French's Will: "All the rest residue and remainder of my estate real personal and mixed wherever found and however situated I give bequeath and devise to my beloved sister Lucy A. French."
Will	5 March 1857 (d. 3 February 1869)³	Rebecca (Farrar) French	Rebecca M. & Lucy A. French	Rebecca (Farrar) French's Will: "I give, bequeath and devise to my unmarried daughters, Rebecca M. French and Lucy Ann French, equally, and to their heirs and assigns forever, all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, real, personal and mixed, wherever found and however situated."

² Susannah J. Clark and Richard Curl, comps., Town Records: 1738–1860; Church Records: 1739–1900, vol. 1, The Vital Records of North Hampton, NH (Melrose, MA: CV Publishing, 2009), 208.

³ T. V. Haines, Funeral Sermon of Mrs. Rebecca French, Widow of Rev. Jonathan French, D.D., Delivered at the Congregational Church, North Hampton, N.H., February 6th, 1869 (Exeter, NH: News-letter Office, Water Street, 1869), 9.

Book/Page	Date	Grantor	Grantee	Additional Comments
Will	9 June 1856 (d. 13 December 1856)⁴	Jonathan French	Rebecca (Farrar) French	"I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Rebecca French, her heirs and assigns forever, all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, real, personal and mixed, wherever found and however situated; and I do hereby appoint her, the said Rebecca French, sole executor of this my last will and testament."
N/A	1850	North Hampton Congregational Church & Society built a house for the location of the old Leavitt Tavern; the house still stands today. ⁵	North Hampton Congregational Church & Society built a house for the retired Rev. Jonathan French on the location of the old Leavitt Tavern; the house still stands today. ⁵	d Rev. Jonathan French on
290/387	4 October 1838	James R. Leavitt, (Capt. Ben Leavitt's grandson)	Jonathan French	"An undivided moiety of the Homestead, which was of Benjamin Leavitt deceased."
Will	13 March 1837	Luther Leavitt	James and Eldridge Leavitt	Bequeathed to his nephews
N/A	1836	The Leavitt Tavern closed.		
Will	5 August 1835 (d. 10 November 1835) ⁷	Capt. Ben Leavitt	Luther Leavitt	
N/A	1 September 1824	**Gen. Lafayette's visit to North Hampton.**	ampton.**	

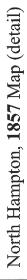
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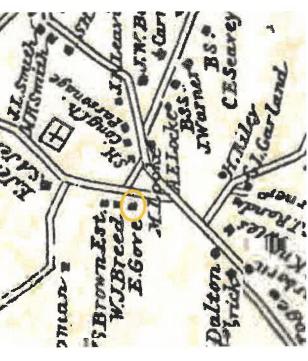
tee Additional Comments	Deed also like a will In his actual will, dated 28 February 1801, he wrote: "I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Leavitt the dwelling house where I now live & all the tavern furniture that belongs to the Tavern."
Grantee	Benjamin "Capt. Ben" Leavitt, Jr.
Grantor	Benjamin Leavitt
Date	Recorded 30 July 1802 Signed 27 April 1799
Book/Page	161/262

8 Joseph Dow, History of the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire (Salem, MA: 1893), 813.

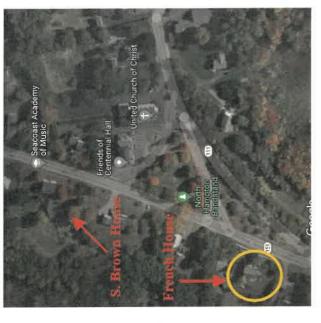
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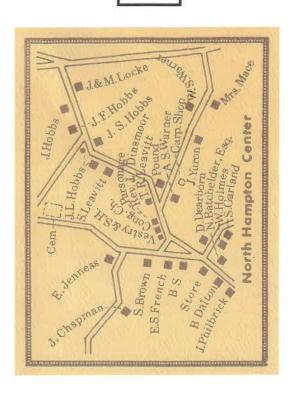




North Hampton, 1892 Map (detail)



Google Maps View, present day



Clearer view of the 1857 Map, from the NHHS Reproduction



January 27, 2022

Mr. Everett Jordan Chairman Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District PO Box 247 Rye, NH 03870

Re: Inflation Cost Recovery Related to Trash and Recycling Collection Operations

Dear Mr. Jordan,

Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc. ("WM") is proud to be the District's solid waste disposal provider and grateful for your business. WM is also proud of the essential work our frontline collection, recycling, and disposal crews performed throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and continue to provide the District despite lingering and difficult disruptions.

Throughout 2021, the U.S. economy has been experiencing the unexpected adverse impacts of inflation caused in large part by an economy re-emerging from COVID-19 but hampered by labor and supply chain constraints. Not since the years immediately following WWII or the late-1970s has the U.S. experienced inflationary price increases at these levels. For WM, disruptions in the supply chain for critical materials and equipment, labor shortages, and significant increases in fuel costs have substantially increased WM's cost to provide services to the District. As just one example, the price of the steel WM needs for solid waste and recycling vehicles and containers has increased more than 150% over the past 12 months. Additionally, front line labor costs have nearly doubled since 2020, which represent a substantial portion of WM's overall operating costs. Many economists are projecting continued labor shortages and upward pressure on labor and critical material costs.

Due to these unforeseen and extraordinary market conditions, which the parties could not anticipate at the time the contract was executed, WM respectfully requests an extraordinary increase of 5%, to allow WM's compensation to better keep pace with WM's operating costs to provide critical services to the District. Although many of WM's contracts include annual price adjustment mechanisms, in most instances those mechanisms do not provide an adjustment to offset the inflationary pressures WM has absorbed over the past year. For that reason, WM is respectfully requesting this immediate relief.

WM is as committed as ever to provide best-in-class service to our customers and the communities we call home. We appreciate your partnership as we address these unusual market conditions.

Sincerely.

Public Sector Répresentative



Town of North Hampton

July 2022 Bond Sale

30 Year Estimated Schedule - Level Debt

 2021 Assessed Valuation:
 \$1,198,551,893

 Date Prepared:
 12/30/21

 Interest Start Date:
 08/11/22

 First Interest Payment:
 02/15/23

Net interest Costs

3.00% Our 29 year Interest rate in our July 2021 bond sale was 1.99% and we expect the interest rate for July 2022 to be lower than 3.00%. We use 3.00% to be conservative for budgeting purposes.

	Ending	Outstanding	Principal	Rate	Interest	Payment	Total Payment	Valuation	Rate Inc
1	2/15/2023 8/15/2023	\$ 9,307,965.00	\$ 197,965.00	3.00%	\$ 232,699.13 139,619.48	\$ 232,699.13 337,584.48	\$ 232,699.13		\$ 0.
	2/15/2024 8/15/2024	9,110,000.00	200,000.00	3.00%	136,650.00 136,650.00	136,650.00 336,650.00	474,234.48	1,198,551,893	0.
	2/15/2025		205,000.00	3,00%	133,650.00 133,650.00	133,650.00 338,650.00	470,300.00	1,198,551,893	0.
	8/15/2025 2/15/2026	8,910,000.00	•		130,575.00	130,575.00 345,575.00	469,225.00	1,198,551,893	0
	8/15/2026 2/15/2023	8,705,000.00	215,000.00	3.00%	130,575.00 127,350.00	127,350.00	472,925.00	1,198,551,893	0
5	8/15/2027 2/15/2028	8,490,000.00	220,000.00	3.00%	127,350.00 124,050.00	347,350.00 124,050.00	471,400.00	1,198,551,893	0
6	8/15/2028 2/15/2029	8,270,000.00	225,000.00	3.00%	124,050.00 120,675. 0 0	349,050.00 120,675.00	469,725.00	1,198,551,893	0
7	8/15/2029 2/15/2030	8,045,000.00	235,000.00	3.00%	120,675.00 117,150.00	355,675.00 117,150.00	472,825.00	1,198,551,893	C
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9	8/15/2031 2/15/2032	7,570,000.00	245,000.00	3.00%	113,550.00 109,875.00	358,550.00 109,875.00	468,425.00	1,198,551,893	0
10	8/15/2032 2/15/2033	7,325,000.00	255,000.00	3.00%	109,875.00 106,050.00	364,875.00 106,050.00	470,925.00	1,198,551,893	0
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12	8/15/2034 2/15/2035	6,805,000.00	270,000.00	3.00%	102,075.00 98,025.00	372,075.00 98,025.00	470,100.00	1,198,551,893	0
13	8/15/2035 2/15/2036	6,535,000.00	280,000.00	3.00%	98,025.00 93,825.00	378,025.00 93,825.00	471,850.00	1,198,551,893	(
14	8/15/2036 2/15/2037	6,255,000.00	285,000.00	3.00%	93,825.00 89,550.00	378,825.00 89,550.00	468,375.00	1,198,551,893	(
15	8/15/2037 2/15/2038	5,970,000.00	295,000.00	3.00%	89,550.00 85,125.00	384,550.00 85,125.00	469,675.00	1,198,551,893	(
16	8/15/2038 2/15/2039	5,675,000.00	305,000.00	3.00%	85,125.00 80,550.00	390,125.00 80,550.00	470,675.00	1,198,551,893	(
17	8/15/2039 2/15/2040	5,370,000.00	315,000.00	3.00%	80,550.00 75,825.00	395,550.00 75,825.00	471,375.00	1,198,551,893	c
18	8/15/2040 2/15/2041	5,055,000.00	325,000.00	3,00%	75,825.00 70,950.00	400,825.00 70,950.00	471,775.00	1,198,551,893	c
19	8/15/2041	4,730,000.00	335,000.00	3.00%	70,950.00 65,925.00	405,950.00 65,925.00	471,875.00	1,198,551,893	ı
20	2/15/2042 8/15/2042	4,395,000.00	345,000.00	3.00%	65,925.00 60,750.00	410,925.00 60,750.00	471,675.00	1,198,551,893	C
21	2/15/2043 8/15/2043	4,050,000.00	355,000.00	3.00%	60,750.00 55,425.00	415,750.00 55,425.00	471,175.00	1,198,551,893	0
22	2/15/2044 8/15/2044	3,695,000.00	365,000.00	3.00%	55,425.00 49,950.00	420,425.00 49,950.00	470,375.00	1,198,551,893	0
23	2/15/2045 8/15/2045	3,330,000.00	375,000.00	3.00%	49,950.00	424,950.00 44,325.00	469,275.00	1,198,551,893	
24	2/15/2046 8/15/2046	2,955,000.00	385,000.00	3.00%	44,325.00 44,325.00	429,325.00 38,550.00	467,875.00	1,198,551,893	
25	2/15/2047 8/15/2047	2,570,000.00	400,000.00	3.00%	38,550.00 38,550.00	438,550.00	·	1,198,551,893	
26	2/15/2048 8/15/2048	2,170,000.00	410,000,00	3.00%	32,550.00 32,550.00	32,550.00 442,550.00	471,100.00		
27	2/15/2049 8/15/2049	1,760,000.00	420,000.00	3.00%	26,400.00 26,400.00	26,400.00 446,400.00	468,950.00	1,198,551,893	(
28	2/15/2050 8/15/2050	1,340,000.00	435,000.00	3,00%	20,100.00 20,100.00	20,100.00 455,100.00	466,500.00	1,198,551,893	(
29	2/15/2051 8/15/2051	905,000.00	445,000.00	3.00%	13,575.00 13,575.00	13,575.00 458,575.00	468,675.00	1,198,551,893	(
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TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE of the TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS



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2	TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE							
3	MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE/SELECT BOARD							
4	JOINT MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING							
5	JANUARY 18, 2022 6:00 PM							
6	NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL							
7	DRAFT MINUTES							
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9 10 11 12	BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Rick Stanton, Sean Dionne, Andrew Raucci, George Chauncey, Frank Ferraro, Select Board Rep James Sununu, School Board Rep Tom Von Jess VIA ZOOM: Vice-Chairman Brian Goode, Charles Gallant							
13 14 15	SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Vice-Chair James Sununu VIA ZOOM: Selectman Jonathan Pinette							
16 17	ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Michael Tully, Finance Director Ryan Cornwell, School Business Administrator Matt Ferreira, Police Chief Kathryn Mone							
18 19 20	AGENDA							
21 22 23	Chairman Rick Stanton welcomed everyone to the January 18, 2022 Joint Meeting of the North Hampton Municipal Budget Committee and the Select Board, and called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.							
24 25 26 27 28	Chairman Stanton said the Budget Committee will be the host; order of events after introductions will be: (1) Two Warrant Articles for Safety Complex and rehabilitation of former Library for Town Offices; (2) Budget/Warrant Articles for Town; (3) Budget/Warrant Articles for School. Before that a Public Hearing will be opened for the Town, the School, and a Bond hearing through the Select Board.							
29 30	Pledge of Allegiance.							
31 32 33	Select Board Chairman Jim Maggiore opened the Select Board Meeting at 6:05 pm and asked permission to make a motion to allow Jonathan Pinette to participate in the meeting when he arrives.							
34 35 36	Chairman Stanton said the Budget Committee has a quorum present with 2 members participating on Zoom, and asked for a motion to allow them to participate in the meeting.							

Motion: Mr. Ferraro made a motion to allow Mr. Gallant to participate and allow Mr. Goode to 37 participate in the meeting when he arrives; seconded by Selectman Sununu. 38 39

Motion approved 7-0, all in favor.

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NEW BUSINESS

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TOWN WARRANT ARTICLES/OPERATING BUDGET FY2023

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Warrant Article for the New Safety Building

Select Board Chairman Maggiore read the Warrant Article for the New Safety Building in full:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,307,965 for the purpose of design and construction of a new Safety Building to house Police and Fire & Rescue Departments, including demolition of old buildings; sum to be raised through issuance of bonds or notes authorizing the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds/notes; and to raise and appropriate through taxation \$232,699 for the first year's payment on said bond. 3/5ths ballot vote required; approved by the Select Board 3-0.

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Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion to recommend the New Safety Building Warrant Article as presented; seconded by Mr. von Jess.

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Discussion: Selectman Sununu said after the approval and construction of the new Library, the Select Board put out an RFP and selected a Design Team and Construction Management Team to put forth a proposal for the next phase for replacing our Town facilities and a valid Building Committee was put in place to advise. A final plan was submitted in December and costed out for a new building, with shared spaces by Police and Fire to provide areas needed, plus equipment bays for apparatus, resulting in a cost estimate developed by our Construction Management Team for \$9.3 Mil. The Select Board recommends this as a very critical part of the Town's infrastructure we need to address.

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Mr. Ferraro agreed something needs to be done with the Fire and Police Stations with cramped quarters and structural issues in the Fire Station. He said at the last Select Board meeting the appearance of the Safety Building was questioned, and Mr. Ricci said it could be modified once passed, but any improvements will increase the cost of the project which may go over-budget. Selectman Sununu said the Board would not approve design changes which would significantly increase costs, and this budget contains a 10% contingency to allow flexibility in the numbers.

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Chairman Stanton opened the Public Hearing at 6:20 pm covering all of the Warrant Articles/Budgets for the Town and School and the Bond Hearing.

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Chairman Stanton asked that the Select Board allow non-resident Mr. John Ricci, Construction Manager, to speak. Town Administrator Tully said Mr. Ricci is here and prepared to speak, and said he wanted to make sure this is the Bond Hearing as well as the Public Hearing for the Budget.

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Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion to allow Mr. Jonathan Pinette to participate electronically; seconded by Select Board Chairman Maggiore; Roll Call vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye. Motion approved 2-0,

Roll Call Vote to approve New Safety Building: Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-nay, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye, Brian Goode-nay, Chuck Gallant-aye. *Motion approved by a vote of 7-2.*

Warrant Article for the Expansion and Renovation of the Former Library Building into Town Offices
Selectman Sununu read the Warrant Article for the Expansion and Renovation of the Former Library
Building into Town Offices in full:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,549,912 for the purpose of expansion and renovation of the former North Hampton Public Library building into Town offices; authorize the Select Board to use \$930,274 of unassigned fund balance, \$469,638 of American Rescue Plan Act Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, and to withdraw \$150,000 from Town Building Capital Reserve Fund; approval of this Article will have no effect on the tax rate. Majority Ballot Vote required, recommended by Select Board 3-0.

Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion to approve the Warrant Article for the Expansion and Renovation of the Former Library Building into Town Offices as presented; seconded by Mr. von Jess.

<u>Discussion</u>: Vice-Chair Goode said there was a definite need to do something with this building but felt adding 4,000 sq ft is much too large for Town employees even with storage. Town Administrator Tully said the 5,450 sq ft building has a 2,000 sq ft addition of 2 floors. He said he was surprised because Mr. Goode voted in favor of it as a Building Committee member after visiting other towns. He said they are trying to build a 50-year building, and currently Town employees have just under 5,000 sq ft and do not have enough space. Vice-Chair Goode said that the amount for the building has changed since the Building Committee vote, and said he also felt the cost for the New Safety Building was too high.

Town Administrator Tully said unfortunately the Town is in this situation because we did not act on these 6 years ago and wanted to hold off despite the need at that time. He said in comparison with other Fire/Police Stations the square footage price is low, this a building about needs not wants, and we have a responsibility to our employees.

Chairman Stanton said it is also fair to say the longer we hold off from doing a major project it will only cost more, especially in today's environment, and said we need room for our Administrative Offices and storage. Town Administrator Tully added that currently the Fed is predicting 3 rate hikes this year, along with inflation, and does not see this being cheaper next year.

Selectman Sununu said we have a 26,000 sq ft Safety Center unanimously approved by the Building Committee and construction costs have come to \$318/sq ft; the budget for this project is reasonable for what we have designed, and if you acknowledge the need for new buildings, especially Police & Fire which is critical, the cost is reasonable and the need is significant. For the renovation of the former library to Town offices we have a 9,516 sq ft building with the renovation cost of \$148/sq ft including the addition.

Mr. Chauncey asked if they were absolutely sure they could use the American Rescue Funds for Town Offices. Selectman Sununu said the State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) can be used on government services up to revenue loss amount over time due to economic impacts of COVID-19. He said those funds have been accepted and according to guidelines this is a more than appropriate use of those funds.

Mr. Ferraro said he was concerned about drawing down unassigned fund balance to within 5% minimum, and said using SLFRF funds for capital projects is severely limited. Town Administrator Tully said he has gone forward and asked for information from the State. He said the money could be used for HVAC and there are other aspects in the building we would be able to spend it on. Vice-Chair Goode asked if the figures for the complexes include furniture and everything else that will be needed, and Town Administrator Tully said all are included so we can more forward.

Mr. von Jess said we need Town Offices and there are some good things here: access to SLFRF and unassigned Fund Balance. As far as size, this is as long-term plan and will be less expensive to have builders build the right building the first time. Mr. Dionne said he is very much in favor of the Safety Complex and moving Town employees to a better building. He felt one of the issues was getting more people involved in the conversation and participating, and said he is hopeful that between now and the March vote we can at least get people to hear the message.

Chairman Stanton said he looks at the cost increase over the years, and for every \$10,000 we have to spend we save \$0.01 on the tax rate. He said the project will cost more, but we need it and have to finance in the best, most economical way possible. Town Administrator Tully said we do not yet know the bond rates, but they are suggesting \$0.35 and \$0.40 for a rate come July for a Bond sale. Select Board Chairman Maggiore added that the Town spends on average \$50,000-\$75,000-\$100,000 on maintenance of these buildings.

Selectman Pinette said we have 2 votes that are a "no" at this point; one was a design and appearance issue and the second was a money issue. He said with a 10% contingency it seems everyone is on board with the Safety Complex and it would be beneficial having a unanimous vote toward getting this complex approved by the voters. Town Administrator Tully said he is asking if there is a motion to reconsider, would those who voted *no* change their vote.

Roll Call vote on Expansion/Renovation of former Library Building for Town Offices: Brian Goode-nay, James Sununu-aye, Charles Gallant-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye.

Motion approved by a vote of 8-1.

Warrant Article for Town FY2023 Operating Budget

Chairman Stanton read the Warrant Article for the Town FY2023 Operating Budget in full.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation as an operating budget the amount of \$8,092,929; if defeated Default Budget shall be \$7,893,437; or the governing body may hold one special meeting to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Majority Ballot Vote Required; Recommended by the Select Board: 3-0; Recommended by the Budget Committee: 9-0.

Warrant Article for Proposed Police and Highway Departments Collective Bargaining Agreement

Mr. von Jess read the Warrant Article for Proposed Police & Highway Departments Collective Bargaining Agreement in full.

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in a three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the New England Police Benevolent Association, calling for the following increases in salaries, including fringe and other cost items, at current staffing level: 2023 \$1,373.070, increase \$15,529; 2024 \$1,441,531, increase \$15,146; 2025 \$1,501,817, increase \$13,977; and further, to see if the Town will

vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$15,529 for Fiscal Year 2023. Majority vote required; recommended by Select Board 3-0.

Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion to recommend the Warrant Article for Proposed Police and Highway Departments Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) as presented; seconded by Mr. von Jess.

<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. Ferraro asked for clarification on whether or not the Police Contract contained an extra day of pay per holiday for Police as in the Fire Department, and referred to page 25 of the contract which stated Police Officers shall be compensated for holidays whether worked or not, by payment of 11 additional days pay. Police Chief Kathryn Mone said whether working or not they get paid for 8 hours of straight time for each holiday, with a second check in December which was the same in the prior contract.

Mr. Ferraro asked about the Health Insurance. Town Administrator Tully said the current language has been changed and employees now contribute 10% rather than 15% towards Health Insurance. He explained that to get healthcare costs under control they chose a health plan that is significantly cheaper monthly but with a higher deductible; they have an HSA with the Town self-insuring from the HSA up to the maximum of the plan price with an HRA (Health Reimbursement Account). He said we save with cheaper plan price and save for every employee who does not utilize those funds. Selectman Sununu said they traded dramatically low premiums and in return a dramatically high deductible, and lowered the employee contribution to incentivize them to agree.

Vice-Chair Goode commended the administration on looking into this as a process that could save money for the Town and for employees, and asked if there was discussion of possible putting these savings into some type of Trust account to draw on over the years. Town Administrator Tully said the problem is that they are required to provide health insurance to employees, and said he also discussed funding partly through the budget.

Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion approved by a vote of 9-0.*

Town Administrator Tully asked that the Bond Hearing be closed and Mr. Ricci be allowed to leave.

Motion: Hearing no Public Comments on the Bond, Mr. Ferraro moved to close the Bond Hearing; seconded by Mr. Chauncey; all in favor.

Chairman Stanton closed the Bond Hearing at 7:18 pm but left the Public Hearing open.

Warrant Article to Replace Fire & Rescue Engine 2

Mr. Dionne read the Warrant Article to Replace Fire & Rescue Engine 2 in full:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800,000 for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a new pumper truck for the Fire & Rescue Department with said funds to come from the Fire Department Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund; CIP approved project; no effect on the tax rate; special warrant article. Majority Ballot Vote required; recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

Motion: Mr. Ferraro made a motion recommend the Warrant Article to Replace Fire & Rescue Engine 2; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Selectman Sununu said this is part of CIP on a replacement schedule. Town Administrator Tully said the Capital Reserve Account in the Fire Department is funded with money collected from Ambulance fees, and there are enough funds to cover remaining apparatus on the plan moving forward.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.

227 Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

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- Warrant Article for Purchase of a Police Cruiser
- 230 Mr. Ferraro read the Warrant Article for Purchase of a Police Cruiser in full.
 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a cruiser for the Police Department, by withdrawing \$33,750 from the Police Detail Revolving Fund, and raising \$11,250 through taxation; CIP approved. Majority Ballot Vote required; recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

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Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion to approve the Warrant Article Purchase of a Police Cruiser; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said he decided this year, since there is approximately \$45,000 in the fund, to take some of the cost from taxation. Selectman Sununu said they have stretched the life of the cruisers and are now only purchasing 1 cruiser per year and looked at extended warranties.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

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- Warrant Article on Road Resurfacing
- 247 Mr. Chauncey read the Warrant Article on Road Resurfacing in full.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$240,000 for the purpose of resurfacing and reconstructing approximately three miles of road, by withdrawing \$30,000 from the previously established Municipal Transportation Improvement Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose, and raising \$210,000 through taxation; approved by CIP. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

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Motion: Selectman Sununu moved the Road Resurfacing Warrant Article as presented; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

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Discussion: Town Administrator Tully said this is a normal warrant article each year, funded by a Capital Reserve Fund with \$5 for every vehicle registered in North Hampton; fund currently has \$60,000; part of a 15-year Road Plan.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.
 Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

264 Warrant Article for Purchase of DPW Compact Utility Tractor

- 265 Mr. Raucci read Warrant Article for Purchase of DPW Compact Utility Trailer in full.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$27,000 for purchasing and equipping a compact utility tractor for the Department of Public Work; approved by CIP. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board: 3-0

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Motion: Mr. Ferraro moved to recommend the Warrant Article for DPW Compact Utility Tractor; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said we are looking at a 26-HP tractor with cabin loader to assist with cleaning walkways and snow removal for the whole Town Campus. Mr. Gallant said 2 articles from now there is a second DPW Utility Tractor/Loader. Town Administrator Tully said that is to replace a 2004 tractor at the Recycling Center.

Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

Warrant Article to Rebuild Stone Wall at Center Cemetery

- 283 Chairman Stanton read the Warrant Article to Rebuild Stone Wall at Center Cemetery in full.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,750 for the purpose of rebuilding the historic stone wall at Center Cemetery, by accepting donations in the amount of \$20,000, and raising \$16,750 through taxation; approved by CIP. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

Motion: Selectman Sununu moved to recommend the Warrant Article to Rebuild Stone Wall at Center Cemetery; seconded by Mr. Ferraro.

<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said this is a project ongoing for the last few years; first trees were removed and stumps ground, covered by Power Company with no cost to the Town; trees were causing problems with stone wall.

Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

Warrant Article for Purchase of DPW Utility Trailer/Loader

- 300 Mr. Raucci read the Warrant Article for Purchase of DPW Utility Trailer/Loader in full.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$57,000 for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a utility tractor/loader for the Department of Public Works; approved by CIP. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

Motion: Vice-Chair Goode made a motion to recommend the Purchase of DPW Utility Trailer/Loader; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said this is a 50-HP tractor with mower/loader/cabin fork used at the Recycling Center and for other road projects. The full amount of the tractor was put in the Warrant as

the current 2004 John Deere tractor will be given to the Elementary School; new tractor will also be used by the Cemetery.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

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Warrant Article for Purchase of Police Speed Monitoring Trailer

318 Selectman Sununu read the Warrant Article for Purchase of Police Speed Monitoring Trailer in full.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$16,818 for the purpose of purchasing a speed monitoring trailer for the Police Department; approved by CIP. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

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Motion: Mr. Ferraro made a motion to approve the Purchase of a Police Speed Monitoring Trailer; seconded by Mr. Raucci.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said this equipment was in the Police Department Budget but he pulled it for a Warrant Article. He said Chief Mone has received a lot of complaints of speeding on local roadways in the Town, and this trailer keeps speeds in a memory and gives the traffic count as well.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

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Warrant Article for Contributions to Social Service Organizations

Chairman Stanton read Warrant Article for Contributions to Social Service Organizations in full.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of making monetary contributions to various social service organizations around the Seacoast. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board 2-1.

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Motion: Mr. Ferraro made a motion to approve the Warrant Article for Contributions to Social Services Organizations; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. von Jess said this was taken out of the Budget to give members of the community the chance to see these services that are delivered to North Hampton residents who may be in need. Vice-Chair Goode said this is an important sum of money the Town gives to these organizations, which benefits the Town for a nominal amount. Mr. Ferraro agreed but felt it should have been in the Operating Budget. Chairman Stanton said it gives better visibility to the legislative body and voters.

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Selectman Sununu noted for the record that he was the dissenting Select Board vote, and said he is not comfortable with this use of taxpayer funds.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-nay, Rick Stanton-nay, James Sununu-nay.

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Warrant Article for Contribution to the Coakley Landfill Capital Reserve Fund

357 Mr. Raucci read the Warrant Article for Contribution to the Coakley Landfill Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$75,000 for deposit into the Coakley
Landfill Capital Reserve Fund; purpose of this fund is to account for expenses incurred by the Town under the
Superfund Cleanup Program; Balance in Fund \$229,612 as of December 31, 2021. Majority Ballot Vote required;
Recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

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Motion: Mr. Dionne made a motion to approve the Warrant Article for Contribution to the Coakley Landfill Capital Reserve Fund; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said the Town sees about \$50,000 in yearly costs; in addition a \$250,000 payment is due in 2030 from our community. He said we put away \$50,000 yearly plus \$25,000 to make sure we can make the 2030 payment. Chairman Stanton said if there are any costs associated with Coakley North Hampton bears 4% of the cost.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.

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Warrant Article for Contribution to the Town Land Environmental Remediation Capital Reserve Fund

Selectman Sununu read Contribution to the Town Land Environmental Remediation Capital Reserve Fund in full.

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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of \$10,000 for deposit into the Town Land Environmental Remediation Capital Reserve Fund; purpose of this fund is to account for expenses incurred related to environmental remediation to Town-owned land; Balance in Fund \$2,152 as of December 31, 2021. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board 3-0.

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Motion: Mr. Ferraro made a motion to recommend the Warrant Article for Contribution to the Town Land Environmental Remediation Capital Reserve Fund; seconded by Mr. von Jess.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Town Administrator Tully said this Capital Reserve Fund was opened when the Town was required to do a PFAS investigation on town-owned property where the Safety Complex is. The report has been issued but have not yet heard back from DES; need to make sure we keep up with DES requirements.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.

Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

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Citizens Petition to Discontinue Use of the Former Library Building as a Town Library and Turn Over

395 Control to the Select Board

Chairman Stanton read the Citizens Petition to Discontinue Use of the Former Library Building as a Town Library and Turn Over Control to the Select Board in full.

Upon petition of at least 25 registered voters, to see if the Town will vote to discontinue the use of the former public
 library building located at 237A Atlantic Avenue as the Town library; after an affirmation vote, and with the approval

of the Commissioner of Natural and Cultural Resources, the North Hampton Library Trustees shall turn over control

of the 237A Atlantic Avenue building, and immediately adjacent property, to the North Hampton Select Board. Nothing in this action shall relinquish any authority of the Trustees pursuant to RSA 202:A with respect to the new library building at 239 Atlantic Avenue and all property of the Town related to the Public Library. Majority Ballot Vote required; Recommended by the Select Board: 3-0

Chairman Stanton said the Budget Committee does not make a recommendation on this Citizens Petition, but said a letter was received from the Library Trustees. He read that letter in full which stated that following the logic of RSA 202-A:11 and A:18 the best procedure would be to deem the old library discontinued with a Town vote required to complete handover; NHMA information was confirmed with NH Library Trustees Association which clarifies jurisdiction and protects the Select Board and the Library Board from any misinterpretations of responsibility.

Motion to reconsider: Mr. von Jess made a motion to reconsider the New Safety Building; seconded by Selectman Sununu.

Roll Call Vote to reconsider: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

Motion: Mr. von Jess made a motion to recommend the New Safety Building Warrant Article as presented; seconded by Selectman Sununu..

<u>Discussion</u>: Vice-Chair Goode asked what would happen if the 10% contingency was not spent. Town Administrator Tully said once a Bond is pulled the money cannot be returned; but the Select Board could consider using that to make some of the yearly payments on the Bond. Selectman Sununu said it would reduce the overall taxation taken over the life of the Bond by that amount; he said his goal here is to get to a unanimous vote and hoped people will recognize the needs and the importance to the Town.

Mr. Ferraro said he recalled that the total presented by Mr. Ricci was for both projects and asked if the contingency was just on the Safety Building. Selectman Sununu said the contingency is for both; Safety Building \$8,467,803, and Town Offices \$1,410,012, with a proportion of the 10% contingency for each.

Second Roll Call Vote for Safety Building Warrant Article: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.

436 Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

Motion to reconsider Expansion/Renovation of former Library Building into Town Offices: Mr. von Jess made a motion to reconsider the Warrant Article for Expansion/Renovation of former Library Building into Town Offices; seconded by Selectman Sununu.

<u>Discussion</u>: Vice-Chair Goode said if you are approving one building you almost have to approve the other, but still felt the size should be reduced.

Roll Call Vote to reconsider: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.

447 Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

448 Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion the Budget Committee recommend the Expansion/Renovation
 449 of the former Library Building into Town Offices; seconded by Mr. Raucci.

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- Second Roll Call Vote on Town Offices Warrant Article: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.
- 454 Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

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Select Board Chairman Maggiore said he cannot thank the Budget Committee enough for the actions they have taken tonight, and said this is an extremely important project for all citizens of North Hampton.

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Town Administrator Tully said Mr. Cornwell will need to do the 737 to get ready for the Warrant; should be ready by Thursday, and I will need all Budget Committee members to sign it any time after Friday morning.

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Select Board Chairman Maggiore adjourned the Select Board meeting at 8:07 pm.

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SCHOOL WARRANT ARTICLES/OPERATING BUDGET FY2023

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School Warrant Article 1 - FY2023 Operating Budget

- 468 School Business Administrator Matt Ferreira read Article 1 for the School FY2023 Operating Budget in full.
- Shall the School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant, the amount set forth or as amended by vote of first session for the purposes set forth therein, the sum of \$9,690,641; if not Default Budget will be \$9,578,869; recommended by the School Board 5-0. Majority Vote required; recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0.

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School Warrant Article 2 - Long-term Maintenance

- Chairman Stanton read the School Warrant Article for School Long-term Maintenance in full.
- To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to carry out long-term maintenance work in the North Hampton School Building and grounds (projects listed); will be a non-tax appropriation per RSA 32:7, Sect 6, and not lapse until projects completed, on or by June 30, 2025, whichever comes first.

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Motion: Mr. von Jess moved to recommend School Warrant Article 2 for Long-term Maintenance; seconded by Mr. Chauncey.

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Discussion: Mr. von Jess said this is primarily for HVAC inside the Nurse's office and front offices. Chairman Stanton explained that Mr. von Jess is the School Representative to the Budget Committee.

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Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraro aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye.
 Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.

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School Warrant Article 3 – Special Education Expendable Trust

491 Chairman Stanton read the School Warrant Article 3 for Special Education Expendable Trust in full.

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate \$35,000 to be added to existing Special Education Expendable Trust Fund with up to \$35,000 to be funded from June 30, 2022 Unassigned Fund Balance, available for transfer on July 1, 2022; no additional amount through taxation; Majority Vote required.

Motion: Selectman Sununu made a motion to recommend the School Warrant Article for Special Education Expendable Trust; seconded by Mr. von Jess.

<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. Dionne asked for clarification. School Business Administrator Ferreira said the School has a number of Expendable Trusts set up, one in Special Education with a current balance of \$363,000, and this contribution will bring it to the targeted amount of \$400,000. The purpose of this Expendable Trust is to safeguard the School from unanticipated Special Education costs, including tuition and transportation.

Roll Call Vote: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-aye, Frank Ferraroaye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-aye, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-aye. *Motion passes by a vote of 9-0.*

School Warrant Article 4 - Fund Balance Retention

School Business Administrator Ferreira read School Warrant Article 4 for Fund Balance Retention in full.

To see if the School District will vote to authorize indefinitely until rescinded to retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed in any fiscal year 5% of current fiscal year's net assessment in accordance with RSA 198:4b-2; Majority Vote required.

Discussion: Selectman Sununu said the Budget Committee does not make a recommendation on this.

Motion: Mr. Ferraro said given this article could financially impact taxpayers and pursuant to RSA 32:5 V(a), I move that the Budget Committee consider Article 4 Fund Balance Retention for a vote of recommend or non-recommend; seconded by Vice-Chair Goode.

Mr. Ferraro explained that the RSA specifically says the Budget Committee can require tallies of its vote be printed next to the affected Warrant Article, and according to the New Hampshire Supreme Court, also on non-monetary warrants. School Business Administrator Ferreira said he confirmed this with the NH Department of Revenue (DRA) and they indicated this is non-monetary.

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Roll Call Vote for Budget Committee recommendation on Fund Balance Retention: Brian Goode-aye, Chuck Gallant-aye, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-nay, Frank Ferraro-aye, George Chauncey-aye, Andrew Raucci-nay, Rick Stanton-aye, James Sununu-abstain.

Motion passes by a vote of 6-2, with 1 abstention.

Motion: Mr. Ferraro made a motion to recommend Warrant Article 4 Fund Balance Retention; seconded by Mr. Goode.

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<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. Ferraro said he raised this issue because of possible significant financial impact on the Town; the School District has returned over \$300,000/year and could take all of any one year up to maximum of 5%. He said with Town Unassigned Fund Balance the Select Board can only use the funds to pay down the tax rate, or if a warrant specifically designated use of that money; for the School Board all that is required is a Public Hearing with no other limitations. He added that the School Board already has

an RSA that allows them to dip into current year funds for unexpected expenses at the end of the fiscal year, so there is already a mechanism to obtain money for emergencies.

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Chairman Stanton agreed on the control. Mr. von Jess said the Budget Committee does have control because they ultimately approve the Budget. Mr. Ferraro disagreed. Selectman Sununu said he has no issue with the Town process, but with School Board as agents to expend funds with no specific purpose, he shares Frank's concerns about the structure of this particular RSA.

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School Business Administrator Ferreira said the purpose of this warrant is a contingency or safeguard for emergency or unanticipated expenses, and allow the School the ability to work with the Town to smooth out the tax rate. He said there were two recent changes in Legislation allowing Schools the ability to tap additional funds without having to petition the Department of Education and go through a much more laborious process than this.

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Vice-Chair Goode said the School already has \$700,00 in trust accounts. Mr. Ferraro said he misspoke regarding emergencies, and said this warrant was to go from 2.5% to 5% retention and could be used for emergency expenditures of over-expenditures, with no limits on what it can be spent on. Selectman Sununu suggested this article be updated by the School Board to put in the stipulation that said funds will not be expended without a vote of the legislative body. School Business Administrator Ferreira said he would look into that.

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Roll Call vote to recommend Warrant Article 4 Fund Balance Retention: Yes vote is to recommend; no vote to not recommend.

Brian Goode-nay, Chuck Gallant-nay, Tom von Jess-aye, Sean Dionne-nay, Frank Ferraro-nay, George Chauncey-nay, Andrew Raucci-nay, Rick Stanton-nay, James Sununu-nay.

Motion not approved by a vote of 1-8; Warrant Article 4 not recommended by the Budget Committee.

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Chairman Stanton closed the Public Hearing on Town and School Budgets/Warrants at 8:38 pm.

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OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

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ADJOURNMENT

- Chairman Stanton adjourned the Municipal Budget Committee Meeting at 8:39 pm.
- 572 Respectfully submitted,
- 573 Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary



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2	TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE										
3	NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD MEETING										
4	JANUARY 24, 2022 7:00 PM										
5	NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL										
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8	SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Vice Chairman James Sununu VIA PHONE: Selectman Jonathan Pinette										
10 11 12	ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Michael Tully, Fire Chief Jason Lajoie, Fergus Cullen of Bright Spot Solar										
13	AGENDA										
14 15 16 17	Chairman Jim Maggiore welcomed everyone to the January 24, 2022 North Hampton Select Board Meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.										
18 19	Chairman Maggiore said Mr. Jonathan Pinette is joining us by phone this evening and all votes will be by roll call vote.										
20 21 22 23 24 25	Motion: To allow Mr. Pinette to participate in the meeting electronically. Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu Seconded: Chairman Maggiore Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye Motion approved by a vote of 2-0.										
26	Chairman Maggiore said they were coming from Non-Public and all 3 sessions need to be sealed.										
27 28 29 30 31 32 33	Motion: To seal the minutes of Non-Public Sessions I, II, and III of January 24, 2022. Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu Seconded: Chairman Maggiore Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye, Jonathan Pinette-aye Motion approved by a vote of 3-0.										
34 35 36	Disclaimer –These minutes are prepared by the Recording Secretary within five (5) business days as required by NH RSA 91-A:2, II. They will not be finalized until approved by majority vote of the Select Board.										

A recording of the meeting can be found at: http://www.townhalistreams.com/towns/north_hampton_nh, and a DVD recording is available at the North Hampton Town Administrative Offices, 233 Atlantic Avenue, North Hampton, New Hampshire 03862.

First Public Comment Session

For comments please call 603-758-1447; email jmaggiore@northhampton-nh.gov

No public comment.

Consent Calendar

- 7.1 Payroll Manifest of January 13, 2022 in the amount of \$283,738.91
- 7.2 Payroll Manifest of January 20, 2022 in the amount of \$72,623.13
- 7.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of January 20, 2022 in the amount of \$1,256,917.40
- 7.4 Abatement Recommendations
- 7.5 Veterans Tax Credits
- 7.6 Cemetery Deed
- 7.7 Supplemental Tax Bill

- Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar items as presented.
- Motioned: Vice-Chair SununuSeconded: Jonathan Pinette
 - Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye, Jonathan Pinette-aye
- 59 Motion approved by a vote of 3-0.

Correspondence

Chairman Maggiore said a piece of correspondence came in on Friday and will be taken up under New Business 13.2 Discussion of Bond Rates and Cost Impacts for Buildings.

Committee Updates

Chairman Maggiore said the *Heritage Commission* did not meet last week and is meeting this week; *Water Commission* has not met.

Vice-Chair Sununu said *Rails to Trails Committee* has not met; but with Rockingham Planning Commission got a grant from National Park Service working on signage and trail design, and putting working groups together. Construction schedule for expected completion date probably up to 2024.

Vice-Chair Sununu said the *Budget Committee* met on the 18th for Public Hearing on Bond and Budgets for Town and School; reviewed all Warrant Articles; construction of new Public Safety Complex and renovation of old library for Town Offices both received a unanimous vote to recommend.

Public Hearing Pursuant to RSA 31:95-b

To consider the Unanticipated Revenue in the Amount of \$6,269.05 Awarded to the Town from the Leary Firefighters Foundation to Purchase an Argus MI-TIC Thermal Imaging Camera and Accessories for the North Hampton Fire Department.

Fire Chief Jason Lajoie said this a grant obtained through Deputy Mark Cook for another Thermal Imaging Camera for our secondary Engine and hopefully for other articles on the Ballot in March for replacing

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Engine 2 which is 26 years old. This camera is used to rescue individuals trapped in a burning building by locating them through the smoke.

Chairman Maggiore opened the Public Hearing at 7:12 pm.

Town Administrator Tully said Deputy Cook has brought in over \$100,000 in grant money and there is another \$50,000 grant we will be bringing forward.

As there was no public comment, Chairman Maggiore closed the Public Hearing at 7:14 pm.

Motion: To accept the unanticipated revenue in the amount of \$6,269.05 awarded to the Town from Leary Firefighters Foundation to purchase an Argus Mi-TIC Thermal Imaging Camera and accessories for the North Hampton Fire Department.

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Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu Seconded: Selectman Pinette

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Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye, Jonathan Pinette-aye

101 Motion approved by a vote of 3-0.

Report of the Town Administrator

A copy of the Report of the Town Administrator will be attached to these minutes.

Report from January 11 – 21, 2022: Finance 45% of Budget remaining with 23 weeks left in fiscal year; Police submitted grant application for Police Cruiser, if before March vote will amend Warrant at Deliberative; Select Board and Budget Committee approved Warrant for Police Union & Highway Department contract. Phone System line replaced by Comcast did not solve problem; will replace every line from the pole, into the building, and through router; has to be done now as deficiencies inside building are getting worse and grant only good for a certain length of time. DOT is scheduled to come to February 28, 2022 Select Board meeting.

Items Left on the Table - None

NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Discussion of Solar Power for Town Buildings

Town Administrator Tully introduced Mr. Fergus Cullen who will provide a first-line education of Solar Power and how it might benefit North Hampton. With plans for new buildings this is a good time to look at how we might power those buildings.

Mr. Fergus Cullen of Bright Spot Solar said this will be a general conversation to talk about how solar works with municipalities. He said he recently returned back to solar, and in the interim the technology has improved, panels are more productive, trackers have improved, and costs have come down. He said trackers are pole-mounted arrays that pivot and turn to follow the sun; there are roof-mounted systems and ground-mounted systems; next technological breakthrough will probably be in storage.

Mr. Cullen said when you have a solar panel, the first place the energy goes is to whatever is being used behind the meter at that location at that time; any power not needed then flows out to the grid; when the sun goes down, you are drawing power from the grid as you do now. With Net Metering you only get

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charged for the difference between what you produce and what you use; energy would flow in both directions. The ideal size of a system needed is one that will replace all or nearly all power you use, but not much more, otherwise you are paying for infrastructure without benefits. He said as a rough estimate of how much power North Hampton would need, there are 20 separate meters using approximately 300,000 kW or 300 megawatts of power over a year, with probably separate meters for outdoor lights. A watt is a unit of energy; a 100-watt bulb uses 100 watts of energy to run for one hour.

Mr. Cullen said types of systems include roof mounts, ground mounts, and potential trackers. With roof mounts you are limited by the size of the roof, the extent to which it is oriented to the south, and the roof angle as well as how much shading may be involved. A roof-mounted system can be done on a flat roof with an array at a 15-degree angle (ideal is 30-35 degrees) but there are wind shear issues and heavy snow in winter. Flat roof mounting uses some kind of racking system, a ballast system, and panels mounted on the roof at a less than ideal angle.

Mr. Cullen said a ground mount could be a rack array, with at least a 30-35 degree angle, ideally positioned at a southerly orientation. He said trackers are superior as they pivot, rotate, and turn to follow the sun, and are always pointing south and always at the right angle. Our panels are double-sided and get extra energy from ground reflections; trackers are over 50% more productive than typical roof or ground mounts. Trackers are 12 ft off the ground and can use otherwise unusable spaces.

Mr. Cullen pointed out that solar is not a solution to a power outage as you are still tied to the grid; if your power goes out so will your solar system, and generators are still needed; battery power can be added later. Another piece of major equipment needed is an Inverter as the power generated at the panel is direct current (DC) and has to be converted to alternating current (AC). He said Solar can stand on its own financially, but tax incentives are what is driving the explosive growth in the industry: a residential or commercial customer can get a 26% Federal Tax Credit against taxes you are paying; in addition in a commercial setting you can depreciate the equipment approximately 100% of the cost in a year, an advantage the Town of North Hampton does not get to enjoy as they are not a tax-paying entity.

Mr. Cullen said most municipalities/school districts partner with an organization that can use the tax benefits and form a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). PPA contracts lock you in for 20 years at a certain rate (about 11 cents/kWh), which benefits the Town with lower energy prices in perpetuity and avoids future rate increases and you can assume the technology will only improve in future.

Questions: Vice-Chair Sununu asked who owns the panels under a PPA, and whether there are any upfront cost to the Town. Mr. Cullen said the panels are owned by the third party and there are zero upfront costs to the Town, and said upkeep and maintenance are written into the contract. Also, many PPAs have a 6-year buy-out option if the Town wants to purchase the equipment. Vice-Chair Sununu asked what the total footprint would be for 12 arrays. Mr. Cullen said the 48-panel trackers (largest) are about 42 ft long and have a turn radius of about 50 ft. Set far enough apart to not cast a shadow on each other, he estimated about 8 trackers for a municipal complex.

Vice-Chair Sununu asked if Bright Spot Solar would be the owner or if there is another party involved. Mr. Cullen said you can assume there will be investors who will ultimately own it, through Bright Spot or an LLC set up specifically to own this. When you produce more power than consuming the utility will pay you a wholesale rate and sell at a retail rate. Chairman Maggiore asked how far away from the building could a system be placed from the service area and still derive benefits.

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Mr. Cullen said he would do Group Net Monitoring with a municipality and put trackers at the Transfer Station, depending on where you have 3-phase power; may have to upgrade some electrical infrastructure of transformer. Town Administrator Tully asked if the roof of the Library could be utilized with the new complex together in 1 system with trackers. Mr. Cullen said Group Net Monitoring can allow you to benefit regardless of where the power is, as it is tied to your meters.

Vice-Chair Sununu asked the typical product cycle, from start of conversation to negotiating a contract and planning installation, until something is up and running. Mr. Cullen said for a 3-5 tracker system the shortest would be 4 months and the longest 6-8 months; more can be added without any trouble. Town Administrator Tully asked about next steps. Mr. Cullen suggested getting a better sense of the roof capacity, and checking on municipally-owned parcels of land in the community.

Chairman Maggiore said the Board will continue to consider this as an option for the Town.

13.2 Discussion of Bond Rates and Cost Impacts for Buildings

Chairman Maggiore said he went through some costs for bonding the Safety Center, and said he wanted to make sure the community has the information to understand this in its full scope and the impact on residents. He said the Select Board received a letter from Mr. Joseph Fitzgerald January 21st challenging the Board on the intent, said the facts in here are not necessarily accurate, and read the letter in full.

In the letter Mr. Fitzgerald said regarding the new Safety Complex, taxpayers will see a \$0.40 increase per 1,000 adding \$4,000 for a million-dollar home, and said the Select Board never talks about money; inflation is at 10% and recession is coming soon; gas will be \$4.00/gal and heating oil is doubling. The Warrant Article was included as part of the letter and the last paragraph asked why the Warrant Articles were not numbered.

Town Administrator Tully said the numbering and timing of Warrant Articles is the same as last year; they are not yet numbered as they have to go through the process and are numbered afterward. He said there are also Planning and Zoning Warrant Articles coming forward, and they will all be approved by DRA.

Vice-Chair Sununu said the letter is full of inaccuracies and nonsense, and said the Select Board talks about money all the time as it is one of their primary jobs to oversee Town spending, setting the tax rate, and getting grant money to offset the financial burden on taxpayers. He said the Bond Bank is a \$0.39 tax increase, assuming a 3% interest rate on the Bond proposed; a million-dollar home pays \$16,570 and a \$0.40 increase would be \$400 not \$4,000, and is scaring people into thinking they will be paying a 25% increase on taxes.

Vice-Chair Sununu said we are addressing a need that has been in this Town for 20 years; have a 60-year-old Fire House and a 30-year-old Police Station with not enough space. He said he hoped people would not read a letter like this and think it is accurate, and said it is insulting to the Select Board, Town Administrator, and Department Heads and what we do here. Chairman Maggiore added that the Town has spend over \$1 Mil on building maintenance without significant improvements, which is not a good investment of money.

Vice-Chair Sununu said Mr. Fitzgerald points out rightly that inflation is highest in 40 years, but it is 7% and not 10%; increasing inflation makes it even more imperative to do now. He said if you agree the buildings are not sufficient for what the Town needs as proper facilities for our equipment, personnel,

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and response times to people who need fire, police, or medical services, I implore you to vote yes for this. 228 Town Administrator Tully added that an important job of the Select Board is to plan for our community. 229 230 MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS 231 232 14.1 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2022 233 Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2022 13, 2022 as presented. 234 Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu 235 Seconded: Selectman Pinette 236 Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye, Jonathan Pinette-aye 237 Motion approved by a vote of 3-0. 238 239 14.2 Approval of the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2021 240 Motion: To approve the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2022 as presented. 241 Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu 242 Seconded: Selectman Pinette 243 Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye, Jonathan Pinette-aye 244 Motion approved by a vote of 3-0. 245 246 14.3 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2022 247 Motion: To approve the Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2022 as presented. 248 Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu 249 Seconded: Selectman Pinette 250 Roll Call Vote: Jim Maggiore-aye, James Sununu-aye, Jonathan Pinette-aye 251 Motion approved by a vote of 3-0. 252 253 Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board 254 255 **Second Public Comment Session** 256 For comments please call 603-758-1447; or email imaggiore@northhampton-nh.gov 257 258 No public comment. 259 260 Next Regular Meeting: February 14,2022; Deliberative February 5, 2022 at 8:30 am. 261 262 263 Adjournment 264 Chairman Maggiore adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm. 265 266 267 Respectfully submitted, Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary 268