

## **Budget Hearing for Special Meeting**

Monday, April 17, 2023, at 7:00P.M.  
North Conway Water Precinct Office  
104 Sawmill Lane North Conway, NH

Present:

Commissioner James Umberger  
Commissioner Robert F. Porter  
Superintendent Jason Gagnon

Fire Chief Chad McCarthy  
Karen Umberger  
Recording Secretary Hannah Andersen.

**Commissioner James Umberger called the Budget Hearing to order at 7:00P.M.**

Commissioner Umberger: The purpose of this hearing is to discuss the funding available from NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) relative to pre-treatment of the MWV Solid Waste District landfill leachate. NHDES funding will be provided through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan program with 100% of the loan principal forgiven. The sole order of business at the Special Meeting shall be granting authority to borrow for this funding. The Article to be considered at the meeting is:

### **Article 01: Long Term Borrowing – Landfill Leachate Pre-Treatment Study**

To see if the voters of the North Conway Water Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600,000 (gross budget) for preliminary study and design of a pre-treatment system for landfill leachate (the "Project"); and to authorize the Commissioners to issue up to \$600,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch. 33) and, as applicable, the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Loan program, and to negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the dates, maturities, interest rates, and other details of such bonds or notes; and to further authorize the Commissioners to apply for, accept on behalf of the Precinct, and expend federal, state, or private grants or loans, or other aid that may become available to offset the net cost of this Project. This project is anticipated to receive 100% principal forgiveness through the New Hampshire Clean Water State Revolving Fund and shall have no tax impact. Simple majority vote required.

There was a discussion kicked off by Karen Umberger asking for clarification about the scope and purpose of this project. Superintendent Gagnon talked about the parameters of the project and how this funding is intended to do cost analysis through this pilot study to see what options are

available and NCWP will be given recommendations for a path forward once the study is complete. He mentioned that the state has funding for the design and construction phase of the project. There is currently an RFQ out and all qualifications must be received by May 19, 2023. Ideally we would be able to put in another SRF Application for the Design / Construction Phase in the next Application Cycle in 2024.

Motion of Commissioner Porter and seconded by Commissioner Umberger to close the Budget Hearing.

Motion carried by a 2-0 voice vote.

Motion of Commissioner Porter and seconded by Commissioner Umberger to adjourn the Budget Hearing at 7:04.

Motion carried by 2-0 voice vote.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'Hannah Andersen', is written over a horizontal line.

Hannah Andersen  
Recording Secretary