

**TOWN OF RYE – BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**Tuesday, January 21, 2020**  
**5:30 p.m. – Rye Town Hall**

*Present: Chair Phil Winslow, Vice-Chair Keriann Roman and Selectman Bill Epperson*

*Others Present: Town Administrator Becky Bergeron*

**5:30 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Winslow called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**II. Public Hearing: Conservation Bond Issue**

To see if the Town vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) to be placed in the Conservation Land Acquisition Fund for the acquisition of conservation easements or open space lands by the Town, all for the permanent protection of appropriate underdeveloped land in the Town of Rye, and to authorize the Conservation Commission and Selectmen to act on behalf of the town in connection with such acquisition of conservation easements or open space lands (subject to the hearing and procedural requirements of NH RSA Chapter 36-A) and to further authorize the issuance of not more than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) of bonds and/or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act. NH RSA Chapter 33 as amended, and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and/or notes and to determine the rates of interest thereon? (3/5 ballot vote required.)

Chair Winslow opened that Public Hearing at 5:31 pm.

**Conservation Chair Sally King, stated that** the Conservation Commission feels that this is the appropriate time to apply for the \$3 million Bond. They are currently targeting two major parcels of land and expect to use the remainder of the current bond for those properties. The goal is to retain the rural character, protect natural resources and protect against impacts due to increased congestion.

**Tracey Degnan 41 Park Ridge and Senior Project Manager, Rockingham County Conservation District, noted that** the last \$3 million bond was in 2014. Since then, the Commission has protected almost 225 acres. One parcel that is still not completed is the West Road parcel. The Commission has been able to leverage some dollars through funding applications from different State and Federal agencies. To date, they have funded almost \$750,000 toward the West Road effort. They have spent \$1.7 of the previous bond. There is also ongoing discussion for another 100 acres. The Commission does not feel that they have enough funds to carry out the acquisitions that are already in their pipe-line as well as protect critical natural resources in town. The natural resource chapter in the 2018 Master Plan really highlights a lot of the natural resources that are included in the protection, including the Wildlife

Protection Plan. Half of the Town is under the purview of the Wildlife Protection Plan Highest Priority Resources. Ms. Degnan stated that she plans to do a presentation at the deliberative session.

Chair Winslow recommended that it is explained that the Town does not start paying back the bond until after the town starts drawing down on it. The authorization for getting the bond is in order to have the funds available when needed.

Ms. Degnan agreed and added that there are only two times a year that the Town will be able to draw money out of the bond.

**Jaci Grote, 124 Washington Road and Conservation Commission member**, stated that one of the reasons that the Commission was able to leverage the purchase on West Road was that they had the money. Without the money, there would have been no way to even get started with the negotiation. Money in place is critical for leveraging funds.

**Deborah Taylor, 267 Bracket Road**, stated that she is so proud of the way that the Town has been able to leverage funds in the past. They have been very successful. She thinks that moving forward is the right step.

**Susan Shepcaro, 45 Recreation Road and Member of the Conservation Commission**, reported that she has attended a lot of meetings at UNH and other places. Others in attendance have frequently told her that Rye has the best conservation land.

Vice-Chair Roman raised concern regarding the current language in the warrant article which reads; "for the permanent protection of appropriate underdeveloped land in the Town of Rye". She explained that this could be a gray area, as it could be read to limit the ability for the Town to place a cell tower on a parcel, in terms of what the voters authorized. She recommended that there be language added to allow for the placement of a cell tower. It would still be the decision of the Conservation Commission, so it would not obligate anyone to anything, but it wouldn't limit anything. Vice-Chair Roman presented the Conservation Commission members and the other Selectmen with the additional language to review.

Sally King felt the language would confuse the voters. She stated that if she read this, she would not vote for it. It is not in keeping with the mission of conservation.

**Karen Oliver, 1159 Washington Road and Member of the Conservation Commission**, stated the suggested language is not clear and she doesn't know what it means. She does not see how this has anything to do with the Conservation Commission's mission and funding. It is not part of the mission to do anything in regards to cell towers, except as it comes before them as a board. It is also irrelative to whether people want to fund acquisition of conservation land. She just does not understand how it fits into the bond warrant article at all. Conservation has not had a chance to discuss this issue, as they just heard about it this afternoon.

Vice-Chair Roman explained that the Telecommunications Committee has not had a chance to meet and talk about it either. The language is not saying that the Conservation Commission is out there looking for land for a cell tower or that they have a desire to put a cell tower anywhere. Right now, the language states that the \$3.0 million, if the Town approves it, is for the permanent protection of appropriate underdeveloped land. If it is left like this and the Commission acquires a twenty-acre parcel that is not

sensitive and has a portion of say 100 X 100, that could be suitable for a cell tower. The language "permanent protection of appropriate underdeveloped land" might preclude putting a cell tower there. Any decision would still have to go to town vote.

Chair Winslow also pointed out that at a Selectmen's meeting it was discussed that if Conservation came across a small piece of property which would be appropriate for a cell tower, the Conservation Commission would be willing to fund that. Ms. King had agreed to that.

Ms. King corrected Chair Winslow and stated what she had said was that she was willing to look at conservation properties that didn't have easements that precluded it.

Selectman Epperson added; "Or possibly purchasing something that wasn't as sensitive". He added that this whole conversation came out of the recreation cell tower issue. The board agreed at that point to go with the wishes of the Conservation Commission and take it off the ballot. That was a collateral conversation and there weren't any exceptions to that conversation.

Ms. King stressed that practically speaking, if Conservation were talking to someone regarding conserving land and they were interested in putting up a cell tower, they would have already done it because they would then benefit from the funding. It would be very unusual to acquire land and then put a cell tower on it, where someone had not already been approached or had already considered it. Usually when people approach Conservation, they are really interested in conservation of the natural resources of their property.

Ms. Grote stated that she would like to speak as the chair of the Budget Committee first. She reported that this warrant article has been passed by the Budget Committee as it is written and they have already held the public hearing on it.

Ms. Grote, speaking as a member of the Conservation Commission, stated that the mission of the Conservation Commission is to protect underdeveloped land, but that has not kept them from putting a cell tower on conservation land. The Grove Road tower is on conservation land. The Conservation Commission has demonstrated that they are team players. She summarized that she would recommend as a member of the Conservation Commission and the Chair of the Budget Committee to leave the warrant article as is.

**Mike Garvan, 220 Washington Road and Member of the Conservation Commission**, spoke about the roles of the Board of Selectmen, the Cell Tower Committee and the Conservation Commission. He stated that they are all on behalf of the Town, but they have different roles, purposes, and responsibilities. RSA 36:A allows conservation commissions to have the authority regarding the utilization of the property, protection of the natural resources and protection of natural water shed resources. That is the spirit in which the Rye Conservation Commission tries to acquire land. On the other hand, they have Town purposes in mind. The easement on the Rand property was purposely written with the water rights included. The Commission has met with Rye Water District and have tentatively approved them for having test wells on the property. The Commission is not against helping the Town out by using conservation properties where the easements allows and where it is appropriate.

Vice-Chair Roman agreed that the language in the amendment may confuse the votes, in that they may wonder if they are voting on conservation land or a cell tower.

Chair Winslow suggested that the article not talk about the cell tower and read; "for the protection and appropriate use of underdeveloped land in the Town of Rye".

Ms. Grote interjected that if the Commission comes upon a parcel that has an area this is appropriate for a cell tower, they could subdivide off that area and not include it in the easement. It is not the language in the warrant article that is preventing the placement of the cell tower. It is the language in the easement that is placed on the land.

Vice-Chair Roman stated that she felt there would still be a problem with this language and using these funds. The recommendation of Chair Winslow would just take out the word "permanent". In order to allow of the possibility of doing it, but it does not say anything about putting in a cell tower.

Ms. King stated that this could have a possible effect on leveraging. All of the funding that the Commission gets does not allow for development. The parcel would have to be subdivided first before they could go for funding, except in the case of water rights.

Selectman Epperson stated that he feels that the mention of cell tower in the conservation warrant article is putting two issues together and confusing the issue. He stressed that this is a conservation article, not a cell tower article. He stated that he would support Chair Winslow's recommendation.

Ms. Oliver stated that she disagreed. She added that it is a fundamental change to the meaning of the article. Right now, it states that the Conservation Commission is funded with the money to permanently protect land. If it is changed, it will be just to acquire land and then figure out what to do with it later. She stated that she trusts the commission members and the Board of Selectmen that are currently serving, but no one knows who will be in their seats in future years and what their principles will be.

**Suzanne McFarland of 1324 Ocean Blvd. and member of the Conservation Commission,** recommended keeping the warrant article simple and leaving the language as is. She stated that there is a way to get the mission accomplished through the easement process.

Ms. King stated that she feels that this is a late change. She has already been before the Selectmen and the Budget Committee with the article as written.

**Mark Epply, 267 Brackett Road,** stated that he understands what is being said in this article and what the intent is. However, if he did not have the background regarding what is happening and was reading the article as the proposed amendment reads, two things stand out, cell tower and \$3 million. Reading between the lines would be, "Oh, they want to buy land to build a cell tower." It would hurt the Conservation's chance to get the bond because it is less likely the voters would vote for \$3 million for land for a cell tower. He also suggested that if the Conservation agreed to take out the word "permanent", it may change the sellers outlook on selling to the Conservation Commission.

Chair Winslow closed the public hearing at 6:04 pm.

After further discussion, the Board agreed to leave the wording of the article as it was originally.

**Motion by Phil Winslow to approve the Conservation Bond Warrant Article as written. Seconded by Keriann Roman. All in Favor.**

### **III. 2020 BUDGET WORK SESSION**

#### **A. Warrant Articles**

Administrator Bergeron explained that the Budget Committee had concerns regarding some of the language in a few of the warrant articles, so they tabled them for the Board of Selectmen to review. The Budget Committee cannot make changes. It is up to the Board of Selectmen. The Budget Committee has sent the Board some recommendations to consider.

- In the three Collective Bargaining Articles the 2.75% COLA was misleading as it related to wages and benefits.
  - The Budget Committee ask that the amount be taken out and merely give the increases year over year, as it relates to wages and benefits.

Selectman Epperson read as follows:

**To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Town Employees Association affiliated with the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:**

<u><b>Year</b></u>	<u><b>Increase over prior Year</b></u>
<b>2020 (9 mos.)</b>	<b><u>\$18,241</u> <del>which is the estimated range or</del> increase over the prior year</b>
<b>2121 (12 mos.)</b>	<b><u>\$21,130</u></b>
<b>2022 (12 mos.)</b>	<b><u>\$22,590</u></b>

**And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,241 for the 2020 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to take out the wording “which is the estimated range” and to recommend as amended and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow. Vote: 3-0**

Chair Winslow read as follows:

**Shall the Town of Rye, if (the article above) is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article # cost items only?**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow.  
Vote: 3-0**

Vice-Chair Roman read as follows:

**To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Police Association affiliated with the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:**

<u><b>Year</b></u>	<u><b>Increase over prior Year</b></u>
<b>2020 (9 mos.)</b>	<b><u>\$21,331</u> which is an estimated range <del>increase over the prior year</del></b>
<b>2121 (12 mos.)</b>	<b><u>\$21,155</u></b>
<b>2022 (12 mos.)</b>	<b><u>\$25,826</u></b>

**And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,331 for the 2020 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Phil Winslow to recommend and to move this article to the warrant, as amended. Seconded by Bill Epperson.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Vice-Chair Roman read as follows:

**Shall the Town of Rye, if (the article above) is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article # cost items only?**

**Motion made by Phil Winslow to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Bill Epperson.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Selectmen Epperson read as follows:

**Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling ten million three hundred twenty thousand four hundred eighty-six dollars (\$10,320,486)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be nine million five hundred ninety-eight thousand seven hundred forty-four dollars (\$9,598,744) which is the same as**

**last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; of the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only, (Majority vote required.) NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations in any other warrant articles.**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Bill Epperson.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Chair Winslow read as follows:

**If Article #X (which is the article that approves the exchange of the Parsonage for the TD Bank Building) or Article #Y (which is the article that will allow the Selectmen to sell the Parsonage) is approved.**

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand six hundred (\$15,600) for the surveying, engineering and other expenses required to subdivide a  $\pm$  0.4 acre parcel around the Parsonage and Carriage House from the larger 1.9 acre town parcel and to obtain NH Department of Environmental Services approval of the septic system easement allowing the Parsonage and Carriage House to continue to use the existing septic system located on town property. (Majority vote required.)**

The Board had a lengthy discussion about the possibility of the warrant article giving authorization to the Selectmen to sell the Parsonage, if the exchange does not pass the voters. One concern was what the Town would do with the building, if the exchange was not approved and the authorization to sell the Parsonage does not pass. If it is left for another year, with one maintenance there could be significant costs because of the deterioration. Another concern was how many votes would be taken away for the exchange if the option to sell is on the ballot.

Vice-Chair Roman stated that as a Selectmen, she would like to take the warrant article out, because it deflects from what is financially for the best option of the Town. However, if that is what the voters want to do, even if it is not financially the best thing, it is their prerogative. The Board can only provide the guidance. So ultimately, they should probably leave the article on the warrant.

The Board agreed that they did not want to draw away from any votes from the exchange with the TD Bank building.

Vice-Chair Roman stated that if the Board has the authority to sell land with two public hearings, with Planning Board and Conservation Commission's input. If the exchange fails and this article is not on the warrant, and a good offer on the Parsonage came along that could make the Town some money, the Board could sell, under RSA 41:14 A, 49. The authorization was in the 2002 warrant.

The Board agreed to take the article off the warrant contingent upon confirming with the Town's attorney that they do have the authority to sell as outlined in RSA 41:14 A, 49.

In regards to the warrant article; to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand six hundred (\$15,600) for the surveying, engineering and other expenses required to subdivide a  $\pm$  0.4 acre parcel around the Parsonage and Carriage House, Vice-Chair Roman recommended taking out the language **"If Article #X (which is the article that approves the exchange of the Parsonage for the TD Bank Building) or Article #Y (which is the article that will allow the Selectmen to sell the Parsonage) is approved"**. She explained that the Board needs the ability to subdivide the lot regardless of what way the vote goes.

Vice-Chair Roman read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand six hundred (\$15,600) for the surveying, engineering and other expenses required to subdivide a  $\pm$  0.4 acre parcel around the Parsonage and Carriage House from the larger 1.9 acre town parcel and to obtain NH Department of Environmental Services approval of the septic system easement allowing the Parsonage and Carriage House to continue to use the existing septic system located on town property. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to recommend and to move this article to the warrant as amended. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**

There was discussion regarding combining all the Capital Reserve warrant articles into one article, due to the length of the warrant. It was agreed that the articles will be separate articles.

Vice-Chair Roman read the amendment as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) for construction of transportation safety improvements in the Town Center; with five hundred thousand (\$500,000) to come from NH DOT alternatives program grant (TAP) and the balance of three hundred thousand (\$300,000) to come from general taxation for the local match required for the grant. This project is contingent upon the receipt of the TAP grant. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to recommend and to move this article to the warrant, as amended. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Vice-Chair Roman read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**



Selectman Epperson read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Fire and Ambulance Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund the purpose of which was amended by Article 15 of the 2018 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required).**

**Motion made by Bill Epperson to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Keriann Roman.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Chair Winslow read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the expendable general trust fund known as the Town Employees' Accumulated Leave Fund, established pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting for the purpose of funding Town Employees' accumulated leave accounts. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Major vote required.)**

**Motion made by Phil Winslow to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Keriann Roman.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Vice-Chair Roman read as follows:

**To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to be added to the Municipal Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 11 at the 2007 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of major repairs to municipal buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Bill Epperson.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Selectman Epperson read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Library Employees' Accumulated Leave Fund established by Article 22 at the 2018 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of funding Library Employees' accumulated leave. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Bill Epperson to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Selectman Epperson read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Rye Public Library Building Maintenance Expandable Trust Fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, as a maintenance fund for the Rye Public Library building. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Bill Epperson to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Chair Winslow read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Grove Road Landfill Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 11 of the 1994 Rye Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Major vote required.)**

**Motion made by Phil Winslow to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Bill Epperson.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Chair Winslow read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Old Trolley Barn for not less than \$390,000 after receiving competitive proposals as required by Article 27 of the 2018 Town Meeting, by sealed bid or public auction .....and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund requiring the Selectmen to convene a joint public meeting with the Budget Committee to obtain their recommendation on any expenditure over \$25,000. (Majority vote required.)**

Administrator Bergeron read as follows:

**To see if the Town will vote to establish a Municipal Buildings Construction and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund AND FURTHER to see if the Town will vote to establish a Municipal Buildings Construction and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the purpose of construction or renovation of town owned buildings and to raise and appropriate the amount of \$390,000 to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund requiring the Selectmen to convene a joint public meeting with the Budget Committee to obtain their recommendation on any expenditure over \$25,000. AND FURTHER to amend Article 27 of the 2018 Town Meeting to not require an appraisal of the Old Trolley Barn property. (Majority vote required.)**

**Motion made by Keriann Roman to recommend and to move this article to the warrant as amended. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Selectman Epperson read as follows:

**(By Petition) The Town of Rye has a long history of holding land in trust for the general public to promote the use and enjoyment of public lands, including beaches, in and about the Town of Rye. To uphold this tradition and transfer accessibility to future generations, this warrant article outlines protocols for conserving public access to the Town of Rye's beaches. Accordingly, we ask the citizens of Rye to reaffirm their commitment to open access for visitors and residents alike.**

### **Parking Ordinance**

- 1. The Town of Rye, New Hampshire shall not amend, modify or change (the "Modification") the Town of Rye Parking Ordinance, unless such Modification is specifically recommended for the purpose of safety by a duly commissioned third-party traffic study conducted by a licensed traffic engineer, and such recommendations are adopted through the warrant article process provided by the laws of the State of New Hampshire.**

- 2. The Town of Rye shall add the following preamble to the Parking Ordinance:**

**"The Town of Rye, New Hampshire, specifically acknowledges that ocean, beach and water access is the fundamental right of all people, including residents of Rye, the residents of the State of New Hampshire, and all visitors thereto. Rye further acknowledges that parking near or adjacent to the ocean directly impacts ocean, beach and water access. Pursuant to this ordinance, Rye shall preserve, maintain, and when possible, create parking spaces for residents and nonresidents alike on all roads, streets, and public ways where motor vehicles are operated."**

**Motion made by Bill Epperson to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 3-0**

Selectman Epperson read as follows:

**(By Petition) To vote to reallocate parking along the south side of Locke Road from Ocean Boulevard to Old Beach Road and on the East side of Old Beach Road from general parking to Resident Only Beach Permitted Parking in accordance with the existing Beach Parking Ordinance for the Town.**

**Motion made by Bill Epperson to recommend and to move this article to the warrant. Seconded by Phil Winslow.**

**Vote: 2-0-1**

The Board discussed the numbering of the warrant articles on the ballot.

Town Administrator Bergeron stated that it is required by the State that any bond article be first on the ballot.

Chair Winslow recommended placing the article regarding the exchange of the Parsonage/TD Bank next, with the article regarding the survey next and then the article on the Trolley Barn processes. The TAP grant/Town Center should be next.

The Board discussed which of them would speak to the article at the deliberative session:

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| • Parsonage/ TD Bank exchange          | Phil Winslow  |
| • \$15,600 Survey Expenditure          | Phil Winslow  |
| • Salt Shed                            | Bill Epperson |
| • Collective Bargaining                | Keriann Roman |
| • Trolley Barn Capital Reserve         | Keriann Roman |
| • TAP grant/Town Center                | Phil Winslow  |
| • Conservation Bond                    | Keriann Roman |
| • Highway Capital Reserve              | Bill Epperson |
| • Dump Truck Purchase                  | Bill Epperson |
| • Ambulance Capital Reserve            | Bill Epperson |
| • Jaws of Life Purchase                | Bill Epperson |
| • Revaluation Capital Reserve          | Keriann Roman |
| • Library Employees; Accumulated Leave | Keriann Roman |
| • Operating Budget                     | Phil Winslow  |
| • General Code                         | Phil Winslow  |
| • Parking                              | Phil Winslow  |
| • Dogs on the Beach                    | Bill Epperson |
| • Surplus Town Equipment               | Bill Epperson |
| • Transact Other Business              | Phil Winslow  |

#### **IV. OTHER BUSINESS - None**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Bill Epperson to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. Seconded by Phil Winslow. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dyana F. Ledger

LEGAL NOTICE  
TOWN OF RYE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Rye Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to NH RSA 33:8-a, I on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 commencing at 5:30 p.m. at the Rye Town Hall, 10 Central Road in order to receive public comments on the following proposed bond issue:

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Posted: 1/7/20 Portsmouth Herald

Posted: 1/3/20 Town Hall, Rye Library and Town Website

DRAFT MINUTES of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting 1/21/2020

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Name (please print)

Address

Signature

Sally King	535 Walnut Rd	Sally S. King
Tracy Degnan	41 Park Ridge Ave	Tracy Degnan
Susan Shepcar	45 Recreation Rd	Susan Shepcar
Supreme McFarlane	1324 Ocean Blvd	Supreme McFarlane
Karen Oliver	1159 Washington	Karen Oliver
Jeanne Truslow	1065 Washington Rd	Jeanne Truslow
Heather Reed	165 West Rd.	Heather Reed
Jaunthe Grotz	124 Washington Rd	Jaunthe Grotz
JEFF GARDNER	6 Brackett Rd	Jeff Gardner
Deborah Taylor	267 Brackett Rd	Deborah Taylor
MARK EPPLY	267 Brackett Rd	Mark Epply
F.P. GARDNER	220 Washington Rd	F.P. Gardner