

**TOWN OF LEBANON
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
January 4, 2024**

MINUTES

The Special Town meeting of the electors and those qualified to vote at the Town Meetings of the Town of Lebanon was held on Thursday, January 4, 2024, at the Lyman Memorial High School Auditorium, 917 Exeter Road (Route 207), Lebanon, Connecticut.

Audience: 36

First Selectman Kevin Cwikla called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

First Selectman Kevin Cwikla asked the audience to stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

First Selectman Kevin Cwikla called for the nomination of a Moderator.

Moved by Mark DeCaprio, seconded by Harold Nelson to appoint Diane Malozzi as Moderator. Vote called – Motion passed.

Moderator Malozzi reviewed Town Meeting rules and protocol.

Moved by Kathleen Smith, seconded by Mike Nintean to wave the reading of the call of the Special Town meeting dated January 4, 2024. Vote called – Motion passed.

Moderator Malozzi asked for a motion to bring item 1 to the floor as presented in the handout.

Moved by Kathleen Smith, seconded by Jim Smith to bring item 1 to the floor.
Vote called – Motion passed.

Board of Finance Chair Michael Nintean gave a brief history outlining the funding to replace the ET106 tanker apparatus as follows: The project came forward several years ago which was added to the long-term planning list. The new truck will replace the 30-year-old truck. The down payment of \$100,000.00 for the new truck was approved at the October 2023 town meeting. The price of the truck will increase 4.5 percent or approximately \$36,000.00 if not ordered by January 7, 2024. The fire department did due diligence exploring used or like-new options, but these are scarce. The cost for the truck only is \$930,000.00. The equipment will be funded through TIP, and the equipment expense should be within the TIP fund threshold. The new apparatus is expected to be delivered approximately 570 days from the date of order. The Board of Finance has recommended a lease purchase option in a principal amount not to exceed \$930,000.00. Annual payments are not to exceed \$120,000.00. The First Selectman and other town officers and officials will take appropriate action to enter into any agreements necessary to complete the project and to finance the purchase through the lease purchase agreement.

Moderator Malozzi opened the floor to questions/comments.

There were no questions/comments from the floor.

Moderator Malozzi called the question to consider and act upon a Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectman recommends that the Town of Lebanon enter into a lease purchase agreement in a principal amount not to exceed \$930,000.00 with annual payments not to exceed \$120,000.00 to finance costs related to the acquisition of a Spartan ER Pumper Fire Truck for the Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department; and to authorize the First Selectman to determine the lease purchase financing provider, to accept and determine the amount, date, interest rate, term and other details of the financing under the lease purchase agreement, and to take other actions as may be necessary or expedient in connection with the fulfillment of the provisions of the lease purchase agreement and related transactions, to make certain declarations and to authorize the First Selectman to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of the interest portion of payments under the lease-purchase agreement, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years; and to authorize the First Selectman and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action and to enter into any other agreements which are necessary or desirable to complete the project and to finance the project through the lease-purchase agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby calls a Special Town Meeting to be held on January 4, 2024, to consider and act upon the above resolution which shall be included in the notice for the Special Town Meeting substantially in the form presented to this meeting and attached to the minutes thereof.

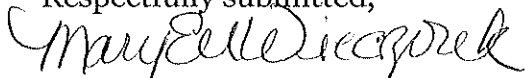
Vote called. The Resolution passed with a favorable vote and is adopted. There were two (2) objections.

Moderator Malozzi stated as this is a Special Town meeting, no additional items may be brought forward.

Moved by Harold Nelson, seconded by Mike Nintean to adjourn the Special Town meeting. Moderator Malozzi called for vote. Motion carried unanimously.

The Special Town Meeting dated January 4, 2024, was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Ellen Wiczorek, CCTC
Town Clerk

Attachment A

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen recommends that a Special Town Meeting consider and act upon authorizing the Town of Lebanon to enter into a lease purchase agreement in a principal amount not to exceed \$930,000.00 with annual payments not to exceed \$120,000.00 to finance costs related to the acquisition of a Spartan ER Pumper Fire Truck for the Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department; and authorizing the First Selectman to determine the lease purchase financing provider, to accept and determine the amount, date, interest rate, term and other details of the financing under the lease purchase agreement, and to take other actions as may be necessary or expedient in connection with the fulfillment of the provisions of the lease purchase agreement and related transactions, to make certain declarations and authorizing the First Selectman to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of the interest portion of payments under the lease-purchase agreement, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years; and authorizing the First Selectman and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action and to enter into any other agreements which are necessary or desirable to complete the project and to finance the project through the lease-purchase agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby calls a Special Town Meeting to be held on January 4, 2024, to consider and act upon the above resolution which shall be included in the notice for the Special Town Meeting substantially in the form presented to this meeting and attached to the minutes thereof.

Dated at Lebanon, Connecticut this 22nd Day of December 2023.

Lebanon Board of Selectmen

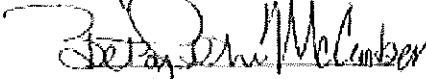
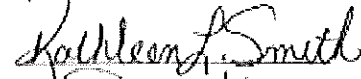
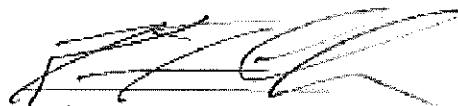
First Selectman Kevin T. Cwikla

Selectman Kathieen Smith

Selectman Betsy Petrie-McComber

Selectman Robin Chesmer

Selectman Mark DeCaprio



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Maura J. MacFarland
Town Clerk
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