Select Board Meeting Minutes March 12, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. 59 Main Street, Hatfield, MA

Present: Select Board: Diana Szynal, Chair, Members Edmund Jaworski and Greg Gagnon

Also in attendance: Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator; Darryl Williams, Chair and Members Kim Baker, Diane Brzozowski, Sean Barry and John Wilkes, Jr.

CALL TO ORDER Chair Szynal called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

POSTED BUSINESS

TOPIC 1 Review FY2025 budget workbook with Finance Committee: Darryl Williams, Chair, Finance Committee stated the plan tonight is to begin putting numbers into the budget workbook. Both the Select Board and Finance Committee went through department budgets separately while Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator entered totals into the workbook. However, the Select Board made it clear at this time they have not approved a budget. Chair Williams stated we need to start with a level fund budgets and once we go through all of them, we will decide how to split up any remaining monies. There was discussion of a possible COLA for FY25. Mr. Williams stated the Finance Committee met with the School Department and Assessor's office.

Selectman Jaworski asked the members of the Finance Committee if they had any information on the savings from the solar system at Smith Academy, the answer was no. Selectman Jaworski stated he asked for this information before but has not been given any information to date.

Mr. Williams stated that debt has not been looked at yet, but the Finance Committee will be meeting with the Interim Treasurer the following week for those numbers.

UNANTICIPATED NEW BUSINESS None.

ADJOURN

Selectman Jaworski made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Chair Szynal seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; meeting adjourned at 9:27 pm.

Respectfully, Karen Brodeur Executive Assistant