



TOWN OF SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
By the Salem Town Council

Resolution #2025-12
Grant and Donation for Arlington Pond Exotic Weed Control

WHEREAS: The Board of Selectmen, at their October 17, 2022, meeting, acting in their capacity as Water Commissioners, entered into an agreement by adopting and signing Amendment #1 of the Arlington Pond Protective Association Agreement for Water Management, granting the Town of Salem a twenty-five (25) year extension for water rights through March 15, 2071, to ensure a viable source for drinking water.

WHEREAS: Arlington Mill Reservoir is a critical water supply for the Town through the months of November to May as the primary source and serves as the secondary source as needed from June to October.

WHEREAS: Nutrient pollution has been a concern at the reservoir since the 1986 Town-wide Water Quality Study and Arlington Pond is one of many impaired waters in Salem.

WHEREAS: The reservoir experienced multiple cyanobacteria blooms in 2023 & 2024 and advisories thereof, on average, appear to be increasing each year.

WHEREAS: Some of the goals of the MS4 Permit are to improve water quality, restore designated uses and eliminate beach advisories.

WHEREAS: Municipal Services applied for and was awarded a 2025 Exotic Species Plant Control Grant from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to complete work described in the Arlington Mill Reservoir including an award of \$17,050.00 to the Town of Salem for this project.

WHEREAS: The Town will accept a donation of \$8,525.00 from the Arlington Pond Protective Association (APPA) for the purpose of offsetting the Town's portion of equal value.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SALEM TOWN COUNCIL THAT:

The Town Council approves the Certificate of Vote Authorization authorizing the Town to enter into a grant agreement with the State of NH Department of Environmental Services for the Exotic Species Program to fund the Arlington Mill Reservoir treatment; accepts \$17,050.00 in grant funds from NH DES; accepts \$8,525.00 from the Arlington Pond Protective Association (APPA); and further authorizes the Town Manager to execute any documents which may be necessary to effectuate the grant agreement.

SPONSORED BY CHAIR STACEY BY REQUEST

First Reading: April 7, 2025

Second Reading: Waived

Approval: April 7, 2025

VOTING RECORD			
Date of Vote:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Councilor Bettencourt	✓		
Councilor Bryant			
Councilor Hatch <i>Sweeney</i>	✓		
Councilor Pelletier	✓		
Councilor Stramaglia	✓		
Councilor Wright	✓		
Secretary Withrow	✓		
Vice-Chair Hatch			
Chair Stacey	✓		
Total Votes:	7		
Resolution: Does Does Not pass.			

Approved:

Cathy Ann Stacey
Cathy Ann Stacey, Chair Town Council

A True Copy Attest:

Susan Wall
Susan Wall, Town Clerk