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NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Chester Meeting House

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NOTICE is hereby given that a Special Town Meeting will be held in and for the Town of Chester, Connecticut, **Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Chester Meeting House, 4 Liberty Street, Chester, Connecticut to consider and act upon the following:

1. To amend the ordinance entitled "Building Records" adopted February 29, 1972, to delete the listed fees in paragraph (3) and add language to allow the Board of Selectmen to set and designate fees for processing building, electrical and other permits as appropriate.
2. To amend and restate the ordinance entitled "Ordinance Concerning Use of Cedar Lake, Cedar Lake Beaches and Parking Areas" adopted December 30, 1975 to restrict the use of vessels on the waters of Cedar Lake to electric motors, sails, paddles, poles or oars only, in order to prevent the spread of invasive aquatic species which threaten our lakes and waterways.
3. To amend the ordinance entitled "Ordinance Creating Alternate Members to the Board of Finance" adopted August 31, 1976 to add language to paragraph (5) to clarify that the filling of vacancies among the alternate members of the Board of Finance shall be in accordance with Section 7-343 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
4. To adopt an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Regulating the Storage and Collection of Waste Containers in the Village District" to set regulations and restrictions for the disposal of garbage and recyclables with regard to health and safety within the pedestrian and commercial core of Chester.
5. To consent and approve an appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) for the purchase and installation of a full service generator at the Chester Town Hall to enable continuity of services for the health and safety of town residents.
6. To consent and approve an appropriation in the amount of \$44,820 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) to expand clinical services and sustain youth and mental health support services at Tri-Town Youth Services Bureau for Fiscal Years 22-24 to support long term recovery efforts from the COVID-19



pandemic. Funds are contingent upon Deep River and Essex's participation in funding the Tri-Town request.

7. To consent and approve an appropriation of up to \$93,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) to repair and replace aging sanitary sewer system infrastructure as requested by Chester's WPCA. The projects include replacing and rebuilding the sewer line behind 43-65 Main Street, replacing and rebuilding the sewer line from Water Street to the pump station, and installing monitoring equipment and generator back up connection at the pump station on Water Street.
8. To consent and approve an appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) for the Shoreline Soup Kitchen to aid a local non-profit organization due to the COVID pandemic. Funds are contingent upon a minimum of 8 towns participating, including Chester.
9. To consent and approve an appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$70,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) toward the purchase of a new Fire Boat for use by the Chester Hose Company due to the effects of COVID-19 on supply chain operations and pricing.
10. To consent and approve an appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) for upgrades to technology at both the Town Hall and Chester Meeting House to allow for remote and hybrid meetings, presentations, and connectivity and access to the internet as a result of changing communication and community support needs due to the public health and safety considerations from the COVID pandemic.
11. To consent and approve an appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) for the hiring of a 2 year contracted social and human services support person to enhance community public health and social services efforts and support the additional needs of our community as it recovers from the COVID pandemic.

Copies of all ordinances are available for public review on the town's website at www.chesterct.org and in the Town Clerk's office.

Signed and sealed in Chester this 3rd day of December, 2021.

Lauren S. Gister
First Selectman

Charlene Janecek
Selectman

Tom Englert
Selectman