

Budget Committee

Meeting # 693

Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 27, 2018

Present: Lindsey Blake, Joseph Conroy, Karen Johnson, Megan Kondrat, James MacDonell, William Nebelski, Lisa Prince, Edwin Smith, Peter Zavorotny, Sean Leary (School Board Rep), and Steve Diorio (Selectman Rep).

6:00 p.m. Chairman Zavorotny called the meeting to order.

Fire Department – Budget was revisited by the Selectmen. The following items were reduced to: Salaries - \$125,000; Equipment Replacement - \$15,000; Training/CPR - \$6,000. Total Budget - \$240,759. Smith made a motion to tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$240,759, second by Conroy. The vote was as follows: Yes – 9; No - 1. Motion passes.

Welfare – The Selectmen revisited Welfare. They reduced Direct Assistance to \$40,000 of which there will be a warrant article to raise \$10,000 to be placed in the expendable trust. Smith made a motion to tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$58,557, second by MacDonell. Motion passes unanimously.

Election – The Selectmen reduced the hours for the Deputy Town Clerk therefore reduced the Salary line to \$13,027. MacDonell made a motion of tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$97,419, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Summer Program - MacDonell made a motion to take the Summer Program budget off the table, second by Nebelski. Salaries; FICA were reduced by \$1,256 which reduced the budget to \$66,887. MacDonell made a motion to tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$66,887, second by Prince. The vote was as follows: Yes – 9; No - 1. Motion passes.

Municipal Pool – Discussion took place regarding the cash register included in the equipment line. Diorio made a motion to reduce the equipment line to \$1.00, second by Leary. The vote was as follows: Yes – 1; No – 9. Motion fails.

Nebelski made a motion to reduce the equipment line to \$650.00, second by MacDonell. The vote was as follows: Yes – 7; No – 1; Abstained – 2. Motion passes.

MacDonell made a motion to tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$43,815, second by Smith. The vote was as follows: Yes – 8; No – 2. Motion passes.

Community Events – The following lines were reduced by the Selectmen: Salaries - \$19,360; FICA - \$1,201; Medi - \$281; and Miscellaneous - \$3,635. Total reduced budget \$27,772. MacDonell made a motion to tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$27,772, second by Nebelski. Motion passes unanimously.

Water Department – \$13,140 was removed from Backhoe/Loader lease. MacDonell made a motion to tentatively approve the budget in the amount of \$573,723, second by Smith. Motion passes unanimously.

Discussion took place regarding having a revenue workshop with the Selectmen.

The School Budget will be ready for review on or around December 11th. Packages will be passed out on December 2nd.

Next Budget meeting will be Tuesday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the SAU. Lindsay Blake will be excused.

8:09 pm Leary made a motion to adjourn, second by MacDonell. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Collins, Town Administrator