Rye Water District Special Meeting

Wednesday, April 27, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Rye Junior High

On April 27, 2022 at 7:06 p.m. at the Rye Junior High School, Moderator William Scott opened the Rye Water District Special Meeting. Moderator Scott explained that the purpose of the special meeting is to revote on the article that passed at the District's annual meeting which was held on March 26, 2022. At that time, the vote on Article #02 was not taken by ballot with the ballot box remaining open for one hour, which is required under RSA 33:8-a II for any warrant article proposing a bond in excess of one hundred thousand dollars.

Moderator Scott read Article #02.

Article #02

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$852,000.00 (gross budget) for the Wallis Road Water Main Replacement, 1,165ft from the intersection of Wallis Road and Ocean Boulevard to the intersection of Wallis Road and Odiorne Drive, and all costs incidental thereto and connected therewith: and to authorize the issuance of not more than Eight Hundred Fifty- Two Thousand Dollars (\$852,000.00) of bonds and notes in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and to authorize the Rye Water District Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to authorize the Rye Water District Commissioners to expend the proceeds so raised to that stated purpose. This warrant article supersedes Warrant Article #04 passed by the voters at the Rye Water District Annual Meeting on July 11, 2020. A 3/5 ballot vote is required.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: 3 - 0 THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE: 9-0

Motion by Arthur Ditto to move Article #02 to the floor. Seconded by Ralph Hickson.

Commissioner Ditto explained that the design from this project started in 2016 with a warrant article being drafted in 2019. The warrant article passed by the voters at the annual meeting on July 11, 2020. Due to the cycle of events, a year was lost and the bids came in higher than what the warrant article authorized, which was \$315,000. He continued that the design was revisited and it was found that there is ledge at the upper end of Wallis Road, resulting in an increase in pricing. The ledge, plus the increase in costs for materials due to Covid, are the reasons the project is now proposed at \$852,000.

Hearing no further discussion, Moderator Scott opened the ballot box for Article #02 at 7:10 p.m.

At 8:10 p.m., Moderator Scott closed the ballot box and called for a count of the ballots. Article #02 passed by a 10-0 vote.

No further business came before the meeting.

At 8:12 p.m., Commissioner Scott Marion made a motion to adjourn the special meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Arthur Ditto.

Moderator Scott closed the Rye Water District Special Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Donna DeCotis RWD Clerk