Board of Selectmen
Nathan Hale-Ray High School
Auditorium
August 16, 2023
Special Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Present: I. Haines; E. Dill; T. Govert
Also Present: L. Zemienieski and other members of the public via virtual media

1. First Selectman Haines called the Special Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 10:57 p.m.

2. Board of Selectmen 2023-2024 Proposed Budget Resolution: Ms. Haines noted that the Board of Finance passed a motion earlier this evening to ask the Selectmen to send the budget to Town Meeting then referendum.

   Motion made by Mr. Dill, seconded by Ms. Haines, to adopt the following resolutions:

   RESOLVED, that a Special Town Meeting is hereby called to be held on August 29, 2023 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 August 16, 2023 to approve the budget of $37,911,165 for fiscal year 2023 – 2024.

   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 September 12, 2023 for vote by voting machine 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, 1 Plains Road, Moodus, Connecticut under the following heading:

   > Shall the Town of East Haddam budget of $37,911,165, as recommended by the Board of Finance for fiscal year 2023-2024 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 voting machine 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 September 12, 2023 and this resolution is hereby added to the agenda of such meeting.
   In favor: Mr. Dill, Ms. Haines Abstained: Ms. Govert. Motion carried.

3. Call for Town Meeting: Ms. Haines advised that items approved at previous meetings plus the budget must be moved forward to a Town Meeting.

   Motion made by Ms. Govert, seconded by Mr. Dill, 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, 15 School Drive in Moodus, Connecticut on Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., for the following purposes, to wit:

Item 1: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance to accept a grant in the amount of $5,000.00 from the Edmund T. and Barbara S. Delaney Fund and Whelen Family Fund at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County for the purpose of supporting summer 2023 camp programs (revenue account 28045-44709-R1099 and expense account 28045033-56900-R1099).

Item 2: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance to accept a grant in the amount of $1,000.00 from the M. Jones Fund at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County for the purpose of supporting summer 2023 camp programs (revenue account 28045-44709-R1099 and expense account 28045033-56900-R1099).

Item 3: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to adopt the following resolution:

> RESOLVED, that a grant in the amount of $6,000 is hereby accepted from the State of Connecticut, State Library, for the purpose of historic document preservation and appropriated to the Historic Document Preservation Fund (account 26041-43000); and that Irene M. Haines, First Selectman, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this municipality, a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Document Preservation Grant.

Item 4: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance to accept a grant in the amount of $19,128.57 for the FY 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, for the purpose of acquisition and implementation of 3 radio base stations, (revenue account 33250-43000-C0226 and expense account 33250013-58926-C0226).

Item 5: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen to adopt the following resolution:

> RESOLVED: Pursuant to Chapter 130, of the Connecticut General Statutes, and the "Town of East Haddam Ordinance to Create the East Haddam Redevelopment Agency for the Development of the Former Town Office and Garage Property and Certain Surrounding Properties" the Board of Selectmen hereby reappoints Jacqueline Nowell and Gary Laskowski, electors of the Town of East Haddam, to the Town of East Haddam Redevelopment Agency, to serve for 5 year terms expiring August 31, 2028, and subject to approval of a Town Meeting.

Item 6: To consider and act upon the following resolution as recommended by the Board of Selectmen:

> RESOLVED: That the Solid Waste Ordinance Article II, Section 296-6, Licensing of Commercial Collectors; Fees, Item B. adopted July 24, 1990 and amended at Town Meeting on March 28, 2018, is hereby amended as follows:
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> B. All licenses shall be for a period of one year from date of issuance. The license fee shall be paid in advance of granting said license. The fee for a license shall be **[DELETE: "$250 per year]** **ADD: set by the Board of Selectmen**.

Copies of said ordinance are on file in the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours.

Item 7: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance to approve a transfer in the amount of $360,713.00 from the General Fund (10549010-58928) to the Board of Education Capital Reserve Fund (3320-10506-25790).

Item 8: To consider and discuss (but not to vote on) the Town Budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year in the amount of $37,911,165 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 voting machine on the following question:

Shall the Town of East Haddam budget of $38,911,165, as recommended by the Board of Finance for fiscal year 2023–2024 be approved?

The vote by 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 September 12, 2023.

Item 9: 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 September 12, 2023.
Unanimous aye.

4. Adjournment: There being no additional business to discuss, a motion was made by Ms. Govert, seconded by Mr. Dill, to adjourn the meeting at 11:07p.m. Unanimous aye.

Recorded

Respectfully submitted,
Erik Dill, Secretary