



## LONDONDERRY TOWN COUNCIL

John Farrell • Chair  
Joe Green • Vice Chair  
Jim Butler • Councilor  
Deb Paul • Councilor  
Chad Franz • Councilor

Michael Malaguti • Town Manager  
Justin Campo • Finance Director

Agenda  
November 21, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.  
Moose Hill Council Chambers

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**C. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Charter Amendment Section 5.7 Treasurer  
(*Michael Malaguti, Town Manager and Justin Campo, Finance Director*)

**D. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Budget Workshop
2. **Resolution #2022-21** – A Resolution Creating the Londonderry Utilities Committee  
(*Michael Malaguti, Town Manager*)

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

**F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

November 7, 2022 Town Council Minutes  
November 14, 2022 Town Council Minutes

**G. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

**H. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Liaison Reports
2. Town Manager Report

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

**J. MEETING SCHEDULE**

1. Town Council Meeting/Budget Public Hearing 12/05/2022  
Moose Hill Council Chambers, 7:00 P.M.



*Londonderry Town Council*  
*Londonderry, New Hampshire*

Notice is hereby given that the Londonderry Town Council will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on November 21, 2022, in the Moose Hill Town Council Chambers, on the following proposed amendment to the Town Charter (bracketed text is deleted, bolded text is added):

Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment reprinted and summarized below?

Section 5.7. Treasurer

There shall be a Town Treasurer (hereinafter called "Treasurer") who shall have all the powers and duties granted by this Charter and state law. The Treasurer shall be [elected on an at-large basis to a term of three (3) years at the Town Election] **appointed by the Town Council upon recommendation of the Town Manager for a one (1)-year term.** Vacancies in the office of Treasurer shall be filled pursuant to state law.

If the amendment is adopted, the Town Treasurer shall be appointed by the Town Council instead of being elected. If the amendment is adopted, the elected Treasurer shall remain in office until the 2024 annual town election.

## PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT – APPOINTMENT OF TOWN TREASURER

Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment reprinted and summarized below: (words removed are [bracketed] and new words are **in bold**)

### Section 5.7. Treasurer

There shall be a Town Treasurer (hereinafter called “Treasurer”) who shall have all the powers and duties granted by this Charter and State Law. The Treasurer shall be [elected on an at-large basis to a term of three (3) years at the Town Election] **appointed by the Town Council upon recommendation of the Town Manager for a three (3)-year term.** Vacancies in the office of Treasurer shall be filled pursuant to state law.

If the amendment is adopted, the Town Treasurer shall be appointed by the Town Council for a three (3)-year term instead of being elected for a three (3)-year term. If the amendment is adopted, the elected Treasurer shall remain in office until the 2024 annual town election.

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November 18, 2022  
Via Email

John W. Farrell, Chair  
Londonderry Town Council  
268B Mammoth Road  
Londonderry, NH 03053

## Re: Proposed Londonderry Town Charter Amendment

Dear Town Council Chair Farrell:

This letter responds to the Londonderry Town Council's ("Town Council") request for an opinion on whether the proposed Londonderry Town Charter Amendment ("Charter Amendment") attached to this letter complies with New Hampshire law. For the reasons that follow, it is my opinion that the proposed Charter Amendment is in compliance with New Hampshire law.

In 1996, the Town of Londonderry (the "Town" or "Londonderry") adopted the Charter of the Town of Londonderry, New Hampshire (the "Town Charter") pursuant to RSA 49-D:2. Between 1998 and 2011, the Town Charter was amended at six annual meetings. The Town Charter provides for an official ballot town meeting pursuant to RSA 49-D:3, II-a. Consistent with RSA 49-D:3, II-a, in Londonderry, all warrant articles, including nonbudgetary items, are voted on by official ballot.

The proposed Charter Amendment complies with New Hampshire law. Article 5, Section 5.7 of the Town Charter provides that "[t]here shall be a Town Treasurer (hereinafter called "Treasurer") who shall have all the powers and duties granted by this Charter and State Law." Article 5, Section 5.7 also states that the "Treasurer shall be elected on an at-large basis to a term of three (3) years at the Town Election." The Charter Amendment would authorize the Town Council to appoint the Town Treasurer upon the recommendation of the Town Manager pursuant to RSA 41:26-e for a three-year term rather than continue to be elected for a three-year term. Pursuant to RSA 41:26-e, "[a]ny town may, under an article in the warrant for the annual town meeting, vote to authorize the appointment rather than the election of a town treasurer." In addition to complying with New Hampshire law by authorizing the appointment of the Town Treasurer, the Charter Amendment also complies with state law regarding the manner in which the Town Treasurer would be appointed. RSA 49-D:2,II(c) provides that the Town Manager appointed by the Town Council "shall ... be vested with the same authority ... security as town

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managers under RSA 37.” Therefore, the appointment of the Town Treasurer must be made upon recommendation of the Town Manager with approval of the Town Council. *See* RSA 41:26-e.

I highlight other statutory requirements related to the appointment of the Town Treasurer for the Town Council’s awareness. One, if the Charter Amendment passes and the Town Treasurer is appointed, “such appointment shall be made in writing and shall include the compensation to be paid.” RSA 41:26-e. Two, if the Charter Amendment is passed by the voters, it may be rescinded only by a warrant article at a subsequent annual town meeting. RSA 41:26-e. Three, “[i]f such article to rescind the appointment of a treasurer is approved, then the town shall reinstate the office of elected treasurer and shall fill the vacancy in accordance with RSA 669:69.” RSA 41:26-e.

In sum, the Charter Amendment would authorize the Town Council to appoint the Town Treasurer upon the recommendation of the Town Manager for a three-year term. If passed, the Charter Amendment would cease the practice of electing the Town Treasurer for a three-year term. Although the warrant article may be passed in March 2023, the first appointment of the Town Treasurer shall not occur until the expiration of the current elected Town Treasurer’s three-year term in 2024, which would be the March 2024 annual town election. It is my opinion that the Charter Amendment complies with state law.

Sincerely,



Michael D. Ramsdell

MDR/dmh

Enclosure

cc: Londonderry Town Manager Michael J. Malaguti

## RESOLUTION 2022-21

### *A Resolution Creating the Londonderry Utilities Committee*

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First Reading: 11/21/2022  
Second Reading: Not required  
Adopted: 11/21/2022

***WHEREAS*** Londonderry’s residents are straining under the rising costs of electricity, propane, home heating oil, and natural gas; and

***WHEREAS*** The availability of clean, safe, and abundant drinking water is both a long-range concern and an immediate problem for residents; and

***WHEREAS*** The cost and availability of high-speed broadband is also an issue of concern to residents.

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** by the Londonderry Town Council that the Londonderry Utilities Committee is established in accordance with the “Committee Charge,” a copy of which is attached hereto.

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John Farrell, Chairman  
Town Council

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Sharon Farrell  
Town Clerk

(TOWN SEAL)

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:  
11/21/2022

## **LONDONDERRY MUNICIPAL AGGREGATION COMMITTEE COMMITTEE CHARGE**

### **PURPOSE:**

The Londonderry Utilities Committee (“Committee”) shall be a standing committee under Chapter 3 of the Town’s Administrative Code, and shall exist until its dissolution by the Town Council. The Committee shall study and make recommendations to the Town Manager, Town Staff, and Town Council on issues involving the cost, availability, and reliability of electricity, home heating oil, natural gas, propane, drinking water, and broadband, fuel for Town vehicles, and the infrastructure required to support these utilities.

### **REPRESENTATION:**

The Committee shall consist of the following:

- Five members of the public appointed by the Town Council.

### **ORGANIZATION**

The Committee shall determine its own rules of order, unless otherwise provided by law or Town Charter.

In addition to the Chair, the Committee shall appoint a Vice Chair and Secretary.

### **DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES**

- (1) Solicit public input and hold public meetings;
- (2) Report at least semi-annually to the Town Council upon the Committee’s activities;
- (3) Hold meetings upon required notice, and keep minutes as required by RSA 91-A; and
- (4) Maintain a permanent project file that, at a minimum, includes:
  - A. Committee minutes and meeting notices;
  - B. Project plans, contracts, and payment requests;
  - C. Project correspondence; and
  - D. Other material as deemed necessary.



**Londonderry Town Council Minutes**  
**Monday, November 7, 2022**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Moose Hill Council Chambers**

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7 **Attendance:** Present: Chairman John Farrell; Councilor Jim Butler, Chad Franz, and Deb Paul;  
8 Town Manager Michael Malaguti; Finance Director Justin Campo; Absent: Vice Chairman Joe  
9 Green; Kirby Brown, Executive Assistant

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11 **Call to Order**

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13 Chairman Farrell called the Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge was led by  
14 Councilor Franz. Councilor Franz held a moment of silence for the Veterans and all those who  
15 have served us and honoring Veterans Day.

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17 **Public Comment**

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19 Londonderry Police Chief Bernard introduced new promotions that have been made at the PD.  
20 Chief Bernard stated that the four men standing in front came to Londonderry from other agencies.  
21 Det. Andrew Phillips to Patrol Sergeant; Officer Ryan Maclean to Patrol Sergeant; Sergeant Keith  
22 Lee to Patrol Lieutenant; and Sergeant Garrett Malloy to Patrol Lieutenant. The Council  
23 congratulated the officers on their promotions.

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25 Chairman Farrell read a Town Council Proclamation in honor of Small Business Saturday.

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27 Chairman Farrell stated that tomorrow, November 8<sup>th</sup>, is Election Day. The polls open at 6 AM  
28 and close at 8 PM. The Council urged te public to get out and vote.

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30 **Name:** John Grennon

31 **Address:** 14 Jewel Ct., Londonderry

32 Grennon stated that he was going to ask what the process was for a warrant article, to increase the  
33 police department presence at the schools for the SRO program. Grennon stated that LPD does an  
34 amazing job and they all make parents feel more comfortable. Grennon stated that he is unsure if  
35 the department is allowed to increase staffing at the schools, but what happens when one officer is  
36 gone or out sick. How do they backfill when someone is not there? Grennon stated that everyone  
37 should think about not defunding the police department.

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39 Chairman Farrell stated that once public comment is closed, he will answer Grennon's question.

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41 **Name:** Martha Smith

42 **Address:** 38 Shasta Drive, Londonderry

43 Smith stated that at the last Town Council meeting, Mike Speltz gave a presentation about the  
44 Energy Task Force. Smith asked what the status of the task force is. Smith stated that there's a  
45 group of active volunteers. Chairman Farrell stated that it is number seven on the agenda.

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47 **Name:** Kristine Perez

48 **Address:** 5 Wesley Drive, Londonderry

49 Perez stated that she may not stay for the whole meeting, but she would like to speak in favor of  
50 the Energy Task Force that has worked so hard. To have new and different people on it now would  
51 hurt the committee. Why start over again.

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53 **Name:** Justin Campo, Finance Director

54 Campo stated he reached out to DRA and he received the current preliminary tax rate. Campo  
55 asked the Council what they would like to do to use the UFB to lower the tax rate. Right now the  
56 tax rate is at \$18.48 per thousand. It is up ten cents from the previous years. Campo stated that the  
57 UFB is not as healthy as it normally would be. Chairman Farrell stated that \$1M was used last  
58 year to off-set the tax rate. Campo stated that right now there is two-hundred thousand set to lower  
59 it. Councilor Paul stated that the Council should wait a bit since they just got the numbers. It's  
60 hard to decide she's not opposed; the Councilor should just digest it first. Chairman Farrell stated  
61 that his opinion is to ride a year out. Chairman Farrell stated that if the Council doesn't decide  
62 tonight, it will push the tax bills out an extra week.

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64 **New Business**

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66 Chairman Farrell addressed the comment in regards to citizen petitions. Chairman Farrell stated  
67 that no one is defunding the police, that is a political word. Chairman Farrell said he doesn't  
68 personally believe we should remove first responders, but hard discussions need to be had. Town  
69 Manager Malaguti showed how to file a citizen petition through the town's website, on the Finance  
70 Department's page. Malaguti stated that there is a deadline in January for submitted a warrant  
71 article. Campo shared the budget calendar with all of the deadlines. The deadline if you require a  
72 bond, is Friday January 6<sup>th</sup>. If you do not require a bond, it is January 10<sup>th</sup>. Campo stated that they  
73 do offer, free of charge, for the petition to be looked at. All of the pages must state the same thing  
74 and there should be more than twenty-five signatures just in case.

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76 **Resolution #2022-10 – Acceptance of Unanticipated Revenue (Under RSA31:95-b)**  
77 **Londonderry Concerts on the Common Graft**

78 **Presented by: Finance Director Justin Campo**

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80 Campo stated that Concerts on the Common applied for the grant that they've received for the past  
81 two years. They have been awarded it in the amount of \$5,100. It helps with their expenses and to  
82 bring in the talent that they do. They worked hard to apply for the Grant.

83 **Motion:** Vice Chairman Green

84 **Second:** Councilor Franz

85 Chair votes 5-0-0

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87 **Order #2022-17 – An Order Relative to the Distribution of Fire Equipment Capital Reserve**  
88 **Funds**

89 **Presented by: Bruce Hallowell and Fred Heinrich**

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91 Hallowell stated that this is for turnout gear, in the amount of \$26,045.00. The coast has  
92 significantly increased over the last few years. Hallowell stated that what they do is rotate gear  
93 down now to new firefighters. Hallowell stated that they have had supply chain problems and you  
94 can't get certain things. Hallowell thanked the Council for their support

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96 **Motion:** Vice Chairman Green

97 **Second:** Councilor Franz

98 Chair votes 5-0-0

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100 **Orders #2022-18, #2022-19, #2022-20, and #2022-21 – Order Relative to Expenditure of**  
101 **Maintenance Trust Fund for Various Projects**

102 **Presented by: DPW Director, Dave Wholley**

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104 Wholley went through each of the Orders. Chairman Farrell took a motion to approve Orders  
105 #2022-18, #2022-19, #2022-20, and #2022-21 together.

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107 **Motion:** Vice Chairman Green

108 **Second:** Councilor Butler

109 Chair votes 5-0-0

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111 **Energy Task Force Workshop Discussion**

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113 Chairman Farrell stated that usually a Task Force has a start date and end date and specific goals.  
114 Chairman Farrell stated that something that has been discussed is that the Energy Task Force is to  
115 narrowly focused, and it should be something more like a utilities commission. A permeant  
116 committee that all utilities can fall under. Councilor Paul stated that the task force was something  
117 she came up with and she thinks it should be permanent and it should be the same people who  
118 have been on it, maybe get some help from some staff. Councilor Paul suggestion going from a  
119 task force to a committee. Chairman Farrell stated that the Council will have to decide what the  
120 committee will look like as a group, and the positions will need to be advertised, even if the Council  
121 decides to appoint the same group of people. The Council decided that it will be discussed how to  
122 move forward.

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124 **Tax Bill Discussion**

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126 Chairman Farrell stated that the tax bills are going up a dime. Councilor Franz asked how much is  
127 one cent. Campo stated that fifty thousand is roughly one cent on the tax rate. According to DRA,  
128 to get us to where we were last year, it would be \$514,406.00. Campo stated that had the town not  
129 used the \$800,000.00 last year from the UFB, the town would be looking at a tax rate decrease this  
130 year. Campo stated that sooner or later, you're going to run out of money to put at the at the tax  
131 rate. Councilor Paul stated that she would like to keep it the same, just for this year, since so many  
132 families are struggling right now. Chairman Farrell stated that the Council has given back four  
133 times, but now members are looking to give back five times. The Council decided to wait until the  
134 14<sup>th</sup> to decide, but it will put the tax bills back a week. Chairman Farrell stated that it is a lot of  
135 money that is being discussed.

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137 **Motion:** Councilor Butler

138 **Second:** Councilor Franz

139 Chair votes 5-0-0

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141 **Approval of Minutes**

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143 **Motion to approve the minutes from October 17, 2022:** Vice Chairman Green

144 **Second:** Councilor Franz

145 Chair votes 5-0-0

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147 The Council voted to lift the water restrictions now that the drought status has ended. Motion made  
148 by Councilor Franz and seconded by Vice Chairman Green. Chair vote 5-0-0.

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150 **Adjournment**

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152 **Motion:** Vice Chairman Green

153 **Second:** Councilor Franz

154 Chair votes 5-0-0

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156 Minutes taken by Kirby Brown on 11/07/2022

157 Minutes typed by Kirby Brown on 11/14/2022

158 Minutes approved by Town Council on 11/14/2022

**Londonderry Town Council Minutes**  
**Monday, November 14, 2022**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Moose Hill Council Chambers**

**Attendance:** Present: Chairman John Farrell; Councilor Chad Franz, and Deb Paul; Town Manager Michael Malaguti; Finance Director Justin Campo; Absent: Vice Chairman Joe Green; Absent: Councilor Jim Butler and Kirby Brown, Executive Assistant

**Call to Order**

Chairman Farrell called the Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge was led by Chairman Farrell. This was followed by a moment of silence for the Veterans and all those who have served us both here and abroad.

**Public Comment**

**Name:** Doug Thomas

**Address:** 143 Mammoth Road

Thomas thanked Katie Sullivan and all of the students for a great Veterans Breakfast event.

**Name:** Dan Bouchard

**Address:** O'Connell, Londonderry

Bouchard stated that he wanted to talk about the Saturday's budget workshop. Bouchard mentioned that Town Manager Malaguti did a great job presenting the budget. Bouchard stated that he doesn't want to see any positions cut, at the police department or anywhere.

**Name:** Kristine Perez

**Address:** 5 Wesley Drive, Londonderry

Perez stated that she wants to talk about the tax rate issue. Perez stated that it was already brought up that we've given the veterans back money by increasing the credit that they get. Perez stated that there is nothing that we can give our veterans to pay the back for what they have done for us. Perez stated that she believes there's around 24,000 people in Londonderry, roughly, and money has already been put into the UFB. Perez stated that the town went up by nine cents, it got six cents back from the county. We may not get that six cents back from the county again next year. Perez stated that she understands the school went up by fifty-four cents, but the state gave them forty-seven. The state may not be able to give them that forty-seven. That would mean right now our tax rate would actually go up by sixty-three cents, on the thousand. Perez stated to take the five hundred thousand away from the reserve and lower the tax rate, and she understand when it comes

41 time for the warrant articles in March, it may not say zero on our tax rate. Perez stated that she  
42 doesn't think people understand that it's their tax money. Perez stated that we don't know what  
43 next year is going to be and things are tough everywhere right now. Perez asked the Council to  
44 think about bringing the tax rate down for those who really need it this year.

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46 **Name:** Tony DeFrancesco

47 **Address:** 1 Cheshire Ct, Londonderry

48 DeFrancesco stated that taking ten cents off the tax rate makes no sense. DeFrancesco stated that  
49 the town has a financial adviser who said at the last meeting not to do it. DeFrancesco said it makes  
50 no sense to reduce the tax rate when not many people need it and it will take a while to recover if  
51 we continue to do it.

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53 **Name:** Bob Slater

54 **Address:** 1 Stonehenge Rd, Londonderry

55 Slater stated that he is also a School Board member. Slater stated that the school department is  
56 fighting a double edge sword as well. Some of the buildings are old, so there's a plan in place for  
57 the next twenty-five years to start taking care of them. Slater stated that he knows a brunt of the  
58 budget is the school district.

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60 **Name:** Ann Chiampa

61 **Address:** 28 Wedgewood Drive, Londonderry

62 Chiampa stated that no everyone can whether this storm and people are struggling. Chiampa also  
63 asked the Council about rules and regulations for committees. Chiampa stated that she was  
64 surprised by one thing, on the Traffic Safety Committee, and Councilor Franz seemed to have a  
65 personal interest in something that was discussed so how can he vote and act on the subject.  
66 Chairman Farrell stated that he won't discuss rules and regulations during public comment.

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68 **Name:** Ray Breslin

69 **Address:** 3 Gary Drive

70 Breslin asked the Council where we are with water and sewer.

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72 **Name:** Jonathan Kipp

73 **Address:**

74 Town Moderator, Jonathan Kipp, provided the Council with an update on the election. Kipp stated  
75 that there were 18,764 voters on the checklist and 729 who registered on the day at the polls. There  
76 were 12,063 voters that voted, which includes 1,112 absentee ballots that were counted. Kipp  
77 stated that traffic was consistent all day.

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81 **New Business**

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83 **Tax Rate Discussion**

84 Chairman Farrell spoke about the tax rate. Chairman Farrell reminded the Council that Finance  
85 Director Justin Campo strongly advised that we should square things up this year. The town gave  
86 back over one million dollars last year, and about nine million over the past three years through all  
87 three forms of government; town, library and school. Right now, there's about five million dollars  
88 in the Undesignated Fund Balance and we are looking to take five hundred thousand out. Campo  
89 stated that to make it zero, it would need to be a little over five hundred thousand. Chairman Farrell  
90 stated that the UFB has been cut in half over the years. Chairman Farrell opened it up to the  
91 Council. Motion to reduce the tax rate to last year's figure made by Vice Chairman Green. Second  
92 by Councilor Paul. Vice Chairman Green stated that he doesn't think five hundred thousand is  
93 going to break us. Councilor Paul stated that this is the right thing right now. Chairman Farrell  
94 stated that Councilor Butler is out and not voting tonight, but he favors the Finance Directors  
95 recommendation. Chairman Farrell stated that the UFB is in the red zone now and the savings has  
96 been cut in half. Chairman Farrell called for the vote. Councilor Paul and Vice Chairman Green  
97 votes for using money from UFB and Chairman Farrell and Councilor Franz voted against. Motion  
98 fails 2-2. Tax rate is \$18.48.

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100 **Discussion on Eligibility Requirements – Commercial/Industrial Incentive Program**

101 Town Manager Malaguti stated that a few meetings ago he discussed the threshold for the  
102 commercial and industrial incentive program. Malaguti stated that to participate in that program  
103 currently, it sits at fifteen million dollars. There's a second tier that entitles a taxpayer to additional  
104 tax relief and that is currently set at thirty million dollars. Malaguti stated that to date, we haven't  
105 had an application under the existing criteria. This was adopted by the Council in June. Malaguti  
106 stated that economic stated has gone downhill since June. We may be pricing everyone out of it  
107 based on the current eligibility. Malaguti stated that in the current economic state of affairs, it may  
108 be a good time to reevaluate the eligibility. Malaguti went over the program scope again. Chairman  
109 Farrell stated that as long as the Council is okay relooking at this, it can be discussed at the next  
110 meeting.

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112 **Resolution #2022-20 – Dissolve Exit 4A TIF District**

113 Town Manager Malaguti presented and stated that there is currently an authorization for a TIF  
114 district on the east side of I-93 in the Exit 4A area. It was never fully implemented. Malaguti stated  
115 that at this point, the authorization is just an empty skeleton. Malaguti stated that himself, and the  
116 town attorney, don't think that this should be floating around without an actual TIF. Malaguti  
117 stated that it would be his recommendation, and the town attorneys, to adopt Resolution #2022-  
118 20, rescinding that authority, with the option to come back and do it when there's an actual  
119 proposal and project in front of the Town Council. Motion to adopt Resolution #2022-20 made by  
120 Councilor Franz. Second by Vice Chairman Green. Chair votes 4-0-0.

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122 **Speed Limit Discussion – Calla, Sunflower, Sandy Brook and Acorn**

123 Town Manager Malaguti invited up Director of Engineering and Environmental Services, John

124 Trottier, as well as Traffic Safety Committee Chair, Bob Ramsay. Malaguti stated this stem from  
125 a discussion that took place at the October 3rd Traffic Safety meeting. There were residents who  
126 came to talk about the speed limit on Calla Rd, where there is not speed limit posted, so it's the  
127 default speed of 35 MPH. There was a motion and vote that carries to be brought in from of the  
128 Town Council tonight, a discussion about lowering the speed limit to 25 MPH. There was also  
129 discussion to lower the speed limit on Sunflower, Sandy Brook and Acorn. Chairman Farrell stated  
130 that there have been two warrant articles on the ballot in the last few years to lower the speed limit  
131 and they were both voted down. The Council discussed options. Councilor Paul stated that a lot of  
132 the people who speed are the ones who live in these neighborhoods. Chairman Farrell stated that  
133 if we are going to change the speed limit, change it in the entire town.

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135 Police Chief Kim Bernard mentioned at the Traffic Safety meeting that there's upwards of five  
136 hundred roads in town and it's hard to memorize all the speed limits in town. The motion did fail  
137 for town-wide 30 MPH. You can't change the state roads, so Mammoth Rd, 102, 28, those would  
138 all stay the same.

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140 The Council gave direction to the Town Manager to work with the Town Engineer to give them  
141 some sort of ball park for the level of effort to understand this. What are we really talking about  
142 trying to undertake, for a future discussion.

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#### 144 **Budget Workshop**

145 Chairman Farrell asked Finance Director Justin Campo what things he's been able to follow up  
146 on. Chairman Farrell stated that next Monday he would like to start peeling the budget back.  
147 Chairman Farrell stated that if the Budget Committee is going to be making recommendations on  
148 where we should be looking, are we cutting or adding personnel, services that should be changed,  
149 he would like the committee members to bring it with them to the next meeting. Finance Director  
150 Campo stated that the budget has remained the same and there are no changes. Campo supplied a  
151 report of overtime for the PD and FD to the Council.

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153 The Council discussed police department overtime and adding new officers.

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#### 156 **Approval of Minutes**

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158 The Council will review the minutes and approve them at the November 21st meeting.

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160 Town Manager Malaguti stated that he heard something in public comment that is appropriate for  
161 him to comment on as the Town Manager. Malaguti stated that the question was raised on whether  
162 Councilor Franz has a conflict of interest for voting on a matter at the Traffic Safety Committee.  
163 Malaguti stated that Councilor Franz has not asked him to address this, but under the town ethics  
164 code, a conflict is when a committee official, votes or acts on a matter in which they have a direct  
165 interest which is capable of being demonstrated under our town charter. A conflict of interest is



166 defined in section 6.2 and 6.3.

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168 **Adjournment**

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170 **Motion:** Vice Chairman Green

171 **Second:** Councilor Franz

172 Chair votes 4-0-0

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174 Minutes taken by Kirby Brown on 11/14/2022

175 Minutes typed by Kirby Brown on 11/17/2022

176 Minutes approved by Town Council on 11/21/2022