

**TOWN OF CONWAY  
MINUTES OF DELIBERATIVE PORTION OF TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 6, 2023**

The Deliberative Portion of the Annual Town Meeting to discuss and amend, if deemed appropriate, Articles 14 through 51 of the 2023 Warrant was called to order by the Moderator, Christopher Meier at 7:04 p.m. in the Loynd Auditorium at Kennett High School, 409 Eagles Way, North Conway, New Hampshire. There were 110 voting residents present.

The Conway Police Department Color Guard posted colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Introductions of Town Officials and others were made as follows: Town Manager, John Eastman; Deputy Town Manager/Town Engineer, Paul DegliAngeli; Selectmen C. David Weathers (Chair), Mary Carey Seavey (Vice Chair), Carl Thibodeau, John Colbath, and Steven Porter. Town Attorney, Jason Dennis, Esq., Executive Assistant, Krista Day; Budget Committee members, Peter Donohoe(Chair), Frank Jost (Vice Chair), Dave Jensen, Bob Drinkhall, Quentin Lewis, Kit Hickey, Ellin Leonard, Jim LeFebvre, Stacy Sand, Terry McCarthy, Randy Davison (School Board Representative), Bill Marvel(Center Conway Fire Precinct Representative).

Also in attendance were Town Clerk, Louise M. Inkell; School Moderator, Doug Burnell; School Clerk, Michael King; Public Works Director, Andrew Smith, Police Chief Christopher Mattei, Lieutenant Suzanne Kelley-Scott, Police Commissioner Rodney King; and Library Director, David Smolen.

The Moderator set forth the ground rules by which the meeting would be conducted; there were no objections raised.

The Moderator next reviewed that Article 1 is for the election of officers.

The Moderator stated that he would entertain a motion to waive the full reading of the articles as everyone had a packet in front of them.

**Thom Perkins moved, seconded by C. David Weathers, to waive the full reading of Articles 2-51. The motion carried.**

The Moderator noted that he would entertain a motion to waive the discussion articles 2 through 13 as they were zoning articles that were unamendable.

**John Colbath moved, seconded by Steven Steiner, to waive the discussion of Articles 2-13.**

Resident Becky Gardner stated that she would like to discuss them all for educational purposes.

Bill Marvel stated that he would like to discuss Article 13.

**Mr. Marvel moved, seconded by Peter Donohoe, to amend the motion to read as follows:**

**“to waive the discussion of Articles 2-12.**

**The amendment carried.**

**The motion carried as amended.**

The Moderator stated that Articles 2-12 would be placed on the Town Warrant as written.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt an ordinance establishing a temporary Town-wide moratorium, to be in effect for one year from April 24, 2023 through April 23, 2024, stopping the issuance of building permits (Chapter 23), granting of subdivision approval (Chapter 130), and granting of site plan approval (Chapter 110) for hotels, motels, resort hotels, and commercial structures greater than or equal to 50,000 square feet, not including multifamily residential structures. This ordinance shall not apply to any project or work that (a) has already received all necessary approvals, (b) received conditional approval, (c) that does not require any new or additional Planning Board or Zoning Board application or review, and (d) consists of reasonable repair or restoration necessitated by any natural disaster, Act of God, or loss covered by insurance. **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a manufactured home as follows: "Any structure, Meeting the federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act, commonly known as the HUD Code, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight (8) body feet or more in width and forty (40) body feet or more in length, or when erected on site has at least 320 square feet of habitable space, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to required utilities, which include plumbing, heating and electrical systems contained therein. Manufactured housing as defined here does not include presite built housing as defined in RSA 674:31-a." **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 2 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a modular or structure (or presite building structure) as follows: "Any structure designed primarily for residential occupancy which is wholly or in substantial part made, fabricated, formed or assembled in off-site manufacturing facilities in conformance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development minimum property standards and local building codes, for installation, or assembly and installation, on the building lot. A modular home is separate and distinct from a manufactured housing unit." **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 3 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a boarding house/rooming house as follows: “A dwelling operated as a business or on a not-for-profit basis providing rooms for rent on a daily, weekly, or other basis. The rooms do not include cooking facilities and thus are not individual dwelling units. Meals may or may not be provided by the owner/operator. Such rooms generally serve as the primary residence (of whatever duration) for the occupants though they may be available also as lodging for visitors.” **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 4 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a duplex as follows: ” A structure containing two separate residential dwelling units.” **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 5 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a residential dwelling unit – multifamily as follows: ”A building or portion thereof containing three or more residential units with separate cooking and toilet facilities for each dwelling on one individual lot.” **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 6 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a residential dwelling unit as follows: “A single unit providing a room or group of rooms located within a structure and forming a single habitable unit with facilities which are used, or are intended to be used, for living, sleeping, cooking and eating for the exclusive use for one or more persons living as a household.” **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (6-1-0).**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 7 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a condominium as follows: “A Special system of real property ownership that includes individually owned “units” and areas owned in common by the unit owners (“common areas”).” **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 8 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a townhouse as follows: ” A one-family dwelling unit which is part of a group of two or more such units separated by a common party wall having no doors, windows, or other provisions for human passage or visibility. Each unit shall have individual outside entrances at ground level (which

may face in different directions) and may have more than one level.” **Proposed by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 9 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-13.K.(11) regarding Kennels in the Residential/Agricultural (RA) Zoning District. The purpose of this Amendment is to add subsections (e) The values of surrounding properties are not diminished; (f) There will be no nuisance to abutters and/or neighbors preventing the peaceful enjoyment of their property and home; and (g) additional conditions may be attached to this Special Exception by the Board of Adjustment consistent with the intent and purpose of this ordinance to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the Town’s residents. **Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Planning Board (6-0-1).**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 10 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-20.E. (1) & (2) regarding building height in the Highway Commercial (HC) Zoning District. The purpose of this Amendment is to change structure height from 55-feet to 45-feet; and to change building height from 45-feet to 35-feet in the Highway Commercial District [not including properties located in the North Conway area north of North Conway Village]. **Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Planning Board (7-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 11 to Chapter 190 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of Conway to revise §190-31 regarding the definition of a sign as follows: “Any device, fixture, placard, mural, painting, work of art, structure or attachment thereto clearly visible and readable from a public road that uses color, form, graphic, illumination, symbol, or writing and whose primary purpose is to advertise, announce the purpose of, or identify a business or commercial entity, enterprise or product. ~~the purpose of any person or entity, or to communicate information of any kind to the public, whether commercial or noncommercial.~~ Any portion of any awning, either freestanding or attached to a structure, decorated with any sign element, either attached or part thereof, shall be considered a wall sign. **Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Planning Board (4-3-0).**

The Moderator stated that Article 13 was submitted by petition and was recommended by the Planning Board (4-3-0).

The Moderator recognized Attorney Jason Dennis.

Attorney Dennis explained that the major changes to the definition would add “clearly visible and readable from a public road” and “whose primary purpose is to advertise, announce the purpose of, or identify a business or commercial entity, enterprise or product”.

He noted that the entity who spoke about this petitioned article at the Planning Board public hearing was there on behalf of Settler Green.

Paul DegliAngeli stated that he would like to know the reasoning behind the three negative Planning Board votes.

Planning Board Chair Ben Colbath explained that he believed that this change would be very difficult to enforce.

He noted that it came about as a potential solution to Settlers Green murals.

Attorney Dennis noted that determining what the primary purpose for a sign would be difficult for anyone to entertain.

He noted that this would make it hard for the Town to make these determinations.

Mr. Colbath noted that the current ordinance is strict and strict for a reason.

He explained that it protects the natural beauty of the area and he finds the current ordinance to be quite sufficient.

Vice Chair of the Planning Board, Ailie Byers stated that she voted against this article because of the unclear language.

She said it would be important to take the time to define murals and artwork to make the ordinance more enforceable.

Planning Director Jamel Torres stated that it would be challenging to enforce an article that is unclear.

Selectmen Steve Porter stated that he had been on the Planning Board for 20 years.

He believed that the new language makes things cloudier.

He noted that he believes these issues can be addressed during the Master Plan process.

He believed that enforcement will be a major issue.

Mr. Marvel stated that this discussion had confirmed his suspicions that someone is just trying to get around the current Zoning Ordinance.

The Moderator Placed on the Warrant as written.

The Moderator read the pertinent details of Article 14 aloud.

**ARTICLE 14 :** (Operating Budget). Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an **OPERATING BUDGET**, not including appropriations by Special warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the Budget posted with the Warrant for the purposes set forth therein, Fourteen Million, Seventy-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (**\$14,075,742**). Should this Article be defeated the Default Budget shall be Twelve Million, Nine Hundred Eighteen Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (**\$12,918,100**) which is the same as the last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Conway or by law, or the Governing body may hold one Special Meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. **NOTE: This Operating Budget Warrant Article does not include appropriation contained in ANY other warrant Article. \$14,325,657 is Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-1-0).**

**Police Chief Christopher Mattei moved, seconded by C. David Weathers, amend the Operating Budget down by \$5,715.**

Chris Meier explained that this was essentially to fix the proposed Union Contract amounts based on new numbers.

**The motion carried making the Operating Budget \$14,070,027.**

**Jim LeFebvre moved, seconded by Peter Donohoe, to lower the Operating Budget by \$81,000.**

Mr. LeFebvre explained that this was the amount for the revaluation that was Budgeted for this year.

The Moderator noted that he had received a request for a secret ballot vote on the amendment with the required number of signatures.

Mr. LeFebvre explained that it was his opinion that they are going to see a decrease in property values.

**Steven Steiner moved, seconded by Thomas Holmes to allow Contract Assessor Mary Beth Walker to speak to this issue. The motion carried.**

Ms. Walker explained that she had looked at the relevant numbers that day regarding the sale prices.

She noted that the ratio is actually continuing to drop.

She added that while sale prices are not increasing as fast as they have been, they are not decreasing.

Mr. Holmes asked if there was any anticipated revenue to the Town from doing the revaluation.

Ms. Walker explained that when you increase assessments, you do not actually increase your revenues.

However, she explained that when they calculate certain areas of the assessments, utilities have to be revalued every year and they must use the prior year's ratio.

Because of this, the Town has lost \$300,000 in the past year due to the low ratio.

Mr. Holmes stated that he does not believe there is a right answer.

While he is on the fence, he leans more towards completing the revaluation.

He compared it with trying to tell the future.

He stated that with rising interest rates, there may be a cooling of the market, however, it usually takes a long time to turn around.

He reiterated that if they do not complete it this year, they must by law complete it in 2024.

Mr. Holmes did say that by waiting until 2024, the cost of the revaluation will increase and they will lose out on utility values.

Mr. Marvel asked if they were suggesting that the revaluation will make no difference in the portion of the assessment that goes to residential.

Randy Davison expressed concern regarding the lack of properties on the market.

There was discussion that commercial property ratio is 64% and that the goal is to all be at 100%.

She did note that some of the tax burden will shift to residential properties because the ratio is lower.

Mr. Davison stated that he believed the commercial properties should be paying more than residential.

Stacy Sand stated that as a Realtor, housing prices are staying high but evening out.

Dave Jensen clarified that just because they remove \$81,000 from the Budget, does not mean the Town is forced to cut out the revaluation, they have the option to cut elsewhere.

Mr. Marvel stated that given the history, he trusted the Selectmen to do what the voters ask.

**The motion failed (40-60-0).**

**Library Trustee Chair Julie Laracy moved, seconded by David Paige, to increase the Operating Budget by \$7,019 to increase the benefits line for health insurance for a child of a Library employee.**

Ms. Laracy explained that one of the employees has had a change in circumstances and needs to insure a child.

Selectmen Thibodeau stated that this is the third year in a row that the Library has requested extra funds at Town Meeting.

Ms. Laracy stated that it was a recent occurrence.

Mr. Thibodeau asked if they could find those funds somewhere in their current Budget.

Ms. Laracy stated that they work really hard to create a bottom line Budget.

**The motion carried.**

Jason Gagnon appeared representing the North Conway Water Precinct.

**Mr. Gagnon moved, seconded by Mike DiGregorio, to increase the Operating Budget by \$67,358 for the purpose of Non-Precinct Fire Contract reconciliation.**

Mr. Gagnon explained that the Town does not have its own fire department; instead it contracts with both Conway and North Conway Precincts to cover the areas outside of precinct boundaries.

Due to significant staff turnover, Mr. Gagnon explained that some of the costs were missed and therefore the contract costs had been miscalculated.

Conway Fire Chief Steve Solomon explained that the Town did not receive the information in a timely fashion from North Conway in order to put it in the formula.

He noted that this is the only way to rectify the situation and that this increase would only impact non-precinct taxpayers.

Ms. Sand asked if this had just come to their attention since the Public Hearing.

Mr. Eastman explained that they have a new Fire Chief in North Conway and after the contracts were written and approved by the Selectmen, Chief McCarthy disclosed that he had found debt service from North Conway that had not been calculated into the contract costs.



However, the Operating Budget had already been passed along to the Budget Committee.

Chief Solomon noted that it was just two weeks prior to this meeting that the Town had found out that North Conway was going to pursue the issue and it was his opinion that it would be a risk to underBudget.

Selectmen Colbath inquired as to what ‘debt service’ meant.

Mr. Gagnon noted that part of the debt service was payment towards the North Conway Fire Station and also part of the Capital Reserve contributions that go toward equipment.

He added that the contract for non-precinct fire service is based on the gross Budget.

Bob Drinkhall asked why the Fire Chief was not there to talk to this subject.

Mr. Gagnon noted that the Chief was in Florida doing a final inspection on a new rescue vehicle.

Resident Al Hoppers asked what would happen if they do increase the Budget and what would happen if they did not.

Chief Solomon reiterated that only the non-precinct taxpayers would be paying the increase in the Budget.

Attorney Dennis stated that if they do not increase the Operating Budget to make up the \$67,358, what would happen would be based on the North Conway Water Precinct.

He stated, as it is a contract, they would have the option to seek enforcement which would also add legal fees.

He noted that the Town does not dispute that the money is owed, but the money would then need to come from somewhere else.

Mr. Donohoe asked if the Town is legally obligated to pay this.

Attorney Dennis stated that the Town could make that argument.

Resident Kristen Groves noted that she lives in a non-precinct area and when there was a massive fire, the Fire Department showed up.

Ellin Leonard explained that she lives in a non-precinct area and that no one had been able to give her a satisfactory answer on why there are 5 fire departments and yet some people are still not covered.

Mark Hounsell asked what adding the funds to the Budget would do to the non-precinct tax rate.

Mr. Holmes stated it would be about 4 cents per thousand.

Mr. Hounsell stated that they need to cover their obligations and need to put this money in the Budget.

He added that they need to remember that any time any government entity other than the Town of Conway goes on spending money, it affects the whole town.

**Frank Jost moved, seconded by Karen Umberger, to add \$67,358 to the proposed Default Budget.**

There was a question regarding whether it was legal to add funds to the Default Budget.

Attorney Dennis noted that the Default Budget is made up of the previous year's Budget and accounts for all contractual obligations.

Quentin Lewis asked if these funds were in last year's Budget.

Mr. Eastman stated no.

Mr. Lewis then questioned whether they were obligated to have paid it last year.

Mr. Eastman explained that by the Precinct accepting the funds last year, the Town believes that they are in good legal standing to not owe any additional funds for last year.

Mr. Hounsell questioned whether doing this could open up to more amendments of the Default Budget.

Both Attorney Dennis and Moderator Meier stated that they believe this particular amendment would be allowed because it is contractual.

Mr. Hounsell stated that he encouraged the voters to reject the amendment.

In order to make the voting less complicated, Mr. Jost and Ms. Umberger withdrew their motion.

**On the question of increasing the Operating Budget to \$14,144,404, the motion carried.**

**Frank Jost moved, seconded by Karen Umberger, to add \$67,358 to the proposed Default Budget.**

Mr. Hounsell reiterated that he did not believe they should be touching the Default Budget.

Ms. Umberger stated that if they do not add this amount to the Default Budget and the Operating Budget is voted down, she is not sure where the funds will come from in order to pay the money that our lawyer has indicated has to be paid.

Resident Tad Furtado noted that he agreed with Mr. Hounsell that amending the Default Budget would be opening a can of worms.

Resident Amy Snow questioned whether they were allowed to change the Default Budget at Deliberative Session.

Attorney Dennis said he believed that because the obligation was incurred when the contracts were signed, amending the Default Budget would be allowed.

Resident Janine Bean stated that if they do not add the funds to the Default Budget, they would be tying the hands of the Selectmen as it needed to be paid.

Mr. Marvel and Mr. Lewis read information from the DRA that allowed for the amending of the Default Budget.

Due to this new information, Mr. Hounsell noted that he no longer had an objection.

Selectmen Porter requested that they move the question.

**The motion carried to amend the Default Budget to \$12,985,458.**

The Moderator instructed that Article 14 be placed on the ballot as amended as written below:

**Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an OPERATING BUDGET, not including appropriations by Special warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the Budget posted with the Warrant for the purposes set forth therein, Fourteen Million, One Hundred Forty-Four Thousand, Four Hundred Four Dollars (\$14,144,404). Should this Article be defeated the Default Budget shall be Twelve Million, Nine Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand, Four Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars (\$12,985,458) which is the same as the last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Conway or by law, or the Governing body may hold one Special Meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. NOTE: This Operating Budget Warrant Article does not include appropriation contained in ANY other warrant Article. \$14,325,657 is Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-2-0).**

Resident Mark Guerrigue asked if they could explain the difference between the recommendation by the Selectmen and the proposed Operating Budget.

It was explained that the \$14,325,657 was the figure that was presented by the Board of Selectmen to the Budget Committee in December.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discuss Article 15 as written below:

**ARTICLE 15** : (Separate – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town of Conway will vote to approve the cost items included in a ONE YEAR (2023)

**COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF CONWAY AND AFSCME #93, LOCAL 859, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** which calls for no increase in benefits or costs to the Town for fiscal year 2023. The proposed contract accounts for a one time COLA (Cost of Living Allowance) wage adjustment of 4% to take effect as of April 12, 2023.

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2023	\$28,259

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars (\$28,259) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid under the current agreement at current staffing levels. The total compounded cost of the one year agreement is \$28,259. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator placed Article 15 on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 16 as written below:

**ARTICLE 16 :** (Non-Monetary) Shall the Town, if Article #15 is defeated, authorize the Governing body to call one Special Meeting, at its option, to address Article #15 cost items only. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 16 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 17 as written below:

**ARTICLE 17 :** (Separate – not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the town will vote to approve the cost items of a one year **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 BETWEEN THE TOWN OF CONWAY AND CONWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT** which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits over the costs that would have been paid under the current agreement at the current staffing levels.

Calendar Year	Estimated Increase
2023	\$111,635

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty Five Dollars (\$111,635) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid under the current agreement at current staffing levels. This increase includes a 6% COLA (Cost of Living Allowance) and up to a 3% salary

adjustment as part of the yearly performance evaluation which is conducted on November 1st.  
**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (10-0-0).**

Ms. Umberger wanted clarification that this was a one year contract.

Mr. Eastman stated that it was.

The Moderator instructed that Article 17 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 18 as written below:

**ARTICLE 18** : (Non-Monetary). Shall the Town, if Article #17 is defeated, authorize the Governing body to call one Special Meeting, at its option, to address Article #17 cost items only.  
**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 18 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 19 as written below:

**ARTICLE 19** : (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR INFRASTRUCTURE RECONSTRUCTION** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established.  
**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 19 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 20 as written below:

**ARTICLE 20** : (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$425,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 20 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 21 as written below:

**ARTICLE 21** : (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand (\$225,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR SOLID WASTE EQUIPMENT** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 21 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 22 as written below:

**ARTICLE 22** : (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR LANDFILL EXPANSION** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-0-1).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 22 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 23 as written below:

**ARTICLE 23**: (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR MAINTENANCE OF TOWN BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 23 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 24 as written below:

**ARTICLE 24**: (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES LEASED BY THE TOWN** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (9-4-0).**

Ms. Sand stated that she voted against this article because a big portion of the funds were planned to be used for remodeling Town Hall.

She noted that she felt they had just done a bunch of work to the building.

Mr. Eastman explained that the mezzanine level of Town Hall that houses Finance and the Executive Assistant/HR Director only has cubicle offices which leads to issues of noise and confidentiality.

The Moderator instructed that Article 24 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 25 as written below:

**ARTICLE 25:** (Special – not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR PARKS DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 25 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 26 as written below:

**ARTICLE 26:** (Special – not included in Budget Appropriation Article # 14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Four Thousand Dollars (\$74,000) to be placed in the **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR POLICE VEHICLES** to be used according to the purposes for which the fund was established. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 26 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 27 as written below:

**ARTICLE 27:** (Special – not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Nineteen Thousand, Three Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$119,359) from the annual cable television franchise fees received to add to the **PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL / GOVERNMENT CABLE TELEVISION (PEG) TRUST FUND**, to support the operations and equipment needs of Public Education and Government broadcasting services. No funds shall be raised by local property taxes to support

this Warrant Article. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

Mr. LeFebvre noted that no funds for this article are raised through property taxes.

The Moderator instructed that Article 27 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 28 as written below:

**ARTICLE 28:** (Individual– Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) for the support of **EASTERN SLOPE REGIONAL AIRPORT. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (8-5-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 28 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 29 as written below:

**ARTICLE 29:** (Non-Monetary). Shall the Town re-adopt the “**ALL VETERANS**” **PROPERTY TAX CREDIT** in accordance with RSA 72:28-b for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal to the same amount as the standard or optional Veterans' tax credit. If readopted the tax credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse of any resident, who (a) served no less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged, or was an officer honorably separated from service, or an officer who continues to serve, or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that training for active duty or state active duty by a member of the National Guard or Reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph and (b) is not eligible for and not receiving the credit for Veterans who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict or for Veterans with a service-connected disability. If readopted the credit will be in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), which is the same amount as the credit for a Veteran who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict. If the credit is re-adopted, any person desiring to claim the credit will be required to file an application with the Assessor’s Office by April 15 of the tax year. If readopted and approved, this Article shall take effect for the 2023 tax year. Submitted by the Assessor. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

Mr. LeFebvre asked why this credit needs to be readopted.

Contract Assessor Ms. Walker explained that there is a new statute that if someone is still in the military, they can apply for these credits.



She noted that previously only those who were no longer serving were eligible to apply.

She stated that if they do not re-adopt Article 29, the credit would disappear for residents of Conway, and for Article 30, the credit would decrease to \$50.00.

Mr. Marvel asked if those who are already receiving the credit would have to reapply.

Ms. Walker explained that anyone who was already receiving the credit would continue, however, every 5 years they would need to recertify.

The Moderator instructed that Article 29 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discuss Article 30 as written below:

**ARTICLE 30:** (Non-Monetary). Shall the Town re-adopt the “**OPTIONAL VETERAN**” **PROPERTY TAX CREDIT** in accordance with RSA 72:28, II Standard and Optional Veterans' Tax Credit for an annual tax credit on residential property of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). If readopted the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit will be available to every resident of this state who is (a) a Veteran, as defined in RSA 21:50, and served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States in any qualifying war or armed conflict listed in this section, and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that training for active duty by a member of the National Guard or reserve shall be included as service under this subparagraph;

(b) Every resident of this state who was terminated from the armed forces because of service-connected disability; or the surviving spouse of such resident; and

(c) The surviving spouse of any resident who suffered a service-connected death.

V. Service in a qualifying war or armed conflict shall be as follows:

(a) "World War I" between April 6, 1917 and November 11, 1918, extended to April 1, 1920 for service in Russia; provided that military or naval service on or after November 12, 1918 and before July 2, 1921, where there was prior service between April 6, 1917 and November 11, 1918 shall be considered as World War I service;

(b) "World War II" between December 7, 1941 and December 31, 1946;

(c) "Korean Conflict" between June 25, 1950 and January 31, 1955;

(d) "Vietnam Conflict" between December 22, 1961 and May 7, 1975;

(e) "Vietnam Conflict" between July 1, 1958 and December 22, 1961, if the resident earned the Vietnam service medal or the armed forces expeditionary medal;

(f) "Persian Gulf War" between August 2, 1990 and the date thereafter prescribed by Presidential proclamation or by law; and

(g) Any other war or armed conflict that has occurred since May 8, 1975, and in which the resident earned an armed forces expeditionary medal or theater of operations service medal.

If readopted the credit will be in the amount of \$500, the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit shall be subtracted each year from the property tax on the Veteran's residential property. However, the surviving spouse of a resident who suffered a service-connected death may have the amount

subtracted from the property tax on any real property in the same municipality where the surviving spouse is a resident. If the credit is re-adopted, any person desiring to claim the credit will be required to file an application with the Assessor's Office by April 15 of the tax year. If readopted and approved, this Article shall take effect for the 2023 tax year. Submitted by the Assessor. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 30 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discuss Article 31 as written below:

**ARTICLE 31:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$12,140) for the support of **HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR A PUBLIC COMPUTING SYSTEM FOR CONWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY.**

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

Ms. Gardner inquired as to whether or not the library services require fees for the utilization of any equipment.

Library Director David Smolen stated that there was no charge to use the computers at the Library.

However, they do charge for photocopying and faxing and have a non-resident fee.

Ms. Snow stated that it was her understanding that the Library had received a \$10,000 grant that was being used to pay for part of the software and that the software was costing \$22,140 in total.

Director Smolen stated that they did receive a \$10,000 grant from the NH Charitable Foundation.

Ms. Snow wanted to make sure that the residents knew they were getting a \$22,140 system for only \$12,140.

Ms. Sand stated that she believed it would make sense to have the total amount listed on the Warrant if the grant money was being funneled through the Town, however, in this case because it was going through the Friends of Conway Public Library, she believed it would cause more confusion.

There was discussion regarding whether they could change the wording.

It was clarified by Attorney that wording could be changes as long as it did not change the intent of the article.

Mr. DiGregorio stated that he believed they have to tell people what the full amount is as the public has a right to know exactly how much is spent.

**Mark Hounsell moved, seconded by Ben Colbath, to amend the article to read as follows:**

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$12,140) for the support of HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR A PUBLIC COMPUTING SYSTEM FOR CONWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY and an additional \$10,000 will come from grants.**

Selectmen Thibodeau asked if this was an equipment lease.

Director Smolen stated no, but that there is an annual service fee of approximately \$2,500.

He added that their current software vendor is going away.

Ms. Sand stated that her concern would be that if it says it is an appropriation, would the full amount need to go through the Town.

**Mr. Hounsell moved, seconded by Mr. Colbath, to withdraw their motion.**

**Mr. LeFebvre moved, seconded by Mr. Donohoe, to allow the Warrant Articles to be discussed out of order in order to return to this discussion with potential wording.**

There was brief discussion regarding potential language.

**Mr. LeFebvre moved, seconded by Mr. Donohoe, to withdraw their motion.**

**Mr. LeFebvre moved, seconded by Mr. Steiner to amend the motion to read as follows:**

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$12,140) for the support of \$22,140 of HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR A PUBLIC COMPUTING SYSTEM FOR CONWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY. (The balance of \$10,000 will come from a grant secured by the Friends of the Conway Public Library). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

**The motion carried.**

The Moderator instructed that Article 31 be placed on the ballot as amended.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 32 as written below:

**ARTICLE 32:** (Non-Monetary). Shall the Town of Conway accept the provisions of RSA 53-G:1-RSA 53-G:11 providing for the establishment of a **COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT**, together with the municipalities of Albany, Brookfield, Chatham, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hales Location, Harts Location, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Tamworth and Tuftonboro in accordance with the provisions of the proposed agreement filed with the Board of Selectmen. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-0-1).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 30 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 33 as written below:

**ARTICLE 33:** (Non-Monetary). Shall the Town of Conway organize its Fire Department pursuant to RSA 154:1(a) with the Fire Chief Appointed by the local Governing body, or by the Town or City Manager, if any, with firefighters appointed by the Fire Chief. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-0-1).**

Resident Becky Gardner asked to someone to explain this article.

Chief Solomon explained that Conway Village Fire District has a Warrant Article to dissolve the District.

He noted that there are two enabling statutes that need to be adopted for that to transition to Town Fire to work properly.

There was discussion regarding who would pay if the District dissolves.

It was stated that only those within the District would continue to pay for services.

The Moderator instructed that Article 33 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 34 as written below:

**ARTICLE 34:** (Non-Monetary). Shall the Town of Conway authorize its Fire Department to go to the aid of another city, town, village or fire District within or without the state, for the purpose of extinguishing a fire, rendering other emergency assistance, or performing any detail as requested pursuant to RSA 154:24. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

Chief Solomon explained that in the event that the Conway Village Fire District is dissolved, the legislative body has to authorize mutual coverage.

The Moderator instructed that Article 34 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 35 as written below:

**ARTICLE 35:** (Non-Monetary). To See if the Town will vote to establish a **CHARTER COMMISSION** for the purpose of revising or amending the Municipal Charter. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (9-0-1).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 35 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 36 as written below:

**ARTICLE 36:** (Non-Monetary). To see if the Town will vote to accept the one mile of roads in the Royalview Development (Royal View Drive, Camelot Court, Regal Circle and Palace Court) as Town Roads. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-1-0).**

Ms. Gardner asked for an explanation as there were multiple roads on the Warrant for acceptance.

Mr. DegliAngeli explained that the Town has a process in order for the Town to accept subdivision roads as public roads.

He stated that in this case, Royalview Subdivision was built in 2007 and the Town had an inspector in residence during construction to verify that it was built to Town standards.

Resident Claudia Kelley asked what the costs would be if the Town took this road over and questioned if this included water and sewer.

Mr. DegliAngeli explained that when an entity comes before the Planning Board to create a subdivision, they are required to create an association who is responsible for paying for the costs of maintaining the roads.

He continued, now that the entire subdivision is complete, they have petitioned the Town to take over the ownership and maintenance of the roads within the subdivision.

The Moderator made it clear that the rest of the articles they would be discussing were submitted by petition.

Ms. Sand stated that the Town had made clear that adding any roads this year would mean the purchase of a new truck and the need for another driver in order to maintain.

Mr. LeFebvre added that the even though these Articles say non-monetary, the taxpayers reserve the right to know what it is going to cost in the long run.

It was clarified by Andrew Smith that the funds to maintain these roads if accepted were already in the proposed Operating Budget in Article 14.

Andrew Smith clarified that if the people do not vote in favor of accepting these roads, the Town would not move forward with purchasing a truck and hiring a new driver.

Public Works Director Andrew Smith explained that in terms of wages for the proposed new driver, it would be around \$43,000 a year with overtime of about \$10,000 and benefits.

He noted that the purchase of an additional truck was included in the Highway Capital Reserve Fund.

He emphasized that if the Town does not accept the roads, the Town will not spend those funds.

Resident of the Royalview Development, Kathy Bennett, stated that everyone in that subdivision has been paying their property taxes and contributing to the funds to plow everyone else's roads.

Mr. Hounsell stated that on these roads, it's good faith both ways.

He also stated that if we tell people to build a road to Town standards and you are going to pay our property taxes, that the Town should accept the road when eligible.

Resident of Royalview, Thom Perkins stated that if people did not want to accept the roads, then they can pay for the private plowing costs.

He added that they are our neighbors and are very proud of their roads.

He asked the public to help them out.

Ms. Sand stated that she is not saying that they should not accept these roads, but wanted the public to know that there is a cost even though the Article says non-monetary.

Mr. Davison stated that he does not have an issue accepting the roads if they are up to Town standards.

The Moderator instructed that Article 36 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 37 as written below:

**ARTICLE 37:** (Non-Monetary). To see if the Town will vote to accept Sargent Road and Nickelback Road as Town Roads. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-1-0).**

There was no discussion.

The Moderator instructed that Article 37 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 38 as written below:

**ARTICLE 38:** (Non-Monetary). To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Town Road the road known as Barnes Road Extension. The road shall be taken in the form of a public right of way in the location of the existing road as used for vehicular traffic. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (9-4-0).**

Mr. DegliAngeli explained that Barnes Road Extension had to be open and travelable before McMillan Lane was demolished.

He clarified that there was no condition that the owners could not petition for public acceptance.

The Moderator instructed that Article 38 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discussed Article 39 as written below:

**ARTICLE 39:** (Non-Monetary). To see if the Town will vote to conditionally **ACCEPT SETTLERS GREEN DRIVE AND THE PRIVATE PORTIONS OF COMMON COURT AS PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY**, provided that, pursuant to NH RSA 231:29, the abutters to the roads shall be required to pay a Betterment Assessment not to exceed One Million, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand, Fifty-Eight Hundred Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$1,250,058.58), which betterment assessment shall be prorated over a period not to exceed 10 years and shall, pursuant to NH RSA 231:30, create a lien upon the lands so assessed which shall continue until fully discharged, shall be subject to interest, and shall be subject to any other charges as are applicable to the collection of delinquent taxes, and further provided that any work required to bring the roads up to the standards and requirements currently in effect in the Town shall be secured with a performance bond pursuant to NH RSA 447:16. Submitted by Petition.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Not Recommended by the Budget Committee (4-9-0).**

Mr. DegliAngeli stated that this petition was not associated with the Market Basket Development.

He also stated that a portion of Common Court is already a Town road, and that this petition looked to have the rest of Common Court and Settlers Green Drive be accepted as Town Roads through the betterment standard.

There was discussion regarding the bonding process and the mechanisms in place if an abutter does not believe they should be paying for the road improvements.

It was emphasized that the legislative body is not going to pay for this, the cost of financing is paid by the abutters.

Mr. DegliAngeli explained that the vote on this Warrant Article is conditional and the abutters would be able to protest their assessed amounts.

He stated that the land owned by the abutters is worth much more than 1 million dollars in the case that they Default on the bond payments.

Mr. Hounsell noted that there is a risk associated to the taxpayer.

Ms. Gardner requested to hear from the Budget Committee.

Mr. Drinkhall stated that he did not understand why they would want to maintain a road for a private business.

Ms. Sand stated that the Town typically does not accept roads until they have been brought up to standards.

Mr. Marvel stated that he was on the Planning Board when the road was designed for a private entity.

Mr. DegliAngeli again noted that the Town already owns and maintains part of Common Court.

Mr. DiGregorio stated that he thought the article was ludacris and questioned why the Selectmen voted to support it.



Selectmen Colbath explained that he voted for it because not only does the business pay substantial taxes, but there were also a lot of petitioners.

Selectmen Thibodeau stated that in his experience, Mr. Barsamian had always operated in good faith and he could see no reason to deny the request as they already own part of the road.

Selectmen Seavey and Selectmen Weathers stated that they supported the article.

Ben Colbath stated that the road is not strictly commercial.

Mr. Hounsell stated that in his experience, typically a developer would bring the road to Town standards and then apply for acceptance.

Resident Ryan Shepard noted that he works for REI which is located in Settlers Crossing.

He stated that Settlers Green spends a lot of money advertising and \$1.2 million seems like a lot of money for the Town to shell out.

He added that it does not seem like taking over the maintenance long term is a good idea.

Mr. Gagnon stated that he is hearing a lot of discussion about money, but when the Town has a right of way and owns the infrastructure, it is his opinion that it would bring long term benefits to the Town.

Mr. DiGregorio stated that in the past the Town had some issues with Mr. Barsamian.

It was his opinion that Mr. Barsamian has enough money to do these upgrades and believed that he would look for an abatement in the future.

Mr. Marvel stated that it seemed as if the petitioner just wanted to get the Town's acceptance prior to worrying about raising the funds to bring it up to Town standards.

The Moderator stated that the amount in this article could not be changed as it was a bonded amount by statute.

The Moderator instructed that Article 39 be placed on the ballot as written.

The Moderator inquired as to whether anyone wanted to discuss Article 40 as written below:

**ARTICLE 40:** (Non-Monetary). To see if the Town of Conway will vote to allow the operation of **KENO** within the Town pursuant to the provisions of NH RSA 284-41 through 51. Submitted

by Petition. **Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (2-2-1). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

It was noted that the correct recommendation by the Budget Committee was not recorded at the Public Hearing and that they would be voting immediately after this meeting on their recommendation.

The Moderator instructed that Article 40 be placed on the ballot as written.

**Thomas Holmes moved, seconded by Carl Thibodeau, to take the remaining petitioned Warrant Articles as a group unless someone wanted to discuss any particular one individually. The motion carried.**

**ARTICLE 41:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000) said sum to be allocated to the **NORTH CONWAY COMMUNITY CENTER** for programs of the North Conway Community Center. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-1-1).**

**ARTICLE 42:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$22,100) for the operation of **TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC.** service programs in Conway: Transportation, Energy Assistance, Weatherization, Guardianship, Head Start, Homeless Intervention and Prevention, Tamworth Dental Center. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (8-4-1).**

**ARTICLE 43:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$36,500) to support Conway home delivered meals (Meals on Wheels), congregate meals, transportation and program services provided by the **GIBSON CENTER FOR SENIOR SERVICES, INC.** Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 44:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) for the Family Resource Center at **CHILDREN UNLIMITED, INC.** Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (9-3-1).**

**ARTICLE 45:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000) for **VAUGHAN COMMUNITY SERVICE, INC.** Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0-1). Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-1-1).**

**ARTICLE 46:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for **VAUGHAN LEARNING CENTER**. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0-1). Recommended by the Budget Committee (12-0-1).**

**ARTICLE 47:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand, Eight Hundred Four Dollars (\$17,804) for the support of **STARTING POINT**. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 48:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500) for the support of **MOUNT WASHINGTON VALLEY ADULT DAY CENTER** to supplement support services for elderly Conway residents attending the day center. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (6-4-3).**

**ARTICLE 49:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the **CONWAY AREA HUMANE SOCIETY** for the purpose of supporting continuing services for stray, abandoned and neglected animals brought to the shelter by Animal Control or private citizens no longer able to care for them. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

**ARTICLE 50:** (Special – Not included in Budget Appropriation Article #14). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand, Six Hundred Dollars (\$35,600) for the support of **WHITE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER** to help meet the healthcare needs of the uninsured and underinsured residents of the Town of Conway. Submitted by Petition. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (13-0-0).**

There was no discussion.

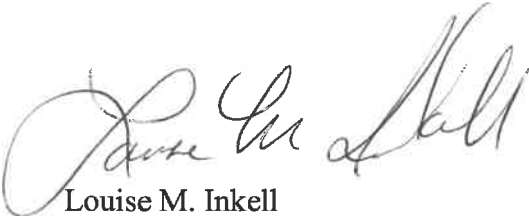
The Moderator instructed that Articles 41-50 be places on the ballot as written.

**ARTICLE 51:** To act upon any other business that may legally come before said Meeting. Given under our hands and seal in Conway, New Hampshire, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.

There was no other business discussed.

**At 10:13 pm, the Moderator called to recess the meeting until April 11, 2023, the Town's Election Day.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Louise M. Inkell".

Louise M. Inkell

Town Clerk