

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Board of Selectmen
Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
Zoom Online
Special Meeting Minutes

5:30 p.m. Special Session

First Selectwoman Lyons called the Special Session of Thursday, July 28, 2022 to order at 5:30 p.m. Also, in attendance were Selectman Goldberg, Selectwoman Kokoruda, Selectman Murphy, and Selectman Wilson.

Staff: Lauren Rhines, Town Administrative Risk and Grants Manager

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
First Selectwoman Lyons led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Citizen comments.
None.

Business

3. Discuss and take action to add to the call to Special Town Meeting in Town Campus Room A, Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. item 2: Approve a Special Appropriation request in an amount up to \$65,000.00 for the Eversource Electric Vehicle Charging Station grant rebate program; pending Board of Finance approval

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Murphy to Approve a Special Appropriation request in an amount up to \$65,000.00 for the Eversource Electric Vehicle Charging Station grant rebate program; pending Board of Finance approval.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

4. Discuss and take action to award the Town Campus Generator Replacement Project to Huntington Power Equipment for a cost not to exceed \$169,500.00

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Murphy to award the Town Campus Generator Replacement Project to Huntington Power Equipment for a cost not to exceed \$169,500.00

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

5. Discuss and take action to approve, amend and/or reject the final revised Charter draft.

MOTION by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Murphy to approve the final revised Charter draft

Discussion: The Board discussed Section 7.1.2 – Town Chief of Police. The Charter Commission felt the current Charter wording was backwards in reference to the appointment of the Chief of Police and have revised the language. The chair of the Police Commission had a lengthy discussion with Town Counsel today and it was agreed that the proposed language by the Charter Commission in this section was not clear. Town Counsel suggested stronger/more clear wording for this section. It is important to note, the Board can only approve or reject the final revised draft presented tonight, no amendments can be made.

MOTION by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Wilson to amend the original motion to approve the final revised Charter draft with the exception of section 7.1.2

Discussion: Selectwoman Kokoruda noted she does not necessarily support every revision in the final draft. L. Rhines confirmed that tonight's vote by the Board is based on process, not that the members support each individual item.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

The Board discussed next steps, including holding a special meeting on Monday, August 15th to discuss potential referendum questions and also holding a Public Informational Meeting on August 22nd.

6. Adjournment.

There being no objection the Board adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaclyn Lehet