

**TOWN OF RYE – SELECT BOARD  
MEETING**

**SATURDAY, February 5, 2022  
Rye Junior High School**

***Members Present:* Chair Bill Epperson, Vice-Chair Phil Winslow, and Selectman Tom King**

***Others Present:* Town Administrator Becky Bergeron**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Epperson called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

**II. AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. Warrant Article Review**

Chair Epperson stated that Article 18 was amended to read as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to change the **name and the** purpose of the Recreation Building Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 12 of the 1996 Town Meeting to the Recreation Buildings and Property Maintenance Fund for the purpose of creating a maintenance fund for all Recreation buildings and associated land and to designate the Select Board as agents to expend and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (**2/3** majority vote required).

**Motion by Member King to recommend Article 18 as amended. Seconded by Vice-Chair Winslow. All in favor.**

Vice-Chair Winslow stated that Article 22 was amended and now reads as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Rye Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan, Finalized on January 4, **2022** by the Rye Energy Committee, and to further authorize the Select Board to develop and implement Rye Community Power, and to take all action in furtherance of, the Rye Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan, pursuant to RSA 53-E, **provided that the Selectmen establish a specific account to track all costs related to the Plan (including attorney fees) with all such costs to be recovered from electric rates established by the Plan, if possible.**

Vice-Chair Winslow asked if it was still the intention of the Select Board to recommend this article considering the amendments.

**Motion by Vice-Chair Winslow to recommend Article 22 as amended. Seconded by Member King. All in favor.**

Vice-Chair Winslow stated that Article 25 had been amended to read as follows:

Shall the Town cease from referring to the holiday on the second Monday of each October as Columbus Day and instead refer to it as Indigenous Peoples' Day? **However, if HB1173 is signed into law to proclaim Indigenous Peoples' Day a separately recognized holiday, then this warrant article shall become null and void.**

Vice-Chair Winslow further indicated that the Select Board had originally abstained from providing a recommendation on this Article and wondered if the intent of the Board was now to provide a recommendation, in light of, the amendment.

**Motion by Vice-Chair Winslow to recommend this Article. Seconded by Member King. All in favor.**

### **III. OTHER BUSINESS**

- None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Bill Epperson to adjourn at 12:02 p.m. Seconded by Phil Winslow. All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rebecca Bergeron