

## Town of Richmond

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February 23, 2024

Minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024 Pre-Warrant Hearing

Selectmen present: William Daniels, Douglas Bersaw, and Andrew Wallace

Meeting opened at 7:04 p.m.

Chairman Daniels opened the hearing by welcoming everyone in attendance. Daniels handed the meeting over to Selectman Bersaw. Selectman Bersaw started with a brief explanation to the public of how tonight's 2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Warrant Hearing will only reference Articles 17 and 18.

Selectman Bersaw read Article 17.

## Article 17. Expendable Trust Fund Purpose Change

To see if the town will vote to change the Fire Truck Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of maintenance, repair, refurbishing, and replacement of any existing Fire/Rescue Vehicles and assorted equipment and further to appoint the Select board as agents to expend from fund (2/3 vote required).

Selectman Bersaw advised Article 17 is to include the wording maintenance and repairs to the existing fund. The NHDRA suggested to change the name of the fund to more accurately fit the purpose of the fund.

## Article 18. Establishment of Town Fire Department

To see if the Town will vote to approve the establishment of the Town of Richmond Fire Department in accordance with RSA 154:1, I(a), in that the Fire Chief shall be appointed by the local governing body (that is the Board of Selectmen) with the fire fighters appointed by the Fire Chief.

Selectman Bersaw stated since 1962 the fire department has been operating as a private corporation and needs to be accepted by the town.

Selectman Bersaw asked if there were any questions on these or other articles. No questions were raised.

Chairman Daniels made a motion to close the Hearing, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Bersaw.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm

Attachments: Power Point presentation of 2024 Warrant

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Harrington
Town Administrator