

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMAN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2022
5:00pm
Town Hall Lower Level Auditorium**

- A.) **CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Tim Keeney called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.**
1. Pledge of Allegiance – All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call – First Selectman Tim Keeney, Selectmen Bill Meier and Bob Schmidt, CFO Mike Marinaccio.
- B.) **PUBLIC COMMENT:**
1. Public Comment: None
- C.) **FINANCE REPORT**

1. Transfers/Amendments - None

2. CFO Finance Report/Updates: Mr. Marinaccio provided an update on the ARPA Grant Nonprofit/Small Business Program. 109 Grant contracts were sent out and to date we have received back 40 signed contract agreements. Budget Vote Referendum is May 10th and the Board of Finance will meet that same day after the polls close if the Budget passes the Board of Finance will set the Tax Rate.

3. Presentation and approval of scheduled payments
Made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$129,024.77, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.
- D.) **PRESENTATIONS BY THE FIRST SELECTMAN:**
Mr. Keeney announced the Town Wide Tag Sale is on May 7th, there are over 30 homes participating and exact locations can be found on the Somers Website, The Cultural Commission is Hosting a Photo Contest beginning on May 8th at the Somers Piedmont Hall 1pm-3pm and the Town Budget Referendum is scheduled for May 10th.
- E.) **NEW BUSINESS**
1. Discussion and Potential action on Ordinance Banning the Sale and Cultivation of Cannabis
Mr. Keeney made a motion to adopt the Ordinance prohibiting the sale and cultivation of Recreational cannabis/marijuana in the Town of Somers to be effective 15 days after publication, the publication will be published in summary form, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. A lengthy discussion followed. The motion unanimously passed.
- F.) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2022 Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen.
The Board of Selectmen waives the reading of the minutes of the Special Meeting from April 28, 2022 and that minutes of said meeting be approved. **Minutes were tabled.**
- G.) **ADJOURNMENT**
Mr. Schmidt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:15pm, seconded by Mr. Meier. The motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.