TOWN OF HARTLAND
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

At 6 P.M. on Thursday, October 4, 2018, Town Clerk, Triss Smith greeted the assembly and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the Town Meeting to order and asked for nominations for moderator. There were 85 registered voters in attendance and several non-residents.

To: Susan Frost, a resident of the Town of Hartland, Maine, County of Somerset

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Hartland in said county, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Irving Tanning Community Center at 62 Elm Street in said town, on Thursday, October 4, 2018 A.D. at 6:00 in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

Art. 1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Motion made and second to elect Mark Brooks as Moderator, No other nominations were made. Vote by show of hands to elect Mark Brooks and 3 written ballots collected. Moderator asked for a vote by show of hands to allow non-residents to be able to speak during this meeting, KVCAP representative David Pelton was allowed to speak by majority show of hands.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept a conveyance in fee simple from Regional School Unit (RSU) No. 19 of the closed Hartland Consolidated School, located at 62 Elm Street, consisting of 13 acres more or less, of land with buildings as described in a deed from the RSU No. 19 to the Town of Hartland, and to authorize the Selectmen to designate the Town Manager to execute any documents necessary to accomplish said transfer.

Motion made and second to discuss article 2, Moderator read the Memorandum of Understanding between KVCAP and Town of Hartland. Points of discussion as follows: What is KVCAP's long term investment vision for this property? David Pelton, a KVCAP representative, spoke on behalf of KVCAP regarding the project. KVCAP needs to do a feasibility study to determine funding opportunities for this project. KVCAP is not looking to flip this property; any TIF funding would be earmarked for this project. KVCAP is looking to partner with the Hartland Library and the ITCC Recreational Committee to utilize this building for the elderly, youth and library patrons. The project would become a for-profit entity and taxable once complete. Citizens voiced concerns regarding the cost to operate the building during the interim, funding for the ITCC and funding for the Library. What will happen to the existing Library building? Library building at 16 Mill Street will be sold, and proceeds used toward the project when building is ready to be occupied. The Library receives funding through the Towns budget and would negotiate a long term lease agreement with KVCAP. ITCC receives funding through the Towns budget and two communities (St. Albans and Palmyra) and also plan on fund raising activities to manage their expenses. ITCC would negotiate a lease with KVCAP for the community center and recreational fields. A few citizens voiced the benefits of having the community center for the children, elderly and all citizens of the community.

Motion made and second to move the question. Vote by show of hands to move question. Motion made and second to Approve Article 2, Vote by show of hands 65 approve, 6 not to approve. Article 2 Accepted.

Art. 3. To accept the terms of Memorandum of Understanding dated, September 27, 2018, between the Inhabitants of Town of Hartland and Kennebec Valley Community Action Program (KVCAP) as described in said document.

Motion made and second to move the question. Vote by show of hands to move question. Motion made and second to accept Article 3. Vote by majority show of hands to accept..

Art. 4. To receive any grants awarded to the Town or the affiliated KVCAP for project development or remediation of environmental conditions for the Hartland Consolidated School property and appropriate the sum from said grants.

Motion made and second to move the question. Vote by show of hands to move question. Motion made and second to accept Article 4. Vote by majority show of hands to accept.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer up to $20,000 from undesignated fund balance for the heating, electricity and miscellaneous maintenance expenses of the Hartland Consolidated School if accepted by Article 2.

Motion made and second to accept Article 5. Vote by majority show of hands to accept.

Art. 6. To ratify, confirm, and approve all prior actions undertaken and approved in connection with the Hartland Consolidated School building described in these Articles.

Motion made and second to favor Article 6. Vote by majority show of hands carried.

Motion made and second to adjourn @ 7:29 PM, Majority in favor.

Selectmen:

{ Harold E Buker Harold Buker

{ Judith Alton Judith Alton

{ Shirley Humphrey Shirley Humphrey

True Copy
Attested:

Triss A. Smith,
Clerk of Hartland