

Town Of Durham, Maine Special Town Meeting Minutes August 16, 2022 Eureka Center, 6 pm

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Durham in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Durham Eureka Community Center, 606 Hallowell Road, Durham, Maine on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 6:00 pm, then and there to act upon Articles 1 through 6 as set out to wit.

In Attendance:

Jessica Landberg (Town Clerk), Janet Bowie (Deputy Treasurer), Bill Schneider (Moderator), Alan Plummer (Code Enforcement Officer), Mitch Berkowitz (Interim Town Manager), Jerry Douglass (Town Manager), Cindy Faragi (part-time clerk), Devin Garneau (IT Support), Rob Tripp (Fire Chief), and Calvin Beaumier (Road Commissioner).

Representing the Board of Selectmen: Kevin Nadeau (Chair), Todd Beaulieu, Joe Tomm and Josh Klein-Golden. (Absent: Rich George)

Representing the Budget Committee: Milton Simon (Chair), Allan Purinton, Neil Berry, Jane Rice, Heather Roy, and John Talbot. (Absent: Jill Gastonguay & Leigh Fisher)

Guest(s): Bettyann Sheats (running for election to the Maine State Senate, for District 20)

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Kevin Nadeau motions to nominate Bill Schneider as moderator, Joe Tomm seconds. Vote carries.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Maine Moderator's Manual Rule of Procedure, seventh edition, as the rules of order for this meeting.

Bill Schneider motions to adopt the Maine Moderator's Manual, Kevin Nadeau seconds. Vote carries.

Bill Schneider motions to allow non-residents to speak, if necessary, at said meeting. Kevin Nadeau seconds. Vote carries.

The town introduced Jerry Douglass as the incoming Town Manager. Mr. Douglass will officially begin his role as the new Town Manager on Monday, August 22, 2022.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$23,230 from Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan or ARPA Funds) received by the Town from the federal government for the following project: HVAC work at the Fire Station.

Kevin Nadeau motions, Neil Berry seconds. Vote carries.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$34,500 from Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan or ARPA Funds) received by the Town from the federal government for the following project: HVAC work at the Town Office.

Kevin Nadeau motions, Joe Tomm seconds. Vote carries.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$45,000 from Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan or ARPA Funds) received by the Town from the federal government for the following project: Communication and Information Technology Upgrades for Town Office, Public Works and Fire Station.

Kevin Nadeau motions, Joe Tomm seconds. Vote carries.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$16,000 from Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan or ARPA Funds) received by the Town from the federal government for the following project: GIS Tax Mapping Work

Kevin Nadeau motions, Joe Tom seconds. Vote carries.

The Town would like to recognize Mitch Berkowitz for his time and dedication in helping the town with the search for a new town manager and giving guidance to the town office staff. We appreciate your commitment to our town.

Adjourn: Kevin Nadeau motions to adjourn, Joe Tomm seconds. Vote carries. The special town meeting adjourns at 7:05 pm.