**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**Steven P. Rose, Chairman
Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk
Jason L. Suzor, Associate

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP MEETING JUNE 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present:

Steven P. Rose, Chairman

Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk (via videoconference)

Jason L. Suzor, Associate

Others present:

Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator

Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant (via videoconference) Joseph S. Lalli, Esq., Town Counsel (via videoconference)

Fire Chief Robert Spurr (via videoconference)

Deb Morin, Treasurer/Collector (via videoconference) Erin Barry, Town Accountant (via videoconference)

Jennifer Mayo, Youth Program Director (via videoconference)

Paul Sullivan, Principal Assessor (via videoconference)
William Fitzgerald, DPW Director (via videoconference)
Patricia Bessette, Town Clerk (via videoconference)
Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent (via videoconference)

Chairman Rose announced that pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Board of Selectmen is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order. Chairman Rose reminded the viewing audience that persons who would like to view this meeting while in progress may do so by joining the Zoom link for the videoconference in session.

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members present. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call. In addition, all anticipated speakers acknowledge their presence by responding in the affirmative when Chairman Rose called their names.

## TOWN MEETING PREPARATION

As a preliminary matter, Mr. Enos informed the members of the viewing audience what to expect at the Special and Annual Town Meeting of June 29, 2020. Mr. Enos stated that to help with social distancing and spaced seating, residents who plan on attending the meeting are asked to make a reservation with the Town Clerk. However, no resident will be turned away that did reserve a seat. Voters are also requested to arrive early, masks are required, and stay together with other members of your household. Upon the conclusion of the meeting, safety officials will dismiss attendees by row. Voters are requested to not

congregate in the hall or outside of the school. Electronic voting equipment will not be used. Articles will be taken in order of the warrant.

# Special Town Meeting

The Board reviewed the three articles on the Special Town Meeting Warrant of June 29, 2020. Mr. Enos informed the Board that he is working on a slideshow presentation for Article Two regarding the proposed vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$1,300,000 to pay down various bonds.

# **Annual Town Meeting**

The Board reviewed the twelve articles on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant of June 29, 2020. Ms. Waldron informed the Board that on Article Five there is a typo regarding the dollar amount from the Septic Loan Receipts Account for the final payment of the Title V Water Pollution Abatement Trust Loan. The Town Clerk will fix this figure for the Town Moderator prior to the meeting.

### Adjournment

At 6:55 p.m., Chairman Rose requested the Board adjourn the Regular Session and convene in Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the government's bargaining or litigating position and to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel. (1) Unfunded Liability for Union & Non-Union Personnel and (2) Employment Agreements with Non-Union Personnel (DPW Director, Library Director, Treasurer-Collector and Town Administrator). Mr. Beckerman made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Shanna M. Faro

Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator

### List of Documents

1. June 25, 2020 Meeting Agenda

2. Warrants for the Annual & Special Town Meetings of June 29, 2020