TOWN OF DEERFIELD, NH MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

George B. White Building 8 Raymond Rd. Deerfield, NH 03037

December 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by the Vice Chair at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call: In Attendance: JoAnne Bradbury, Phil Bilodeau, Zach Langlois, Alden Dill, Jocelyn Messier, Bonnie Beaubien, Terry Roy, Joshua Cresswell, Kevin Verville Absent: Bill Von Hassel, Maureen Quinn (both excused)

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Bradbury noted a typo in the minutes from last week's meeting. Mr. Langlois' name was listed twice in the Roll Call. Motion by Mr. Langlois to approve minutes as amended, seconded by Ms. Messier. Vote to approve minutes for the 12/7/2021 meeting: Yay 7, Nay 0, Abstain 2. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Mr. Roy noted that he researched possible grants to help pay for the school building expansion project that was discussed at last week's meeting. He was told that the money has been spent for this year but may be available in the future.

Motion by Mr. Dill to move the final town budget in the amount of \$4,664,277.00, seconded by Mr. Langlois. Vote on the final town budget: Yay 6, Nay 3, Abstain 0. Motion passed. It was decided by the members of the MBC to hold off on voting on the recommendation for the town budget until all members of the MBC can be present to vote.

New Business:

School Budget: Mr. Langlois made a motion to approve the school budget in the amount of \$15,425,609.00, seconded by Mr. Dill. Mr. Langlois presented the school budget and backup information to the MBC. Others present to answer questions about the school budget were Amber Wheeler (SAU 53 Business Administrator), Patty Sherman (SAU 53 Superintendent), Kristen Withee (DCS Principal), Brian Grieve (DCS Assistant Principal), Andrew Riordan (DCS School Board Member). Mr. Langlois gave explanations of increases and decreases to line items of the school budget and answered several questions from the other members of the MBC. Mr. Verville made a motion to table to vote on the school budget until a later time to allow enough time to review the budget and backup information, motion was seconded by Mr. Bilodeau. Vote to table: Yay 8, Nay 1, Abstain 0. Motion passed.

Citizen's Comments: None.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Langlois, seconded by Mr. Cresswell.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 by the Vice Chair.

These minutes were transcribed and respectfully submitted by
Tina St. Peter, Recording Secretary
Pending approval by the Municipal Budget Committee