

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 6:45 pm  
Buck-Foreman Community Room

Town Clerk Michael Tierney called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M. Fifty five electors were present, including all Board of Selectman members, and Fire Chief Robert Puida. Also present were several youth residents, and a member of the media.

A motion was made by Ryan Curley, seconded by John Dillon, to nominate Michael Pelton as Moderator. Seeing no other nominations, a motion to close nominations was made by Ryan Curley, seconded by John Dillon. Michael Pelton was elected moderator by a unanimous vote.

Moderator Pelton read the Call of the Meeting and instructed the Clerk to record the Call of the Meeting as published in the Rivereast News Bulletin on January 19, 2024, and the Return of Notice, along with the minutes of the meeting.



### Town of Portland, Connecticut

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#### LEGAL NOTICE of SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 6:45 PM

Buck-Foreman Community Room, 265 Main Street, Portland, CT 06480

Pursuant to Chapter V Section 503b and 503g of the Town Charter, a Special Town Meeting will be held by the Board of Selectmen on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 6:45 P.M. in the Buck-Foreman Community Room, 265 Main Street, Portland, CT for the following:

**ITEM 1.** To Approve a supplemental appropriation in line #01-093-000-90012 Transfer out – Cap Non Rec Town of \$525,000;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approves funding for the supplemental appropriation in line item #01-093-000-90012 Transfer Out – Cap Non Rec Town through an increase in estimated revenue to line item #01-000-000-00212 Municipal Revenue Sharing of \$237,112, an increase in estimated revenue to line item #01-000-000-00401 Investment Income of \$130,000; and from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund of \$157,888;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approves an increase in estimated revenue line item #08-141-000-00501 – Transfers in General Fund Town of \$525,000 and an increase in supplemental appropriation to expenditure line item #08-141-000-89040 Fire/Fire Marshal Department – Refurbish/replace apparatus of \$525,000.

A copy of the complete resolution to be voted on is available for public inspection in the Town Clerk's Office and on the Town's website at [www.portlandct.org](http://www.portlandct.org). Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024

Attest:  Ryan J. Curley, First Selectman



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### RETURN OF NOTICE

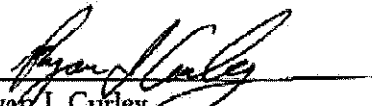
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT on January 11, 2024, I left a duplicate of the attached warning and notice of the Special Town Meeting of the Town of Portland, Connecticut with Michael V. Tierney, its Town Clerk.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I caused a copy of said warning and notice to be published in the RIVEREAST NEWS BULLETIN, a newspaper having a substantial circulation in said town on Friday January 19, 2024.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I caused to be set upon the signpost or other place nearest the office of the Town Clerk and at all other places and signposts designated by the Town a written copy of said warning and notice.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all the above acts were done before the holding of said Special Town Meeting on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 6:45 PM.

Dated at Portland, Connecticut this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year 2024

  
Ryan J. Curley  
First Selectman

A motion was made by John Dillon, seconded by Shaun Manning to introduce the Resolution entitled

**"FIRE ENGINE COMPANY #3 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR TRANSFER OUT-CAP NON REC TOWN AND INCREASE TO ESTIMATED MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING AND INVESTMENT INCOME"**

Moderator Pelton read the following resolution:

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**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING RESOLUTION**

Town of Portland, Connecticut

**JANUARY 24, 2024**

**FIRE ENGINE COMPANY #3 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR TRANSFER OUT-CAP NON REC TOWN AND INCREASE TO ESTIMATED MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING AND INVESTMENT INCOME**

WHEREAS, the Town of Portland (Town) Fire Department Engine #3 has significant wear and tear, rust and corrosion, and has out lasted its useful life; and

WHEREAS, potential repairs are very expensive and complicated as the truck manufacturer is no longer in business; and

WHEREAS, the cost of a new engine is estimated to be \$525,000; and

WHEREAS, an immediate need exists for a new engine as the current engine is no longer in service; and

WHEREAS, the State of CT (State) provided the Town with unbudgeted funding from a Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant in the amount \$237,112; and

WHEREAS, investment income currently exceeds the original budget by approximately \$130,000; and

WHEREAS, an additional \$157,888 would need to be allocated from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund to cover the remainder of the purchase of a new engine; and

WHEREAS, revenues in line item #01-000-000-00212 Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant have come in higher than originally budgeted; and

WHEREAS, revenues in line item #01-000-000-00401 Investment Income have come in higher than originally budgeted; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 1203.4 of the Portland Town Charter a public hearing was held and pursuant to Section 503(B) and 503(G) a Special Town Meeting was held prior to Board of Selectmen approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approves a supplemental appropriation in line #01-093-000-90012 Transfer out – Cap Non Rec Town of \$525,000;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approves funding for the supplemental appropriation in line item #01-093-000-90012 Transfer Out – Cap Non Rec Town through an increase in estimated revenue to line item #01-000-000-00212 Municipal Revenue Sharing of \$237,112, an increase in estimated revenue to line item #01-000-000-00401 Investment Income of \$130,000; and from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund of \$157,888;

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Moderator Michael Pelton called for discussion. There were no comments.

Jim Tripp called for a paper ballot vote on the Resolution, seconded by Ryan Curley. The vote was counted by the Moderator and the Clerk, and the result were: Yes-55; No- 0; and 0 abstentions. The Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ryan Curley, seconded by John Dillon to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 P.M.

ATTEST

  
Michael V. Tierney, Portland Town Clerk

Dated at Portland, Connecticut, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024