TAMWORTH 2019 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Tamworth, County of Carroll in said State qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet for the First Session of the Annual Town Meeting at the Tamworth Town House, 27 Cleveland Hill Road, in said Town of Tamworth on **Tuesday, the 12th of March, 2019**, to choose town officers and to vote on other matters required to be on the official ballot. Polls to be open for voting on **ARTICLE #01** at eight o'clock in the forenoon, and to close not earlier than seven o'clock in the evening, and you are hereby notified to meet for the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting at the Kenneth A. Brett School, 881 Tamworth Road, in said Town of Tamworth on **Wednesday, the 13th of March, 2019**, at seven o'clock in the evening for the transaction of all other Town business as specified in the remaining articles of this warrant.

The moderator opened the meeting at 7:00pm and went over the general public announcements. The invocation was presented by Priscilla Remick. Harry Remick led the Pledge of Allegiance. The moderator then read the results of the Town/School Elections. The moderator announced needing a public hearing for the ratification of the results here tonight. It will be 21 days by stature from tonight and that further discussion can take place at the end of the meeting under Article #32. Becky Mason gave a public Thank you for Steve Gray's service to our town.
The moderator explained the ground rules of voting by voice, show of hands (Ballot Cards), or by a secret ballot vote with one of the tabs from the ballot cards. The moderator announced that he has received a written request for a secret ballot vote for Article #2 already.

The Moderator then proceeded to Article #2.

ARTICLE #01 To elect all necessary **Town Officers**, which appear on the official Town ballot for the ensuing year. Open positions (2) Selectmen 3 year term, (1) Treasurer 1 year term, (2) Planning Board members 3 years terms, (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds 3 year term, (1) Cemetery Trustees 3 year term, (3) Library Trustees 3 year terms, (1) Fireward – North 3 year term, (1) Fireward - South 3 year term.

Office	Name	Term	Votes
Selectmen		**3 years**	
	James Hidden		**219**
	Rebecca Mason		**284**
	Melanie Streeter		**318**
Treasurer		**1 year**	
	Annie Burke		**397**

Planning Board Members	**3 years**	
	Nicole Maher-Whiteside	**359**
	Sheldon Perry	**369**
Trustee of the Trust Funds	**3 years**	
	Robert K Seston	**372**
Cemetery Trustee	**3 years**	
	Bruno M Siniscalchi	**379**
Library Trustees	**3 years**	
	Robin J Gordon	**384**
	Sheryl Power	**372**
	Nathaniel Winship	**330**
Fireward – North	**3 years**	
	Jim Bowles	**403**
Fireward – South	**3 years**	
	Shawn Bross	**87**
	Michael J Oktavec	**58**
	Zachary Remick	**254**

Total Ballots Cast 466

ARTICLE #02 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$1** and exercise its option to purchase the Tamworth Village Association sewer system, all assets and capital reserves as provided in the license agreement entered into by the Town and the Tamworth Village Association on August 2, 2001. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Norman Cloutier from the TVA and Ken Cargill the Attorney representing the TVA spoke of the article. Norman was approached by the TVA four years ago because of his background to help correct the many problems that the

septic system had. That the TVA did not have the money to fix the system and that efforts to go back to the initial installers was unsuccessful. The failing disposal beds were repaired under the award of a $350,000 Grant through the Federal CBGB emergency funding grant. He spoke what the system lacked and how most problems stemmed from the original construction of the system. He went on to say what types of buildings in served and under what roads both Town & State. TVA membership limited and created 20 years ago. Tamworth is the only Town in NH and New England with this type of private system. He proceeded to explain how important this system is to the town and a vital Asset to the Town. Ken Cargill spoke of the background of the legalities for this option to the town. Three criteria's Selectmen have control, ??? RSA 149: I allow towns to have commissioners to manage the system with day to day operations, ability to finance and charged back to system users, has been self-funded over the years. Risks for Town: Third party exposures, manhole cover causes accident, and town would be cover by the municipal carrier for insurance. If the system failed the town would have been responsible for that if no one took care off. Ken spoke of the system being an Asset for the cost and value of system. Additional capacity for the future. DES oversight gives Town control of system and town would be able to have say on lot size of those joining.

Andy Fisher spoke to help clarify some of the development potential for the system. Town would have more control of the system and oversight. State of NH DES has the final say to the subsurface approvals. Bill ??? asked of the current capacity size. Ken Cargill spoke of 19,272 per day. The current flow into the system is running 25,000 gallons per day. Initial flow estimates from 1999. Bill commented that right now the system is operating successfully, while privately funded. Mr. Vitek asked about the liability insurance cost would go to the users. Jim Randolph commented that he felt this would only benefit the 26 users and commented on the out of state homeowners mentioned earlier. Norman Cloutier commented that modern DES requirements would not allow private systems to be approved in the village. William Farnum spoke of Article #3 and how the sewer commission would be appointed as commissioners and a stipend would come from the users. Andy Fisher spoke of the Pre-67 conditions would fall under the NH DES approvals for waivers to allow systems to be installed on these village lots. And that we would fall back to those approvals. Ken Cargill spoke of a receiver being appointed if failure was substantial and catastrophic. Peg Poirier asked if the Board of Selectmen would be in charge if three commissioners fall through. Willie Farnum spoke that it would fall back on the Selectmen. Karl Behr spoke as being a property owner on the system, as well as on the board. David Little spoke on the financial gain so won't cost us a whole lot. Susan Winters asked about the flow and adding houses to the system. Norman Cloutier spoke of the system design initially computed on the 35 connections but only 26 connections now. NH DES having the approval of any new applicants as to the nature of their effluent. Commissioners' approval then through planning board select board with

approval by the town. Becky Mason spoke to that. Norman Cloutier confirmed Gravity feed system to pump houses from those tanks to beds. Andy Fisher spoke of the DES that regardless who owns the system it will never be public. ISDS if proposed would have to be approved by the state regardless who owns it. David Giampietro asked to hear from the selectperson who opposed the article. Becky Mason spoke if the discharge capacity goes greater than 20,000 the system would become a municipal system not leach fields but a water treatment plant. Secret Ballot vote taken and the moderator announced that we would move to Article #5 while the supervisor's sort/count the secret ballot tabs.

Article Passed Yes 127 No 55

ARTICLE #03

If Article #02 passes, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town to adopt a sewer commission pursuant to RSA 149-I to be governed by a board of three sewer commissioners appointed by the selectmen to serve terms of 1, 2 and 3 years with each succeeding term being for 3 years. (Majority Vote Required)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #04

If Article #02 passes, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$8,622** to operate the sewer system consisting of operating expenses in the amount of $5,390 and a capital reserve contribution of $3,232. This appropriation will be completely funded to the Town through sewer rents set by the Board of Selectmen and charged only to those properties disposing wastewater into the sewer system. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Willie Farnum commented that the money appropriated in this article was only for 6 months. Anticipated transfer of the system is July 1st, 2019.

No Further Discussion Article Passed

Karl Behr made a motion to restrict reconsideration for Articles #2, 3, & 4.
Moved/Seconded Discussion

Willie Farnum explained what this motion meant in that we could not, later in the meeting, go back and address the articles and change the current results.

Motion Passed

ARTICLE #05

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$86,351** for **salary and benefits** for the current year for the position of **Town Clerk/Tax Collector**. ***NOTE:*** The amount requested under this article shall be used for an annual salary of $58,000 to include 20 paid days off, FICA and Medicare in the amount of $4,437, a health and dental insurance premium (the town's health & dental insurance plan currently with 90/10% split for a two person policy) and to include a flexible spending account of $1,000 all totaled $17,374 with contributions to the NH State Retirement System at the effective contribution rate (remaining at 11.38% thru June 30, 2019 and 11.17% July 1, 2019 thru December 30, 2019) of $6,540. (These funds shall only be disbursed as long as the eligibility requirements are met in accordance with the NH Retirement System). Also, if a midterm appointment of a new Town Clerk/Tax Collector should be made a salary and benefit package will be determined by the Board of Selectmen at the time of the appointment. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Peg Johnson used this article as an example in a letter to the Board of Selectmen and the School Board. She commented that she wanted everything equal and fair throughout the town.

Article Passed

ARTICLE #06

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$ 596,847** for **General Government Operations.** To offset this appropriation **$19,900** will come from grants, $**250** from economic development funds and the balance of **$576,697** will be raised by taxation. (Majority Vote Required)

Board of Selectmen	$ 23,052
Town Administration	$ 194,388
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	$ 38,062
Election & Registration	$ 3,500
Treasurer's Expense	$ 7,208
Data Processing	$ 50,043
Revaluation of Property	$ 54,408
Legal Expenses	$ 25,000
Personnel Administration	$ 2,500
Planning	$ 8,135
Zoning	$ 53
Office Building	$ 26,058
Town House	$ 9,372
Cemeteries	$ 32,900
Property Liability Insurance	$ 37,023

Advertising & Regional Assoc.		$ 2,595
Moose Plate Grant	$ 10,000	
EDC Patron Funded Programs	$ 250	
Town House Bldg Repair Grant	$ 9,900	$ 20,150
Debt Service Principal & Interest		$ 62,400

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (3-2)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Julie Pelletier asked to amend the article to be reduced to $553,854 EDC money in proper place, reevaluation will not be done statistically but will start with 20% of the town. Amendment withdrawn. Vote to withdraw Passed.

New Amendment to $556,449 Moved/Seconded Before discussion the moderator noted that the is not specific to a line item but to the total amount of the article. but motion to Remove the amendment to wait to have more discussion. Amendment Withdrawn. After discussion from Willie Farnum and Becky Mason Julie made her amendment to $556,449.

Moved/Seconded Further Discussion

John Wheeler clarified the 1/5th (20%) of the town revaluation. Pat Farley spoke of the EDC money being moved from one area of the budget to another area and she wanted clarification in if money being removed or amended?

Amended Article does not pass. Further Discussion

Moderator announced that Article #6 as presented at $596,847 is now being discussed.

Scott Aspinall asked why the increase for Town Administration and Data Processing lines. Steve Gray responded about the upgrade to computers from Windows 7 to Windows 10 and the need to update the hardware equipment as well. No Further Discussion.

Article Passed

ARTICLE #07 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$792,862** for **Public Safety**: (Majority Vote Required)

Police Department		$371,893
Ambulance Contracted Services		$142,186
Fire/Rescue Department	$259,834	
Ambulance Billing	$ 3,000	$262,834

Forest Fires	$ 5,877
Emergency Management	$ 5,253
Animal Control	$ 4,819

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Zach Remick asked to amend the article to $794,362 to pay for a professional grant writer. If a successful FEMA grant is given the $1,500 fee will be reimbursed by the awarded grant. No Further Discussion.

Vote on the article as Amended passed.

No Further Discussion Amended Article Passed

ARTICLE #08 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$1,116,972 for Public Works**: (Majority Vote Required)

Highway Department	$616,521	
Road Reconstruction	$210,000	
Total Highway		$ 826,521
Street Lights		$ 11,000
Well Monitoring & Testing		$ 9,320
Transfer Station Operations		$ 270,131

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Steve Gray asked to amend the article by $11,000.00 to read $1,127,972.00. HEB will do additional testing to test private wells within a 500 foot radius but have added a long time standing local School and the Tamworth Mobile Home Park. David Little asked if the wells to be tested included the school. Amended Article was voted on and passed.

Barbara Bloomberg asked about street light line and what/where they are. Willie Farnum spoke of the street light study completed a few years ago and the question of keeping them on or discontinuing their service. Nancy Sheridan asked about the transfer station increase if we are not recycling. The transfer station hauling costs have increased dramatically $300.00 per container, where before we were not charged for every haul, and we had signed a new contract back in Oct 2018. Bill Willis commented on managing a supermarket in North Conway and recycling costs have tripled.

Amended Article Passed

ARTICLE #09 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$23,094** for **Health and Welfare**: (Majority Vote Required)

Health Officer	$ 739
General Assistance	$ 22,355

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$115,356** for **Culture & Recreation:** (Majority Vote Required)

Parks & Recreation	$ 100,386
Swim Program	$ 7,270
Patriotic Purposes/Family Day	$ 7,700

The Board of Selectmen **does not recommend** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Sue Stowbridge asked why. Steve Gray spoke of being the "1" as advocate of what the recreation department provides. Willie Farnum spoke of this being an area to be cut with a substantial increase in taxes anticipated this year.

Karen MacDonald has lived her for about 30 years. She spoke of having her son move here with her and Kelly John is a down syndrome individual and spoke of how this community has been wonderful to him. Unified basketball and sports are his passion and she approached the Rec Dept to help with something local. Equitable isn't always fair to go by but she understands Willie's point.

Bill Willis feels we should approve this article for the children. For the kids who may not get what they need in a gym class. Parker Roberts teaches and instills and we should support this article. Paul Chant asked if selectmen have a recommendation if this is defeated? Willie Farnum spoke to leave it up to the voters to keep. Becky Mason spoke to article. Paul Chant asked to amend the article by $5,000. Moved/Seconded

Casslyn Cook spoke to the declining enrollment in the Park & Rec program because Rec Dept is not supplying what is needed and agreed with this amendment. Bill Batchelder spoke that this was the only article on the warrant that was 80% less. Kent Hemingway spoke of the balance between school, rec dept., & ??? to keep a balance and form a committee to research.

Parker Roberts spoke to the declining numbers and the years he has been the director of the Park & Rec. He doesn't feel this is something we should cut and the need to keep as is. Further discussion on amendment. Jill Ames asked for support of the article but not in favor to support of the amendment and how important this would be detrimental to the children and town. Amended article doesn't pass.

No further discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$7,040** for **Tamworth Conservation Commission** expenses.
(Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$195,744** for the Cook Memorial Library of which **$172,039** to be raised through taxation and **$23,705** to come from library income from donations, grants, fees etc; such funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$130,000** to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. **$30,000** will come from unassigned fund balance and **$100,000** to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #14 To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate **$150,000** to put in the fund. This sum to come from undesignated fund balance. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #15 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$400,357** for a fire truck, with **$204,357** to be raised by taxation and the remaining **$196,000** from the undesignated fund balance. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Jim Bowles spoke of the $196,000 raised in 2017 and in 2018 we thought we were raising $188,000 but was done properly and that not being enough money for this new replacement fire truck.

David Little would like to change the wording of the article but not change the amount to have $10,000 adjusted to $390,357 and to $194,357 to be raised by taxation. $10,000 was taken out of the emergency fund for the deposit for the replacement fire truck. RSA 32:13 authorizes the selectmen to spend money from the emergency fund article and not this article.

Voice Vote taken on Article as Amended and passed.

No further discussion on the article as amended for $390,357.

Amended Article passed

ARTICLE #16 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$50,000** for the purchase of and to outfit a new police vehicle. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **does not recommend** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Gabrielle Watson asked why opposition. Dan Poirier did not feel the need for a third Tahoe and felt we could have a car. David Little asked to amend the article to $35,000. Moved/Seconded Discussion Dana Littlefield spoke of the need for clearance and 4wd in citing various calls. Steve Gray spoke of asking the chief questions and spoke of the research and fact finding for the purchase of this type of vehicle. Spoke of survey for police dept from a few years ago and what the responses were. Madeline Siniscalchi spoke of how expensive Tahoe's are and how they are top notch. Willie Farnum asked the Police Chief if he had a dollar amount for a pickup truck since he spoke at a selectmen's meeting that pricing was not that far off from a car.
No further discussion on amendment. Voice Vote taken. Vote moved to ballot cards.

Moderator moved to Article #17 while ballot tabs are counted.

Amendment did not pass Yes 74 No 81

Further discussion back to the original article as written.

Evan Shangraw spoke of vote for fire truck and the need for the equipment and feels the same for the police vehicle. Willie Farnum addressed that the select board are the ones who sign the contract so they will do their best to work with the best vehicle presented.

Voice Vote Article Passed

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Article #16 Moved/Seconded

No Discussion Motion Passed

ARTICLE #17 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$23,000** to add a roof extension and floor over the compactor at the Transfer Station. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$29,350** to replace the carpeting at the **Cook Memorial Library**. (Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded No Discussion Article Passed

Steve Gray asked to restrict reconsideration of Articles #5-15 and Articles #17, & 18. Moved/Seconded

Motion Passed

The moderator explained he would be reading Articles 19-31. Traditionally we have voted on these articles as a group and any article wishing to be pulled will be voted on separately. He will read each of the Articles and asked the legislative body to let him know to pull any article they would want to vote on separately.

Moved/Seconded

Articles pulled were #20, 27, & 29 to be discussed on their own.

Voice Vote was taken on those articles Not Pulled with a total amount of $112,718 for Articles #19, 21, 22, 23 ,24, 25, 26, 28, 30, & 31.

Articles Passed

ARTICLE #19 (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$2,000** to the **Tamworth Outing Club** for the support of the Cal Ripken and Home Run League baseball programs. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #20 (By Petition) We the undersigned registered voters of the Town of Tamworth do hereby petition the 2019 Annual Town Meeting to raise and appropriate the sum of **$6,000** for **Tri-County Community Action** for the purpose of continuing services of the Fuel Assistance Program for the residents of Tamworth. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Willie Farnum spoke to this in regards to the Tri County Community Building not paying property taxes or a PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) program. We will be getting assistance for our residents regardless of passing this article and that the money for Fuel Assistance is a Federally funded program.

Voice Vote Taken Article does not Pass

ARTICLE #21 (By Petition) To respectfully request that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$3,357** in support of **Starting Point** providing advocacy and support to victims of domestic and sexual violence and their children. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #22 (By Petition) To see if the Town of Tamworth will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$5,000** for the **Tamworth Scholarship Committee, Inc.** (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #23 (By Petition) Warrant Article for the Town of Tamworth to raise and appropriate the same sum as last year of **$5,000** to assist the **Community Food Center** the food pantry serving Tamworth people. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #24 (By Petition) To see if the Town of Tamworth will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$3,822** for the Family Resource Center at **Children Unlimited, Inc.** (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #25 (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$80,000** to support the **Tamworth Community Nurse Association.** (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (3-2)

ARTICLE #26 (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$2,500** for the annual support of services provided to the citizens of this community by the **Central NH VNA & Hospice.** The VNA-Hospice Agency has been servicing Town residents for many years and the Town has consistently supported the VNA & Hospice. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (4-1)

ARTICLE #27 (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$18,500** for support of the Tamworth children, ages 5 – 12, using the Out-of-School hours, School-Aged childcare services at **Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center** (Tamworth Preschool Inc.), a non-profit organization. These services include before and after school, vacation weeks and summer programs for Tamworth Children ages 5-12. This request does not include any preschool programming. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **does not recommend** this article. (4-1)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Alan Bunker spoke to support article as did Rebecca Boyden. Suzy Kjellberg supported this article and Becky Mason and Willie Farnum spoke against article as a concern for our elderly too and their ability to pay taxes and that the board was trying to look at all articles in regards to cuts and from an

economic standpoint in the direction that are tax rate is going. Ellen Farnum spoke to provide for working parents. Joanne Rainville spoke of the need for this money in this article or we will see the increase in the general assistance program and that funding because working parents will not have a place to bring their children and will be unable to work. Jill Ames spoke in favor of the school's importance to the community, and for the health and wellbeing of the children attending.

Nancy Coville has been director for 56 years and spoke to the mission of the school to help families maintain themselves to work and pay their taxes. The School is open 6am–6pm and are open when the KA Brett School is closed. 60% of those who attend are eligible for free or reduced lunch, and that the Bearcamp School is cost effective for the town.

Helen Steele spoke how difficult it is to raise money for a school and how Nancy has to go out there and make up the difference to operate the school and would like people to support the article. Willie Farnum is supporting the article in full.

No Further Discussion Article Passed

ARTICLE #28 (By Petition) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **$3,750** to assist the **Mental Health Center.** (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #29 (By Petition) We the undersigned voter of the Town of Tamworth do hereby request the Selectmen to place this petition warrant article on the 2019 Warrant for Town meeting. To see if the Town of Tamworth will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$3,500** in support of **Blue Loon Bus Service**. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

Moved/Seconded Discussion

Julie Pelletier asked why selectmen are supporting this now. Steve Gray spoke that they were provided statistics this year from the organization for the time period of July 2017 to July 2018. John Wheeler spoke of the Tamworth Caregivers having reduced needs in providing rides for Tamworth community but he has been given conflicting comments on the services provided by the Blue Loon Bus.

Voice Vote Taken Article Passed

ARTICLE #30 (By Petition) To see if the Town of Tamworth will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$5,289** 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 Tamworth. (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (4-0-1)

ARTICLE #31 (By Petition) To see if the Town of Tamworth will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$2,000** for **MWV Supports Recovery Coalition Recovery Support Programs** (family and peer support programs for substance use disorders). (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article. (5-0)

ARTICLE #32 To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Helen Steele spoke of a meeting for the school long range planning committee on March 18th at 7pm at the KA Brett School.

Town Council spoke to the need to have a Special Town Meeting because of a late posting of the Warrant by a day. RSA 31:5-b addresses the need for public hearing and this procedure to ratify the meeting for the money articles. David Little mentioned that RSA 669:2 references the Elections and a timely posting as well. Kim Trammell had commented that she had posted her public notices timely. Town Council had spoken to Dept of Revenue in the respect of the Warrant Articles involving money and the need for a Special Town Meeting to ratify the meeting results from tonight.

Francesca Priestman asked what jurisdiction we are in for VNA. She works for the Carroll County VNA and found herself questioning what jurisdiction Tamworth falls in. Becky Mason commented that those who require services when discharged from the Wolfeboro Hospital are in the Central VNA jurisdiction.

Casslyn Cook asked what the tax rate impact was from tonight's meeting. David Little a Tamworth Resident commented that without changes the impact was at $2.12.

Bruno Siniscalchi asked to adjourn meeting.
All in Favor.
Meeting was adjourned at 10:20pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Trammell
Certified Town Clerk