| 1 2 3 | | NOT APPROVED TOWN OF PELHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN–MEETING MINUTES |
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| 4 5 6 | | OCTOBER 17, 2023 |
| 7 8 9 | CALL TO O 6:30pm | RDER – Chairman Cote called the meeting to order at approximately |
| 10 11 12 13 | PRESENT: | Jaie Bergeron, Heather Corbett, Kevin Cote, Jason Croteau, Charlene Takesian, Town Administrator Joseph Roark |
| 14 15 16 | ABSENT: | None |
| 17 18 19 20 | <u>PLEDGE OI</u> | F ALLEGIANCE |
| 20 21 22 | MEETING N | MINUTES REVIEW |
| 23 24 | October 3, 20 | 23 |
| 25 26 | MOTION: | (Corbett/Croteau) To approve the September 5, 2023 meeting minutes as amended. |
| 27 28 29 | VOTE: | (5-0-0) The motion carried. |
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| 33 34 35 | No one came | forward in open forum. |
| 36 37 | <u>APPOINTM</u> | <u>ENTS</u> |
| 38 39 40 | Public Notice fields | e (Revised): 2nd Hearing for adoption of dog policy at the parks and athletic |
| 41 42 43 44 45 46 | to accompany for recreation dogs are allow | te explained that this proposed ordinance is not intended to limit the ability of dogs y citizens when utilizing common areas of Town of Pelham parks and athletic fields and observing athletic events. This proposed ordinance does seek to specify that no wed on athletic areas (fields, courts, playgrounds, courses etc.) to limit sanitary and ns as well as prevent possible damage to athletic fields. |

No one from the public came forward. Chairman Cote closed the public forum. Chairman Cotestated that the Board of Selectmen will vote on November 7, 2023.

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51 Tammy Penny, Finance Director: Special warrant articles

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Ms. Penny stated that she has three articles for tonight's discussion, and the Board can choose to 53 54 vote on them tonight or wait until a future meeting. The first article up for discussion is the Highway Block Grant. This article is recurring year after year and is funded with the gas tax and 55 motor vehicle state registration fees. This grant can be used for construction and maintenance on 56 any class four and five roads, including purchasing equipment or implementing sidewalks. Ms. 57 Penny explained that the New Hampshire municipal advisor she spoke with recommended 58 changing the language of the article slightly, in case her estimate for the grant is too high. She 59 explained that historically the Town has been conservative with the estimate, and if they receive 60 more money they use it to offset the tax rate. However, if the Town was to receive less money, 61 that may be a problem. Ms. Penney explained that the DRA wants her to remove the line in the 62 article stating, "no money to be raised by taxation", even though the bulk of it is grant offset. She 63 would like to change the line to: No money to be raised by taxation if this grant is fully realized. 64 Should this grant not be fully realized then the difference would come from taxation. Any 65 amount received above the cited amount in this article will be used to reduce the tax rate, as it 66 has in recent years.". Ms. Penny noted that if the Board agrees to change the language she will 67 have the Town Attorney take a look at it. 68

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70 Chairman Cote asked if the Town put \$351,000.00 in the warrant article but only raised

⁵¹ \$345,000.00, why are they not able to spend only whatever funds are available. Ms. Penny

explained that the DRA told her they may disallow the article, but she is unsure of what exactly
this means. Chairman Cote asked what happens if they put \$300,000.00 in the warrant article but

they are given \$400,000.00. Ms. Penny explained that the extra \$100,000.00 would offset the tax

rate. Chairman Cote stated that he thinks they should leave the article the way it is since they still

76 get about two hundred voters who vote no on the article. Chairman Cote is worried if they

change the language more residents may vote no. He added that they can put in a low number,

⁷⁸ like \$325,000.00, and, since they more than likely receive more than that amount, the extra can

79 go to offsetting the tax rate.

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Ms. Takesian asked how the Town has almost \$1,000,000.00 in the Highway Block Grant Fund 81 if the extra money always goes to offset the tax rate. Ms. Penny explained that the Town is 82 allowed to carry funds over the years if the Highway Department does not spend it all. Ms. 83 Penny clarified that only the unspent funds of the amount listed in the warrant article can be 84 85 carried over, any extra funds will offset the tax rate and cannot be carried over by the Town. Ms. 86 Takesian asked Ms. Penny to clarify what happens if they estimate they will receive more from 87 the grant than they end up receiving. Ms. Penny stated that a representative from the DRA told 88 her that they could disallow the article, but she is unsure of the implications of that. Chairman

89 Cote added that they could change the language in the article to protect them from that if they

90 wanted to. Chairman Cote stated that he thinks they should keep the wording of the article as

- simple as possible. Ms. Penny noted that they can play conservatively in their estimation for the
- 92 grant and leave the language as it is, as they have been successful with this historically. Mr.
- 93 Croteau stated that he thinks this is a good idea as well. Chairman Cote asked the Board what 94 they thought they should put in the article for an amount. He noted that they could put in
- 95 \$351,000.00 or be more conservative. Mr. Croteau asked Ms. Penny if she thinks her
- 96 recommended amount of \$343,671.00 is what the Board should go with. Ms. Penny explained
- 97 that she got this estimate from the Department of Transportation. Chairman Cote asked if they
- 98 passed the electric vehicle tax yet. Ms. Penny stated that they will be starting to impose that tax
- 99 next year. Town Administrator Roark noted that he believes there is already a surcharge when
- 100 registering electric vehicles.
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102 The Board agreed that they would like the language of the warrant article to remain the same.

- 103 Chairman Cote asked the Board if they would like to stick with the amount of \$351,767.00 or cut
- 104 it back to \$340,000.00 or \$345,000.00. Mr. Bergeron stated that he thinks \$345,000.00 is a good
- 105 estimate to go with. The rest of the Board agreed. The Town Administrator noted that the article
- 106 will be reviewed by the DRA and legal counsel.
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108 Ms. Penny explained that the next article up for discussion is CMAQ. She stated that the Town

- 109 has funds that are about to expire. Back in 2018, voters passed a special warrant article that
- approved \$2,000,000.00 to be appropriated for addressing traffic congestion problems at the
- 111 intersections of Sherburne Road and Mammoth Road and Marsh Road. At
- the time, a congestion mitigation air quality program (CMAQ) grant through the NHDOT was
- awarded to the Town, covering 60% or \$1,200,000.00 of the project. Ms. Penny noted that
- 114 \$130,000.00 was to come from exaction fees and \$670,000.00 from unassigned ballot. This no-
- tax impact special warrant article passed with a 987 to 359 vote. Ms. Penny explained that due to
- construction delays, only some phase one design costs have occurred. These costs come to
 \$183,000.00. The \$670,000.00 that came from the unassigned fund balance originally is
- 118 currently sitting in a capital project fund. The total appropriation is going to lapse at the end of
- this year due to the way the article was written. Ms. Penny added that the costs of the project
- have increased, it is now close to \$3,500,000.00. Because of the increases, the State has now
- agreed to fund 80% of the construction and 60% of the design. She stated that the Town will still
- need the same \$670,000.00 in the unassigned fund balance, and when writing the article, she
- noted that there will be no tax impact. Ms. Penny added that the only cost would be if the voters
- 124 turned the article down, as they would have to return money to the State.
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- 126 Chairman Cote noted that if the voters did not pass the article the Town also would not get
- 127 rotaries put in at these intersections. Ms. Penny and Town Administrator Roark agreed with
- 128 Chairman Cote. Town Administrator Roark asked what would happen to the exaction fees. Ms.
- 129 Penny stated that she is unsure because they already spent them on the project, so if they do not
- 130 go forward with the rest of the project the Town would have to seek legal opinion on that.
- 131 Chairman Cote stated that he could not believe they did not make it a non-lapsing fund. Ms.
- 132 Penny explained that her proposed language for this article comes from RSA 32:74, which will

| 133 134 135 136 137 | not allow the funds to expire in the future if they were to run into this problem again. Ms. Takesian asked what would happen to the original warrant article. Ms. Penny explained that the original article would expire, but, if passed, there is language in the new article that will not allow this one to expire. She noted that the only other change to the new article is asking for more funds since the costs have increased. However, there is no tax impact. | | |
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| 139 | Ms Takesiar | a asked Ms. Penny if she knew when the State was going to proceed with installing | |
| 140 | | Ms. Penny said she is unsure of the date at the moment. Town Administrator Roark | |
| 141 | stated that the last he remembers is they will be starting the Southern rotary in 2025 and the | | |
| 142 | Northern rotary in 2026. He noted that they are being held up due to surveying and a cultural | | |
| 143 | review for historical and architectural findings. Ms. Corbett stated that she thinks the Town will | | |
| 144 | need to run an extensive public education program about this warrant article, so the voters are | | |
| 145 | very aware of what is going on. Chairman Cote agreed. | | |
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| 147 | Mr. Bergeron asked if the Board should be voting on these warrant articles. Ms. Penny explained | | |
| 148 | that the Board can vote now, or they can wait until legal review, adding that she needs to get the | | |
| 149 | article drafts over to the Budget Committee by November 4, 2023. Town Administrator Roark | | |
| 150 | noted that they could vote, noting the vote is contingent with the articles being approved by the | | |
| 151 | DRA and leg | al. Ms. Penny added that they should vote before the Budget Committee. | |
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| 153 | Chairman Co | te suggested they backtrack to the first article they discussed to make a motion and | |
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| 156 157 | MOTION: | (Bergeron/Corbett) To send the Highway Block Grant warrant article as written: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$345,000.00 for repair, | |
| 158 | | maintenance, purchase of equipment and upgrading of Town roads to be offset by | |
| 159 | | the State Highway Grant. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7 IV, no | |
| 160 | | money to be raised by taxation. | |
| 161 162 | VOTE: | (5-0-0) The motion carried. | |
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| 165 | Chairman Co | te made sure the Board had nothing else to discuss regarding the CMAQ warrant | |
| 166 | article before | looking for a motion and vote. | |
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| 168 | MOTION: | (Corbett/Takesian) To accept the language for the CMAQ warrant article as | |
| 169 | | written: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,460,000.00 to | |
| 170 | | construct two round-a-bouts at the intersections of Sherburne Road and Mammoth | |
| 171 | | Road and Mammoth Road and Marsh Road. Said appropriation will be offset by a | |
| 172 172 | | congestion mitigation air quality program (CMAQ) grant, in the amount of \$2,680,000,00 and to be partially offset with exaction fees on the deposit of | |
| 173 174 | | \$2,680,000.00 and to be partially offset with exaction fees on the deposit of \$110,000.00 and to authorize the Selectmen to expend not more than \$670,000.00 | |
| 175 | | from the unassigned fund balance to offset the remaining costs of the project. No | |
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176 177 money to be raised by taxation. This special article is to be a non-lapsing appropriation for RSA 23:7 IV.

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VOTE: (5-0-0) The motion carried.

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Ms. Penny stated that the next warrant article up for discussion is regarding the Muldoon Park 182 renovations. She explained that the Town's Parks and Recreation Director, Brian Johnson, 183 introduced a 50/50 matching grant possibility for the Muldoon Park renovations. This renovation 184 is listed on the Town's 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), with an estimated cost of 185 \$122,000.00, and is ranked as urgent. The Town has recently learned that the estimated project 186 costs have increased to \$446,000.00 as of 2023. Ms. Penny noted that these costs are if the 187 project was done this year, in 2023, so she recommends appropriating \$500,000.00 for the 188 project to cover inflation. The deadline to apply for the grant is December 15, 2023. The notice 189 of grant awards is not anticipated until November 2024. Ms. Penny explained that Mr. Johnson 190 has confirmed with the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is supplying the grant, that 191 the Town could withdraw the grant application before April 1, 2024, should the matching fund 192 warrant article fail if the Board of Selectmen votes it through. Ms. Penny noted that it does not 193 look good for the Town to receive a grant and then not use it, so it is best if they withdraw their 194 application if they cannot match the funds. Ms. Penny added that if the warrant article does pass 195 196 in March, but the Town is not awarded the grant, they will have a voter-approved appropriation out there that will be a part of the tax break calculation. If the Town knows that the project is not 197 going to move forward, she would recommend the Town adjust the revenue projections or use an 198 199 unassigned fund balance, so there is no tax impact on the residents for a project that is not going to occur. 200

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Ms. Penny stated that she does not think the timing is right for this, and the Town will be waiting
until November to hear if they were awarded the grant or not, but they will be setting the tax rate
in October.

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206 Town Administrator Roark explained that he has spoken to Mr. Johnson and he understands that as this project escalated the reality of it may not be perfect timing for this year. The playground 207 expense escalated due to the requirements of what playgrounds must have. He explained that the 208 209 majority of the playground is required to be covered in a soft, foam-like floor. It is very expensive to install this. Town Administrator Roark added that the playground equipment has to 210 211 be handicap accessible as well. Chairman Cote asked if these are requirements because the funds 212 would be coming from State money. Town Administrator Roark explained that it was not 213 because the funds would be coming from State money, that these requirements are per an RSA. 214 He added that the Town will likely scale down the size of the playground, so they do not need to 215 install as much of the special padding. 216

Ms. Penny read the language of the warrant article for the Board of Selectmen: Shall the Town
vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500,000.00 for Muldoon Park renovations, with 50% to

be offset with an anticipated grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and the 219 remainder to be raised with taxation, this special article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per 220

- 221 RSA 32:7 IV.
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223 Mr. Bergeron explained that the need for the Muldoon Park playground renovation started due to 224 issues with some of the swings and the Town's liability as pointed out by the insurance company. Mr. Bergeron added that he believes they can still repair the swings. Chairman Cote 225 226 agreed. Mr. Bergeron also added that when they first discussed the grant it seemed like a good 227 idea because it would not have cost the Town a lot of money for the renovations, but now the 228 amount has increased significantly. He is also worried about the upkeep of the special padding 229 they need to install. 230 Ms. Takesian asked if they could just fix the swings, and not move forward with the whole 231 renovation. Town Administrator Roark explained that this is the plan for now so that it will pass 232 the insurance inspection. Chairman Cote asked if the Town does not need to follow the new 233 RSAs about the playground requirements, since the playground is already built. Town 234 Administrator Roark confirmed this, adding that the RSA states that beginning January 1st any 235 new playgrounds have to follow the new RSA. 236 237 Ms. Takesian asked how much the needed repairs would cost. Town Administrator Roark 238 explained that he is unsure, but they may only need to replace some of the hardware and chains 239 on the swing sets. 240 241 (Bergeron/Croteau) To not send the Muldoon Park renovation warrant article to 242 **MOTION:** the Budget Committee. 243 244 **VOTE:** (5-0-0) The motion carried. 245 246 Mr. Croteau asked if they need to hire a company to make the playground repairs or if the 247 Town's handyman can do it. Town Administrator Roark stated that he believes that the Town 248 249 can handle replacing the parts and will want to call the insurance company to inspect the repairs once they are complete. Mr. Croteau asked if the insurance company told them not to allow the 250 playground to be used until the repairs were made. Town Administrator Roark explained that the 251 252 insurance company did not tell them to close the playground, the Town was just given notice they needed to make repairs. 253 254 255 256 Tammy Penny, Finance Director: Tax rate setting 257 258 Ms. Penny explained that this is the time of year the Town is communicating its revised revenue estimates to the Department of Revenue. The Board can choose to use additional fund balance to 259 260 offset the tax rate. Ms. Penny explained that in January when she reports to the Town's appropriations to the DRA, she also has to estimate revenues for the next year by looking at 261

trends and law changes. She tries to remain conservative, so no one is surprised by the tax rate.

- Ms. Penny stated that she is anticipating about \$541,000.00 more in revenue than what is on the
- plan. Most of this is due to interest earnings, motor vehicle revenues, and meals and room
- revenues. She noted that it is good news for the taxpayers that during budget time she was
- anticipating a \$5.81 rate, but now, even if the Board does not choose to use additional fund
- balance to offset the rate, the anticipated rate is \$5.44. Ms. Penny is recommending the Board of
- 268 Selectmen use some additional fund balance to offset the rate because she thinks some of the
- 269 other components will be increased.
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- 271 Ms. Penny clarified that fund balance is not a balance in a bank account, it is a measure of equity
- between revenue and expenditures and represents the difference between assets and liabilities.
- 273 The Town should maintain adequate fund balance levels to mitigate revenue shortfalls and help
- stabilize the tax rate. This is because New Hampshire municipalities rely heavily on property
- taxes collected only twice a year to meet obligations that occur year-round. Adequate fund
- balance reserves do improve cash flow and may help to avoid the need for short-term borrowing
- to meet obligations. Ms. Penny added that different organizations have different
- recommendations. The New Hampshire DRA is 5-17% of your obligations, the New Hampshire
- GFOA is 8-17% of your obligations. Ms. Penny stated that she would like to come before the
- Board next year to propose a fund balance policy where they aim for a certain range, and if they
- 281 go above it they use it for certain things, and if they go below it they take action. She noted that
- the Town does not currently have a policy in place.
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Ms. Penny noted that in 2022 the Town's fund balance was \$6,395,065.00 or 11.31% of their
obligations. She is anticipating that the Town will fall at \$6,845,065.00 or 12.13% for 2023 if the
Board uses \$300,000.00 to offset the tax rate. She noted that this percentage is an estimate
because they do not know the whole denominator due to the school's portion of the tax rate not
being set yet. Ms. Penny explained that if they use \$300,000.00 in unassigned fund balance to
offset the tax rate it would result in a rate of approximately \$5.42. She noted that on a
\$500,000.00 home, this would come out to an average savings of around \$7.51.

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Chairman Cote explained that, after reviewing Ms. Penny's chart, they are looking at a Town 292 side tax rate of about \$5.54. This equates to about a \$50.00 increase in taxes on a \$500,000.00 293 home. He noted that he was impressed with the Town's fund balance growth, and he would like 294 to be on the higher side of the 8-17% range. He explained he would rather not use additional 295 fund balance or use a minimal amount of it to keep growing the balance. Chairman Cote asked 296 the rest of the Board for their opinions. Ms. Takesian asked if this was only regarding the Town 297 portion of the tax rate. Ms. Penny confirmed. Ms. Takesian asked how much the county portion 298 of the tax rate increased for this year. Ms. Penny stated that this number is finalized, and the 299 increased rate will result in a \$58.00 increase per average home. Ms. Penny added that the 300 301 county has been using additional fund balances for the past few years to offset their tax rate, but 302 they cannot do this any longer as expenses have caught up with them. The county rate is 303 increasing to \$0.97 per \$1,000.00 as opposed to last year's rate of \$0.85 per \$1,000.00.

Chairman Cote noted that there are a lot of things to consider, as the school's contracts are up 305 this year, and are negotiating the teacher's contracts that they will eventually vote on. He also 306 307 stated that basic inflation and higher cost of living need to be considered as well. The total tax rate increase will not just be \$50.00 or \$100.00, but other things are increasing as well. He added 308 309 that using \$300,000.00 of additional fund balance will only offset the Town's tax rate increase 310 for taxpayers. 311 312 Mr. Croteau asked if when the school returns money into the budget it goes into the general fund. 313 Ms. Penney explained that it does not go into the general fund, it helps to offset their tax rate. She noted that the school is anticipating \$2,700,000.00 being returned to offset the portion of 314 315 their tax rate. 316 317 Mr. Bergeron thanked Ms. Penny for her explanation of the additional fund balance. He also stated that he supports using \$300,000.00 from the fund balance to offset the tax rate. Ms. 318 Takesian agreed and also thanked Ms. Penny for her explanation. 319 320 Ms. Penny stated that she would report back when she got the final number from the schools. 321 322 **MOTION:** (Bergeron/Takesian) To have the Board of Selectmen authorize the use of 323 \$300,000.00 in unassigned fund balance to reduce the 2023 tax rate. 324 325 **VOTE:** (5-0-0) The motion carried. 326 327 Chairman Cote noted that since he has become a Selectmen he believes this is the lowest amount 328 of unassigned fund balance they have used to offset the tax rate. Chairman Cote thanked Ms. 329 Penny. 330 331 332 DISCUSSION 333 334 335 Accept resignation from Sara Landry, Senior Center Director 336 Town Administrator Roark stated that the Town regretfully accepts the resignation of Sara 337 Landry, the Town's long-time Senior Center Director. Dated October 4, 2023, Town 338 Administrator Roark read Ms. Landry's letter or recognition: Dear Mr. Roark, I am writing to 339 inform you of my resignation from my position as the Director of the Hobbs Community Center 340 Senior and Adult programming effective October 31, 2023. I have valued the almost thirteen 341 342 years that I have worked in this position, and I am proud of what I have accomplished during my time in this role. I have appreciated the opportunities afforded to me while I have worked for the 343 Town of Pelham. I would be happy to meet with you at your convenience to discuss the 344 transition of my duties. Sincerely, Sara Landry. 345 346

| 347 | Town Administrator Roark stated that Sara will be missed at the Senior Center and he | | |
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| 348 | understands t | hat she has a new job opportunity, and he wishes her well. | |
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| 355 | Town seekin | g volunteer for Nashua Regional Planning Commission | |
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| 357 | Town Admir | istrator Roark announced that the Town will be seeking a volunteer to represent the | |
| 358 | Town to the Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC). The title will be the Town of | | |
| 359 | Pelham Commissioner. This position was recently vacated by Mr. Hennessey. It is for a four- | | |
| 360 | year term. The NRPC consists of a voluntary board of commissioners that represents each | | |
| 361 | member com | munity. Commissioners are nominated by the planning board in their municipality | |
| 362 | and are appointed by the governing body. Each community is entitled to two representatives, and | | |
| 363 | communities with over 10,000 in population are entitled to three representatives. The full | | |
| 364 | commission meets quarterly to adopt and oversee an array of planning programs provided to | | |
| 365 | NRPC members. The executive committee, which is elected from the body of the full | | |
| 366 | commission, | meets monthly. Any citizens interested in volunteering should fill out a volunteer | |
| 367 | application and forward it to the Board of Selectmen's office at mbinette@pelhamweb.com. | | |
| 368 | Applications | are available at the Board of Selectmen's office or online at the Town's website at | |
| 369 | pelhamweb.c | com/employment. The volunteer position will remain open until the seat can be filled | |
| 370 | by the Board | of Selectmen. | |
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| 372 373 | Town Admir | istrator noted that this is an important position, and he hopes there is interest in it. | |
| 374 | Audrev Fra | der: New youth center on Bridge Street | |
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| 376 | Audrey Frade | er approached the Board to discuss the new youth center they are trying to kick off | |
| 377 | • | reet. She noted that she came tonight in response to Sara Landry's resignation, as | |
| 378 | e | had contacted her to let her know she was resigning, and Ms. Frader noticed today | |
| 379 | • | nation was on her agenda. Ms. Frader noted she has been doing a lot of important | |
| 380 | work with M | s. Landry and she hopes this work can continue even with Sara resigning. Ms. | |
| 381 | Frader explai | ned that she and Ms. Landry have been working on creating a partnership between | |
| 382 | | enter and the coming youth center, and they have a lot of things planned. She asks | |
| 383 | the Board that as they seek to replace Ms. Landry, they make sure it is someone who is very | | |
| 384 | much invested in the community and partnerships. She added that one thing they would like to | | |
| 385 | do is create volunteer positions for the seniors at the youth center. In return for this, they would | | |
| 386 | help to provide some things for the seniors that they do not have currently at the Senior Center, | | |
| 387 | - | em use their gym for indoor walking or moving the pickleball equipment into the | |
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| 392 | ARPA funds for Town sidewalks | |
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| 402 | SELECTMEN AND TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS | |
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| 404 | Mr. Croteau had nothing to report. | |
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| 410 | Mr. Bergeron had nothing to report. | |
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| 412 413 | Ms. Corbett had nothing to report. | |
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| 416 417 | REQUEST FOR NON-PUBLIC SESSION | |
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| 421 422 | ROLLCALL VOTE: | |
| 423 | Selectman Corbett – Yes | |
| 424 | Selectman Bergeron–Yes | |
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| 426 | Selectman Takesian – Yes | |
| 427 | Selectman Croteau – Yes | |
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| 429 | (5-0-0) The motion carried. | |
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| 431 432 433 | It was noted that when the Board returned, after the non-public session, the Board would not take any other action publicly, except to seal the minutes of the non-public session and to adjourn the meeting. The Board entered a non-public session at approximately 7:41 p.m. | |

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| Respectfully submitted, |
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| Makayla Clougherty |
| Recording Secretary |
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