Town of Litchfield Board of Finance Special Meeting Minutes April 28, 2022 – Immediately following town hearing Meeting held in Litchfield Intermediate School Auditorium

Chairman Erich Marriott called the meeting to order at 9:25p.m with Pat Donovan, Richard Quay, Patricia Dauten, Elliot Fuessenich, James Stedronsky, Sam Olmstead (Alt.) and Matthew Tobin (Alt.

Also Present: Amaechi Obi, Denise Raap, Jeff Zullo, Francis Carpentier and Stacey Dionne

Approve Town Budget - Discussion and Action

<u>Move:</u> Elliot Fuessenich moved to approve the Town Budget. Pat Donovan seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

There was discussion about making cuts in the budget since several tax payers in the audience had requested that. Jeff Zullo presented six possible reductions in the current budget.

Reductions:

Animal Control = \$40,000

Motion: Elliot Fuessenich moved to reduce Animal Control line item by \$40,000. Pat Donovan seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Trees = \$40,000

Motion: Richard Quay moved to reduce Trees line item by \$40,000. Pat Donovan seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Assessor Salary = \$25,000

Motion: Richard Quay moved to reduce the Assessor Salary line item by \$25,000. Pat Donovan seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Solid Waste = \$50,000

Motion: Elliot Fuessenich moved to reduce Solid Waste line item by \$50,000. Pat Donovan seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Road Maintenance (sand) = \$25,000

<u>Motion:</u> James Stedronsky moved to reduce Road Maintenance (sand) line item by \$25,000. Elliot Fuessenich seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Road Maintenance (salt) = \$20,000

Motion: James Stedronsky moved to reduce Road Maintenance (salt) line item by \$20,000. Elliot Fuessenich seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Total reduction = \$200,000

Amaechi Obi said the new BOS budget was \$8,651,129 and the Total Town budget was \$32,300,014.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Motion: James Stedronsky moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50p.m. Pat Donovan seconded the motion. All voted Aye and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo`Ann Jaacks

Recording Secretary