#### 5:30 Social Services Warrant Article - Welfare Director, Lisa Emerson

The Social Services Warrant Article Committee makes the following recommendations for inclusion in the 2023 Social Services Warrant:

Agency	Description	Amount of
		Award
ARCNH - Addiction	Funding will provide Veteran Peer Support Specialists	\$1,500
Recovery Coalition	and program costs to implement Veterans Recover	
of NH	Program. Based in Milford, ARC NH provides	
	substance use disorder support and mental health	
	awareness for the Souhegan Valley.	
Boys & Girls Club of	Funding will provide roughly 5 afterschool or 2.5	\$5,000
Souhegan Valley	summer program scholarships for at risk school age	
	Milford kids.	
Bridges	Funding will be used in the Milford office to provide	\$3,000
_	24-hour crisis intervention, shelter, support groups, in-	
	person counseling, education, and court advocacy	
	services to victims and survivors of domestic and	
	sexual violence. Bridges served 200 Milford residents.	
Community Action	CAST'S programming supports behavioral health	\$1,500
for Safe Teens -	needs in teens, before they get to a crisis level. These	
CAST	funds will be used toward the purchase of Mentor	
	Training materials.	
Granite State	The Nashua CAC provides an essential service to	\$2,000
Children's Alliance –	child abuse victims and their caregivers. These funds	
Child Advocacy	will directly support Forensic Interviewing and Family	
Center (CAC)	Support Services. 26 Milford residents were served in	
	2022.	
Greater Nashua	GNMHC is the designated community behavioral	\$8,500
Mental Health Center	health center for southern Hillsborough County. Last	
(GNMHC)	year 325 Milford residents participated in their various	
	programs, many referred by the Welfare Office.	
Lamprey Health Care	Lamprey Health Care mobile health van is at the Share	\$2,500
	Center once a week. Funds received will be applied to	
	uncompensated care. 78 residents/ 356 visits in 2022.	
Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels provide a nutritious meal, a visit	\$5,000
	from a driver trained in emergency procedures and	
	information pertinent to the population served, and	
	access to additional community resources. 96 Milford	
	residents were served in 2022.	
Share Outreach	SHARE works to ensure that low income residents of	\$11,000
	Milford are housed, fed and do not suffer from lack of	
	heat, medicine, electricity, and other basic necessities.	
Total		\$40,000

The Committee began meeting in October to evaluate and refine the application process, and then to review completed applications. This year 13 applications were received and the Committee recommends funding 9 agencies. Priority is given to those agencies who are based in Milford, and/or who work to provide housing and housing services, support for at risk youth or the elderly, or address mental health and substance use disorder needs.

#### PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING:

#### (1) The acceptance for expenditure of unanticipated funds under RSA 31:95-b for the following:

\$26,625.00 Kaley Foundation Grant

Funding for the purchase of two battery powered extrication tools for the Milford Fire Dept.

See attached.

\$17,850.00 Anonymous Donations

Monies to be used to purchase new firearms with new holsters for the Milford Police Dept.

See attached memo from the Milford Police Chief.

\$340,246.12 7/2022 Milford Special One-Time Bridge Payment - State (SB401)

Monies to be used for maintenance, construction, and reconstruction of municipally owned bridges not budgeted and approved for

the Town's FY2022. The monies are to be used for these specific municipal bridge needs.

The funds are non-lapsing.

#### (2) The acceptance of gifts of property under RSA 31:95-e for the following:

None at this time.

#### Ken Flaherty

From:

Greg White < gwhite@lampreyhealth.org >

Sent:

Tuesday, December 6, 2022 7:36 AM

To:

Ken Flaherty

Subject:

Kaley

Hi Ken

Just writing to let you know that last night the Kaley Foundation voted to fund your entire grant request of \$26,625 for the purchase of two battery powered extrication tools. You should be hearing from Bank of America within the next couple of weeks. As we've funded other things for the town in past, I expect that they should already have the town's EIN number, but may request it none the less. Likely, there will also be a request for a report back to Bank of America once the equipment is purchased.

Have a great holiday!

Greg

## **Gregory White** *Chief Executive Officer*



Lamprey Health Care 207 S. Main Street Newmarket, NH 03857 603-292-7214 gwhite@lampreyhealth.org

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## **Town of Milford**

POLICE DEPARTMENT 19 Garden Street Milford, NH 03055 603-249-0630

> Michael J. Viola Chief of Police



To: Mark Bender, Town Administrator

Board of Selectmen From: Chief Michael J. Viola Date: December 14, 2022

Ref: Donations for new firearms and equipment for the Police Department

On behalf of the Milford Police Department, I am respectfully requesting the Board of Selectmen to consider and approve donations totaling \$17,850.00 from four anonymous doners to purchase new firearms and firearm related equipment for the Milford Police Department.

Currently the Milford Police Officers carry .40 caliber firearms that are approximately 15 years old. With the approval of these donations, the Milford Police Department will be able to transition from the H&K 40 caliber firearm to the Glock 9mm firearm. The new firearms will also be equipped with new sights and flashlights. This donation will also be used to purchase new holsters for the new firearms.

Below are the donations from each anonymous doner:

Anonymous Doner - \$5,000.00 Anonymous Doner - \$5,000.00 Anonymous Doner - \$5,000.00 Anonymous Doner - \$2,850.00

On behalf of the Milford Police Department, I would like to respectfully thank the four anonymous doners for their donations totaling \$17,850.00 to be used for the purchase of new firearms and firearm related equipment for the Police Officers of the Milford Police Department.

Your consideration in this request is greatly appreciated.



## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



William Cass, P.E. Commissioner

December 14, 2022

Paul Dargie, Chair of Selectboard Town of Milford 1 Union Square Milford, NH 03055

Re: Milford Special One Time Bridge Payment – in Accordance with Senate Bill 401

Payment for Maintenance, Construction and Reconstruction of Municipally Owned Bridges

Dear Mr. Dargie:

The following is notification of a one-time bridge payment being made available to your municipality in State Fiscal Year 2023 based on the passage of Senate Bill (SB) 401 effective July 2022. SB 401 directs the Department to divide and distribute a \$36 million one-time payment between all New Hampshire municipalities that have municipally owned bridges per state definitions. Fifty percent (50%) of the distribution is based on your municipality's percentage of statewide municipal bridge deck surface area and the remaining fifty percent (50%) of the distribution is based on your municipality's percentage of statewide population. This one-time bridge payment is not related at all to the quarterly block grant aid payments that a municipality receives. This payment can only be used on the maintenance, construction, or reconstruction of municipally owned bridges.

This one-time payment is anticipated to be available to the Town of Milford during the month of December 2022 as follows:

December 2022 Actual Bridge Payment:

\$340,246.12

Happy holidays and please contact me at 271-6472 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

C. R. Willeke

C. R. Willeke, PE Municipal Highways Engineer Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance

CRW/dmp

#### 4. a) 1) Acceptance and Appropriation of Unanticipated Revenues Under \$10K NH (RSA (31:95)b))

Board of Selectmen Agenda Date: 12/27/2022

#### Acceptance and Appropriation of Unanticipated Revenues Under \$10,000 (31:95(b))

	Source Amoun	Purpose
Alfred and Carolyn Karnis	\$100.0	0 Donation to support the Bandstand Upkeep/Restoration Special Purpose Fund. See attached memo.
Milford Historical Society	\$ 1,158.	1 Donations from on-line credit donations to support the Bandstand Upkeep/Restoration Special Purpose Fund. See attached memo.
Milford Historical Society	\$ 1,146.4	2 Donations from on-line credit donations to support the Bandstand Upkeep/Restoration Special Purpose Fund. See attached memo.
NH the Beautiful, Inc.	\$ 2,990.0	O Grant awarded to the Transfer Station & Recycling Center towards the purchase of roll-off containers. See attached letter.

Acceptance of Gifts of Property Under \$5,000 (31:95(e))

None at this time.



# Milford Heritage Commission Town Hall 1 Union Square Milford NH 03055

Board of Selectmen Town of Milford 1 Union Square Milford NH 03055

10 December 2022

The Heritage Commission is pleased and honored to accept the gift of \$100.00 from a Alfred and Carolyn Karnis of Milford, on behalf of their daughter, Nanette Rogers to be used toward upkeep and restoration of the iconic Oval Bandstand. The commission recommends the entering of these funds into the Bandstand Restoration line item and to be restricted for the purpose so stated.

Thank you for the consideration.

Respectfully

David Palance Chairman Milford Heritage Commission

Ref:
Alfred A. & Caroyln R. Karnis
686 Mason Rd.
Milford, NH
Check #109 for \$100.00 received by Tina Philbrick on 8Dec2022



## Milford Heritage Commission Town Hall 1 Union Square Milford NH 03055

Board of Selectmen Town of Milford 1 Union Square Milford NH 03055

19 December 2022

The Heritage Commission is pleased and honored to accept two checks from the Milford Historical Society who has entered into an agreement with the town to accept on-line and credit card donations to the Save the Bandstand fund. The attached represents, nineteen (19) separate donations totaling \$ 2,304.53. Copies of two (2) checks numbered: 821 for \$1,158.11 and 822 for \$1,146.42 are also included in this letter and represent the whole of this donation.

The Heritage Commission and Milford Historical Society acting on an MOA of 18Sep2022, are requesting that the Town of Milford, Board of Selectmen approve this donation and restrict these funds to the effort of restoration of the Oval Bandstand aka the Pillsbury Band Stand.

Thank you for the consideration.

Respectfully



David Palance Chairman Milford Heritage Commission

Ref:

Milford Historical Society checks #821 & #822 Accounting of donations received from 19 individuals MOA between the Milford Historical Society and the Heritage Commission

> Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:00PM Milford Town Hall Banquet Room



New Hampshire the Beautiful 2101 Dover Rd., Epsom, NH 03234 NHtB@nrrarecycles.org

Phone: 1-888-784-4442 | Fax: 1-603-736-4402

October 26th, 2022

Tammy Scott
Transfer Station Superintendent
289 South Street, Milford, NH 03055

Dear Ms. Scott,

The New Hampshire the Beautiful Board voted on October 13, 2022 to award the town of Milford a grant of \$2,990.00 towards the purchase of a two roll-off containers.

New Hampshire the Beautiful grants are awarded as reimbursements; Consequently, you will need to purchase the containers, if you haven't already done so and then submit the proof of payment so that we can provide you with this grant money. Once you've purchased the equipment, just send us a copy of the invoice as well as a copy of the canceled check paying for the invoice, and we will process your payment.

You have six months from the date NHtB meeting to complete the transaction (April 13, 2023). If that is not enough time, you may apply for a three-month extension, effectively giving you until (July 13, 2023). Please be sure to write for the extension if you need it as money that is not paid to New Hampshire communities after six months is returned to the grant pool unless we receive an extension request.

As part of the grant program, the Board requests that you include information about this grant in your annual town report. We will send you a write up that you can use along with your reimbursement. Additionally, once you've received your equipment, we'd like you to take a photo of the equipment (in use, if possible) and submit it to us along with a brief note letting us know how the equipment has helped your facility and/or community recycling program.

We would like to applaud your efforts and wish you continued success at your facility and look forward to your taking advantage of this grant.

The Board has requested that you forward this letter to each of your selectman. We thank you in advance for doing this for us.

Sincerely,

Serina Chase Office Assistant

#### 4. a) 2) Approval of Road Acceptance for the Tonnella Road Extension



## TOWN OF MILFORD, NH OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1 UNION SQUARE, MILFORD, NH 03055

TEL: (603) 249-0620

WEB: WWW.MILFORD.NH.GOV

To:

Board of Selectmen

Mark Bender, Town Administrator

Cc:

Leo Lessard, Director of Public Works

From:

Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director

Date:

December 21, 2022

Subject:

Tonella Road - Request for Road Acceptance

Upon the recommendations of Leo Lessard, Director of Public Works and myself, we respectfully request the Board of Selectmen consider the accepting Tonella Road beginning at the intersection of Ledgewood Drive and the end of the existing Right of Way for Tonella Road and to sign the attached Road Acceptance form.

The road to be accepted is as described in the Town Road Acceptance Form prepared by Office of Community Development. The suggested wording for acceptance has also been included. All required documentation and the As-Built plan have been submitted and approved. Staff recommends the inclusion of two conditions involving the final recordation of the required deeds/easements and establishing the 1 year maintenance road security.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

#### **Town Road Acceptance Form**

Department of Community Development Department of Public Works

Subject: Acceptance of New Town Road

To: Milford Board of Selectmen

From: Director of Public Works

Director of Community Development

Date: December 21, 2022

This is a request for the Board of Selectmen to accept the below named road as a town road and the following information is submitted for your consideration.

1. Road/Street Name: Tonella Road

2. As-Built Road Plan Entitled: As-Built Site Plan by The Dubay Group, Inc.

3. As-Built Road Plan Date: December 6, 2022

4. Subdivision Plan Entitled: "Tonella Hill Townhomes, Tonella Road, Milford, NH 03055, Map 43, Lot 24, Suzanne Demontigny, Trustee, Suzanne Demontigny RVCBL Trust, Map 43, Lot 25, George Demarais, Trustee, C/O Suzanne Demontigny, The Amarulah RVCBL Trust of 2000, For Jessica Hudson, 614 Nashua St., Suite 127, Milford, NH 03055"

5. Date Plan Approved by Planning Board: May 22, 2018

6. Date of aforementioned Plan Signature: August 31, 2018

7. Date Plan Recorded at HCRD: September 7, 2018

8. HCRD Plan Number: 39894

9. This Road's pavement is 20 feet wide and the right-of-way is 50 feet wide.

10. **Tonella Road** is **375** feet long, with the length measurement beginning at **50+00** station/intersection of Ledgewood Drive and the end of the existing Right of Way for Tonella Road and running through to the **53+00** station and to the associated turnaround **0+50** station.

11. A Maintenance Bond in the form of a \$30,000, in the amount of a surety/letter of credit is required for a **one** year period.

Town Road Acceptance Form
Department of Community Development
Department of Public Works

	Original Roadway Deed attached and dated December 13, 2022.	
	Affidavit is attached from a Title Attorney on behalf of the Developed/Owner citing that the roadbed is clear of all encumbrances and is dated October 25, 2022.	
	Bounds have been set as of <b>December 6, 2022</b> and are shown on As-Builts.	
Tł	ne aforementioned information and documents have been review and certified by:	
1.	Director of Public Works: Date: 12/21/28	
2.	Director of Public Works: Development: Date: 12/21/22  Director of Community Development: Date: 12/21/22	_
Aco	ceptance Date of Road Documents by the Milford Board of Selectmen	
	Board of Selectmen:	

Distribution after Acceptance: Ambulance Director, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Planning, WWTF, DPW, and Building.

#### **Town Road Acceptance Form**

Department of Community Development Department of Public Works

#### THIS PAGE TO BE FILLED OUT BY TOWN STAFF ONLY

#### Recommended Wording of Vote of Acceptance:

Motion to accept Tonella Road from its intersection of Ledgewood Drive and the terminus of the existing Right of Way for Tonella Road at Sta. 50+00 and terminating at Sta. 53+00 and to the associated turnaround at Sta. 0+50 as per the As-Built Plan for Tonella Road prepared for 61 Tonella Road, LLC. dated December 6, 2022 and as depicted in the Subdivision Plan listed in the Town's Road Acceptance Form, said roadway being 40 feet wide and 375 feet in length with the following conditions.

- 1) Recordation of the roadway deed conveying Tonella Road and all associated road and drainage easements to the Town at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds.
- 2) Finalization of the one year road, drainage, and landscaping maintenance bond for the Tonella Road with Department of Public Works and the Office of Community Development.

Town Lands and Roads Researcher	Date
Date of Selectmen's Meeting:	
Motion of Acceptance made by:	
Motion Seconded by:	
Voted in:  Affirmative	Negative
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	Date

A copy of the minutes reflecting this vote will be added once approved.

#### APPENDIX VI: ROADWAY ACCEPTANCE INFORMATION

Name of Applicant: 61 Tonella Road LLC
Project Name: Quarry Town Condaminium Documents required: 1. Two copies of final, stamped As-Built Plans with all bounds set Ø 2. Original roadway deed and all necessary easements including but not limited to access, drainage, slope, cistern, water, sewer, utility and open space. V 3. Affidavit from a Title Attorney on behalf of the Developed/Owner citing that the roadbed is clear of all encumbrances Information Required: 4. Registry number of recorded Subdivision Plan: 39894. 5. Width of pavement 22 feet and width of Right-of-way (ROW) 40 feet 6. Length of roadway(s): 375 feet. 7. Number of cisterns to be accepted: \_\_\_\_ 8. Cost per linear foot of road \$ 350/fee . 9. Total cost of all water services \$  $\frac{38.091.35}{8.091.25}$  and sewer services \$  $\frac{38.091.25}{1.25}$ , if applicable. Please submit the completed checklist with all necessary documentation to the Department of Planning and Community Development to start the Road Acceptance process. A Road Maintenance Bond will be required prior to acceptance by the Board of Selectmen in a form and amount to be determined by the Department of Public Works. 10/26/2028 Signature of Applicant

Acceptance of New Town Road(s) - Developer Checklist

Road Acceptance Procedure

#### WARRANTY DEED

Marc P. DeMontigny and Jessica L. Hudson, Co-Trustees of the Marc P. DeMontigny Revocable Trust of 2000 u/d/t dated September 5, 2000, as amended, of 64 Tonella Road, Milford, New Hampshire 03055

for consideration paid, grant to

The Town of Milford, a municipal corporation with an address of 1 Union Square, Milford, New Hampshire 03055,

#### with WARRANTY covenants,

A certain tract of land located in Milford, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire, being the extension of Tonella Road as shown on a plan entitled "Tonella Hill Townhomes Tonella Road Milford, NH 03055 Map 43, Lot 24 and Map 43, Lot 25 for Jessica Hudson dated Jan. 29, 2018, revised through 4/23/18" recorded with the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 39894 (the "Plan") and as also shown on a plan entitled "As-Built Site Plan, Quarry Town Condominiums Map 43 Lots 25 & 25-1 Tonella Road, Milford, NH, Owner 61 Tonella Road LLC" dated March 18, 2022, revised through 12/6/22, prepared by The Dubay Group, Inc., which plan is on file with the Town of Milford, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a granite bound on the northeasterly side of Tonella Road at the southwesterly corner of Map 43, Lot 25-1 as shown on the Plan; thence

- (1) S 32° 22' 42" E, a distance of 87.33 feet to a granite bound; thence
- (2) Along a curve to the left having a radius of 232.00 feet, a distance of 77.31 feet to a mag spike; thence
  - (3) S 51° 28′ 19" E, a distance of 36.50 feet to a granite bound; thence
- (4) Along a curve to the left having a radius of 22.00 feet, a distance of 34.56 feet to a granite bound; thence
  - (5) N 38° 31' 41" E, a distance of 43.50 feet to a mag spike; thence
  - (6) S 51° 28' 19" E, a distance of 40.00 feet to a granite bound; thence
  - (7) S 38° 31' 41" W, a distance of 43.50 feet to a granite bound; thence

(8)Along a curve to the left having a radius of 22.00 feet, a distance of 34.56 feet to a granite bound; thence (9)S 51° 28' 19" E, a distance of 37.00 feet to a granite bound; thence (10)S 38° 31' 41" W, a distance of 40.00 feet to a mark set in wall: thence (11)N 51° 28' 19" W, a distance of 157.50 feet to a granite bound; thence (12)Along a curve to the right having a radius of 272.00 feet, a distance of 90.64 feet to a granite bound; thence N 32° 22' 42" W, a distance of 87.33 feet to an iron rod at the northeasterly (13)corner of Map 3, Lot 25 as shown on the Plan: thence (14)N 57° 37′ 18" E, a distance of 39.99 feet to a point; thence N 57° 37' 19" E, a distance of .01 feet to the point of beginning. (15)Meaning and intending to convey a portion of the premises conveyed to Grantor by deeds recorded with the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds in Book 9120, Page 2374 and Book 9376, Page 49. Dated this 13 day of December The Marc P. DeMontigny Revocable Trust of 2000 Witness Marc P. DeMontigny, Co-Trustee Witness

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 by Marc P. DeMontigny and Jessica L. Hudson, Co-Trustees of The Marc P. DeMontigny Revocable Trust of 2000, on behalf of the Trust.

Notary Public

### LAW OFFICE OF JEFFREY A. ZALL

ATTORNEY AT LAW
221 Main Street
P.O. Box 3652
Nashua, New Hampshire 03061-3652

Telephone 603-883-7306 Facsimile 603-883-7373 jazall@jzall-law.com \*Jeffrey A. Zall
\*Admitted in New Hampshire
Of Counsel
\*\*William M. Zall
\*\*Admitted in Massachusetts
and New Hampshire

October 25, 2022

Town of Milford
Office of Community Development and
Public Works Department
1 Union Square
Milford, NH 03055

Re: Road Deed, Portion of Tonella Road, Milford, New Hampshire

Dear Sir/Madam:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the roadbed shown as a portion of Tonella Road on a plan entitled "Tonella Hill Townhomes Tonella Road Milford, NH 03055 Map 43, Lot 24 and Map 43, Lot 25 for Jessica Hudson dated Jan. 29, 2018, revised through 4/23/18", recorded with the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 39894, and as described in the Warranty Deed identified below, is free and clear of all liens and encumbrances and that the conveyance of the roadbed by Marc P. DeMontigny and Jessica L. Hudson, Co-Trustees of the Marc P. DeMontigny Revocable Trust of 2000 u/d/t dated September 5, 2000, as amended, to the Town of Milford conveys good and marketable title.

Very truly yours,

JAZ/mw



The Dubay Group, Inc. 136 Harvey Road, Bldg B101 Londonderry, NH 03053 (603) 458-6462

December 6, 2022

To: Town of Milford

1 Union Square Milford, NH 03055

Attn: Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director

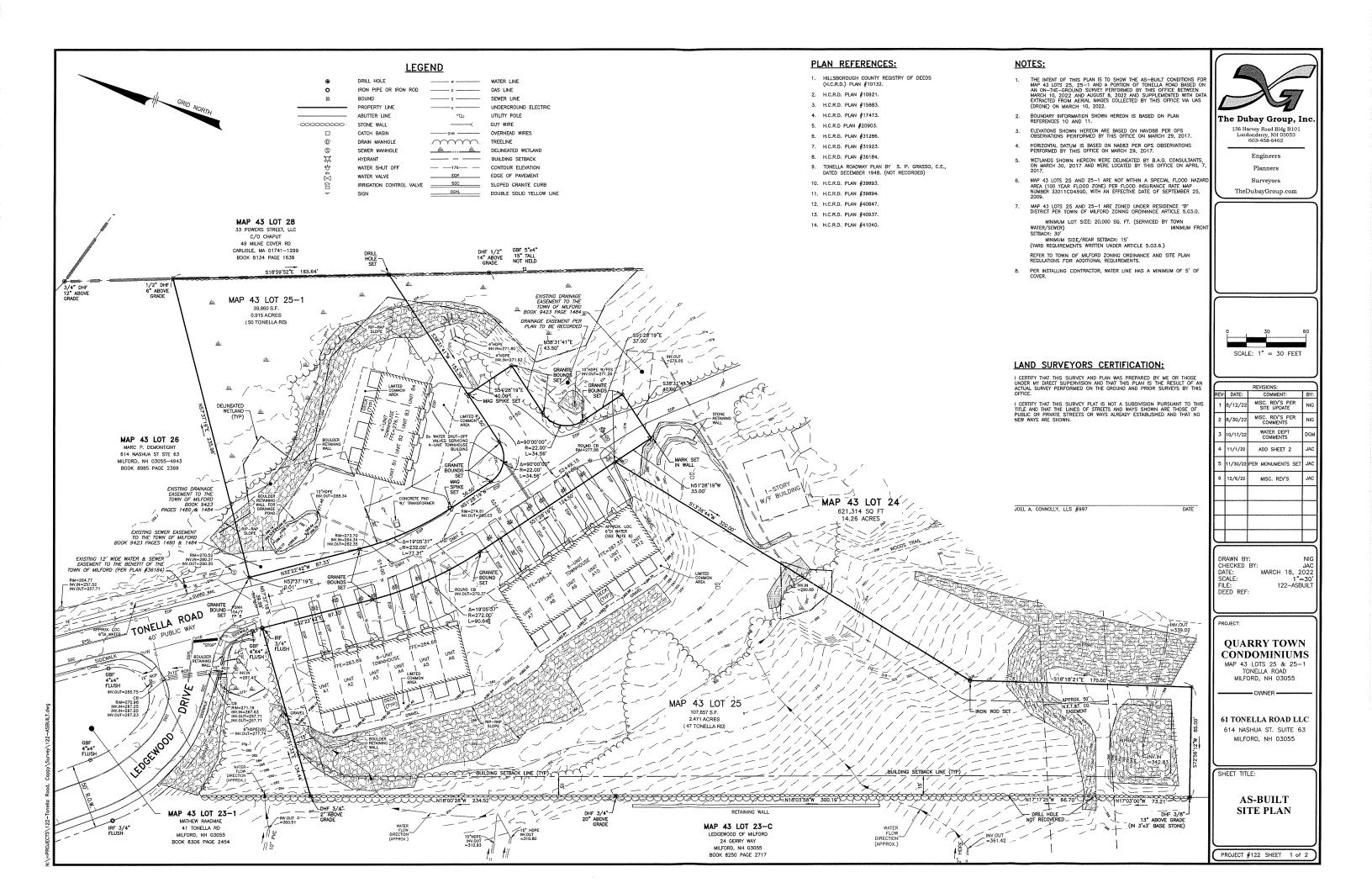
Re: Quarry Town Condominiums

Lincoln,

This letter is to certify that The Dubay Group has set the boundary monuments at Quarry Town Condominiums per the Subdivision Plan recorded at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds as number 39894. See also Condominium Site Plan recorded at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds as numbers 40847, 40937, 41040.

Sincerely,

Joel A. Connolly, LLS 997



## 4. a) 3) Approval of NHDOT Congestion Mitigation of Air Quality Application (CMAQ) Letter of Support - Bus Transportation Network from Nashua to Milford



## TOWN OF MILFORD, NH OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

1 UNION SQUARE, MILFORD, NH 03055

TEL: (603) 249-0620

WEB: WWW.MILFORD.NH.GOV

To:

Board of Selectmen

Mark Bender, Town Administrator

From:

Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director

Date:

December 21, 2022

Subject:

NHDOT - Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Application - Letter of Support

Bus Transportation Network From Nashua to Milford

In partnership with the Nashua Transit System, Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC), and other Milford Companies, we are seeking Board of Selectmen support on behalf of the Town to expand transit service westward along Route 101 A from Nashua to Milford.

The NRPC submitted a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) application to the NH Department of Transportation seeking funding to develop a fixed route bus service providing transportation for transit dependent populations living in Nashua who are seeking manufacturing and other employment opportunities in Milford. This proposal was based on extensive discussions and partnership with Milford industrial and commercial companies that began in 2020. The extended service would also provide limited fixed route service for Milford residents seeking access to employment, medical, and shopping destinations both in-town and in Nashua. The application requires local letters of support by local municipal government officials and boards and other affected stakeholders.

The CMAQ program is a federally funded reimbursement program administered within NH by the Department of Transportation that provides up to 80% of funds for projects that improve air quality by reducing the amount of vehicular emissions. The 20% required match would be paid by the commercial and industrial companies who utilize the services. The anticipated annual cost of the program is approximately \$210,000. There will be no cost assessed to the Town of Milford to fund the program.

Attached please find the letter of support for review and signature. In addition, please find the original NRPC letter of intent submitted to the NHDOT and preliminary bus route map.

## **TOWN OF MILFORD**

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

December 27, 2022

Mr. Thomas Jameson, P.E. CMAQ Program Manager NHDOT Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance John O. Morton Building 7 Hazen Drive, P.O. BOX 483 Concord, NH 03302-0483 MILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
EST. 1794

THE GRANITE TOWN

RE: Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Letter of Interest - Milford Transit

Dear Mr. Jameson,

On behalf of the Town, the Milford Board of Selectmen are pleased to provide a letter of support for the Nashua Regional Planning Commission's (NRPC) application for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

The NRPC, in partnership with the Nashua Transit System, the Town of Milford and local manufacturing facilities, is seeking funding to expand transit service westward along Route 101 A from Nashua to Milford, NH. This exciting effort is built upon a foundation of discussions starting in 2020 between the project partners in the area. The proposal will address the need for fixed route bus service, providing transportation for transit dependent populations living in Nashua, who are seeking manufacturing employment opportunities in the Town of Milford. At the same time, this service will benefit manufacturing facilities in Milford who are struggling to find employees, by expanding their potential employee pool. This type of limited fixed route service would also provide in town access for Milford residents and the ability for these residents to access employment, medical and shopping destinations in Nashua.

It is also important to note, that the expansion of service to Milford has been supported in planning documents from both the Nashua Regional Planning Commission and the Nashua Transit System for years, including the Nashua Transit System's Comprehensive 10 Year Plan (2016) and the Locally Coordinated Transportation Plan (2020). With this expanded transit service, ridership is anticipated to grow significantly by providing access to expanded employment opportunities and retail destinations, while reducing overall congestion.

The Town of Milford is excited to support the Nashua Regional Planning Commission with its application for CMAQ funds to reduce congestion and improve air quality and while expanding accessibility along this important regional corridor.

Sincerely,

Paul Dargie Milford Board of Selectmen, Chair



November 3, 2022

Thomas Jameson, P.E.
CMAQ Program Manager NHDOT Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance
John 0. Morton Building
7 Hazen Drive, P.0. BOX 483
Concord, NH 03302-0483

RE: Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Letter of Interest

Dear Mr. Jameson:

Please accept this letter of interest from the Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) for the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality program's call for new projects.

The NRPC, in partnership with the Nashua Transit System, the Town of Milford and local manufacturing facilities, is seeking funding to expand transit service westward along Route 101 A from Nashua to Milford, NH. This exciting effort is built upon a foundation of discussions starting in 2020 between the project partners. The proposal would address the need for fixed route bus service providing transportation for transit dependent populations living in Nashua who are seeking manufacturing employment opportunities in the Town of Milford. This type of limited fixed route service would also provide service for Milford residents seeking to access employment, medical and shopping destinations both in-town and in Nashua.

It is also important to note than the expansion of service to Milford has been supported in planning documents from both the Nashua Regional Planning Commission and the Nashua Transit System for years including:

- Nashua Transit System's Comprehensive 10 Year Plan (2016) A primary goal cited in the plan is to increase regional mobility by improving transit access in the region
- Locally Coordinated Transportation Plan (2020) Develop a service model along the Route 101A corridor to connect employment centers in the greater Milford area with Nashua.

The estimated project cost for 9 hours of service, Monday – Friday, 52 weeks per year is \$210,000 annually. During the initial years of service, a significant effort will be placed on outreach and education, to generate financial support from local businesses. Ideally such an effort will sustain service beyond the utilization of CMAQ funds.

This project meets the CMAQ eligible activity for operating assistance for new services or the incremental cost of expanded services.

The contact person for this application process is Jay Minkarah, Executive Director 30 Temple Street, Suite 310
Nashua, NH 03062
603-417-6570
Jaym@nashuarpc.org

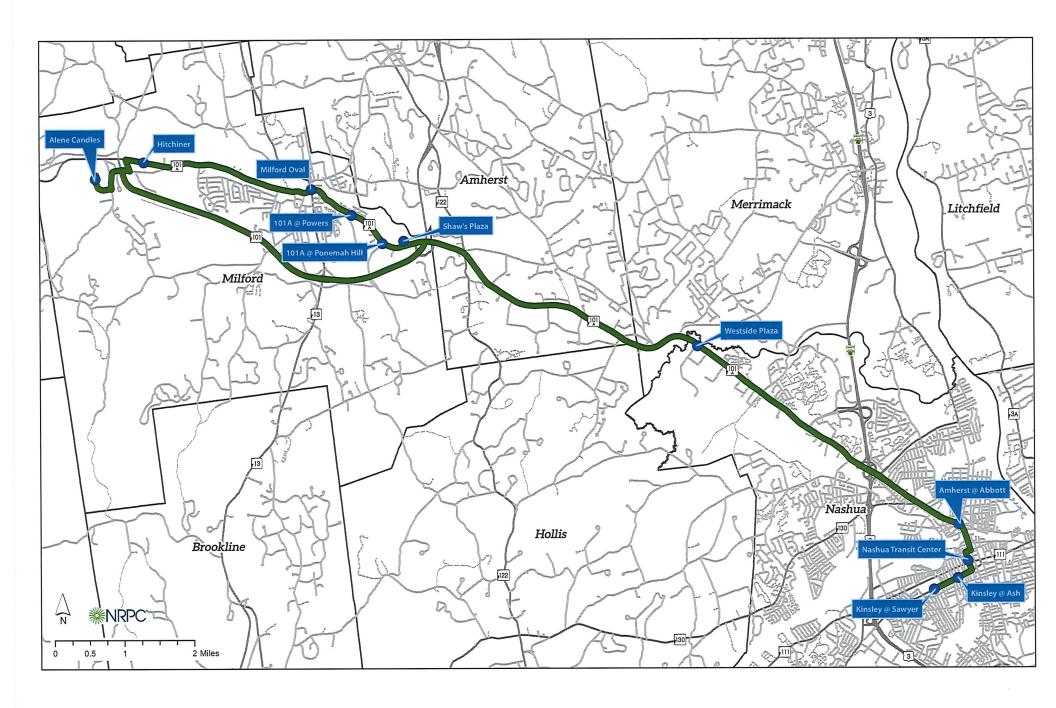
Attached to this letter are the following documents for your review: Map of Proposed Service Schedule of Proposed Service

Thank you for your time and consideration.

NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Jay Minkarah Executive Director

CC: Camille Pattison, Assistant Director Nashua Regional Planning Commission Matt Sullivan, Community Development Division Director Camille Correa, Nashua Transit System Lincoln Daley, Town of Milford Community Development Director



## **Milford Commuter AM**

Early Morning with Nashua Neighborhood Stops				WalMart to Milford returning to			
Early Morning with Nashua Neighborhood Stops			Downtown Nashua				
Stop	Times		Headway	Stop	Times	Headway	
Punch-In	4:30 AM		0:00				
Pull Out	4:40 AM		0:10				
Kinsley at Chestnut	4:47 AM	*	0:07	WalMart	7:25 AM	0:00	
Transit Center	4:50 AM	6:15 AM	0:03	Shaw's Plaza Milford	7:32 AM	0:07	
Nashua Local Stops Place Holder	5:00 AM	6:25 AM	0:10	Alene Candles	7:51 AM	0:19	
Alene Candles	5:29 AM	6:54 AM	0:29	Hitchiner	7:54 AM	0:03	
Hitchiner	5:32 AM	6:57 AM	0:03	Milford Oval	7:59 AM	0:05	
Milford Oval	5:37 AM	7:02 AM	0:05	101A @ Powers St	8:01 AM	0:02	
101A @ Powers St	5:39 AM	7:04 AM	0:02	101A @ Ponema St	8:02 AM	0:01	
101A @ Ponema St	5:40 AM	7:05 AM	0:01	Shaw's Plaza Milford	8:05 AM	0:03	
Shaw's Plaza Milford	5:43 AM	7:08 AM	0:03	Walmart	8:08 AM	0:03	
WalMart Amherst	5:46 AM	7:11 AM	0:03	Transit Center	8:29 AM	0:21	
Transit Center	6:07 AM	-	0:21	Pull-In	8:39 AM	0:10	
*Kinsley at Chestnut served by the upcoming 6:00 Rt 1				Punch-Out	8:44 AM	0:05	

Total Billing Hours for Proposed AM Service:							
Service Hours	1:27	0:56	1:04	3:27			
Driver Hours	1:37	1:04	1:33	4:14			
Dispatch Hours	1:30	0:00	0:00	1:30			
Total	3:07	1:04	1:33	5:44			

## **Milford Commuter PM**

Express from WalMart to Milford return				Express from WalMart to Milford			
via Milford Oval			return to Downtown Nashua				
Stop	Tim	ies	Headway	Stop	Times	Headway	
Punch-In	12:55 PM		0:00				
Pull-Out	1:05 PM		0:10				
WalMart	1:25 PM	2:25 PM	0:20	WalMart	3:25 PM	0:00	
Shaw's Plaza Milford	1:32 PM	2:32 PM	0:07	Shaw's Plaza Milford	3:32 PM	0:07	
Alene Candles	1:42 PM	2:42 PM	0:10	Alene Candles	3:51 PM	0:19	
Hitchiner	1:45 PM	2:45 PM	0:03	Hitchiner	3:54 PM	0:03	
Milford Oval	1:50 PM	2:50 PM	0:05	Milford Oval	3:59 PM	0:05	
101A @ Powers St	1:52 PM	2:52 PM	0:02	101A @ Powers St	4:01 PM	0:02	
101A @ Ponema St	1:53 PM	2:53 PM	0:01	101A @ Ponema St	4:02 PM	0:01	
Shaw's Plaza Milford	1:56 PM	2:56 PM	0:03	Shaw's Plaza Milford	4:05 PM	0:03	
West Side Plaza	2:07 PM	3:07 PM	0:11	Transit Center	4:29 PM	0:24	
				Pull-In	4:39 PM	0:10	
				Punch-Out	4:44 PM	0:05	

Total Billing Hours				
Service Hours	0:42	0:42	1:04	2:28
Driver Hours	1:12	1:00	1:37	3:49
Dispatch Hours	0:00	0:00	0:00	0:00
Total	1:12	1:00	1:37	3:49

## 4. a) 4) Approval of NHDOT Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Application (CMAQ) Letter of Support - Nashua St. and Ponemah Hill Rd. Sidewalk Improvement Project



## TOWN OF MILFORD, NH OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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To:

Board of Selectmen

Mark Bender, Town Administrator

From:

Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director

Date:

December 21, 2022

Subject:

NHDOT - Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Application - Letter of Support

Nashua Street and Ponemah Hill Road Sidewalk Improvement Project

The Office of Community Development is seeking Board of Selectmen support to submit a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) application to the NH Department of Transportation seeking funding to expand and link the municipal sidewalk network systems along a prominent section Nashua Street and Ponemah Hill Road. The application requires local letters of support by municipal officials and boards and other stakeholders.

The CMAQ funds, if awarded, will allow for needed pedestrian improvements, improve traffic mitigation, and reduce the congestion within the project area and greater community. The sidewalks will serve the residents and general public by providing non-vehicular linkages and access to housing, employment, services, and public facilities along the Town's primary commercial and multi-family corridor. In addition, the proposed improvements would accommodate the anticipated large-scale, multifamily residential growth over the next two – five years along Ponemah Hill Road, the continued growth throughout the Nashua Street corridor, and the increasing demand for pedestrian connectivity.

The project consists of constructing approximately 2,400 linear feet of new curbed sidewalk between the properties located at 486 Nashua Street (Cahill Place – Senior Housing Development) and 586 Nashua Street (Lorden's Plaza) and approximately 1,400 linear feet along the north side of Ponemah Hill Road to the Quarrywood Green apartments located at 61 Ponemah Hill Road. The project is the same/similar to the previous CMAO application submitted in 2019. Please see Project Location Map.

The CMAQ program is a federally funded reimbursement program administered within NH by the Department of Transportation that provides up to 80% of funds for projects that improve air quality by reducing the amount of vehicular emissions. The Town would be required to provide the 20% match. The anticipated cost to engineer and then construct the pedestrian improvements is approximately \$989,000. The Town would be responsible for approximately \$197,800.

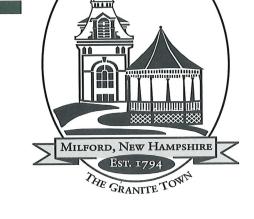
Attached please find the letter of support for review and signature. In addition, please find the original letter of intent submitted to the NHDOT and project location map.

## TOWN OF MILFORD

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

December 27, 2022

Mr. Thomas Jameson, P.E. CMAQ Program Manager NHDOT Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance John 0. Morton Building 7 Hazen Drive, P.0. BOX 483 Concord, NH 03302-0483



RE: Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Letter of Support Nashua Street and Ponemah Hill Road Sidewalk Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Jameson,

On behalf of the Town, the Milford Board of Selectmen are pleased to provide a letter of support for the Nashua Regional Planning Commission's (NRPC) application for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds.

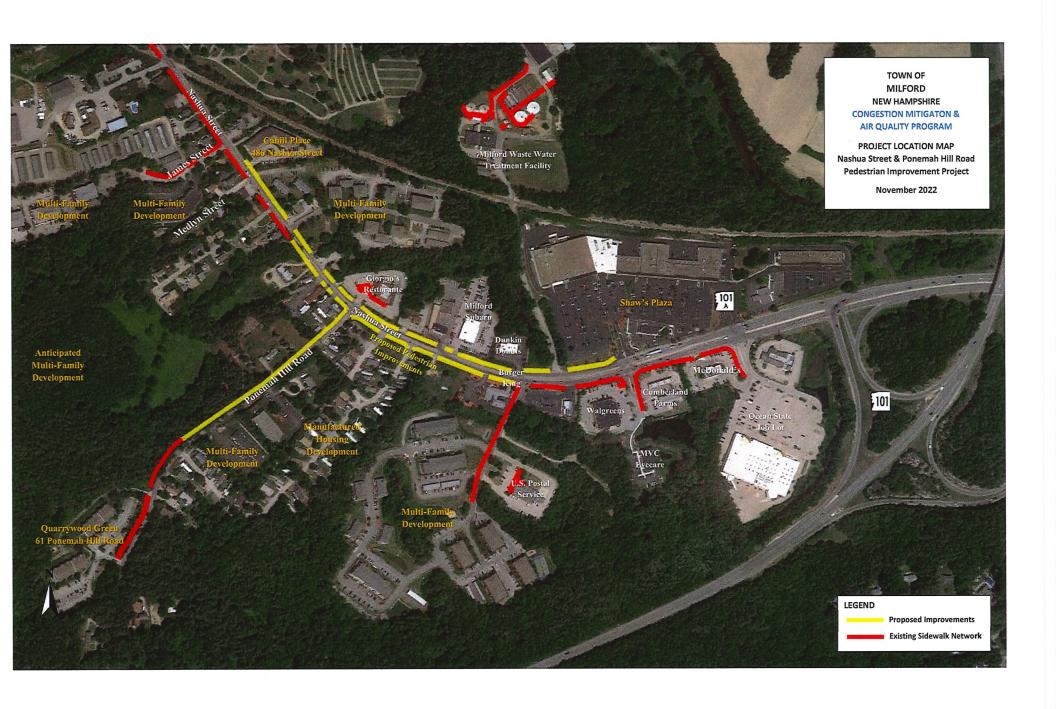
The proposed sidewalk improvements on Nashua Street and Ponemah Hill Road have been discussed by Town for over 10 years and remain a priority. The CMAQ funds, if awarded, will allow for needed pedestrian improvements, improve traffic mitigation, and reduce the congestion within the high-traffic, high-density commercial and multi-family section of the Nashua Street corridor and essential connectivity throughout the community. The sidewalk will serve the residents and general public by providing non-vehicular linkages and access to housing, services, employment and public facilities. In addition, the proposed improvements would accommodate the large-scale, multifamily residential growth anticipated over the next two to five years along Ponemah Hill Road, continued growth throughout the Nashua Street corridor, and the increasing demand for pedestrian connectivity.

The Town of Milford is excited to support its application for CMAQ funds to reduce congestion and improve air quality and while expanding accessibility along this important local corridor.

Sincerely,

Paul Dargie

Milford Board of Selectmen, Chair





## TOWN OF MILFORD, NH OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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November 4, 2022

Tom Jameson, CMAQ Program Manager NHDOT Bureau of Planning & Community Assistance John O. Morton Building 7 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 483 Concord, NH 03302-0483

RE: Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program

Letter of Interest (LOI)

Dear Mr. Jameson:

Please accept this correspondence on behalf of the Town of Milford for the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality program's call for new projects.

The Town of Milford is seeking funding to expand and link the municipal sidewalk network systems along a prominent section Nashua Street and Ponemah Hill Road. The project consists of constructing approximately 2,400 linear feet of new curbed sidewalk between the properties located at 486 Nashua Street (Cahill Place – Senior Housing Development) and 586 Nashua Street (Lorden's Plaza) and approximately 1,400 linear feet along the north side of Ponemah Hill Road to the Quarrywood Green apartments located at 61 Ponemah Hill Road.

The CMAQ funds, if awarded, will allow for needed pedestrian improvements, improve traffic mitigation, and reduce the congestion within the project area and greater community. The sidewalk will serve the residents and general public by providing non-vehicular linkages and access to housing, services, and public facilities along the Town's primary commercial and multi-family corridor. In addition, the proposed improvements would accommodate the anticipated large-scale, multifamily residential growth over the next two – five years along Ponemah Hill Road, continued growth throughout the Nashua Street corridor, and the increasing demand for pedestrian connectivity.

The project meets the eligibility criteria for transportation-focused (non-recreational) bicycle transportation and pedestrian improvements that provide a reduction in single-occupant vehicle travel.

The estimated project cost for the pedestrian improvements is estimated to be \$989,000. The Town's contribution is estimated to be approximately \$197,800 (20% of the total \$989,000 estimated project cost).

The contact persons for this application process will be:

Mark Bender, Town Administrator Telephone: (603) 249-0601

Email: mbender@milford.nh.gov

Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director Telephone: (603) 249-0620 Email: <u>ldaley@milford.nh.gov</u>

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lincoln Daley Community Development Direct

#### 5. 1) Revenue Budget

	'23 Projected	'22 YTD Actual	'21 Actual	'20 Actual	'19 Actual	'18 Actual	'17 Actual
<u>Revenue Item</u>	<u>Revenues:</u>						
Meals/Rooms	1,440,000	1,440,632	1,178,582	809,795	804,686	787,357	785,478
Railroad	1,270	1,270	1,783	1,316	918	872	424
Forest	1,195	1,195	1,504	1,540	1,697	1,743	1,717
Impact Fees	20,000	0	33,248	28,913	12,668	31,482	37,191
BOS-Misc	5,000	5,100	3,225	3,100	5,625	3,150	4,700
WWTF-TA	7,482	6,506	7,104	7,521	7,910	7,461	7,659
MACC Surplus	75,000	0	80,860	76,534	144,441	40,209	0
Town Clerk	3,500,000	3,251,734	3,486,011	3,231,604	3,178,448	3,073,953	2,872,231
State-HAVA	350	0	514	0	0	0	350
Interst Income	135,000	127,034	18,327	87,619	130,673	102,142	49,271
Rtrnd Ck Fee	1,500	1,025	819	1,075	1,200	1,225	2,200
WWTF-FIN	25,655	23,976	22,095	23,085	23,222	23,570	20,851
WWTF-FIN	36,383	34,003	31,807	29,805	32,865	32,070	28,161
BNES-Misc	2,500	56,287	98,953	49,649	, 39	2,134	2,400
Ins-Misc	400	630	363	Ó	122	2,124	901
Land Use	10,000	10,620	72,830	154,130	141,690	138,320	139,694
Gravel	500	4,438	4,094	3,944	136,231	122,391	817
Timber	5,000	14,698	3,246	9,255	2,237	7,955	10,905
PILOT	55,245	55,245	54,694	50,712	42,087	37,771	39,108
Int-Taxes	105,000	93,894	134,118	143,913	226,206	199,920	178,695
Tax Lien Fees	5,000	3,133	3,696	3,228	5,008	4,758	5,104
Tax Copies	25	5,133	15	15	15	26	15
WWTF-TAX	1,998	1,867	1,927	1,876	1,832	1,828	1,822
WWTF-TAX	1,968	1,839	1,927	1,876	1,832	1,828	1,822
Assess Copies	180	50	1,927	50	1,832	91	180
WWTF-IS	20,270	13,701	18,042	17,275	16,474	17,521	15,920
WWTF-IS	29,180	19,430	25,972	22,078	23,315	23,839	21,501
WWTF-HR		3,005					
	3,215		3,134	3,114	3,221	3,294	2,401
WWTF-HR	6,047	5,651	5,984	5,945	6,148	6,289	5,602
Planning Rev	20,000	13,831	17,448	25,709	15,884	29,341	24,704
Zone-App Fees	4,000	3,749	2,851	3,890	3,085	3,754	3,923
Bldg Permits	65,000	65,979	63,753	94,112	63,358	85,106	102,186
Storm Permits	400	50	75	150	50	125	375
Elect Permits	24,000	21,522	27,570	21,729	18,073	26,445	19,128
Plumb Permits	6,000	5,240	9,510	6,590	6,866	7,740	7,990
ReInspect Fees	500	350	1,063	775	500	300	650
Sign Permits	1,100	500	1,500	950	1,087	1,100	1,055
Strm Plan Fees	400	175	175	300	75	360	150
MPD Rev	140,000	105,209	135,484	142,730	149,941	155,816	140,179
AMB Rev	803,353	670,611	776,835	883,944	924,279	791,659	684,859
MFD Rev	45,000	32,891	45,701	47,191	42,265	44,927	42,533
Bldg Rental	40,000	39,766	37,117	37,713	38,643	37,494	39,217
Cemetery Rev	40,000	32,275	35,508	37,055	35,705	42,113	40,477
Block Grant	335,384	334,090	327,413	335,052	340,204	331,815	325,665
MISC H&S	3,000	2,139	2,569	13,919	23,218	15,386	4,918
MSW Disposal	12,000	1,199	11,189	20,803	11,999	3,650	4,839
Recyclables	42,500	47,988	44,984	5,337	13,391	31,838	32,070
Demo Disposal	140,000	145,219	131,796	148,069	70,684	41,026	38,014
Misc Disposal	17,000	17,060	25,597	15,586	10,449	8,132	7,627
Welfare Rcvrys	8,000	6,108	5,495	19,511	8,681	8,783	11,068
Pool Tags	<u>32,000</u>	<u>32,025</u>	<u>26,205</u>	<u>6,665</u>	<u>30,350</u>	<u>28,955</u>	<u>25,395</u>
	7,275,000	<u>6,754,943</u>	7,024,712	6,636,747	6,768,526	6,385,291	5,810,570

	TOWN OF MILFORD							
	2023 BUDG	ET SUMMARY & 1			LATION			
		1/9/23 Bu	<mark>dget &amp; Bond Heari</mark>	ng			l	
		2023	ESTIMATED	FED. GRANTS	USE OF	AMOUNT TO		
		GROSS	NON-PROPERTY	&	FUND	BE RAISED IN	TAX	
		APPROPRIATION	TAX REVENUE	BONDS	BALANCE	PROPERTY TAXES	\$	
Art#	OPERATING BUDGETS:- (See Budget Detail)							
4	Town Operating Budget	17,457,068	\$ (7,275,000)			10,182,068	4.918	0.05
	SEPARATE & SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES							
3	WWTF UPGRADE (1ST PAYMENT ON \$6.931M IN 2026)	101.00				-	-	
7	FIRE ENGINE REPLACEMENT - 7-YEAR LEASE	124,665				124,665	0.060	6.02
9	RECONSTRUCTION OF TOWN ROADS	400,000 52,857				400,000 52,857	0.193	19.32
10	AMBULANCE REPLACEMENT - 5-YEAR LEASE AFSCME/POLICE CONTRACT	175,398				175,398	0.026	2.55 8.47
11	BANDSTAND RENOVATION	90,000	(30,000)			60,000	0.029	2.90
12	BRIDGE REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT CAPITAL RESERV	75,000	(30,000)			75,000	0.029	3.62
13	WADLEIGH LIBRARY MAINT & UPKEEP CAPITAL RESERVE	50,000				50,000	0.030	2.41
14	SOCIAL SERVICES	40,000				40,000	0.019	1.93
15	NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION BUS SV					32,000	0.015	1.55
16	INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION FIREWORKS	14,000				14,000	0.007	0.68
17	ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE SUPPORT	10,000				10,000	0.005	0.48
18	SUMMER BAND CONCERTS SUPPORT	9,000				9,000	0.004	0.43
19	MEMORIAL, VETERANS & LABOR DAY PARADES	8,000				8,000	0.004	0.39
20	MODIFICATION OF EXISTING ELDERLY EXEMPTION CRITI	30,000				30,000	0.014	1.45
21	RE-ADOPT THE OPTIONAL VETERAN'S TAX CREDIT EXPND	-				-	-	-
22	RE-ADOPT ALL VETERAN'S TAX CREDIT EXPNDD	1				-	-	_
23	TRANSFER STATION RECYCLING CENTER REVOLVING FU	40,000				40,000	0.019	1.93
24		-				-	-	-
						-	-	-
	Proof formula>	•				-	-	-
	TOTAL PER WARRANT	\$ 18,607,988	\$ (7,305,000)	s -	\$ -	\$ 11,302,988	5.46	
	TAX RATE CREDITS AND ADJUSTMENTS							
	Overlay - (Reserve for Abatements)	75,000				75,000	0.036	
	Veteran's Credits	218,800				218,800	0.106	
	County Portion of Shared Revenue					-	-	
	TOTAL CREDITS & ADJUSTMENTS	\$ 293,800	s -		\$ -	\$ 293,800	0.14	
	AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED					\$ 11,596,788	5.60	
	LESS: ESTIMATED USE OF UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE T	O REDUCE TAXES			-	(200,000)	(0.10)	
	TOTAL:	\$ 18,901,788	\$ (7,305,000)	s -	\$ -	\$ 11,396,788	\$ 5.50	
-	TAXABLE NET ASSESSMENT (est.)					\$2,070,556,070	\$5.50	2022 actual w/M.N.
	2023 ESTIMATED TAX RATE					\$ 5.50		projection
	2022 ACTUAL TAX RATE					\$ 4.51		
	ESTIMATED INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER <u>2022</u> TAX RATE					\$ 0.99	22.0%	

# Town of Milford Warrant & Financials DRAFT BUDGET AND BOND HEARING

January 9, 2023

To the inhabitants of the Town of Milford in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Town of Milford will be held, in accordance with RSA 40:13, in said Milford, with the first session (also known as "Deliberative Session") at the Town Hall Auditorium on Saturday, February 4, 2023, at 9:00 am, to transact all business other than voting, and on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at the Milford High School Gymnasium, for the second session (also known as "Town Vote") for voting by official ballot at the polls on all matters in the warrant as well as officers and other matters to be voted on. The polls will be open on March 14, 2023, at 6:00 a.m. and will not close earlier than 8:00 p.m.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the services of an interpreter will be provided as requested. Such requests must be received in the Milford Board of Selectmen's Office, Town Hall, One Union Square, Milford, NH 03055-4240, at least two (2) calendar weeks before the event. The Town will attempt to honor any requests received after this time.

#### **ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

#### ARTICLE 2 - BALLOT VOTE - ZONING CHANGES

DRAFT WARRANT ARTICLE 3 – WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY (WWTF) UPGRADE PROJECT – \$23,953,000 BOND (Loan Forgiveness \$3,592,950) (Wilton NH Portion \$3,031,611.45) (20% SAG Grant \$3,465,687.71) Remaining amount \$13,862,750.84.

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,953,000 for the purposes of constructing a new advanced treatment process to comply with the Town's recently activated EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and to complete other age-related improvements throughout the WWTF, in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen, as applicable, to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest and other conditions in their judgement; and further, to authorize the Selectmen, as applicable, to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, grants or other funds, which may be available for such project that may reduce the amount to be financed with bonds or notes; to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) per RSA 486:14, established for this purpose; and, to allow the Selectmen, as applicable, to expend such monies that become available; and, to take such other action or to pass any other votes relative thereto? The WWTF improvements will meet new, more stringent permit limits and upgrade aging equipment to improve operator safety, energy efficiency and operational efficiency to provide uninterrupted essential operations at the WWTF. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 with the total repayment paid for by the sewer users and the taxpayers. Note: as this is for the issuance of long-term debt, this vote under state law requires a 60% affirmative vote to pass. The Board of Commissioners recommends this Article (0-0). The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). (NOTE: Beginning in 2026, this article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### **WARRANT ARTICLE - TOWN OPERATING BUDGET - \$ 17,457,068**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts outlined in the budget for the purposes set forth herein, totaling \$17,457,068? Should this Article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$17,033,768 which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law; or 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. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). Voting YES on this article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000 when compared to voting NO on this article.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET - \$0

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from wastewater user charges, or take any other action relative thereto? Should this Article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$\_\_\_\_\_ which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law; or 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. This warrant article is paid for by the wastewater user fees. The Board of Commissioners recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0).

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET - \$0

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to operate and maintain the Water Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water user charges, or take any other action relative thereto? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$\_\_\_\_\_\_, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law; or 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. This warrant article is paid for by the water user fees. The Board of Commissioners recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0).

## WARRANT ARTICLE - FIRE ENGINE REPLACEMENT - 7-YEAR LEASE/PURCHASE - \$755,000 Gross Purchase Price (Annual Lease Payment \$124,665)

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 7-year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of \$755,000 for the lease-purchasing of a fire engine/pumper with appropriate equipment for Fire Department operation (it will replace the current 1993 Pierce Saber Engine/pumper? Furthermore, to raise and appropriate \$124,665 for the first year's payment for this purpose. This article includes a provision for a Fiscal Funding Clause and under state law requires a simple majority vote to pass. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This article has an estimated tax impact of \$6.02 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - RECONSTRUCTION OF TOWN ROADS - \$ 400,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400,000 to reconstruct or repair Town roads? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$19.32 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

## WARRANT ARTICLE - ONE REPLACEMENT AMBULANCE (LEASE) (Annual Payment \$52,857/Total Purchase Price \$371,922)

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to withdraw \$125,800 from the Ambulance Capital Reserve account and enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause, which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing one ambulance with the appropriate equipment for Ambulance Department operation to replace the current 2013-A (3A) Life Line ambulance) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$52,857 for the first year's payment for this purpose? The total purchase price of this vehicle is \$371,922. If this article passes, future years' payments will be included in the operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$2.55 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - AFSCME/POLICE CONTRACT - \$175.398

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the Police Officers' Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and Local 3657 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) for contract years 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$175,398 for fiscal year 2023? Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be transferred to the General Operating Budget. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$8.47 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

COST ITE	<u>MS:</u>			
	<u>2023</u>	2024	2025	2026
Wages	76,400	55,008	42,907	10,727
Benefits	98,998	67,346	61,248	22,812
Total	175,398	122,354	104,155	33,539

#### NOTE:

The Contract calls for an 8% increase as of April 1, 2023, a 4% increase as of April 1, 2024, and a 3% increase for 2025. These figures represent the estimated increases for the first three months of 2026 to cover salary increases to contract termination date of March 31, 2026.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - BANDSTAND RENOVATION - \$90,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000 for the purpose of renovating the Pillsbury Bandstand on the Milford Oval. The Select Board is hereby authorized to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project, to take any and all action necessary to carry out any vote hereunder or take any other action relative thereto? This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$2.90 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - BRIDGE REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT CAPITAL RESERVE - \$75,000

Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be placed in the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund? This fund was identified in the May 2014 Hoyle, Tanner Associates, Inc. study that identified needed rehabilitation for Town bridges? Expenditures from this fund would be authorized by the Board of Selectmen. The \$75,000 builds upon the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve approved by voters in 2014. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$3.62 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

## WARRANT ARTICLE - WADLEIGH LIBRARY MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP CAPITAL RESERVE - \$50,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in the Library Maintenance and Upkeep Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of future library building repairs and improvements of the existing facility for the benefit of the Town approved by voters in 2022? The Library Trustees have been appointed as agents to expend from this fund. The \$50,000 builds upon the Wadleigh Library Maintenance and Upkeep Capital Reserve approved by voters in 2022. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$2.41 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - SOCIAL SERVICES - \$40,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000, for the purpose of providing funding to Social Service agencies for Milford residents as proposed by the Social Services Committee and submitted to the Board of Selectmen? This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$1.93 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

## WARRANT ARTICLE - NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION BUS SERVICES - \$32,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 for the purpose of providing the Town's share of funding to the Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative (SVTC) in order to continue operating a regional, non-emergency, wheelchair-accessible transportation service providing rides within the designated service area to seniors, people with disabilities, and the general public? The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$1.55 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION FIREWORKS - \$14,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000 for the purpose of providing the Independence Day celebration fireworks display at a time and location to be determined by the Board of Selectmen? This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.68 on an assessed valuation of \$100.000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE SUPPORT - \$10,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of funding bands, musicians and other allied expenses directly attributed to the annual Labor Day Parade? This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.48 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - SUMMER BAND CONCERTS SUPPORT - \$9,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for the purpose of holding the annual summer evening Band Concerts (bands, sound system, crossing detail)? This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This is a non-lapsing article until 12/31/24. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.43 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

## WARRANT ARTICLE - MEMORIAL, VETERANS & LABOR DAY PARADES AND RECOGNITION SUPPORT - \$8,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for the purpose of town support relative to the observance of Memorial, Veterans, and Labor Day Parades? These funds shall be used to cover parade costs incurred by Public Works, Police Department, and other Town departments, and to purchase flags to be placed on the graves of veterans 30 days before Memorial Day and removed 30 days after Veterans Day. Departmental support costs and materials associated with the provision of these services will be charged against this appropriation. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. This is a non-lapsing article until 12/31/24. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.39 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - MODIFICATION OF EXISTING ELDERLY EXEMPTION CRITERIA

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 72:27-a, vote to modify the elderly exemption from property tax based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be as follows: for persons 65 years of age up to 75 years \$83,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 \$124,000; for persons over 80 year of age \$200,500; and to modify the maximum asset limit for both individual and married persons to \$125,000 (excluding the value of the person(s) residence)? To qualify, the person must satisfy all of the conditions of RSA 72:39-a&b that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute including without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, that they own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such persons spouse, that they must have been married to each other for at least 5 years, and that they reside at the property as their primary residence. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$40,500, or if married a combined net income of not more than \$46,000. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$1.45 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

## WARRANT ARTICLE - RE-ADOPT THE OPTIONAL VETERAN'S TAX CREDIT WITH EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY - \$0

Shall the Town vote to re-adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28 II - Optional Veteran's Tax Credit of \$400 which, if re-adopted, must be expanded to include individuals who have not yet been discharged from service in the armed forces and meet eligibility as described in revised RSA 72:28 and 21:50? This credit was most recently increased and re-adopted by town vote in 2020 and is currently available to any resident of Milford, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident who (1) served not less than 90 days of active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. The current Veteran's property tax credit is \$400. If re-adoption fails with the expanded eligibility, then the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit will default for April 1, 2023 to the \$50 Standard Veteran's Tax and must include the expanded eligibility for all individuals who have not yet been discharged from service provided they meet eligibility requirements as described in the revised RSA 72:28 in effect by April 1, 2023. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - RE-ADOPT ALL VETERAN'S TAX CREDIT WITH EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY - \$0

Shall the Town vote to re-adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b – All Veteran's Tax Credit of \$400, which, if re-adopted, **must** be expanded to include individuals who have not yet been discharged from service in the armed forces and meet eligibility as described in revised RSA 72:28-b and 21:50? This credit was adopted by town vote in 2018 and is currently available to any resident of Milford, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident who (1) served not less than 90 days of active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. The current credit is \$400, the same amount as the standard or optional veteran's tax credit under RSA 72:28. Per a recently revised Veterans Tax Credit Statute (RSA 72:28), If the re-adoption fails with the expanded eligibility, then this All Optional Veteran's Tax Credit will expire by April 1, 2023 and the \$50 Standard Veteran's Tax Credit will be in place for the April 2023 tax year. **The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.** 

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - TRANSFER STATION RECYCLING CENTER / REVOLVING FUND - \$0

Shall the Town vote to establish a Transfer Station/Recycling Center /Revolving Fund, and dedicate all net income from the sale of recyclables for the purpose of repairs, supplies, building needs, and equipment that is used for the purpose of storage, processing, and redistribution of recyclable materials for the Transfer Station/Recycling Center, as allowed pursuant to RSA 31:95-h (II)? The money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. This authorization will stay in effect until rescinded. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0). This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.019 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - MILFORD COMMUNITY ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION - \$0

Shall the Town vote to adopt the Milford Standard Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan pursuant to RSA 53-E:7, which authorizes the Select Board to develop and implement Standard Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan as described therein? Under this Community Power Plan, the Town is authorized to buy electricity in bulk for its residents and businesses. The Plan's goal is to help ratepayers save money on their electric bills, while also getting more energy from renewable sources. The Plan will be self-funding, with no amount to be raised from taxation. **The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0).** 

## WARRANT ARTICLE - HISTORICAL PRESERVATION OF THE TOWN OF MILFORD'S FIRE HORN BY Petition

Shall the voters of the Town of Milford N.H. direct the Board of Selectmen to preserve, maintain in good repair, to replace parts and systems as needed, Milford's historic Fire Horn in perpetuity? To additionally direct the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, or any other municipal department, to reinstate and then continually operate the Fire Horn in its regular and historic daily use in perpetuity. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article (0-0). The Budget Advisory Committee recommends this Article (0-0).

#### **Town Status**

### **December 27, 2022**

**2023 Revenue Budget** — We included the proposed 2023 Revenue Budget in the Board packet. The 2023 revenue is shown compared with 2022 YTD thru Mid-December and actual revenue for the years 2017 through 2021. This revenue was included in our Tax Impact calculations for the Warrant Articles. Finance Director Paul Calabria can present a brief overview.

**2023 Warrant Articles** – We included the preliminary list of Warrant Articles for ongoing discussion and revision by the selectmen. The document has been sent to DRA for their review. Are there any comments or changes?

**Town Hall and DPW Four Day Work Schedule** – We would like guidance from the BOS on the feasibility of implementing a four-day work schedule at Town Hall and DPW. Ambulance, Fire and Police have their own unique schedules. The concept here is to improve service, reduce costs and provide an employee benefit/recruiting tool.

Staff at Town Hall feels that we could improve service with extended hours earlier than our 8:00am start time and later than our 4:30pm closing time. The new schedule could be 7:00am through 5:00pm Monday – Thursday. We should also see energy cost savings by closing the building from Thursday evening to Monday morning. Community Development has reviewed with builders/developers who generally support the concept. The Town Clerk is also supportive.

DPW is open to a flexible schedule for employees at buildings, highways, parks and cemetery. This may include a combination of 4-day and 5-day schedules during certain seasons. We will have to discuss with the Union. We feel that Transfer Station service would be improved by eliminating the Friday 8:00am to Noon schedule and shifting the hours to Wednesday (or vice-versa).

#### 9. Approval of Final minutes December 12, 2022

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## MINUTES OF THE MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING December 12, 2022

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**PRESENT:** Paul Dargie, Member Tim Finan, Member

Gary Daniels, Member Laura Dudziak, Member Dave Freel, Member Mark Bender, Town Administrator Tina Philbrick, Executive Assistant Andy Kouropoulos, Videographer

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER, BOARD OF SELECTMEN INTRODUCTIONS & PUBLIC SPEAKING INSTRUCTIONS:

Chairman Dargie called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., introduced Board members, and then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. APPOINTMENTS – (Approximate times)

## 5:30 p.m. - Granite Town Media Committee (GTM) Update – Chairman Josh Breault and Community Media Director, Chris Gentry

Mr. Breault and Mr. Gentry gave an overview of what GTM provides as well as their revenue, capital expenses for the next 2 years, and the current revolving fund balance. Most of the revenue from GTM comes from a 3% Cable TV franchise fee from Comcast. This is only cable related and does not include the internet. They are proposing a 2% franchise fee increase. Their current budget is expended at about 96%. GTM works off a 10-year plan that their board approved. They outlined a couple of capital expenses coming up in the next two years. Selectman Freel asked what the cost was of those upgrades. Mr. Gentry said approximately \$40,000 to \$50,000 for upgrades to the Board room. They upgraded the audio last year.

Mr. Gentry explained the fees. If we increase to the additional 2% it would come from the sale of ads.

Mr. Gentry said if we go up 2%, we would get up to \$90,000 more. If we have to replace everything at the high school we are looking at around \$200,000. Everything is going up and things are getting costly. They are hoping to offer more coverage and there has been a decline in people working per diem in this department.

Selectman Finan said it's not huge money to upgrade but they are facing big challenges with people cutting cable. Technology is changing. This may dry up within the next 5 to 10 years and we need to figure out how to fund GTM going forward. Most of GTM's budget comes from its revolving fund. The revolving fund helped with raises so it wouldn't have to come out of the taxpayers' pockets. Milford is one of the last towns to only charge 3%. Most of the surrounding towns have been at 5% for years.

Selectman Freel suggests splitting the difference and only going up 1%. It's a town-wide thing and everyone uses it, not just the cable users. Mr. Gentry explained that the average increase in monthly costs per household would increase anywhere from \$1.10 to \$3.00 per month. This doesn't include phones and internet or streaming.

Selectman Daniels doesn't think this is a good deal for those who originally signed up for this. It's just the cable users who are paying the tax. We should be looking at the scope and not expanding beyond our ability to pay for it. Administrator Bender said we are not increasing the fee by 2%, we are increasing it by 2 percentage points, and the annual revenue increase will be around \$114,000. This might have a small impact per user on their monthly cost but the impact for GTM will be substantial. GTM does a great job and it's a tremendous asset to the town.

There was additional discussion about what may or may not happen over the next few years. Chairman Dargie said it may get to a point where Consolidated will be better and this will go away.

Natalie Watson, a Milford resident, and GTM member is in favor of the increase.

Selectman Dudziak made a motion to approve the 2% fee increase in franchise fees from Comcast. Seconded by Selectman Finan. The motion passed 3/2 with Selectman Freel and Selectman Daniels opposed.

#### 5:45 p.m. - Ambulance Transport - Fee Schedule Increase - Ambulance Director, Eric Schelberg

Director Schelberg is requesting a 10% increase in ambulance transport fees. Anticipated revenue generation would be approximately \$24,239. Fees were increased in May of 2021. Medicare and Medicaid are capped so this would have no impact on their charges.

Selectman Freel is for this but said it doesn't look like it's bringing in a lot of revenue. He asked what the rough amount of increase was to cover payroll. Paul Calabria said the 2022 budget was \$840,000 and the proposed 2023 budget is \$1,069,000. Director Schelberg provided the Board with a spreadsheet of rates from surrounding towns. The percentage of calls for Medicare and Medicaid is about 63%. Selectman Daniels said an increase affects everyone and it's unfair to say

that a raise isn't going to affect people. Increases get passed on to private companies who then pass the to their policyholders. There was additional discussion on who pays what and who is impacted by the rate increase.

Chairman Dargie likes the idea of an increase but proposed a couple of changes. He proposed an increase of \$850 on the BLS, and \$1,300 on the ALS1. Director Schelberg said those numbers are not unreasonable. Chairman Dargie also suggested rounding the other two categories, ALS2 to \$1,800 and ALS1 (SCT) to \$2,100 and keep mileage as proposed.

Selectman Finan clarified that they only charge for transport and asked if this was standard practice and if insurance pays for it. Director Schelberg said we charge for transport and if we don't transport, we don't charge. Medicare and Medicaid will not pay for a non-transport. They only pay for transport to an emergency department. Private insurance may or may not pay for non-transport. We can charge, but the odds of getting paid for those charges are slim. There was some additional discussion about budget and revenue and other possible fees.

Chris Labonte, a Milford resident, suggests looking into what it would cost to privatize the ambulance department.

Scott Kimball, a Milford resident was confused and asked if there was a paramedic charge and if not, suggests that we start charging for as a way of increasing revenue stream to get money for the work we are doing. Chairman Dargie explained that they just had that discussion and the town doesn't get paid for everything that we do.

Selectman Dargie made a motion to approve the Basic Life fee to \$850, the Advanced Life (ALS1) to \$1,300, the Advanced Life (ALS2) TO \$1,800, and the Advanced Life SCT (ALS1) to \$2,100. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. The motion passed 4/1 with Selectman Daniels opposed.

#### 6:00 p.m. - Fire Department Fee Schedule Increase - Fire Chief, Ken Flaherty

Chief Flaherty is requesting an increase in permit fees. The cost of goods and services has increased an average of 20% and they have not increased fees in 7 years. He based his increases on several surrounding towns. They have other fees that they didn't address because he feels that they are fine. He explained the changes to their forms.

Selectman Freel asked about mechanical fee charges and gas charges. Chief Flaherty said it depends. There was a discussion on what is done during a generator installtion. Selectman Freel doesn't see the need for a third mechanics permit fee on the generator. Chief Flaherty explained why they charge for this. Chief Flaherty said he would get together with Community Development to assess the electrical permit charge.

Selectman Freel made a motion to approve the suggested Fire Department Fee Increase except for the generator portion of the mechanical permit. Seconded by Selectman Finan. The motion passed 4/1 with Selectman Daniels opposed.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS (regarding items that are not on the agenda) There were no comments at this time.

#### 4. **DECISIONS**

#### a. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Approval of Timber Report, Map 5, Lot 18
- 2. Approval of Intent to Cut, Map 6, Lot 41-1
- 3. Acceptance and Appropriation of Unanticipated Revenues Under \$10,000 (31:95(b))
  - From NH Charitable Foundation, Turtle Island Fund Donation to the Fire Department \$1,000.00
  - From VFW Auxiliary to Harley-Sanford Post 4368 Donation for Labor Day Parade Support \$250.00
  - From Marjorie Law Donation for Bandstand Upkeep/Restoration \$100.00
  - From Marchesi Fund (Town) Trust Fund Donation for Bandstand Upkeep/Restoration \$3,000.00
  - From Granite Town Festivities Committee Donation to Support the Town Luncheon \$2,500.00
  - From NH the Beautiful Grant, First Place Award to the Transfer Station \$3,000.00
- 4. Acceptance and Appropriation of Gifts of Property Under \$5,000 (31:95(e))
  - From Trombly Gardens Donation of 4 Wreaths to the Fire Department \$84.00
- 5. Acceptance of Donations from Ghost Train Rail Trail Race 2021 and 2022
  - 2021 Ghost Train Rail Trail Race and Hat Sales \$10,033.25
  - Surplus from Two Eagle Scout Projects from Jack Seale and Chris Diehle to the Rail Trail Project \$1,014.99

- 120 Selectman Freel made a motion to approve the consent calendar. Seconded by Selectman Daniels. All were in favor.
- 121 The motion passed 5/0.

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- b. OTHER DECISIONS
- 1. Final decision to Approve Updates to the Current Stormwater Ordinance, Chapter 5.32
- Selectman Dudziak made a motion to adopt the updates to the current Stormwater Ordinance, Chapter 5.32. Seconded by Selectman Finan. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

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5. TOWN STATUS REPORT -

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1. 2023 DRAFT Warrant Articles - The 2023 Warrants were presented to the Board. All warrants have been reviewed with Town Council. We will send the warrants to the DRA once changes are made tonight.

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- WARRANT ARTICLE 3 WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY (WWTF) UPGRADE PROJECT \$23,953,000 BOND
- 135 Chairman Dargie suggests adding the following language to the bottom of #3: "In 2023 this article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000. (NOTE: In 2026, this article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 on an assessed valuation of \$100,000."

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There was discussion on the number of years for the bond and the split between the town and rate users for payment of the bond.

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Selectman Dargie made a motion to restrict doing a 20-year bond for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Project Bond. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

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Selectman Dargie made a motion to approve a 50/50 split between taxpayers and rate users for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Project Bond. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. The motion passed 3/2 with Selectman Daniels and Selectman Freel opposed.

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Selectman Dargie made a motion to change the wording of the Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Project Bond to include the reference to the tax rate impact in 2026. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

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WARRANT ARTICLE - RECONSTRUCTION OF TOWN ROADS - \$ 400,000

154 Chairman Dargie suggested adding the words "or repair" after the word reconstruct and removing the words "as detailed using Cartegraph Data by the Department of Public Works" from the warrant article.

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Selectman Daniels asked for the justification for removing those words. Chairman Dargie asked Leo Lessard, Public Works Director if his town roads plan was based on Cartegraph Data. Mr. Lessard said no. They still have it and will implement it in the future. They are updating Cartegraph as roads are updated and will continue to use it.

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Selectman Dargie made a motion to add the words "or repair" after the word reconstruct and remove the words "as detailed using Cartegraph Data by the Department of Public Works" from the warrant article. Seconded by Selectman Finan. The motion passed 4/1 with Selectman Daniels opposed.

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Scott Kimball, a Milford resident, wanted the Board to be aware that there is no additional tax impact on the petition warrant article he submitted for Historical Preservation of the Town of Milford's Fire Horn. He emntioned that this was not noted in the warrant article.

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Administrator Bender said it's a petition warrant article and we have to accept it as it was presented. It can be amended at the deliberative session. Selectman Daniels said all the equipment for the horn was removed when we stopped blowing the horn. There will be a cost to put it back. Chief Flaherty said there is a maintenance cost for the upkeep of the horn. There is an ongoing procedure that we pay for. It also gets inspected by the state yearly. There is an impact on cost. Public Works should know what the cost is. The tanks will have to be replaced eventually, usually around the 30-year mark. The current tanks are from 1995.

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Mr. Kimball said maintenance has always been incorporated into the building maintenance budget. We are just going back to the way it was. Chairman Dargie said there was always a cost for that. Mr. Kimball said it was never itemized. Chairman Dargie said the way it is now, there is no cost. If this passes, there will be a new cost. Mr. Kimball still argued his point. Chairman Dargie said we stopped doing something so there is zero cost, bringing it back has cost. Mr. Kimball said this is an imaginary hurdle being artificially created.

Selectman Freel said Mr. Kimball was making a big deal out of nothing. This will be worded correctly in the warrant article. There will be a cost to upkeep the horn.

Katherine Kokko, a Milford resident, strongly supports the Wastewater warrant article but she suggests adding the word "beginning in 2026" Tina Philbrick, the executive assistant said additional language can also be included to explain more information in the voter's guide.

Selectman Dargie made a motion to add the word "beginning" in the second to the last sentence in the Wastewater warrant article. Seconded by Selectman Daniels. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - FIRE RESCUE TRUCK #1 REPLACEMENT - 7-YEAR LEASE/PURCHASE - \$755,000

Selectman Finan said that there was incorrect information in the Fire Truck warrant. Chief Flaherty explained what some of the language was and said he would get together with Ms. Philbrick to add the correct language.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - BANDSTAND RENOVATION

Chairman Dargie said the amount should be \$90,000 to reflect the entire amount that is needed to repair the bandstand. He suggests removing the words "This is the net amount in anticipation of the Heritage Commission collecting \$30,000 in donations." The tax analysis would be based on \$60,000 or what ever number is left after the Heritage Commission's fundraiser. You need to raise and appropriate the total amount of the project.

Selectman Dargie made a motion to change the amount of the Bandstand Renovation Warrant Article to \$90,000 and remove the words "This is the net amount in anticipation of the Heritage Commission collecting \$30,000 in donations. Seconded by Selectman Finan. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

#### WARRANT ARTICLE - TRANSFER STATION RECYCLING CENTER / REVOLVING FUND - \$0

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Chairman Dargie is not in favor of this warrant article. The expenses are known during the year. He doesn't see a purpose of a revolving fund. If we segregate money, it ties our hands to other things. Selectman Finan doesn't agree. He said we want to encourage recycling and he thinks this is a good idea. Selectman Freel agrees and asked if they are always in the red. Selectman Daniels said the office at the Transfer Station is already suffering deficiencies and needs to be fixed.

Administrator Bender asked if the revolving fund is just for recycling, or is it for demo and any other revenue that's being collected. Selectman Finan said he is in favor of the Transfer Station revolving fund.

Fred Hobbs, a Milford resident and member of the Recycling Committee, said the Transfer Station does earth day information sessions and they are looking into putting more things in place having to do with recycling. Chairman Dargie said all of that can be part of the regular budget. A special fund is helpful when you can change things during the year. Mr. Hobbs said the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee is in full support of the revolving fund. Chairman Dargie said he would like to see a document stating why you want to have a revolving fund, what is the purpose of it and what are the advantages of doing it. There are negatives to doing a revolving fund where money just sits there and you can't do anything with it.

There was additional discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of having a revolving fund. Selectman Finan suggested creating the revolving fund and then spending the next year figuring out how to model the program. Selectman Finan said the warrant article doesn't say how the money gets into the fund. Chairman Dargie said the warrant article isn't worded correctly. Additional work needs to be done on the wording for this warrant article.

Chairman Dargie said there was a recommendation that we add some kind of tax impact statement on the petition warrant article. He is not willing to put anything on the warrant article. The petitioner can modify it at the Deliberative session. Anything in perpetuity will eventually have a cost.

Ms. Philbrick will make corrections and forward the warrants to Finance. Finance will forward them to the DRA.

#### 2. Budget Updates -

 Administrator Bender presented the 2023 Operating Budget and 2022 Project Surplus sheet to the board. The top of the sheet shows the original proposed budget is \$17,815,817 which is an 8.8% increase over last year's budget. The calculated 2023 default budget is \$17,013,992. The consensus was to reduce the budget by at least 2 percentage points. Items pulled into the 2022 budget totaled \$65,249. Other reductions proposed totaled \$104,500. The total of the items pulled into 2022 is \$169,749. They are proposing additional budget reductions of \$189,000 to include a pre-buy of fuel for \$48,000 which gives us a credit going into 2023. They are also asking the Board to purchase the DPW vehicle as a 2022 budget item from the 2022 surplus for \$68,503. Our surplus is estimated at \$295,360. The two purchases from the surplus would be the pre-buy fuel and truck which total \$116,503 leaving us with a balance of \$178,857.

Chairman Dargie asked if there was still enough funding in the roads budget to cover the funds we receive from the state. Administrator Bender said yes, plus \$75,000 left over from the additional block grant we received earlier this year.

Mr. Labonte clarified that the \$65,249 was removed from the 2023 budget and paid for with 2022 money. Administrator Bender said yes.

Ms. Kokko asked if the \$358,749 in reductions was because they wanted to reduce the budget by 2%. Administrator Bender said yes. Ms. Kokko has concerns about money being taken out of paving and verified the \$328,000 as the amount in the budget for paving next year. Director Calabria and Administrator Bender explained the line items to Ms. Kokko. Ms. Kokko asked if we were trying to keep our municipal budget under the inflation amount. Director Calabria said we have to balance is the default budget. If the delta is too big in the default budget, you will see drastic cuts in services in the town if the budget doesn't pass in March.

Selectman Finan moved to accept the budget recommendations as presented. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

#### 6. DISCUSSIONS

#### 1. Traffic Safety Concern - Westchester Drive

John Ranger, a Milford resident, was the person who was walking a dog that was hit and killed in November. The dog did dart into the road, but the vehicle was speeding. Both he and the dog were wearing reflective vests. He has concerns about children playing outside with the amount of speed on Westchester Drive. He looked into ways to get people to slow down and would like to be involved in trying to find a solution. People's lives are at risk.

Chief Viola said they put patrols out on Westchester when they can. They are following up on leads for this case. The speed trailer was up in that area for a while. We will keep a presence in that area. He doesn't recommend sending this to Traffic Safety because it will be the same discussion we are having now.

Administrator Bender asked if there was any difference in the time of day or day of the week that the Police could be looking at. Mr. R. said before work and right after work. The nighttime walking is a risk. Chief Viola said they were out in the morning and when the high school was getting out and also between 5 and 6 in the evening.

Paul Calabria said it's a raceway in that area, and very heavily traveled.

#### 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS. (Regarding items that are not on the agenda)

Mike Thornton, a Milford resident, said the original charter for MEAC stated that this committee will review community power programs for approval by the BOS and town meeting. They are being requested under the enabling legislation to change their charter and ask the Milford Board of Selectmen to appoint the Milford Advisory Committee and their members as the Milford Community Power Committee under RSA 53-e: 6 & 7. The initial charter was to examine energy and that has been completed.

Chairman Dargie made a motion to appoint all members of the Milford Energy Advisory Committee to also be members of the Milford Community Power Committee which is a sub-committee with memberships concurrent on both committees. Seconded by Selectman Daniels. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

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<ul><li>291</li><li>292</li></ul>	8. SELECTMEN'S REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS a) FROM PROJECTS, SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES						
293	b) OTHER ITEMS (that ar	e not on the agenda)					
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295		UTES - Selectman Daniels moved to approve the minutes of November 28, 2022, as					
296	amended. Seconded by Selectma	n Finan. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.					
297	10 INCODMATION ITEMS DE	EQUIDING NO REGIGIONS					
298	10. INFORMATION ITEMS RE	QUIRING NO DECISIONS.					
299 300	a. N/A						
301	11. NOTICES. Notices were read	1					
302	11. NOTICES. Notices were read						
303	12 NON-PUBLIC SESSION – S	selectman Freel made a motion to go into non-public in accordance with NH (RSA					
304	491-A:3, II(c)) Reputation. Seconded by Selectman Daniels. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.						
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306	Selectman Daniels made a motion	n to exit non-public. Seconded by Selectman Dudziak. All were in favor. The mo-					
307	tion passed 5/0.	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
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309	Selectman Daniels approved the	unsealed minutes from November 28, 2022. Seconded by Selectman Freel. All were					
310	in favor. The motion passed 5/0.	•					
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312	13. ADJOURNMENT: Selectman	n Daniels moved to adjourn at 8:50. Seconded by Selectman Freel. All were in fa-					
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317	Paul Dargie, Chairman	Laura Dudziak, Member					
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320	Tim Finan, Vice-Chairman	Dave Freel, Member					
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322 323	Gary Daniels, Member						
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### 10. a) Treasurers Report October 2022

# TREASURER'S REPORT TOWN OF MILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 10/31/2022

(unaudited)

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	CHECKING ACCOUNT	TOWN CLERK ACCOUNT	ESCROW ACCOUNT	NHPDIP ACCOUNT	DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	BAR HARBOR ACCOUNTS	INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Beginning Balance as 10 /01/22	(193,123.70)	50,478.00	110,473.99	10,339,286.35	8.194.35	10,686.01	125,032.35	\$ 10,451,027.35
Receipts:								
Taxes and Interest	101,561.13			-	40.447.04	_		\$ 142,008.17
Water & Sewer User Fees	165,160.99		-		49,236.08	H		\$ 214,397.07
Other Revenues	275,340.73	321,441.27		1.5	7,348.35	-		\$ 604,130.35
Ambulance	-		-	-	58,968.35	-	-	\$ 58,968.35
Recreation			-	2	2,545.25	_	-	\$ 2,545.25
Escrow Deposit				-		-		\$ -
Escrow Transfers			-	-		-	-	S -
Interest Income	4	· ·	9.60	21,667.92		0.42	88.75	\$ 21,766.69
Investment Transfers	3,861,286.35		20,000.00			-	626,967.65	\$ 4,508,254.00
TAN Deposit	, -		-			-		\$ -
Bond Proceeds	×	*		-		-	-	S -
21 ARPA LFRF Traunch #2	-	-	-	-		-	-	\$ -
Total Receipts:	\$ 4,403,349.20	\$ 321,441.27	\$ 20,009.60	\$ 21,667.92	\$ 158,545.07	\$ 0.42	\$ 627,056.40	\$ 5,552,069.88
Disbursements:								
Accounts Payable Warrants	(1,186,833.12)	(78,613.27)			(542.94)	_		\$ (1,265,989,33)
Payroli Warrants	(470,472.13)	-	-	-	-	-		\$ (470,472.13)
Milford School District Appropriation	(2,389,956.00)		i.e.	-	14	-		\$ (2,389,956.00)
Hillsborough County Appropriation	-	*	-		12	-	~	\$ -
Escrow Transfers	-	-				-	-	\$
Investment Transfers	(231,967.65)	(255,000.00)		(3,259,286.35)	(160,000.00)	-	(602,000.00)	\$ (4,508,254.00)
TAN Disbursement	~	-				-	-	\$
Suntrust Disbursement	-		8	#	*	-	-	\$ -
Bank Charges	(1,237.00)					-		\$ (1,237.00)
Voided Checks	10,309.41	-	-	-	×	-	-	\$ 10,309.41
Total Disbursements:	\$ (4,270,156.49)	\$ (333,613.27)	\$ -	\$ (3,259,286.35)	\$ (160,542.94)	\$ -	\$ (602,000.00)	\$ (8,625,599.05)
Ending Balance as of 10/31/22	\$ (59.930.99)	\$ 38.306.00	\$ 130,483,59	\$ 7,101,667.92	\$ 6.196.48	\$ 10,686.43	\$ 150,088.75	\$ 7,377,498.18

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### 10. a) Treasurers Report November 2022

### TREASURER'S REPORT TOWN OF MILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

(unaudited)

$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	CHECKING ACCOUNT	TOWN CLERK ACCOUNT	ESCROW . ACCOUNT	NHPDIP ACCOUNT .	DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	BAR HARBOR ACCOUNTS	INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Beginning Balance as 11 /01/22	(59,930.99)	38,306.00	130,483.59	7,101,667.92	6,196.48	10,686.43	150,088.75	\$ 7,377,498.18
Receipts:								
Taxes and Interest	16,548,454.50	_	-	-	488,980.29	_	_	\$ 17,037,434.79
Water & Sewer User Fees	324,936.23	-	-		68,075,57	_	-	\$ 393,011.80
Other Revenues	296,051.62	359,773.07	_	_	5,726,55		-	\$ 661,551.24
Ambulance	T.,	· -	-	-	64,343.41	-	-	\$ 64,343.41
Recreation	-	-	-		2,390.00	_	-	\$ 2,390.00
Escrow Deposit	-	_	_	-	-	-	_	\$ -
Escrow Transfers	-	_	-	_	-	_	_	\$ -
Interest Income	-		10.73	25,888.85	-	0.43	407.75	\$ 26,307.76
Investment Transfers	8,975,667.92	-	-	14,965,000.00	7,000,00	-	5,983,911.25	\$ 29,931,579.17
TAN Deposit	-	-	_				-	\$ -
Bond Proceeds	-	-	-		-	-	-	\$ -
21 ARPA LFRF Traunch #2	-	-	~	-	-	-	-	\$ -
Total Receipts:	\$ 26,145,110.27	\$ 359,773.07	\$ 10.73	\$14,990,888.85	\$ 636,515.82	\$ 0.43	\$ 5,984,319.00	\$ 48,116,618.17
Disbursements:								
Accounts Payable Warrants	(1,790,097.41)	(104,082.71)	-	-	(375.62)	-	-	\$ (1,894,555.74)
Payroll Warrants	(474,851.65)	_	-	-	_	_	-	\$ (474,851.65)
Milford School District Appropriation	(2,389,956.00)	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (2,389,956.00)
Hillsborough County Appropriation	•	-	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	\$ -
Escrow Transfers	-	-	-	-	_		-	\$ -
Investment Transfers	(20,054,911.25)	(267,000.00)	-	(3,066,667.92)	(634,000.00)		(5,909,000.00)	\$(29,931,579.17)
TAN Disbursement	-	-	-	-	-	-	- '	\$ -
Suntrust Disbursement	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	\$ -
Bank Charges	(1,199.45)	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (1,199.45)
Voided Checks	2,079.95	-	-	-	-	-		\$ 2,079.95
Total Disbursements:	\$ (24,708,935,81)	\$ (371,082.71)	\$ -	\$ (3,066,667.92)	\$ (634,375.62)	\$ -	\$ (5,909,000.00)	\$(34,690,062.06)
Ending Balance as of 11/30/22	\$ 1,376,243.47	\$ 26,996.36	\$ 130,494.32	\$19,025,888.85	\$ 8,336.68	\$ 10,686.86	\$ 225,407.75	\$ 20,804,054.29

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