Town of Chesterfield Board of Selectmen Broad Band Public Hearing Minutes March 9, 2019

The meeting was brought to order at 9:30 am. Present were Jon McKeon, Norm VanCor, and Jeanny Aldrich.

VanCor made the motion to open the Public Hearing per RSA 33:3 For the Purpose of Issue of Bonds or Notes. – A municipality or county may issue its bonds or notes for the acquisition of land, for economic development, for planning relative to public facilities, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, and enlargement or purchase of public buildings, for other public works or improvements, or for the financing of improvements, of a permanent nature including broadband infrastructure as defined in RSA 38:38, I(e), to serve any location within a municipality unserved by broadband as defined in RSA 38:38, I(c) for the purchase of departmental equipment of a lasting character, and for the payment of judgments. The issuance of such bonds or notes shall include, but not be limited to, public-private partnerships involving capital improvements, loans, financing, and guarantees. The public benefit in any public-private partnership must outweigh any benefit accruing to a private party. Bonds or notes for the purposes of economic development may be issued only after the governing body of the municipality or county has held hearings and presented the public benefit findings to the public and after such issuance has been approved by the legislative body. A municipality or county shall not issue bonds or notes to provide for the payment of expenses for current maintenance and operation except as otherwise specifically provided by law.

Aldrich seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

McKeon explained the public benefits to the Town per the handout. The handout contains a chart of expected increase in property values. There will also be economic benefits to the town, said McKeon. He stated the Broadband is a clear benefit to the town of Chesterfield.

Public Comment: Jeff Scott said that he thinks the broadband is a good idea.

Susan Rigg, Secretary to the Selectmen

With no further public comment, McKeon moved to close the Public Hearing at 9:36 AM. Aldrich seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

The Board continued with general discussion regarding the Town Hall Annex. They reviewed architectural drawings and space allocation. *McKeon made the motion to adjourn at 10:05 am; Aldrich seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by roll call vote.*

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Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Jon P. McKeon, Chair

Date:

3/27/19

Norman VanCor

Date:

Jeanny Aldrich Date: