

**SELECTPERSON'S
INITIATED ARTICLES
PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
March 25, 2013, 6:00 p.m.
Rumford Falls Auditorium**

PRESENT: Chairperson Gregory Buccina, Vice-Chairperson Jeffrey Sterling, Selectperson Bradford Adley, Selectperson Jeremy Volkernick, Selectperson Jolene Lovejoy, Town Manager Carlo Puiia.

ATTENDEES: Catherine Johnson, Jennifer Gaylord, Barbara Morse, Bernadette Hodgkins, John Aylward, Lauren Dembski, Stephen Mellow, Valerie Warriner, Becky McDonald, Robert Chase, Dick Lovejoy, Tina Clark, Jennifer Kreckel, Peter Perry, Janet Brennick, Kerry Burgess, Mitzi Sequoia, Roger Arsenault, Bev Thorne, Dieter Kreckel, Kim Sequoia, Jim Carter, Eric Giroux, Stacy Carter

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. All present Pledged Allegiance to the American Flag

3. Requests of Initiated Articles

A. Rumford Senior Citizens – Resubmitting Request (Original request of \$ 6,400.00 not approved)

Mr. Adley made a motion to allow non-resident, Barbara Morse, to speak. Vote: 5-0

Ms. Morse amended her original request from \$6,400.00 to \$5,400.00 for Rumford Senior Citizens.

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$5,400.00 for Rumford Senior Citizens. Vote: 2-3, Mr. Adley, Ms. Lovejoy and Mr. Volkernick opposed.

Ms. Morse made a third request for \$4,800.00

Mr. Sterling made a motion for \$4,800.00. Motion died for lack of a second.

Ms. Morse made a fourth request for \$4,000.00.

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$4,000.00. Vote: 3-2, Ms. Lovejoy and Mr. Volkernick opposed.

B. Hope Association – Requesting...\$ 6,560.00

Mitzi Sequoia requested that Hope Association Director Catherine Johnson be allowed to speak.

Ms. Lovejoy made a motion to allow non-resident, Catherine Johnson, to speak. Vote: 5-0

Ms. Johnson requested an amended amount of \$5,500.00 for Hope Association.

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$5,500.00 for Hope Association. Vote: 4-1, Mr. Volkernick opposed.

C. Black Mountain of Maine – Requesting...\$ 51,700.00

Roger Arsenault presented a request for \$51,700.00 for Black Mountain of Maine.

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$51,700.00 for Black Mountain of Maine. Vote: 4-1, Mr. Volkernick opposed.

D. Tri-County Mental Health Services – Requesting...\$ 5,841.00

Kim Sequoia requested that Tina Clark be allowed to speak on behalf of Tri-County Mental Health Services and to fund them for \$5,841.00.

Ms. Lovejoy made a motion to allow non-resident, Tina Clark, to speak. Vote: 5-0

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$5,841.00 for Tri-County Mental Health. Vote: 0-5, all opposed.

Ms. Clark presented a second request for \$5,000.00.

Mr. Sterling made a motion to approve \$5,000.00. Vote: 0-5, all opposed.

Ms. Clark presented a third request for \$4,500.00.

Mr. Sterling made a motion to approve \$4,500.00. Vote: 4-1, Mr. Volkernick opposed.

E. American Red Cross – Requesting...\$ 3,000.00

Robert Chase requested that Jennifer Gaylord be allowed to speak.

Mr. Adley made a motion to allow non-resident, Jennifer Gaylord, to speak. Vote: 5-0

Ms. Gaylord presented a request for \$3,000.00 for American Red Cross.

Mr. Volkernick made a motion to approve \$3,000.00 for American Red Cross. Vote: 5-0

F. River Valley Animal Advocates – Requesting...\$ 1,000.00

Valerie Warriner requested that Rebecca McDonald be allowed to speak.

Ms. Lovejoy made a motion to allow non-resident, Rebecca McDonald, to speak. Vote: 5-0

Ms. McDonald presented a request for \$1,000.00 for River Valley Animal Advocates.

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$1,000.00 for River Valley Animal Advocates. Vote: 3-2, Mr. Sterling and Mr. Volkernick opposed.

G. River Valley Chamber of Commerce – Requesting...\$3,000.00

Peter Perry presented an amended request of \$2,500.00 for River Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Adley made a motion to approve \$2,500.00 for River Valley Chamber of Commerce. Vote: 5-0

H. Chisholm Ski Club– Requesting...\$ 1,540.00

Roger Arsenault presented a request for \$1,540.00 for Chisholm Ski Club.

Mr. Volkernick made a motion to approve \$1,540.00 for Chisholm Ski Club. Vote: 4-1, Mr. Buccina opposed.

I. Other Requests – Requests Received After Deadline For Information

Stacy Carter requested that Lauren Dembski be allowed to speak.

Mr. Adley made a motion to allow non-resident Lauren Dembski, to speak. Vote: 5-0

Ms. Dembski presented a request for \$650.00 for REACH.

No motion was made.

4. Executive Session pursuant to MRS 405(6)(D) for Union Negotiations

Mr. Sterling made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. pursuant to MRS 405 (6)(D) for union negotiations with Police Chief Stacy Carter. Vote: 5-0

Executive Session In: 8:01 p.m.
Executive Session Out: 8:50 p.m.

No action was taken.

5. Adjournment

Mr. Adley made a motion to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. Vote: 5-0

Carlo J. Puiia
Town Manager

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