The December 8, 2021, Town Council Meeting was called to order by Denise L. DiFranco, President, in Foster, RI at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present:
Denise L. DiFranco, President
Heidi Rogers, Vice President
David Paolino
Cheryl Hawes
Chris Stone

Also present: Julia Chretien, Assistant Solicitor Kelli Russ, Finance Director Michael Antonellis, Planner Gordon Rogers, DPW Director Anthony Garro, Beta Corporation

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Cheryl Hawes thanked DPW for the beautiful work they did over at the Town House. She also wanted to thank Adam Dacko for the wreaths on the public buildings. Pam Fontaine, 8 Danielson Pike, stated that she saw there was a thing posted about hiring a consultant for Route 6 and wanted to know what they plan on doing. Lynne Rider stated that they [the Foster Preservation Society] have received another grant in excess of \$11,000 to re-roof the Blacksmith Shop, fix rot around the edges and put some drainage in. This was thanks to Ada Farrell and John Lewis.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Minutes for November 18, and July 29, 2021
- 2. General Warrant#25 FY2021 \$68,926.94 General Warrant #8 FY2022 \$156,006.64
- 3. License Renewals
 - A. Secondhand Licenses
 - Russell Smith, d/b/a Chelsea's Trading Post, 151 Danielson Pike
 - 2. CBI LLC, d/b/a Cooke Brother's Imports, 184A Danielson Pike
 - 3. MCC Inc., d/b/a Mike's Auto Repair, 45 Anthony Rd.
 - 4. Paul Hayhurst, d/b/a GCC Auto Sales, 175 Danielson Pike
 - 5. Keith LaFazia, d/b/a Rhody Outdoors, 2 Goldmine Rd.
 - 6. Adam David Dacko, d/b/a Route 6 Outpost, 52 Danielson Pike
 - 7. Danny's Auction Barn LLC, d/b/a Danny's Auction Barn, 150 Danielson Pike
 - 8. Wendy O'Shea, d/b/a Old Man Mercantile & Antiques, 52 Danielson Pike
 - 9. William Wilbur, Coastal Atlantic, d/b/a Foster Auto, 40 Mill Road

- 10. Thomas Neves, d/b/a Diablo Custom Workz LLC, 52 Danielson Pike
- B. Victualing License Renewals
- 1. Drake Petroleum, d/b/a Foster Xtra Mart, 188 Danielson Pike
- 2. Paul Oueidat, d/b/a JP's General Store LLC, 189A Hartford Pike
- C. Gun Shop License Renewals:
- 1. Laurence Costa Mello, d/b/a Alarry Farm, 7 Rickard Road
- 2. Keith LaFazia, d/b/a Rhody Outdoors, 2 Goldmine Road
- 3. Adam David Dacko, d/b/a Route 6 Outpost, 52 Danielson Pike
- 4. Thomas Neves, d/b/a Diablo Custom Workz LLC, 52 Danielson Pike
- D. Holiday Sales Renewals:
- 1. Adam David Dacko, d/b/a Route 6 Outpost, 52 Danielson Pike
- 2. Bonita Lambert, d/b/a Llady Love Llama, 82 Cucumber Hill Rd.
- 3. Drake Petroleum, d/b/a Foster Xtra Mart, 186 Danielson Pike
- 4. Russell Smith, d/b/a Chelsea's Trading Post, 151 Danielson Pike
- 5. Wendy O'Shea, d/b/a Old Man Mercantile & Antiques, 52 Danielson Pike
- 6. Paul Oueidat, d/b/a JP's General Store LLC, 189A Hartford Pike
- 7. Thomas Neves, d/b/a Diablo Custom Workz LLC, 52 Danielson Pike
- E. Private Investigator's License Renewal
- 1. Alan Pittman, d/b/a Alan Pittman Investigations, 117 Central Pike
- F. Camp Ground License Renewals:
- Virginia Bassett, d/b/a Ginny B Campground, 7 Harrington Road
- 3. Legacy Land Preservation LLC, d/b/a Dyer Woods Campground, 114 Johnson Rd.

Heidi Rogers asked to have the minutes from July 29, 2021 pulled.

Chris Stone moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented with the exception of the July 29th minutes. David Paolino seconded.

Discussion: Denise L. DiFranco asked about the spreadsheet for the licenses, some were highlighted in red

and yellow, and she asked if she should make approval contingent upon clearing that.

Chris Stone amended the motion to say that all the applicants must be in green status and meet all requirements.

Amendment passed 5 - 0.

Main motion passed 5 - 0.

Heidi Rogers, aye; Chris Stone, aye; David Paolino, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; Denise L. DiFranco, aye.

Cheryl Hawes moved to accept the July 29, 2021 minutes. David Paolino seconded.

Motion passed 4 - 0 - 1 with one recusal.

Chris Stone, aye; David Paolino, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; Denise L. DiFranco, aye. Heidi Rogers recused.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

Subject Parcel: 189 Hartford Pike (Plat 17, Lot 85B) John Paul Properties, LLC. The petitioner is requesting that the parcel be reclassified as Manufacturing Industrial (MI).

Denise L. DiFranco explained the procedure for the Public Hearing and reviewed the petition.

Atty. Mathew Landry presented the petitioner's request. He submitted photos to the council of the area. He also submitted a petition of 50 signatures in favor. He explained the need for the zone change to facilitate the auto sales aspect. He explained that the next stage would be to meet state licensing requirements. He stated that approval was needed to keep the business viable. A site plan was also submitted which had been reviewed by the Planning Board.

Denise L. DiFranco asked for comment from abutters who were in opposition.

Erin Giampietro, 102 Mt. Hygeia Road, questioned the 50 names on the petition. She stated that it was represented on Facebook as a "pizza place" and because there were septic issues, he could more easily obtain what he needed under "Manufacture." The plan shows no pizza place. He says he could revert it back, but by then everything would be paved over.

Joseph Giampietro, 102 Mt. Hygeia Road, rebutted things that Atty. Avery had stated. The town can revert these changes, but it [the plan[required significant paving. We are talking about 55 cars, so reverting a lot that size does not sound viable. Mr. Giampietro mentioned the convenience aspect of a gas station, and said that he did not move to Foster for convenience but for the character of the town. What "junk and salvage" means is that you can't take cars in to specifically junk them, it does not mean that you cannot buy a junk car and leave them all there while you try to fix them and sell them. It was [zoned] commercial from the beginning and the residential use is grandfathered; it has always been mixed use. He stated he does not want to see 55 cars. How many used cars can you sell to 4,000 people? The numbers

don't add up. The gas station is convenient, but the Atty. says the need is for the viability of the business. Is it viable already or is it in dire straits? How is this going to help? It is likely to be an online seller to people from out of town. Mr. Giampietro said he did not think it fit with the character of the town.

Denise L. DiFranco called for abutters opposed two more times.

Denise L. DiFranco called for abutters who were in favor.

Roy Shippee, 189 Hartford Pike, stated that he lives across from the property. He stated that it was originally a full grocery store and gas station with some auto repair. Since the original owners retired, there has been at least eight individuals since and none of them have been able to keep it going. As a result, the property has become disheveled. The current owner has improved it, but he has stated that he is not making a profit, so eventually he will sell out, and it may become an abandoned property.

Denise L. DiFranco called for abutters in favor two more times.

Denise L. DiFranco asked for citizens in opposition.

Ron Cervasio [142A Old Plainfield Pike] stated that the attorney presented the State Law correctly about car sales; however, the other part of this business is a repair shop. One of these issues is that they are never allowed to mention the financial viability of why you are coming before the boards or councils. Historically not one car business has lived up to their word, and not one time have we been able to send out a zoning official to legally deal with the people who just ignore your wishes. The big issue is do we need business, but financially, this will add no revenue to the community. It will also not have numbers of people who will go to a restaurant. A separate issue is do we have enough industrial manufacturing in the community; the answer is no.

Amita Rodman, Tucker Hollow Road, said it was a pity that we have to stand in opposition or in favor. She stated that she is neither. As a matter of policy, she asked if we needed Rt. 101 to have more Manufacturing? Pieces of the plan could be accommodated without the zoning change by using special variances. In the future, regardless of the stipulation, we would have a permanent zoning change. She stated that she would prefer the council look at it from a policy point of view and send it back to Zoning and Planning without a zoning change.

Lynne Rider, Burgess Road, stated she thought the crux was that zoning change. Neighborhood Commercial as

defined by our Zoning include a district of retail sales such as groceries and drugs by establishments providing retail goods. Designed for convenient, local shopping services. Manufacturing Industrial is suitable for industrial development to attract industry and its expansion. Ms. Rider stated that they should think long and hard before changing the entire complexion of a section of town. The Planning Board said it would be an appropriate use of the neighborhood. She cannot see how a used car lot is appropriate for a residential area. How much oversight does the town have? She does not think they do historically. Agreements aren't worth the paper they are written on if they cannot be enforced. Why expand a use they have no control over? She suggested waiting for the consultant to present a big plan. As far as taxes are concerned, this will not be a big moneymaker for the town. We do not tax the inventory. One garage only paid \$100 a year in tangibles. The plan as presented already has problems. There is a Rhode Island code about motor vehicle dealers stating that any gas station pumps and signs must be removed. A body shop requires a building of 2400 square feet. The garage is only 800 square feet, so is that to be enlarged? The house is supposed to be 2400 square feet, which it is not. Ms. Rider questioned what they were being presented with which would be leading to "now you have to let us do these other things." Once you grant it, you can't take it back.

Denise L. DiFranco repeated the request for any residents who are opposed.

Sandy Pliskin, 102 Foster Center Road, stated he had questions, because he is hearing different things from different people. One sentence from the attorney said that there was a state regulation, which is why a zoning change was needed. He stated that he is hearing one thing from the attorney and another from others. He hoped the council would clarify before making a decision. Pam Fontaine, Danielson Pike, stated she would hate to see the neighbors on 101 going through what she goes through on Route 6 with used car lots. She requested that they look at the zoning a little better. She sees no revenue coming from it. She overheard him talking about all sorts of things he wanted to put in there.

Denise L. DiFranco asked again for residents opposed. Denise L. DiFranco asked for residents who are in favor.

Gordon Rogers, 61 Cucumber Hill Road, stated that he is a business owner and that he is for it. The zoning designation does not generate revenue, but it does by

having the property looking properly. The Planning Board did a fantastic job putting controls in. He stated that if he didn't diversify he would not still be in business. What would happen if the business goes down? The property would fall into disrepair. If we don't work with these businesses, it will turn into an underutilized business and you can tax and penalize him because you didn't give him the opportunity.

Denise L. DiFranco asked for residents in favor two more times.

Denise L. DiFranco asked for comments from the council.

Cheryl Hawes asked for clarification as to whether you can have a gas station and car sales on the same lot. Julia Chretien said that Mr. Rider stated it correctly. Ms. Hawes said she was not sure why that had not been addressed by the attorney. She further stated that the Planning Board did a great job, but they cannot enforce things, which can then fall through the cracks and [the town] will end up in court. Ms. Hawes was also concerned about egress. She questioned that if the buildings are not the correct size, do they have to get building permits? Julia Chretien said that would be a State requirement, and it would be up to them, but any building would have to meet the town's requirement. Ms. Hawes asked the planner, Mr. Antonellis, what his opinion was. Denise L. DiFranco said she would like to hear from the other council members first.

Heidi Rogers said the Planning Board was thoughtful with restrictions. She would hate to send another business out of town. She would want an answer about the legalities with the State. If it is legally possible, she would like to grant it.

David Paolino said he felt that the applicant has shown his integrity to the town and that shouldn't be questioned. We should treat the application on its own merit. There are issues, is it legal? Do we want to make the change first before we find out if it is legal? Do the tanks have to be replaced? Do we hope it gets approved—what if it doesn't? He says the council and the planner are working very hard to improve the town. Two weeks ago he was all in, but now he is hesitant. If a business is not making it, and he tries to change it, is that going to benefit the town? Can we ask for a letter from the State? Julia Chretien said that yes, you can ask for what you need.

Heidi Rogers asked if they could make a motion contingent upon the State report. Denise L. DiFranco said she didn't think that would satisfy all the council members. Cheryl Hawes said she would want to make a motion that we wait until we get the plan from the consultant before we could decide to change the zoning. Denise L. DiFranco pointed out that the consultant is one of those things they would discuss for the ARPA fund use. Chris Stone asked why he got two letters [from the Planning Board] with two different stipulations. Mr. Antonellis said that Chairman Renzi was not present at one. The one with 16 conditions that was signed by Mike Carpenter is the one that is agreed upon. Mr. Stone said he was in favor.

Heidi Rogers asked if there were time restraints. Denise L. DiFranco said that they can reopen the public hearing and continue it if necessary.

Denise L. DiFranco noted that the zoning change stayed with the property not the person. The applicant can move, the property changes hands, and we may not have someone as nice as he is. The stipulations are good, but do the stipulations follow the property? Julia Chretien said that they could, so it could only be a car lot. Ms. DiFranco said that the State has stipulations regarding car lots. Her concern would be that "they paved paradise and put up a parking lot". Regarding the zoning change, does the applicant need it to be M/I or can he have it zoned as it is now with a Special Use permit. Julia Chretien said the M/I is what is being applied for now. Cheryl Hawes asked about the restaurant. Denise L. DiFranco said it's not in this application. Cheryl Hawes asked if it should be.

David Paolino asked if M/I was required and was there any discussion about getting a Special Use permit by the Planning Board? Mr. Antonellis said that M/I is what was applied for because it was the logical step. Mr. Antonellis said it was understandable to get excited about used car sales. You want to be supportive of business because you don't want to end up with abandoned property. Valid questions are: What do you want to see for the town in general? What is the ability to enforce the stipulations? Do you think it provides a community benefit? Denise L. DiFranco questioned how it fit into the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Antonellis said the Planning Board's motion was that they found in favor based on the review of the application but nothing specific to the Comprehensive Plan.

Heidī Rogers moved to approve the applicant's petition contingent upon all requirements being met by the State. Chris Stone seconded.

Discussion: Heidi Rogers said she was going by the Planning Board's recommendation. Michael Antonellis said that they mentioned the Planning Board's recommendation, but did they want to include that in the motion? Julia Chretien suggested that to be included for clarity.

Heidi Rogers amended to include all requirement stipulated by the planning board.

David Paolino seconded.

The applicant said he thought of doing the car sales, the repair, and everything like they do where he is from in Boston. He read all the regulations. He spent tons of money to get a lawyer to do it the right way. He can have cars as much as he wants with commercial property. Atty. Landry said what happens to this property if he does not satisfy state licensing requirements or local zoning requirements. The question of whether or not you go for a change is that you can't do it in the zone, and it's an incredible burden to overcome if you go for a use variance, so this is the appropriate way to change the zone and allow the use. He is in agreement to pose conditions. And it can revert. It is going to be limited to the use. Lynne Rider said there is an off ramp, they can zone it General Business Mixed Use, and it is basically that now. It also says that the sale of motor vehicles must not be carried out as a sideline. It is all one property: Is the car lot the main moneymaker and the other two disposable? Mr. Giampeitro noted the lack of any limiting principle. The number one support is that it doesn't go out of business. What if it does goes out of business? Make it a 300 car lot? It isn't the town's business to pad revenue for its constituents. [Should] we keep expanding it so it doesn't go out of business? The only way to expand it to bring in revenue is to bring in people from out of town. The only way to be successful is if it gets way too big for where it currently is and brings a lot people from out of town. What it is telling you is that used car businesses don't do well. To kick it to the State to make the decision is avoiding the issue. He sees no limiting principles.

David Paolino and Denise L. DiFranco objected to the characterization of the basis for their decisions. Mr. Pliskin stated he had not heard the answers to all the questions.

Cheryl Hawes, no, David Paolino, no Chris Stone, aye Heidi Rogers, aye Denise L. DiFranco aye. Amendment passed 3 – 1.

Cheryl Hawes, no, David Paolino, no Chris Stone, aye Heidi Rogers, aye Denise L. DiFranco, no. Main motion failed 2 – 3.

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Council Members' selections of items to be considered for ARPA funding to be presented at a Public Hearing on January 27, 2022

Denise L. DiFranco closed the Public Hearing

Denise L. DiFranco stated that at the last meeting they stated they were going to discuss how to spend the American Rescue Plan funds. There will be a Public Hearing on January 27th. Suggestions are:

- Consultant
- Town Hall Renovations
- Defibrillators
- Public well / sprinklers at the Recreation Center
- Communication tower
- Covered Bridge Engineering
- Improving the fairgrounds
- Property across the street
- Food Pantry
- Green Acres
- Land Evidence recording system
- Kiosk welcome center

Cheryl Hawes mentioned the police department's operations. Denise L. DiFranco said that was already determined at the Financial Town Meeting so we are bound. Ms. Hawes said the other one was give stipends or some kind of appreciation to the Town Hall, DPW, Police, and all the volunteers for keeping this town afloat and going through the worst time we've ever had. Third was the defibrillators and consultant; fourth was the Covered Bridge and Fairgrounds including a gazebo, electricity and bleachers. Property across from the Town Hall and Green Acres, and fifth would have been financial assistance to the non-profits.

Denise L. DiFranco asked how to move forward. Heidi Rogers said we need a shorter list. Ms. Rogers agreed with her list but had to put police up there. David Paolino said the dollar amounts on some are very small and can be easily accommodated. Denise L. DiFranco reviewed the list again. Amita Rodman said there is an opportune health fund for some of these consulting purposes to help out to an extent with some of these. There is an opportunity with the new police building to plan it bigger. Lynne Rider asked about the input at the Public Hearing. Denise L. DiFranco replied that public input was required.

Ms. Russ asked if tax relief was a done deal towards the police station's debt. Ms. Rider asked if they would have dollar amounts. Kelli Russ said no because that may require a cost factor to get a number. We just need priorities. Ms. Russ said e-permitting would cost about \$7,500, whatever is left will go back into the pot; that

includes computers and consultant fees; that's already in process. Land Evidence will be finished today and we'll have a total cost for that. So we'll be able to put aside for the police station is between six and eight hundred thousand, because that all has to fall under lost revenue. Then once you know, you can go on to the next priority. Those three things are on the way. Then there is the defibrillators, then the consultant, she said she was listing what they were all in agreement with which included the covered bridge. Cheryl Hawes asked about the Town employees but Kelli Russ said there was no number for the premiums. Ms. Hawes also asked about Green Acres. They discussed the consultant. Mike Antonellis said that cost would be \$15,000. Economic development for the town could be \$20,000. Michael Dillon asked about the Town House. Denise L. DiFranco agreed because they were looking at a grant coming through, and there are restrictions. Ms. Rider asked if money could be set aside because of the big grant we didn't get. David Paolino brought up the non-profits. Ms. Dillon asked about advertising and if the public hearing would be only one day, the 27th. Denise L. DiFranco said yes and hoped for a good turnout. She stated she would want to spend every penny, we're not giving it back.

2. Amendment of the
Town of Foster
Ordinances by adding
Chapter 34 Taxation,
Article IV, Section 6169 "An Ordinance
Involving State Law
Regarding Unutilized
Commercial
Property" allowing for
taxation of non-utilized
commercial property

Denise L. DiFranco stated that next was the Amendment to the Zoning Ordinances. Michael Antonellis said that at the last meeting, there was a robust discussion that the council hold off on voting in case he received any comments from the public, which he did not. Lynne Rider said that at the last meeting it was perceived as being punitive to the taxpayer and that this is not what it is. She said it is a stick to get them to do what they have never had to so. In many cases, they don't even live in town. David Paolino said the actual context was to rewrite the ordinance to take away the practice of letting the property deteriorate to lower taxes. Mr. Antonellis said that yes, it seemed to be some form of speculative real estate, whether or not that's happening in town, he does not know. It was something that came out of meetings as a way to improve Rt. 6. Gordon Rogers said that what he heard was that this is used for non-residents, and that it can be used for people who are residents. Mr. Rogers said that it can be used against businesses, and if you enforce it in the wrong way, you can end up in court. Cheryl Hawes said that she thought this was for abandoned properties. Heidi Rogers said that we didn't have very many of these so it won't be a revenue generator. She would be more supportive of sending people registered letters [stating that] if they don't clean it up, the town will, and put a lien on the property. That

gives them incentive but she will never vote for this ordinance.

Denise L. DiFranco asked if this came from Warwick, and thought they hadn't voted on it yet. Mr. Antonellis confirmed it.

Lynne Rider said it's the town that is important, and it is not the town's job to allow these people to make a living. Gordon Rogers said if he was one of the owners, he would appeal to the Tax Board of Appeal, then the court system. Mr. Giampietro said he thought a lien was more appropriate and carries more teeth. David Paolino said they cannot put a lien on without going to court. Mr. Giampietro asked if there was a clear understanding of what constitutes blight. Denise L. DiFranco said we go by the State's definition.

Amita Rodman asked what the process was. Julia Chretien explained the process of zoning violations to place a lien.

Denise L. DiFranco said she was not prepared to vote on this and would like more discussion.

Chris Stone moved, David Paolino seconded, to table this item.

Discussion: Denise L. DiFranco suggested that it be on the first meeting in February.

Motion passed 5 - 0.

Heidi Rogers, aye; Chris Stone, aye; David Paolino, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; Denise L. DiFranco, aye.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

 Beta Corporation Presentation (DPW) Road Plan Anthony Garro from Beta Corporation presented the road plan. Gordon Rogers expanded on the plan. Lynne Rider asked if the program helped to prioritize. Mr. Garro said that it did. Amita Rodman recommended that the council receive the report as a formal document; the more that is out there, the more it can be addressed.

Heidi Rogers moved, David Paolino seconded, to move Item 4 to this position

Project: Covered Bridge Engineering moved here Gordon Rogers stated that you could not get prices [in advance] for engineering. He hoped that by Spring the bridge would get replaced.

Lynne Rider asked if we had written confirmation from the State that they would do this?

Mr. Rogers said he talked to John Priest and he is in the middle of writing up the agreement that we are going to pick an engineering plan. They are estimating that it will be \$120,000 to \$145,000. The agreement is that we have to sign a written agreement on maintenance moving forward. David Paolino asked what would be expected of us. Mr. Rogers said he would review the agreement with the solicitor and sign it. Until the engineering is done, we

can't do anything but agree as to what the process is. Denise L. DiFranco asked how long the bridge would be out. Mr. Rogers said two days.

David Paolino asked about other bridges. Mr. Rogers said two bridges have restrictions because of the decks. The Ibeams are rotted. They need to be replaced. David Paolino asked what the next bridge was. Mr. Rogers said Mill Road. David Paolino asked what the engineering for that road would be. Mr. Rogers said \$55-60,000. Julia Chretien that asked to wait as she had one more thing to check on.

David Paolino, Heidi Rogers seconded, moved to approve the engineering now, contingent upon of verification. Motion passed 5 - 0.

Heidi Rogers, aye; Chris Stone, aye; David Paolino, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; Denise L. DiFranco, aye.

2. Dunbar property - Termination of Lease

Heidi Rogers moved, Chris Stone seconded, to authorize Denise to sign the termination of the lease between the Town of Foster and Alan Dunbar.

Motion passed 5 - o.

Heidi Rogers, aye; Chris Stone, aye; David Paolino, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; Denise L. DiFranco, aye.

 Request for additional ARPA Funds to include an additional 30 years of LandEvidence/ Mortgages to the online BrowserView Susan Dillon explained that the [BrowserView] system will go back 10 years of records so that people will have a system they can use at home. Usually when you do a title search, you go back 40 years, so in order for it to be beneficial for us, we would have to go back 40 years. Denise L. DiFranco asked how much it would be for 30 years. Ms. Dillon said \$18,000. Kelli Russ suggested using some of the money, \$6,000 from the historical records fund, then another \$6K from the tech rec fund. Denise L. DiFranco said that her concern was that they were going to have a public hearing on how to spend the money but this would be spending more before having the meeting. Denise L. DiFranco said she could not justify spending it on this one thing when there are so many others.

David Paolino moved, Chris Stone seconded, to approve the contract for 40 years to be funded by the \$6000 from these funds and the balance from additional funds that can be legally pulled from.

Motion passed 5 - o.

Heidi Rogers, aye; Chris Stone, aye; David Paolino, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; Denise L. DiFranco, aye.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO RIGL 4246-5A (2) Litigations,

1. TOF v. R.P. Investment Company LLC d/b/a

Heidi Rogers moved, Chris Stone seconded, to go into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 for a work session regarding Collective Bargaining / Negotiations or

Price Auto – PC-2020-01954

2. National Opioid Litigation

PURSUANT TO RIGL 42-46-5, (A), (1) Personnel,

1. Town Hall Staffing

Litigation according to RIGL 42-46-5-a (2) and for discussion of personnel pursuant to 42-46-5(A), (1) and to reconvene into open session and to further keep the minutes of said meeting closed and the minutes of all executive sessions held previous to this meeting remain closed in accordance with provisions in RIGL 42-46-4 & 5. No discussion.

Motion passed 5-0.

Motion passed 5-0.

The council reconvened in to Open Session at 6:50 p.m. Denise L. DiFranco announced that one vote was taken in Executive Session to authorize Denise L. DiFranco to sign the National Opioid Form.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Susan M. Dillon, Town Clerk