Board of Selectmen
Municipal Office Complex
Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
June 30, 2021
Via YouTube Live
Special Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Present: R. Smith; T. Govert; C. Quinn
Also Present: L. Zemienieski and other members of the public via virtual media

1. The First Selectman Smith called the Special Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and the attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. 2021-2022 Proposed Budget Resolution: Mr. Smith noted that the Board of Finance passed a motion to ask the Selectmen to send the budget to Town Meeting then referendum.

   Motion made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Ms. Quinn, to adopt the following resolutions:

   RESOLVED, that a Special Town Meeting is hereby called to be held on July 13, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. in the Nathan Hale-Ray High School Auditorium on School Drive in the said Town of East Haddam, Connecticut (the "Town Meeting"), to consider the resolution recommended and approved by the Board of Finance at its meeting held on June 29, 2021 to approve the budget of $36,369,368 for fiscal year 2021 – 2022.

   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, hereby removes the item described above on the call of the Town Meeting for submission to the voters on July 27, 2021 for vote by paper ballots or voting machine ballot labels by the voters entitled to vote at the Town Meeting between the hours of twelve o'clock p.m. and eight o'clock p.m. at the Municipal Office Complex, Moodus, Connecticut under the following heading:

   > Shall the Town of East Haddam budget of $36,369,368, as recommended by the Board of Finance for fiscal year 2021-2022 be approved?

   The moderator of the Town Meeting shall adjourn such meeting after reasonable discussion of such item and conclusion of such other business as may properly come before the Town Meeting and order such vote by paper ballots or voting machine ballot labels in accordance with this resolution and Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the voters at the Town Meeting shall determine whether the polls shall be open at six o'clock a.m. to conduct the referendum on July 27, 2021 and this resolution is hereby added to the agenda of such meeting.
   Unanimous aye.

3. Call for Town Meeting:

   Motion made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Govert, to approve the following call for Town Meeting:

The Electors and citizens of the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut qualified to vote in Town Meeting are hereby warned and notified that a Special Town Meeting will be held in the Nathan Hale-Ray High School Auditorium on School Drive in the said Town of East Haddam at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 for the following purposes, to wit:

Item 1: To consider and discuss (but not to vote on) the Town Budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year in the amount of $36,369,368 as recommended by the Board of Finance.

All those persons qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut, are hereby further notified that pursuant to Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of East Haddam have removed the above item on the call of this Special Town Meeting for submission to the voters of the Town of East Haddam who are qualified to vote at Town meetings for "yes" or "no" vote by paper ballots or voting machine ballot labels on the following question:

> Shall the Town of East Haddam budget of $36,369,368, as recommended by the Board of Finance for fiscal year 2021–2022 be approved?

The vote by paper ballots or voting machine ballot labels will be conducted at the Municipal Office Complex, Moodus, Connecticut between the hours of twelve o'clock p.m. and eight o'clock p.m. (in absence of a contrary determination at the Town Meeting) on July 27, 2021.

Item 2: To consider and vote on the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen that the polls shall be open at six o'clock a.m. to conduct the referendum on July 27, 2021.

Item 3: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to accept a gift in the amount of $10,000 from Consumer Reports for the Senior Meal Program (revenue account 29545-44877 and expense account 29544230-58400).
Unanimous aye.

4. Set Mill Rate:

   Motion made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Quinn, to set the mill rate for the Town of East Haddam for fiscal year 2021-2022 at 30.44 mills in the absence of a budget being adopted by July 1, 2021 and pursuant to the authority granted the selectmen by Connecticut General Statutes Section 12-123. Unanimous aye.

5. Public Comment: There were no public comments discussed at the meeting:

6. Adjournment: There being no additional business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Quinn, to adjourn their meeting at 9:08 a.m. Unanimous aye.

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Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Govert, Secretary