MINUTES
WATERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
JUNE 6, 2022
WATERTOWN TOWN HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
61 ECHO LAKE ROAD
WATERTOWN, CT 06795

A Special Town Meeting was held at Watertown Town Hall, Council Chambers, on Monday, June 6, 2022. Jonathan Ramsay called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm and solicited for the election of a Moderator for the meeting.

MOTION: Mary Ann Rosa I move to nominate Jonathan Ramsay as Moderator of the Special Town Meeting.
Seconded by Ken Demirs.

Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations?

Hearing none.

Nominations are closed.

Motion passed unanimously

Jonathan Ramsay was elected Moderator of the meeting.

MOTION: Mary Ann Rosa I move to nominate Susan King as Clerk of the Special Town Meeting.
Seconded by Al Mickel.

Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations?

Hearing none.

Nominations are closed.

Motion passed unanimously

Susan King was elected Clerk of the meeting.
Mary Ann Rosa read the legal notice.

WARNING AND NOTICE
TOWN OF WATERTOWN, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 6, 2022

The legal voters of the Town of Watertown and those entitled to vote in Town Meeting are hereby WARNED AND NOTIFIED of a Special Town Meeting to be held on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 6:45 p.m. at Watertown Town Hall, Town Council Chambers, 61 Echo Lake Rd. Watertown to consider the appropriation of $204,235 from the General Fund for emergency road repairs on Echo Lake Road.

A link to view the special town meeting will be posted on the Town of Watertown website www.watertownct.org by 4:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting.

Anyone wishing to vote at the Special Town Meeting must attend in person.

Anyone wishing to provide comments for the meeting may do so by emailing towncouncil@watertownct.org or by mail to Watertown Town Council, 61 Echo Lake Rd., Watertown, CT 06795 and must be received by 2:00 p.m. on June 3, 2022.

If you require a translator, or accommodations for a hearing impairment or other accommodation, contact the Town of Watertown at 860-945-5255.

Dated at Watertown, Connecticut this 26th day of May, 2022.

Mark A. Raimo, Town Manager
RETURN OF WARNING AND NOTICE
TOWN OF WATERTOWN, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

I hereby certify that on May 26, 2022 I left a duplicate copy of the attached WARNING AND NOTICE of a Special Town Meeting of the Town of Watertown, Connecticut, to be held on June 6, 2022 with Sherry Cosmos, Assistant Town Clerk.

I further certify that on May 26, 2022 I caused a copy of said Warning and Notice to be published in the WATERBURY REPUBLICAN AMERICAN Newspaper which has a substantial circulation in said Town and placed upon the Town of Watertown website under Legal Notices.

I further certify that on May 26, 2022 I caused to be set upon the signpost nearest the office of the Town Clerk and all other places with signposts designated by the Town, a written copy of said Warning and Notice signed by me as Town Manager.

I further certify that all the above acts were done at least five (5) days before the holding of the Special Town Meeting on June 6, 2022.

Dated at Watertown, Connecticut this 26th day of May, 2022.

Mark A. Raimo
Town Manager

TOWN CLERK’S CERTIFICATION
AS TO WARNING AND RETURN OF WARNING

I hereby certify that the attached WARNING AND NOTICE of the foregoing RETURN OF WARNING are duly recorded in the records of the Town of Watertown, Connecticut and that Mark A. Raimo was Town Manager of the Town of Watertown on the date the WARNING and RETURN OF WARNING were signed.

Dated at Watertown, Connecticut this 26th day of May, 2022.

Sherry Cosmos, Assistant Town Clerk
Jonathan Ramsay, Moderator: Mr. Spina if you could give us a brief overview of the project?

Lou Spina, Director of Public Works: This a storm drain that failed last summer on one of the tropical rain events that occurred in July. We are proposing to replace approximately 760 linear feet of a 24-inch drain pipe, three catch basins and another 60 feet of 30-inch drain pipe too, tying it all together with lots of restoration. I am of the opinion this needs to be done to reopen the road to full capacity. I want to restore it back to its original condition?

MOTION: Mary Ann Rosa seconded by Robert Retallick: I move to authorize an appropriation of $204,235 from the General Fund for emergency road repairs on Echo Lake Road.

Jonathan Ramsay, Moderator: Any further discussion from the public?

Al Mickel, 95 Woodvine Avenue: For Mary Ann’s benefit I think there is a way not to be able to read all that spelling in the beginning of the meeting. It would make the meetings a lot shorter if you didn’t have to read all that stuff. If I heard the number right you said $240,000?

Mary Ann Rosa: 245

Al Mickel: Thank you.

Joe Pawlak, 173 Middlebury Road: Just for clarification I assume that section is from up and down towards Main Street, correct that section?

Lou Spina: It is between Buckingham and Ice House Road.

Joe Pawlak: I just thought for some reason that was the State Road Route 262, apparently it is not. Where is 262?

Lou Spina: Route 262 ends at Buckingham, if go from Route 8 up it takes you right down to Buckingham.

Mark Raimo, Town Manager: Just to make you aware, we have applied to FEMA for reimbursement for partial for these repairs. We are hoping that will come through, we have been reviewed last month.

Lou Spina: We were supposed to do a field visit last month and the guy canceled on the FEMA side but we did file an application. There are no guaranties for approval, we stand to be reimbursed up to 75%.

BY VOICE VOTE THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED
Adjournment

Motion: Ken Demirs seconded by Denise Russ: adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jonathan Ramsay, Moderator

Approved: _______________________
Susan King, Clerk