Record of Affirmative Votes from 2018 Town Meeting

Town of Henniker
State of New Hampshire

The polls were open at the Henniker Community School Gymnasium
51 Western Avenue, Henniker on Tuesday, March 13, 2018
from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
and voting commenced on the following:

1) Town Officers were voted as follows for the ensuing year:
   *Asterick indicates person(s) elected

   Selectmen-3 year term
   Stephanie Payeur   267
   Kris Blomback     430*
   Scott Osgood      462*

   Town Moderator -2 year term
   Cordell Johnston  599*

   Town Treasurer-1 year term
   Ronald C. Taylor  566*

   Cemetery Trustee-3 year term

   Supervisor of the Checklist-6 year term
   Anne Gould        578*

   Planning Board-3 year term
   Scott Dias        526*
   Ryan Haley        441*

   Trustees of the Tucker Free Library-
   3 year term
   Angelica M. Ladd  482*
   Patti Osgood      553*

   Trustees of the Tucker Free Library-
   1 year term
   Jamie Ramsey      547*

   Trustees of the Trust Funds-2 year term
   Laurie Sullivan   518*

   Trustees of the Trust Funds-3 year term

   Cogswell Spring Water Works Water
   Commissioner-3 year term
   Jerry D. Gilbert  571*
2018
Ballot Questions

2) Are you in favor of amending Chapter 133, Zoning Regulations, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? Amend Section 133-40, Lot Size Table, to reduce the minimum lot area in the RV and CV zones from 2 acres to 1 acre when there is no town water and/or sewer available. (Connection to utilities shall not be required, however septic provisions provided for under NHDES Rules or Henniker’s Sewer Ordinance Chapter 88 shall be adhered to.)

Explanation: Consistent with recommendations outlined in the Master Plan, this amendment will allow for the creation of lots in the downtown area without being connected to utilities, but large enough to have onsite septic and wells. One acre lots are in keeping with the character of downtown neighborhoods.

The Henniker Planning Board voted 4-0 to support this amendment.

YES 409 NO 255

3) Are you in favor of amending Chapter 133, Zoning Regulations, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? Amend Section 133-64 Special Exception time limits to extend time limit and provide flexibility per RSA 674:33, IV: 133-64 Special Exception Time Limits, A. If the use or construction so authorized by the granting of a Special Exception has not commenced within a two year period from the date of the decision, then the Special Exception shall be deemed to have expired and the ZBA’s decision rendered null and void. During the hearing process, the ZBA may extend the two year commencement time period for good cause. In addition, an applicant, within the two year period after approval, may apply to the ZBA to extend the two year commencement period as it deems appropriate.

Explanation: This amendment will provide greater flexibility to extend the approval time period for Special Exceptions. The existing language is overly restrictive.

The Henniker Planning Board voted 4-0 to support this amendment.

YES 484 NO 171

4) Are you in favor of amending Chapter 133, Zoning Regulations, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? Amend Section 133-3, Article II Definitions to add the following term: Frontage, minimum: That continuous portion of a lot bordering on a public road(s) from which access can be taken, that meets the minimum requirements of the underlying zoning district.

Explanation: Presently the zoning ordinance does not define what constitutes frontage on a town road to create new lots. Proper frontage is required when lots are subdivided.

The Henniker Planning Board voted 4-0 to support this amendment.

YES 518 NO 140
5) Are you in favor of amending Chapter 133, Zoning Regulations, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? Amend sections within Article V – VIII to allow an access driveway to cross side or back lot boundaries and/or lie within 10 feet of a side or back boundary line with Planning Board Approval.

*Explanation:* Presently driveways must be located at least 10 feet from a common lot line. In some cases, common driveways are proposed and they can be located on more than one lot, crossing over lot lines. In many cases, common driveways are a proper means to access property which presently is not allowed.

The Henniker Planning Board voted 4-0 to support this amendment.

YES 464  NO 193

6) Are you in favor of amending Chapter 133, Zoning Regulations, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? Amend Article IV General Provisions, Section 133-20B Housing for Older Persons, to allow such housing in the RN, RR, CM, CR, CR1 and RV zoning districts, minimum lot area is 15 acres, minimum open space criteria is required, all units must be adaptable to address seniors needs, add new definitions and other changes.

*Explanation:* This amendment will allow for Housing for Older Persons to be located in more areas of the community. This land use provides needed housing alternatives for seniors and is a very tax positive land use.

The Henniker Planning Board voted 4-0 to support this amendment.

YES 517  NO 150

7) Are you in favor of amending Chapter 133, Zoning Regulations, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows? Amend Section 133-40 Lot Size Table (For Single-Family and Two-Family Dwellings), to add an allowance for lots located in the RN & RR Zoning Districts to be 10 acres with a minimum frontage of 50 feet.

*Explanation:* This amendment will allow for the creation of back lots of 10 acres or more. This provision is found in many town ordinances and provides greater flexibility for landowners.

The Henniker Planning Board voted 4-0 to support this amendment.

YES 440  NO 187

8) Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment number 7 as proposed by petition for the Henniker Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article II Definitions, Chapter 133-3 Terms Defined, by repealing “Agriculture” (revised 3-8-2005), Agriculture (Farm, Agriculture, Farming, Agritourism)(footnote 1) and adopt the following new definition: Agriculture-Agriculture and farming shall mean and refer to all operations of a farm including, but not limited to: the terms “farm”, “agriculture”, “farming”, roadside farm stands, farmer’s markets, orchards, nurseries, tree farms, Christmas tree farms, dairy farms, livestock, poultry,
maple syrup operations, and all other commercial agricultural activities on a farm that are intended or designed to attract visitors to a farm, which includes “Agritourism”.

The Planning Board does not approve of this petition amendment.

YES 251  NO 398

9) Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment number 8 as proposed by petition for the Henniker Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article II Definitions, Chapter 133-3 Terms Defined, by repealing “Agritourism” (footnote 2) and Agritourism (footnote 3) and adopt the following new definition: Agritourism – “Agritourism” is defined as interactive or passive activities carried out, with or without payment to a farmer, on a farm, ranch or agricultural operation. “Agritourism” is intended to promote rural tourism and rural economic development and strengthen our “Farm, Agriculture and Farming Community”. “Agritourism” shall specifically include, but not be limited to, farm-to-table events, overnight stays, corn mazes, agricultural-based educational activities, fairs, on-farm weddings, civil unions and similar cultural events, hay rides, petting zoos, pick-your own produce operations, agriculture tours, nature walks, outdoor sporting activities, snowmobile, ATV trails, bike trails, hiking, snowshoeing, x-country skiing, horse trails, camping, bird watching, historical and agricultural.

The Planning Board does not approve of this petition amendment.

YES 257  NO 395

10) Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment number 9 as proposed by petition for the Henniker Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article II Definitions, Chapter 133-3 Terms Defined, by adding the following definition/title: Add “Agriculture” as defined, which includes “Agritourism” as defined, and amend the title “Agriculture” to read “Farm, Agriculture, Farming, Agritourism.”

The Planning Board does not approve of this petition amendment.

YES 254  NO 394

11) Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment number 10 as proposed by petition for the Henniker Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article IV: General Provisions, Chapter 133-20A Conditional Use Permits: Agritourism Uses, to read as follows: Subject to the provisions of RSA 674:21, the Planning Board is hereby authorized to issue Conditional Use Permits for Agritourism events where the host has reason to believe the Agritourism event will attract 300 or more persons at any one time on Agriculture lands. The issuance of the Conditional Use Permit will be subjected to the process and criteria currently outlined in Chapter 203 Site Plan Review Regulations.

The Planning Board does not approve of this petition amendment.

YES 247  NO 401
The meeting reconvened at the Henniker Community School Cafetorioum on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 1:00 pm

Wayne Colby, the Moderator, opened the annual Town Meeting saying “As we voted Tuesday and meet here today, we remember that freedom and democracy come with a cost.” The veterans in attendance were recognized with applause and they led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Wayne reminded those in attendance where the exits were. The 701 voters that come out in the snowstorm to vote on Tuesday were thanked and the results were announced. The front table, consisting of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector; the four Selectmen; Town Administrator and the Finance Director were introduced.

“This is your meeting” the Moderator said. “All discussions are thru the Moderator. As always, be civil and polite. Amendments need to be in writing. Any 5 voters in attendance may request a ballot vote on any article as long as it is in writing.” The Moderator concluded with a reminder to be respectful and courteous-“we all live in the same Town and share the same sand box, so play nice.”

Kris Blomback, Chairman of the Selectmen, welcomed all and thanked everyone for attending the Henniker Town Meeting on our 250th year of incorporation on this glorious St. Patrick’s Day. Bob French was recognized for his 8 years of service on the Selectboard Employees that left the Town of Henniker employment were recognized as well as the new employees of the Town.

The budget has been shaped by the employees, department heads of the Town, the Budget Advisory Committee and the Selectboard Kris continued. An overview of the budget was given with details about where the increases and decreases are. We have slowly started to add funds to our capital reserves, but more is needed to meet our future needs. Kris added that we must be vigilant in funding reserves, constraining the size of municipal operations as well as being frugal with taxpayer money.

Kris continued with mentioning the Henniker 250th year celebration that will be going on August 3rd-5th this year. Help us celebrate in style. Updates were given on the following projects: Azalea Park, Western Ave bridge and pavement, Safe Routes to School, Town Hall streams, and the sidewalk tractor.

Kris concluded with now we begin the process of reconciling and approving what is being presented today. We hope that you like what has been proposed today and that you’ll support it. The meeting was then turned back over to the Moderator.

The Moderator explained that there would be at least five ballot votes and that two of them would have to be open by law for one hour.

12) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) for the installation of new water pipe and service connections on Hall Avenue from Western Avenue to Prospect St. Furthermore authorize the issuance of not more than Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) in bond or notes in accordance
with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, RSA Chapter 33, and to authorize the Selectboard and the Water Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and determine the rate of interest and term of payments thereon. Cost of the bond debt service is approximately $.38 per 1000 gallons per year. (2/3 vote required for passage.)

**Selectmen and Water Commissioner recommend**

**MOTION TO AMEND (#1) ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $200,000.00 for the installation of new water pipe and service connections on Hall Ave from Western Ave. to Prospect Street. The cost of repairing and resurfacing shall be paid for by the water and sewer department and there will be no cost to the property owners that are not serviced by the Town water and sewer department. Furthermore authorize the issuance of not more than Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) in bond or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, RSA Chapter 33, and to authorize the Selectboard and the Water Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and determine the rate of interest and term of payments thereon. Cost of the bond debt service is approximately $.38 per 1000 gallons per year. (2/3 vote required for passage.)

**MOTION FAILED**

**VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) for the installation of new water pipe and service connections on Hall Avenue from Western Avenue to Prospect St. Furthermore authorize the issuance of not more than Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) in bond or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, RSA Chapter 33, and to authorize the Selectboard and the Water Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and determine the rate of interest and term of payments thereon. Cost of the bond debt service is approximately $.38 per 1000 gallons per year. (2/3 vote vote required for passage.)

**POLLS OPENED FOR VOTING ON ARTICLE 12 AT 1:55 PM**

**MOTION** to defer action on Article 13 until results of Article 12 are known and to proceed to Article 14

**MOTION PASSED**

14) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Million Eighty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars ($5,087,439) for general municipal operations. **Selectmen recommend**

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Total 5,087,439 4,978,408 109,031

**MOTION** to request that Articles 39-40-41 be moved to between Articles 13 & 14

**MOTION FAILED**

15) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Dollars ($216,440) for the Tucker Free Library with the amount to be raised from current year taxation. Selectmen recommend

16) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars ($13,000) to be added to the Tucker Free Library Roof Capital Reserve Fund established in 2016 under the provisions of RSA 35:1. The purpose of this fund is the replacement of the roof at the Tucker Free Library. This amount will be placed in this fund and the Library Trustees are designated as agents to expend. Selectmen recommend

17) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be added to the already established Library Building Fund for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the Tucker Free Library building. This is an Expendable Trust Fund established in 1999 under the provisions of RSA 31:19-A with the Trustees designated as agents to expend. Selectmen recommend
18) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($10,500) for the Tucker Free Library to hire an architectural firm to assess the structure of the building to determine the feasibility of adding an elevator and public restrooms. This amount will be raised from current year taxation. **Selectmen recommend**

19) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of up to One Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Eighty Seven Dollars ($172,087) for road improvements, representing the Town’s estimated share of the New Hampshire Highway Block Grant. Only the amount of revenue received from the block grant shall be appropriated for this purpose. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse before December 31, 2023. **Selectmen recommend**

20) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2007 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1 **Selectmen recommend**

**MOTION** made to restrict reconsideration of Article(s) 14 through 20 in accordance with RSA 40:14, paragraphs 1 and 5.

**MOTION PASSED**

21) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars ($27,000) to purchase/replace a truck body for the 2005 International Truck and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $27,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose. **Selectmen recommend**

22) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the 2020 revaluation. **Selectmen recommend**

23) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2017 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1. **Selectmen recommend**

24) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to repair the Hopper/Office Building and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $25,000 from Fund Balance. (No Tax Impact) **Selectmen recommend**

**MOTION TO AMEND (#1) ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to repair the Hopper/Office Building and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $25,000 from Fund Balance for that purpose. (No Tax Impact)

**MOTION PASSED**

**VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to repair the Hopper/Office Building and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw $25,000 from Fund Balance for that purpose. (No Tax Impact)
25) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) to be added to the Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2008 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1.  

   **Selectmen recommend**

26) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) to be added to the Police Building Capital Reserve Fund established under the provisions of RSA 35:1.  

   **Selectmen recommend**

27) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars ($66,600) to be added to the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund established in 1988 under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purchase of an ambulance for the Rescue Squad, of which the amount of $6,600 will be transferred if received from the Town of Bradford. If the money is not received from Bradford only $60,000 will be deposited into the fund.  

   **Selectmen recommend**

28) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) to be added to the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2016 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1  

   **Selectmen recommend**

PROCLAMATION FOR STEPHEN C BURRITT IN RECOGNITION FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF HENNiker

POLLS CLOSED FOR VOTING ON ARTICLE 12 AT 2:58 PM

RESULTS FOR BALLOT VOTE ON ARTICLE 12

   YES 109  NO 42

ARTICLE 12 PASSED WITH THE REQUIRED 2/3 VOTE

MOTION to restrict reconsideration of Article(s) 21 through 28 in accordance with RSA 40:14, paragraphs 1 and 5.

   **MOTION PASSED**

29) **VOTED** to establish a Roads Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of Road Maintenance Projects, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Dollar ($1) to be added to the Roads Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund and designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.  

   **Selectmen recommend**

MOTION to move Article 39 up to consideration at this point in the meeting as Article 39 requires a secret ballot vote and polls to be open for 1 hour.

   **MOTION PASSED**

39) **FAILED** adopt the provisions of RSA 32:14 through 32:24 to establish a municipal budget committee?  

   **Submitted by Petition**

POLLS OPENED FOR VOTING ON ARTICLE 39 AT 4:03 PM
30) **VOTED** to establish a Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing police vehicles, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Dollar ($1) to be added to the Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund. **Selectmen recommend**

31) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Three Dollars ($6,263) for the purpose of building a new and safe entrance to Azalea Park. Further, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Three Dollars from the L.A. Cogswell Fund for that purpose. (No Tax Impact)/**Trustees of Trust Funds Recommended** Selectmen Recommended

32) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Dollars ($585,270) for the operating expenses of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This funding is provided by sewer assessments. **Selectmen recommend**

33) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars ($467,528) for the operating expenses of Cogswell Spring Water Works. This funding is provided by water assessments. **Water Commissioners recommend**

A REQUEST WAS MADE TO HAVE ARTICLE 34 BE VOTED ON BY SECRET (PAPER) BALLOT

**MOTION** made to go on to Article #35

**MOTION FAILED**

**MOTION** to restrict reconsideration of Article(s) 12 and 29 through 33 in accordance with RSA 40:14, paragraphs 1 and 5.

**MOTION PASSED**

34) **VOTED** to discontinue, under RSA 231:43, 900 feet +/- of Quaker Street along the frontage of the property located at 674 Quaker Street, and owned by Walter and Katherine Pollard, and accept the relocated Quaker Street under RSA 229:1, to be constructed by Walter and Katherine Pollard in accordance with all standards required by the Board of Selectmen; subject to the condition that the relocated Quaker Street is constructed in a manner acceptable to the Board of Selectmen, and all costs associated with the discontinuance and relocation of Quaker Street, including, but not limited to, design, engineering, legal, eminent domain, and construction being paid by Walter and Katherine Pollard. **Selectmen recommend**

**BALLOT VOTE**  YES  83  NO  56

**POLLS CLOSED FOR VOTING ON ARTICLE 39 AT 5:09 PM**

**RESULTS FOR BALLOT VOTE ON ARTICLE 39**

**YES** 35  **NO** 126

**ARTICLE 39 FAILED**
35) **VOTED** to discontinue and abandon all public interest in that portion of Centervale Road, a class VI highway, located on the property of CFP Co. Inc., identified in the Town of Henniker tax records as Tax Map 1, Lot 603 X 1, in accordance with RSA 231:43, be replaced with a layout of a class VI highway by the Board of Selectmen over the paved driveway located on the property, subject to the acceptance of said discontinuance and layout by CFP Co. Inc.”

**Selectmen recommend**

**MOTION** to restrict reconsideration of Article 34 in accordance with RSA 40:14, paragraphs 1 and 5.

**MOTION PASSED**

36) **VOTED** to allow the operation of Keno games within the Town of Henniker?

**BALLOT VOTE**

**YES** 50  **NO** 36

37) **VOTED** for the Town of Henniker to adopt a property tax credit of $200 annually which extends the current veterans’ property tax credit to all honorably discharged veterans who have served no less than 90 days.

**Submitted by Petition**

13) **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000) for the purpose of developing an Asset Management Program for the wastewater treatment facility, that will qualify the Town for federal and state funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds and notes not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000) under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et. Seq., as amended) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to the effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Henniker, additionally to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept grants or other funds that may reduce the amount to be repaid and participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486.14 established for this purpose, and to allow the Board of Selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the federal and state governments and pass any vote relating thereto. It is anticipated that the Town will receive up to Thirty Thousand ($30,000) in principal forgiveness, with no impact on the sewer user rate or tax rate. (2/3 vote required for passage.)

**Selectmen Recommend**

**BALLOT VOTE ON ARTICLE 13**

**YES** 68  **NO** 3

**ARTICLE 13 PASSED WITH THE REQUIRED 2/3 VOTE**

38) **VOTED** for the Town to express its support to Governor Sununu for New Hampshire to join Massachusetts and Maine and study the feasibility of developing offshore wind power in the Gulf of Maine. The Town will provide written notice urging Governor Sununu request the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) to form an intergovernmental task force. A bipartisan NH legislative committee studied the potential for offshore wind in 2014 and recommended the establishment of this task force. Floating wind turbines located far offshore in federal waters and barely visible from land, combined with other renewable energy can move NH to 100% renewable
energy by 2050. Building offshore wind farms will bring a significant number of jobs
and revenue to New Hampshire.

Submitted by Petition

40) If the preceding article is adopted, shall the town set the number of at-large members of
the budget committee at five, to be elected by the voters? Submitted by Petition

41) If the town votes to establish a municipal budget committee and votes to elect the at-large
members, shall the moderator appoint interim at-large members to serve until the next
annual meeting, after which the at-large members shall be elected via ballot to serve
staggered three-year terms? Submitted by Petition

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. (This article is
meant to allocate time that public acknowledgments may be voiced and is not meant to
add additional articles to the meeting. The final decision is the responsibility of the Town
Moderator – per Henniker Town Counsel).

A big THANK YOU was given to Wayne Colby for his years of dedicated service to the
Town of Henniker. He has served the Town well!

The meeting was dissolved at 7:01 p.m.

A True copy Attest:

Kimberly I. Johnson, Town Clerk