



TOWN OF NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

August 21, 2020

8:30AM

PRESENT:

Janet Kidder, Chairman
Nancy Rollins, Selectman
John Cannon, Selectman
Kim Hallquist, Town Administrator

ALSO PRESENT

Will Kidder, Town Clerk

Chair Kidder called the meeting to order at 8:30AM.

MS-1 Summary of Inventory Valuation

The Board reviewed the MS-1 form as prepared by Chief Assessor Kristen McAllister. This form is sent to the Department of Revenue and is used in the tax rate setting process.

IT WAS MOVED (Nancy Rollins) AND SECONDED (Janet Kidder) to approve the MS-1 form as presented. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

CARES Act Grant for Elections

Town Clerk Will Kidder met with the Board to discuss a grant opportunity from the state designed to help with expenses for the election. He noted that the number of absentee ballots requests are far higher for the September 8th primary and November election than in 2016; staff time and postage expenses are also higher. He noted that 2016 absentee ballot number was 96 and already they have processed requests for 621, and there will be more.

The grant documents state:

“Under the Statewide Standard Cost Rate, cities, towns and unincorporated places will be reimbursed a fixed rate for each absentee ballot mailed and/or processed for both the Primary election in September and the General Election in November in excess of the total number of ballots processed during the Primary and General elections in 2016. This rate will be based upon time studies determined by the Secretary of State. Each city, town and unincorporated place will be allowed to claim funds up to a maximum based upon its proportionate share of the funds as defined by its relative share of the ballots cast in 2016.”

Mr. Kidder noted that New London’s share could be \$13,500.97 with a required match of \$2,700.19; he recommended that the Selectmen agree to participate in the grant program as outlined in the grant agreement.

IT WAS MOVED (Janet Kidder) AND SECONDED (John Cannon) to approve the grant agreement, accepting up to \$13,500.97 and committing up to \$2,700.19 in matching funds as

required by the Grant, and to authorize Will Kidder to be the signatory for the grant. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

IT WAS MOVED (Nancy Rollins) AND SECONDED (John Cannon) to adjourn. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Hallquist
Town Administrator