COLEBROOK TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF COLEBROOK

BOARD OF SELECTMEN **MINUTES** FOR SPECIAL MEETING Thursday April 23, 2020 Land Use Office FLOOR 1

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Thomas McKeon

(none)

(none)

Christopher Johnstone (via Speakerphone)

Matthew Klimkosky

Meeting called to order at 10:05 AM

- 1. Motion made by Christopher Johnstone to approve the Low Interest Rate tax program in accordance with Governor's Executive Order 7S Section 6, seconded by Matthew Klimkosky. Passed.
- 2. Motion made by Christopher Johnstone to approve tax refunds to (Tracy Potamatis \$2079.28, Edward Case \$\$359.37, Alan White \$36.12., Shannon White \$26.02, Fifth State Farm \$195.37, William Hiller \$68.91, CCAP Auto Lease \$207.34, Mary Baker \$26.88) seconded by Matthew Klimkosky. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM on motion by Matthew Klimkosky, seconded by Christopher Johnstone. Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas McKeon First Selectman

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
INTERGOVERNMENTAL POLICY AND PLANNING DIVISION

GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 7S SECTION 6 MUNICIPALITY PROGRAM ELECTION

The municipality of <u>Colebrook</u> by determination of our local legislative body, or in any town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, by a vote of the board of selectmen, voted and approved on <u>April 23, 2020</u> , that we will participate in the following program(s):
Deferment Program. During the period of March 10, 2020, the date that the Governor declared the public health and civil preparedness emergency, through and including July 1, 2020, municipalities participating in the Deferment Program shall offer to eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents a deferment by ninety (90) days of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric rates, charges or assessments for such tax, rate, charge, or assessment from the time that it became due and payable. Eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents are those that attest to or document significant economic impact by CO VID-19, and/ or those that document they are providing relief to those significantly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall issue guidance as to which taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents shall be considered eligible for the Deferment Program, but participating municipalities may, upon approval of its local legislative body, or, in any town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, by a vote of the board of selectmen, extend eligibility for the deferment program to other categories of taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents.
Low Interest Rate Program. For municipalities participating in the Low Interest Rate Program, notwithstanding Section 12-146 of the General Statutes, (i) the delinquent portion of the principal of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric charges or assessments or part thereof shall be subject to interest at the rate of three (3) per cent per annum for ninety days from the time when it became due and payable until the same is paid, for any such tax, rate, charge, or assessment due and payable from March 10 through and including July 1, 2020, unless such delinquent portion is subject to interest and penalties at less than three (3) per cent per annum. Following the ninety days, the portion that remains delinquent shall be subject to interest and penalties as previously established; and (ii) any portion of the principal of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric rates, charges or assessments or part thereof that had been delinquent on or prior to March 10, shall be subject to interest at the rate of three (3) per cent per annum for ninety days from this Order, unless such delinquent portion is subject to interest and penalties at less than three (3) per cent per annum. Following the ninety (90) days, the portion that remains delinquent shall be subject to interest and penalties as previously established.
Printed Name: Laura Bartlett Title: 10x Collector Email Address: 1bartlett Ocolebrooktownball. ORG Printed Name: Laura Bartlett Ocolebrooktownball. ORG
CEO CERTIFICATION: Dated this 33 day of April, 2020. Printed Name: Thomas McKeon Title: First Selectman Email Address: TommcKeon@colebrooktownhall.org Signature: Thomas McKeon@colebrooktownhall.org

DUE TO OPM NO LATER THAN APRIL 25, 2020 ~ RETURN TO: Martin.Heft@ct.gov

RESOLUTION BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN OF COLEBROOK, CONNECTICUT Special Low Interest Rate Program

TO GOVERNOR LAMONT'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 7S

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Connecticut ("Governor") declared a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency for the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 19a-131 and 28-9, in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19 disease associated with a novel coronavirus that is currently affecting multiple countries and states; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States ("President") declared a national emergency to combat the coronavirus that is currently infecting the population of the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, First Selectman of the Town of Colebrook, Thomas McKeon, declared a civil preparedness emergency due to the Covid-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the transmission of COVID-19 has resulted in the spread of infections in Connecticut and throughout the country, as well as resulting in shortages of personal protective equipment and other supplies that could jeopardize public safety and civil preparedness; and

WHEREAS, in response to the issuance of declarations of a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency by the Governor he has issued a series of Executive Orders setting for the law governing the conduct of the business of state and municipal government during the period of the emergency;

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 7S ("EO 7S"), requiring municipalities, by a vote of its legislative body, participate in a Deferment or Low Interest Rate Program; and

WHEREAS, participation in the Low Interest Rate Program is in the best interest of the Town of Colebrook

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Colebrook on April 23, 2020 adopt the following:

The Low Interest Rate Program. During the period between March 10, 2020 through and including July 1, 2020, any delinquent portion of the principal of any Taxes shall be subject to three percent (3%) interest per annum for ninety (90) days from the date that they became due and payable until the date the Taxes are paid. After the ninety (90) days, the regular interest rate is restored to the statutory eighteen percent (18%). This lower delinquency rate applies to Taxes that have been delinquent prior to March 10, 2020 for a period of ninety (90) days from April 1, 2020 through and including June 30, 2020.