

Budget Committee Meeting #702

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

Present: Lindsay Blake; Ken Howe; Karen Johnson; James McDonell; Dennis Nadeau; Bill Nebelski; Lisa Prince; Smokey Smith; Peter Zavorotny; Selectman Rep – Steve Diorio and School Board Rep - Holly Kennedy.

6:30 p.m. Meeting called to order.

Zavorotny made a motion to approve the minutes of meeting #701, second by Smith. Motion carries unanimously.

The Board reviewed the FYE 2019 report regarding the town budget.

**Assessing** is over budget. TA Collins explained it is the result of tax appeals, mainly Eversource. She mentioned legal will also be up.

**PD Building Maintenance** being over by \$27,060. Collins will look into it.

**Fire Department.** Discussion took place on Equipment Replacement and the Training/CPR line. It was noted that there is \$7,007 remaining in the Training/CPR line. This should be looked at with the Fire Department FYE 2021 budget.

**Building Inspector.** An increase was noted. TA Collins explained that there are more hours due to inspections; complaints; and education on updated codes.

**Highway.** It was noted repairs were performed on the mower and the 2016 1-ton truck needed transmission work.

**Street Lights.** There will be a warrant to change street lights to LED lighting.

**Welfare.** Capital reserve will help to lower amount placed in direct assistant for the FYE 2021 budget.

**Water Dept.** Loomis, which picks up the deposits for the town, is charge to the Miscellaneous line.

Smith asked if any decision was made regarding health insurance. TA Collins stated that Healthtrust reviewed all the various plans and the Selectmen decided to remain with the currently plan.

School budget was reviewed. Discussion took place regarding SPED; Tuition; ELO Transportation; and Drivers Education.

Tentative Budget Schedule for the Town was reviewed. The public hearing was scheduled for February 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, with the 6<sup>th</sup> as the snow date.

There will be a joint budget forum between the school and the town.

Tentative budget meeting was set for November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

8:00 p.m. Diorio made a motion to adjourn, second by Blake. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Collins

Town Administrator