Legislative Task Force Meeting Minutes 1.11.2024

7:00 PM Call to order – Chair Jim MacEachern

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Councilor James MacEachern, Councilor Erin Spencer, Councilor Dave Granese, School Board David Clapp, State Representative David Milz, State Representative Erica Layon, State Senator Regina Birdsell, Town Clerk Tina Guilford

Approval of Minutes – Motion to Approve by Milz, seconded by Granese. Motion Passes 5-0-2 {Spencer, Birdsell}

Legislative Update – This meeting was called to discuss the school lunch vote. There are things that can be done through the Department of Education, including an opt in on the form that would need to be approved through JLCAR, that can get us to where everyone wants to be without the violation of Constitutional rights. We will work on a direct enroll option through the DHHS portal. It is hard to change things mid budget year. Now we have a direction to go for the next budget cycle. This bill was only about getting on a list for the program, which closes on the 16th. The legislature would not have met the deadline. There are other things we can do to get where we need to go. Let's work on those.

School Update - Bonds to be voted on by the voters. Bond hearing on the 16th. The new school at \$71.2 Million and a repairs bond at \$36.8 Million. The district has a budget for food insecure students.

Town Update - Exit 4A Bridgework all done on 93.

Meeting ADJORNED by Spencer, seconded by Milz.

Adjourn: 8:29 PM

Minutes by: Cristina Guilford, Town Clerk

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