TOWN OF HAMPTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - JUNE 20, 2024 MINUTES

The Legal Voters and those qualified to vote in Town Meeting assembled in Town Meeting at the Hampton Town Hall, lower level, 164 Main Street Hampton, Connecticut on June 20, 2024, at 7:00 PM and transacted the following business:

- 1. Call to order: First Selectman Allan Cahill called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- 2. To elect a moderator for said meeting. Kathy Donahue/Stan Crawford moved/seconded to elect Allan Cahill moderator. Allan Cahill was elected moderator unanimously by voice vote.
- 3. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow, if necessary, money to defray expenses until other funds are available: Bob Grindle/Kathy Donahue moved/seconded to so authorize. There was no discussion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 4. To nominate and elect one member to the Regional District 11 Board of Education for a term of three years beginning with their first Board meeting in July 2024. Joy Becker/Todd Lovegreen moved/seconded to elect Susan Lovegreen. There were no other nominations. Susan Lovegreen was elected to the Board by acclamation.
- 5. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreement with the Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Transportation for the expenditure of funds for the fiscal year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, for improvement and maintenance of Town roads: Kathy Donahue/Bob Grindle moved/seconded to so authorize. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- 6. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve and accept Local Capital Improvement Funds (LoCIP) from the State of Connecticut for road improvement: Kathy Donahue/Bob Grindle moved/seconded to so authorize. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- To approve the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan including the 5-year Road Plan: Bob Grindle/Kathy Donahue moved/seconded to approve. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- 8. To hear discussion and act on the General Budget for fiscal year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, as recommended by the Board of Finance, and to appropriate sums of money as required: Susan Lovegreen/Kathy Donahue moved/seconded to open discussion. Mr. Cahill presented the major increases and decreases in the budget. Questions were asked and answered regarding expenditure. Andrea Kaye asked about the reduction in funds for the library; Kathy Donahue noted

the amount was reflective of Library request, plus \$800 for e-book access. Stan Crawford stated that the Selectmen's budget includes no charge for transfer station stickers for Hampton residents. The vote on this matter will take place in a referendum.

- 9. To hear discussion and act on the Hampton Elementary School Budget for fiscal year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, as recommended by the Board of Finance, and to appropriate sums of money as required: Bob Grindle/Susan Lovegreen moved/seconded to open discussion. There were no questions or discussion. The vote on this matter will take place in a referendum.
- 10. To hear discussion and act on whether the Town of Hampton should transfer Account 2450 in the Capital Nonrecurring Fund of unallocated funds to Account 2400 Capital Building Fund. Ellen Rodriguez, Treasurer stated that the amount of accumulated interest as of the end of June 2024 will be approximately \$25K. The vote on this matter will take place in a referendum.
- 11. To hear discussion and act on whether the Town of Hampton should support and act as liaison for the Trail Woods Neighborhood Assistance Act. Allan Cahill stated that the grant needs sponsorship from the Town. The vote on this matter will take place in a referendum.
- 12. To hear discussion and act whether the Town of Hampton should approve the transfer of \$30,000 from the Unassigned General Fund to the Capital Nonrecurring 2430 trucks and equipment for the purchase of a Department of Public Works pickup truck. Kathy Donahue stated that the Town currently has \$24K in its CNR fund, which added to this transfer will be enough to replace the aging DPW truck. The vote on this matter will take place in a referendum.
- 13. To hear discussion and act on whether the Town of Hampton should approve the transfer of \$40,000 from the Unassigned General Fund to the Capital Nonrecurring 2445 School Capital Fund to fund the oil tank removal and hot water propane upgrade for Hampton Elementary School. Bob Grindle/Kathy Donahue moved/seconded to open discussion. Allan Cahill stated that the oil tanks are original to the building and need to be replaced. Kathy Donahue noted that there is \$61K in the HES Capital fund, which added to the transfer will be enough to complete oil tank replacement and upgrade the hot water propane. The vote on this matter will take place in a referendum.
- 14. Adjournment: Susan Lovegreen/Bob Grindle moved/seconded to adjourn at 7:17 PM.

At its meeting held on June 5th the Board of Selectmen voted, pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, that items 8, 9, 11, 12 and 13 on the call of the June 20, 2024 Annual Town Meeting be submitted to referendum vote on June 27, 2023 between the hours of Noon and 8:00 P.M at the Town Hall, 164 Main Street, Hampton, CT. The designation of the questions on the ballot for said referendum vote shall be as follows:

- 1. "Shall the Town of Hampton appropriate \$1,889,541 for General Government for the 2024-2025 fiscal year?"
- 2. "Shall the Town of Hampton appropriate \$2,179,600 for the Hampton Elementary School for the 2024-2025 fiscal year?"
- 3. "Shall the Town of Hampton transfer Account 2450 in the Capital Nonrecurring Fund of unallocated funds to Account 2400 Capital Building Fund?"
- 4. "Shall the Town of Hampton support and act as liaison for the Trail Woods Neighborhood Assistance Act?"
- 5. "Shall the Town of Hampton approve the transfer of \$30,000 from the Unassigned General Fund to the Capital Nonrecurring 2430 trucks and equipment for the purchase of a Department of Public Works pickup truck?"
- 6. "Shall the Town of Hampton approve the transfer of \$40,000 from the Unassigned General Fund to the Capital Nonrecurring 2445 School Capital Fund to fund the oil tank removal and hot water propane upgrade for Hampton Elementary School?"

Dated at Hampton, this 20th day of June 2024

Kaye Johnson, Town Clerk