

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hinsdale qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Hinsdale Town Hall on Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in the afternoon to act on the following subject:

**SP Article: 1: To see if the Town will vote to raises and appropriate \$399,000.00 (three hundred ninety-nine thousand dollars) for the purpose of purchasing the property at 59 Plain Rd in Hinsdale for the purpose of utilizing this property to construct the Town's proposed new Fire Department facility, such sum of \$230,000.00 (two hundred thirty thousand dollars) to come from the Fire Station Building Expendable Trust and \$169,000.00 (One hundred sixty-nine thousand dollars) from the Unassigned Fund Balance.**

Given under the hands and seal in said Hinsdale this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

#### **TOWN OF HINSDALE**

##### **By Its Selectmen:**

Moderator, Edwin O. Smith called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. Promptly asking, Harry Watling our retired Air Force and Army member to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance – Moderator, Edwin O. Smith - Board of Selectmen, Steve Diorio, Chair, Richard S. Johnson, Bernie Rideout, Mike Carrier, and William Hodgman III. Budget Committee – Chair, Dennis J. Nadeau Sr, Vice Chair Kenny Howe, Sean Leary, William Nebelski, Alex Dueso, Karen L. Johnson, Daniel S. Seymour, Michael Bomba, Taran Benedict, School Board Member of the Budget Committee April Andersen.

Moderator Introduced Josh Green, Community Development Coordinator. Josh spoke on the Emergency Broadcast system new for the Town of Hinsdale. Explains how to sign up.

The moderator read SP Article 1 in full, a motion made by Dennis Nadeau and seconded by William Nebelski to accept the article as written. Article opened for discussion.

Kenny Howe, member of Budget Committee and Zoning Board. Speaking on his own - Speaking on zoning ordinances, statement on Expendable Trust and Capital Reserve funds.

**Moderator to the Town Body - A vote is in order: for the Architect to speak and share slides. By voice vote the question passed.**

Architect, Michael Petrovick, Principal of Michael Petrovick Architect of Keene, NH to speak and share slides.

Architect states he is here to give information on the project. Share the feasibility study on existing fire stations. As well as Fire Stations and Fire Fighter safety and health.

More discussion and questions for the Architect.

**Janice Nichols – We are here to vote about the land. Motion to end discussion, motion was seconded by many voices. By voice vote the motion passed.**

**Kelly Gilmartin –Motion to postpone the vote. Moderator - need another date. Next town meeting in 2025.**

**Moderator states - the motion has been made and seconded to postpone the vote until next town meeting in March of 2025. This is the motion to be voted on.**

More discussion.

**Moderator to the Town Body - A vote is in order: for the Town Attorney to speak and answer questions.**

**By voice vote the question passed.**

Town Attorney – Christopher D. Hawkins, of Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella. PLLC – Attorney spoke on warrant article 13 from 3/12/2016 the expendable trust fund, why created. Shared his office's opinion on the proposed article.

More discussion and questions of the Attorney.

**Jay Ebbighausen – asked to move the question, seconded by Katelyn Leonard.**

**By voice vote the question is moved.**

**Motion to postpone the vote until March 2025 the next Town meeting.**

**Voting paper ballot per Moderator – Moderator can make the determination to have a ballot vote or voice.**

**261 Total ballots cast: 100 – YES 161 – NO - Motion failed**

Discussion on SP Article 1. continues:

**Wayne Dingman – Motion to move the question – seconded by many voices. – by voice vote the motion passed.**

**Final vote: will be by paper ballot per Moderator.**

**Moderator read SP Article 1 –**

**233 Total ballots cast: 155 – Yes 78 – No - Motion passes**

Motion made by Dennis Nadeau, with a second by William Nebelski to adjourn the SP Town meeting.

Moderator – Are There objections to the motion for adjournment of the SP Town meeting – No objections made

Moderator - Meeting adjourned: 4:34 PM

*Respectfully Submitted,*



Julie M. Seymour, Town Clerk

*True Copy Attest,*

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