Town of Ashford

Established 1714 SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. ASHFORD TOWN OFFICES

MINUTES

- 1. Call to order at 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Members present: Falletti, Phillips, Silver-Smith Guests: Colleen DePercio, Paul Varga
- 3. Discuss and/or act on DPW Director appointment: Silver-Smith moved the appointment of Shannon Mercier to fill the soon-to-be vacant DPW Director position effective 7/1/2023. Starting salary will be \$65,000 with full benefits. Phillips seconded he motion which passed unanimously.
- 4. Status of after school childcare program: Falletti reported that the Ashford Board of Education has agreed to partner with the Town in the forming of an after school childcare program. Staff would serve as employees of the Town, administration would be conducted on site through the office of the Superintendent. It is hoped that this program can be in place by September 1, 2023. An interest survey will be formulated to determine interest in program participation.
- 5. Ashford Citizen establishment of policies and procedures relating to production and content and advertising structure: Colleen DePercio shared her thoughts regarding the revision of advertising rates for the Ashford Citizen. Silver-Smith moved that the Ashford Citizen advertising rates be adjusted as follows: ¹/₂ page = \$60/per month, ¹/₄ page = \$30/per month, business card = \$20/per month, effective with the September 1, 2023 edition. Phillips seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Advertising rate adjustments will appear in the July edition of the Citizen. The BOS thanked DePercio for sharing her insights and her efforts relating to production of the Citizen.
- 6. Adjournment at 9:41 a.m.

Christine Abikoff

