

MINUTES OF THE WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
February 24, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Committee Members present: Martin Pepin, Chairman
David A. Witham
Martin P. Dumont, Sr.

Committee Members excused: Richard R. Michaud, Vice Chairman

Administration/Staff present: City Manager Bob Belmore
City Clerk Jonathan Slaven
Director of Development Services Michelle Mears

Chairman Pepin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – FEBRUARY 9, 2022

Councilor Dumont made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilor Witham and passed 3-0.

REVIEW PROPOSED WARD BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS

Director Mears presented an updated ward boundary map that she and Director Smith worked on in order to adjust the ward boundary lines to make their respective populations more equitable. Director Smith said the rough timeline for the State to vote on their redistricting plan, which puts Somersworth into just one district, is in the next month or so.

Councilor Witham made a motion to send the City's redistricting plan to the State for them to weigh in and support ratification of the new ward map pending any action from the State. The motion was seconded by Councilor Dumont and passed 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Witham made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilor Michaud and passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Slaven, City Clerk