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MATTHEW REED Town Administrator

LORI L. SPIELMAN First Selectman

BOARD OF SELECTMEN Monday, May 13, 2024 Nicholas J. DiCorleto, Jr. Meeting Hall and via ZOOM Conferencing

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Ι. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

П. **ROLL CALL**

Selectmen Present: Lori Spielman, Mary Cardin, James Prichard, John Turner, Ronald Stomberg, Jamison Boucher, David Stavens

Town Staff Present: Matthew Reed, Town Administrator; Tom Modzelewski, Director, Sam Saunders, Recycling and Refuse Manager, Department of Public Works; Tiffany Pignataro, Finance Officer/Treasurer; John Rainaldi, Assessor; James York, Fire Marshal; Walter Lee, Emergency & Risk Management Director; *Lisa Houlihan, Town Planner; *Rebecca Stack, Human Services Director; *LouAnn Cannella, Human Resources Coordinator

Emergency Service Agency Representatives Present: Peter Hany, Sr., President, Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps (EVAC); Robert Smith, Chief, Cole Prado, Tom Adams, Peter Hany, Jr., Katie Hany, Ellington Volunteer Fire Department (EVFD)

Other Elected Officials Present: Peg Busse, Library Board of Trustees; Liz Nord, Board of Finance (BOF)

*Attended via ZOOM

PUBLIC COMMENT [this portion shall not exceed 30 minutes unless extended by III. majority vote of the Board]

Bob Smith, 3 Westland Road and new Chief of the Ellington Fire Department, was present and introduced some of his staff and shared details on what they do for the community.

- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. April 8, 2024 Special Meeting

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2024 SPECIAL MEETING.

B. April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting

Ms. Cardin expressed that the Pinney House item had been tabled during the April 8, 2024 meeting and she felt that this wasn't reflected in the minutes.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2024 REGULAR MEETING.

- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Pinney House Discussion and Action as Necessary

A presentation showing a digital model of the interior of the Pinney House was shown; Mr. York shared that this was created using a new 3D scanner camera that was purchased through American Rescue Plan Act funding. Mr. Modzelewski thanked the Fire Marshal's Office for offering these new scanning capabilities to create the digital map of the building. Mr. Turner pointed out that there are exposed structural beams as well as failing plaster throughout the building. Mr. Modzelewski pointed out one of the main areas of concern, where the septic pipe leaves the structure in the basement; the foundation is caved in all around that pipe, with a significant amount of water entering the facility, and there is structural concern about the missing stones. Significant portions of bricks have crumbled and disintegrated into dust, which is another concern throughout the home. Mr. Turner confirmed that the brick is the main structural component of the building, not simply a veneer. Mr. Prichard pointed out a number of sealed bags in the basement and asked if these could be identified.

Warren McGrath, Friends of the Pinney House [the Friends]/Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for the Preservation of the Pinney House [the Committee], questioned why this presentation was necessary; Mr. York stated that the building is not currently safe for occupancy, and this presentation was to demonstrate the specific areas that are causing it to be unsafe. Ms. Busse asked if there is anything posted on the building stating that no one should enter; it was confirmed that nothing is posted at this time, but the building is not currently accessible or open to the public.

Dale Roberson, 53 Snipsic Lake Road, stated that the Committee has had architects examine the building in the past, and none of them ever mentioned that the building was unsafe or structurally unsound. Mr. Boucher asked if the presentation material could be made available to the Committee if they needed to utilize it; Mr. Modzelewski confirmed that he could share the information with the Committee. Mr. Turner referenced the detailed letter received by the Fire Marshal, and he concurs with the determinations within that letter, which are further backed up by the memorandum from the Building Official. If funds are raised, Mr. Turner believes that the first thing that needs to happen is a full assessment of maintaining the structural integrity of the building.

First Selectman Spielman shared that in 2023, the BOF had asked for certain items from the Committee, including a breakdown of work to be performed with a timeline/schedule of said work, cost estimates, quotes, etc.; it is her understanding that none of that was provided. Ms. Cardin believes that the current group is committed to doing the work to preserve this important historical building, and while she is not in favor of the taxpayers taking on this burden, she does believe that Town staff should be supportive with their time and available resources. She also stated that it is up to the Committee to show progress being made, but she does not think that the BOS should be micromanaging the way that they demonstrate this progress.

1. Termination of Ad Hoc Committee

First Selectman Spielman shared her belief that it is unnecessary to have both the Friends and the Ad Hoc Committee doing the same work. Mr. Roberson shared that the Friends of the Pinney House Corporation was established to gain 501(c)(3) status, which is not available to municipal groups; the

Friends can apply for funding and receive tax exempt donations. The Committee maintained a connection to the Town, which holds the lease of the Pinney House. It is important for the dialogue between the Friends/the Committee be continued in whichever manner is determined to be the most efficient moving forward. Ms. Cardin shared her perspective that it is important to continue to receive regular reports on the progress of the group, especially as taxpayer funds are involved. Mr. Boucher agreed with Ms. Cardin that the BOS should let the group progress without having the same discussions each month.

Ms. Cardin wanted to ensure that the lease does not require the existence of the Ad Hoc Committee; Mr. Reed stated that the lease sets forth certain conditions but does not require the existence of the Committee. The BOS will continue to work with the Friends of the Pinney House Corporation, with reports to be given quarterly. Evin Roberson, as recording secretary for the Committee, is willing to help with these reports to the BOS, but she would welcome guidance on the specific details that should be included.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED [AYE: STAVENS/TURNER/STOMBERG/ BOUCHER/SPIELMAN; ABSTAIN: PRICHARD; NAY: CARDIN] TO TERMINATE THE AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE PINNEY HOUSE.

2. Discussion of Building Status as Construction Area, Restriction of Access Mr. York clarified that the building has not been condemned; however, the conditions deserve recognition from a safety standpoint, and there are regulations and standards that should be followed. Mr. Stomberg stated that he would like to see fundamental thinking on this instead of worrying about things like crosswalks. Ms. Busse shared her recollection of the 2023 information request from the BOF, stating that the purpose of withholding of funds was to create action by the group. Brief discussion was held regarding the insurance coverage of the building.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LETTER FROM THE FIRE MARSHAL ON APRIL 24, 2024 AND MEMORANDUM FROM THE BUILDING OFFICIAL ON APRIL 29, 2024, DECLARE THE INTERIOR OF THE PINNEY HOUSE AS A "WORK ZONE," AND THAT ANY ACTIVITY, WORK OR OBSERVATION WITHIN THE INTERIOR OF THE PINNEY HOUSE NEEDS TO MEET OSHA REQUIREMENTS.

Ms. Cardin asked if the exterior of the building was safe; Mr. Modzelewski answered that the outside of the building was toured and there was nothing noted regarding exterior hazards. Mr. Reed stated that a process will be established that outlines steps to be taken to gain access to the building; any contractors or visitors will be advised of the standards to be followed and precautions to be taken.

3. Discussion Regarding Method of Updating Report on Structural Integrity and Estimated Construction Costs

The Friends are working to have the 2016 report from Robert Hurd updated to reflect current cost values; they anticipate a number close to \$500,000; Mr. Prichard shared his belief that the number would be much higher than this to restore the building. No further discussion was held.

B. Approval of Purchase of 79 Kibbe Road as Open Space and Set Date for Special Town Meeting Pursuant to Ellington Town Charter Section 703

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF OPEN SPACE AT 79 KIBBE ROAD, ELLINGTON, CONNECTICUT, A 27-ACRE PARCEL, FOR THE PRICE OF THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000.00). SUCH PURCHASE HAS BEEN DEEMED CONSISTENT WITH THE TOWN'S PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT BY THE ELLINGTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AT THEIR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2024. THE PURCHASE OF THIS PROPERTY WILL BE FUNDED THROUGH THE OPEN SPACE FUND (5126), AND WILL BE COMPRISED OF RECOGNITION OF GRANT REVENUE FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$203,597, AND THE REMAINING FROM THE COMMITTED FUND BALANCE OF THE OPEN SPACE FUND.

FURTHER, MOVE TO AUTHORIZE FIRST SELECTMAN LORI SPIELMAN TO EXECUTE ANY CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PURCHASE OF 79 KIBBE ROAD PROVIDED SUCH PURCHASE IS APPROVED BY THE TOWN MEETING.

FURTHER, MOVE TO PLACE APPROVAL OF THIS PURCHASE ON THE AGENDA OF A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TO BE HELD AT ELLINGTON TOWN HALL ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024, AT 6:00 PM.

- VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Tax Refunds/Abatements

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (PRICHARD) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$963.76 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX & REVENUE COLLECTOR AND AS SPECIFIED IN THE REFUNDS/ABATEMENTS STATEMENT DATED MAY 2024 [ATTACHED].

B. Voya Retirement Plan Transition – Authorization to Execute Necessary Documents

Ms. Cardin asked for confirmation that current accounts will be frozen, with new accounts being opened. Mr. Reed confirmed this, sharing that with the new accounts, the Town's contributions won't be co-mingled with employee contributions, and that the new account plan will open up a modernized host of investment options for the employees. Ms. Cardin asked if employees would be able to move the funds from the existing accounts into the new accounts. Ms. Pignataro shared that employees would have to elect the option to roll the entirety of their old plan into the new account. A significant amount is invested in a guaranteed rate-of-return offering that isn't available moving forward, and Ms. Pignataro didn't want to force any employees to lose that offering. Meetings with Voya representatives will be set up on-site to allow employees to ask questions about the transition.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE FIRST SELECTMAN LORI SPIELMAN TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO UPDATE THE TOWN'S EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH CURRENT IRS REGULATIONS.

C. Tax Abatement Application – Oakridge Dairy, 80 Meadowbrook Road Ms. Cardin asked for confirmation that this abatement is just on the new improvements to the building; Mr. Reed confirmed this, sharing details of the conversion of the old pole barn into a bottling plant and stating that the assessment on those improvements will be what is subject to the abatement. Mr. Rainaldi explained that Oakridge Dairy has an existing seven-year abatement covering a different portion of the facility, and that the previous abatement is expiring this year. Mr.

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> Turner shared that this program has been in existence for several years and other businesses in Town have submitted similar applications, adding that he is in support of this application. Mr. Reed shared that one of the reasons for this tax abatement program is to inspire economic development and encourage improvements to local facilities and operations.

> MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO GRANT, PENDING TOWN MEETING APPROVAL, 50% ABATEMENT OF TAXES AS REQUESTED BY SETH BAHLER OF OAKRIDGE DAIRY, LLC/THE MODERN MILKMAN, 80 MEADOW BROOK ROAD, FOR A PERIOD OF SEVEN (7) YEARS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM, PENDING A FULLY EXECUTED TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT. SAID TAX ABATEMENT WILL APPLY TO THE OCTOBER 1ST TAX LIST IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY.

> FURTHER, MOVE TO ADD THIS ITEM TO THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024.

D. Charter Revision

1. Authorization of Charter Review

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ESTABLISH A CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 1308 OF THE ELLINGTON TOWN CHARTER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 99 OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES. SUCH COMMISSION SHALL BE COMPRISED OF SEVEN MEMBERS, NOT MORE THAN ONE-THIRD OF WHOM HOLD ANOTHER PUBLIC OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON, AND WITH NO MORE THAN A BARE MAJORITY FROM THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY, TO REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE REVISION OF THE TOWN CHARTER. THE COMMISSION SHALL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PREPARE A REPORT, INCLUDING PROPOSED REVISIONS, TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND TO THE TOWN CLERK NO LATER THAN SIXTEEN MONTHS FROM APPOINTMENT.

2. Appointment of Charter Review Commission (7 Members) MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED [AYE: STAVENS/CARDIN/PRICHARD/ TURNER/STOMBERG; ABSTAIN: BOUCHER] TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING ELLINGTON ELECTORS TO THE CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION:

- THOMAS MODZELEWSKI
- THOMAS PALSHAW
- CYNTHIA SOTO
- WARREN MCGRATH
- JAMISON BOUCHER
- JOSEPH BURNS
- PETER HANY, JR.

THE CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION SHALL MEET AND ELECT A CHAIRPERSON AND SECRETARY FROM THEIR MEMBERS.

FURTHER, THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR IS DIRECTED TO SERVE AS A POINT OF CONTACT BETWEEN THE COMMISSION AND TOWN STAFF AND TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO THE COMMISSION AS NEEDED.

E. Neighborhood Assistance Act Proposal – CGS 12-632

1. Set Public Hearing and Town Meeting

Mr. Reed offered some brief background on the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act Program. Charles Gross, Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Ellington Congregational Church (ECC), shared additional information on how the program works, noting that the burden is on the ECC to raise funds. Mr. Turner recommended that Mr. Reed be present at the Public Hearing and the Town Meeting to answer any questions that may arise about the Town's involvement in this proposal.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE 2024 CONNECTICUT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT PROGRAM PROPOSAL BY THE ELLINGTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ENTITLED WINDOW REPLACEMENT. SUCH APPLICATION IS MADE TO THE TOWN AND APPROVED PURSUANT TO CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE 12-632.

IT IS FURTHER MOVED THAT A PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH APPLICATION WILL BE HELD AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024, IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, AND THAT THIS ITEM BE ADDED TO THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024 AT ELLINGTON TOWN HALL.

F. Proposed Expenditure – Opioid Settlement Fund

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE THE HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR TO EXPEND \$8,413.80 FROM THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TO PROVIDE A GRANT TO ELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR ONGOING CPR, OPIOID AWARENESS, OVERDOSE MANAGEMENT, AND NARCAN TRAINING AS PART OF THE PE/HEALTH CURRICULUM.

G. Bid Waiver: ARPA Project – Senior Center Pavilion

Mr. Stavens noted that some of the other bids appeared to come in lower; Mr. Modzelewski shared that this was a turnkey package which included the concrete pad in addition to the pavilion.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND UTILIZE THE CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT (CRCOG) EZIQ PROGRAM TO COMPLETE THE SENIOR CENTER PAVILION ARPA PROJECT THROUGH MILLENNIUM BUILDERS, INC., AT A PRICE NOT TO EXCEED \$92,494.62. WAIVING THE BID PROCESS IS DUE TO SIGNIFICANT COST SAVINGS FOR THE TOWN, TIMELINESS OF THE CAPITAL NEEDS, AS WELL AS THE CRCOG PROGRAM ADHERING TO ALL APPLICABLE PROCUREMENT STANDARDS SET FORTH UNDER UNIFORM GUIDANCE.

H. Bid Award: Reappraisal and Revaluation for the October 2025 Grand List Mr. Stavens asked if this was lower than past years; Ms. Pignataro answered that this is a partial revaluation that occurs at the five-year mark, noting that this was a different company than the last revaluation and that this was also the only company that attended the mandatory pre-bid meeting and provided a quote. The value includes optional items such as mailers that may not be utilized.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE REAPPRAISAL AND REVALUATION FOR THE OCTOBER 2025 GRAND LIST TO MUNICIPAL VALUATION SERVICES, LLC OF FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT, NOT TO EXCEED \$153,250, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ELLINGTON ASSESSOR AND THE FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER.

I. Contract Award: Insurance Brokerage Services

Discussion was held on the policy that USI currently holds with the Town, and Ms. Pignataro shared that this particular contract covers advisory services, sharing a few details on what USI does for the Town and what their return is on those services.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (PRICHARD) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES TO USI INSURANCE SERVICES, LLC OF MERIDEN, CONNECTICUT FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JULY 1, 2025, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER.

J. Re-establish Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Committee

First Selectman Spielman noted the great work that this Committee does for the Town.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RE-ESTABLISH THE AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR, THROUGH MAY 31, 2025.

K. Parachute Activity at Ellington Airport

Ms. Cardin asked what considerations have been historically taken for this recommendation. Mr. York shared that in the past, there have been issues that impacted public safety, and Mr. Turner shared that the annual renewal by the Connecticut Airport Authority requires formal Town support. Tom Palshaw, 120 Pinney Street, shared some insight from his career in aviation, noting that this item allows the public to have input if there are concerns about this activity. Mr. Reed added that this provides an opportunity for the Town to object or share considerations prior to approval.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AIRPORT AUTHORITY THAT THE LICENSE TO PERMIT PARACHUTE JUMPING AT ELLINGTON AIRPORT BE RENEWED FOR ONE YEAR.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Mr. York brought up the standards related to radio coverage in newly constructed buildings, particularly in relation to the Windermere School Project; this coverage is achieved by either a functional network, or it requires a bi-directional amplifier system which boosts the signal. At-length discussion was held on historical challenges leading to poor radio signal strength in Town, including the lack of cell towers. It was agreed that this is a long-standing issue, and some proposed potential improvements were briefly shared.

VIII. SELECTMEN COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Personnel Committee
 - 1. Resignations: None
 - 2. Appointments

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT JACOB CAWTHORN TO THE AD HOC PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE AN UNEXPIRED TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT JONATHAN KACZMAREK AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO COMPLETE AN UNEXPIRED TERM THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REAPPOINT DAVID ARZT, JEAN BURNS, LEON VERETTO, RODGER HOSIG AND VICTOR LAPTIK TO THE AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE FOR ONE-YEAR TERMS THROUGH MAY 31, 2025.

B. Town Policies Committee

1. Wall of Honor

Mr. Turner shared that the TPC had no recommendation to bring forward for 2024.

C. Liaison Reports

Nothing was discussed.

IX. FIRST SELECTMAN/TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

First Selectman Spielman thanked President Hany for offering CPR to Town employees and for hosting May's Department Head meeting. The restoration project at Arbor Park is coming along well, the Maple Street Streetscape is complete, the new Farmer's Market location has been successful, and the Library parking project is ongoing, with a target completion date of July 15th.

Mr. Reed shared that construction on Route 140 is going on by Newell Hill Road; there is a one-lane setup with a long traffic signal which relies on proper driver behavior. There have been a number of complaints, and the Town has been in touch with the DOT. Mr. Reed shared that the Crystal Lake concept plans are on display at Ellington Depot and there has been a good response. Earth Day was a remarkable success, with great participation by Town staff; he commended the hard work of Becky Einsiedel, Sam Saunders, and Tom Modzelewski, who worked diligently on the event. The Town's new food scraps program is getting a lot of good publicity. Mr. Reed shared that he works regularly with the Town Attorney on various issues in Town and took a moment to encourage the BOS members to be cautious when rendering a public opinion on these issues, welcoming them to reach out to him for any information. Funding has become available for a new vehicle with handicap accessibility for Human Services. He also shared an ongoing issue regarding the USPS refusing to provide curbside mail delivery in the Garnet Lane neighborhood. President Hany shared that individual mailbox numbers are heavily relied on during overnight emergency calls. Mr. Turner commented that the Building Official is responsible for house numbering compliance, and any new construction requires house numbers to be visible from the street before the certificate of occupancy is issued.

First Selectman Spielman reminded the BOS that the high school graduation is June 7th at 6:00 pm, with a rain date of June 8th (time TBD). RSVPs are due by May 24th; seats will be reserved in the front row. The Annual Town Budget Meeting is May 14th, 7:00 pm at the high school. First Selectman Spielman also wished Selectman Stavens a happy birthday.

- X. CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER COMMUNICATION FROM THE BOS: Nothing was shared.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (PRICHARD) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AT 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Connor

Julia Connor, Recording Secretary

Lori Spielman

Lori Spielman, First Selectman

TOWN OF ELLINGTON TAX AND REVENUE COLLECTOR'S REFUND REPORT May 2024

Amount	Name	Тах	GL Year	Requesting Dept.	Reason
\$ 595.95	Chamberland Ray P + Linda M (22 Allen Ridge Dr)	RE	2022	Tax	Overpayment
\$ 10.88	Moses Paula J + David A (6 Standish Rd)	RE	2022	Tax	Overpayment
\$ 356.93	Toyota Lease Trust	MV	2022	Assessor	Sold April 2023
¢ 000 70	DEFUND TOTAL FOR MAY 2004				

\$ 963.76 REFUND TOTAL FOR MAY 2024