

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 13, 2025

<u>TO:</u>

The Granby Board of Selectmen

FROM:

Mike Walsh, Granby Town Manager

**REGARDING:** 

Charter Section 6-6 (b) Town Attorney/Special Counsel Update

Action Requested – Possible KCE Battery Project Approval Appeal

As we discussed at the February 3, 2025 Board of Selectmen Meeting, the KCE Battery Project was recently approved by the Connecticut Siting Counsel over the objections of the Town of Granby.

As a result of that approval, the Town desired to explore all its options including an appeal of the approval with time being of the essence. One of the tasks the Board of Selectmen directed me to complete was to identify a qualified attorney/law firm who specializes in such an appeal.

To that end, I have identified Attorney David Sherwood from the firm of Moriarty, Paetzold & Sherwood out of Glastonbury, Connecticut. Attorney Sherwood has brought similar appeals and has agreed to represent us at an hourly rate of \$400 should the Town seek to appeal the approval.

Based on the aforementioned, I respectfully request the following motion be considered to allow the Town to continue to move forward.

## Proposed Motion:

Move that the Board of Selectmen vote to appeal the KCE Battery Project approval by the Connecticut Siting Counsel, and further to periodically provide an update on the status of the appeal to the Board of Selectmen.