## Board of Finance Special Meeting November 13, 2023 Public Hearing 7:00 PM

## Attendance:

Chairman Jack Kiley, Dana Flach, Susan Arpin, Paula Jensen (Absent Kathryn Dennen and Diane Soracco), Jim Hliva (Finance Director)

Chairman Jack Kiley Open the meeting at 7 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

- 1) RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$4,255,000 FOR GREAT OAK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HVAC PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$950,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING TEMPORARY BORROWERS FOR SUCH PURPOSE
- 2) RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000 FOR THE TOWNER LANE SEWER PUMP STATION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$2,000,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWERS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Chairman Jack Kiley began the meeting by stating the board has visited the school. It is agreed that the HVAC system needs to be done. The air quality currently is not good. Period substantial upgrades have been done and will continue.

Bret Olgorys 17 Apple Drive asked if the finance portion could be explained.

Jim Hliva went over the finance aspect of the project. Instructed everyone in attendance the explanation is on page 3 of the handout. Which was provided to all in attendance.

Explanation below.

## Exhibit B RESOULTION APPROPRIATING \$4,255,000 FOR THE GRE

debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon and shall be paid from property taxation to the extent not paid from other funds available for the payment thereof. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds to be insued, the amual installments of principal, the amount provides and the contract of principal, the amount of the bonds to be insued. cavith the 1737 dirin 7-3 ir naesti jie (c) deh such pendau

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Chairman Jack Kiley discussed possibly bonding the project. But noted if there are sufficient funds that there will be no need to bond. The cost to borrow \$2 million is \$4,255,000. There is a Eversource zero interest loan with a heating award of \$1 million. The total cost of the town would be \$950,000.

Selectman Arnold Jensen Apple Drive asked if the \$2 million has to be paid back.

Jim Hliva stated Eversource gives us the payback.

Herman Schuler 125 Meadow Brook rd stated the education budget will go up for five years.

Jessica German Copper Mine RD Remember from the building committee stated she fully supports the HVAC system being installed.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000 FOR THE TOWNER LANE SEWER FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF \$2,000,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWERS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Chairman Jack Kiley stated that this is an emergency repair. All the piping is corroded and each brake is costing \$125,000. This definitely must get done. He went on to say the entire line would cost about \$4 million. The current proposed \$2 million fixes are all the current breaks that have occurred. The big question is the financing. However this project does need to be done.

Dana Flach stated this \$2 million covers the first 4000 ft.2.

Chairman Jack Kiley noted this project is currently out to bid.

Jim Hliva stated The current estimates are from Nafis & Young. He went on to say we cannot increase the amount to cover the entire project tonight. We would have to start the process all over.

Herman Schuler asked if there was ARPA funding available for this project.

Chairman Jack Kiley said they could be used for this project. Currently no print out of what is currently available in the ARPA Account.

Bret Stated that he just wants to be clear that the Board of Education has to budget \$100,000 over the next 10 years.

Chairman Jack Kiley said there is electrical savings once project is completed.

Dana Flach asked if there was a way to budget through the town and not the Board of Education.

Chairman Jack Kiley stated the Board of Education must pick this up for electricity. We are picking up the principal work. Project will start Wednesday if approved. Will take about 11 months to complete.

Herman Schuler asked if the Board of Education is aware the long build loan is in their budget.

Selectman Arnold Jensen stated the loan goes into the board of Education electricity bill.

Herman Schuler stated the reason why Eversource is involved is the RFP of \$600,000 honored by Eversource. We should save \$95,000, there is so much power currently being used in the building this will reduce the cost.

Chairman Jack Kiley motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 PM this was seconded by Susan Arpin. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted By Kathleen Sundstrom
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Clerk