



APPROVED
01/05/2023

**BUDGET COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2022
6:00 PM**

Present: Sallie Wilder, Becky Ketchum, Melannie Keister, John Lynch, Tara Desroches
Others Present: Town Manager Richard LaBelle, Fire Chief David Jones, Deputy Fire Chief Todd Pineo, Fire Lieutenant Jeffrey Jones

1. Call to Order; Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Town Clerk Richard LaBelle.

2. Election of Officers

Sallie Wilder made a motion to elect Becky Ketchum as Chair. Seconded by Melannie Keister. Becky Ketchum elected as Chair by a vote of 4-0-1 (Ketchum abstained).

Sallie Wilder made a motion to elect Tara Desroches as Vice Chair. Seconded by John Lynch. Tara Desroches unanimously elected as Vice Chair.

Tara Desroches made a motion to elect Melannie Keister as Secretary. Seconded by Becky Ketchum. Melannie Keister unanimously elected as Secretary.

3. Discussion/Action on January 25, 2021 Minutes

Vice Chair Lynch made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2021 meeting minutes. Seconded by Sallie Wilder. Motion Passed.

4. Review Proposed 2022 Budget

Warrant Articles:

ARTICLE FIRE DEPARTMENT: John Lynch made a motion to pass in the amount of \$233,499, Melannie Keister seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE CAPITAL RESERVES: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$170,000, Becky Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE ADMINISTRATION: John Lynch made a motion to pass in the amount of \$379,565, Melannie Keister seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE ELECTED OFFICIALS: Becky Ketchum made a motion to pass in the amount of \$18,100 John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

*Rebecca Ketchum, Chair • Tara Desroches, Vice Chair • Melannie Keister, Secretary
Kay Laney • John Lynch • Lester "Joe" Clark • Sara Wilder*

ARTICLE TAX ASSESSING: Becky Ketchum made a motion to pass in the amount of \$24,400, Melannie Keister seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE PUBLIC SAFETY: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$115,032, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE PUBLIC WORKS: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$666,300, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE CEMETERIES: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$5,850, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE CEMETERY CAPITAL RESERVE: Sallie Wilder made a motion to create this article. Becky Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE GENERAL ASSISTANCE: John Lynch made a motion to pass in the amount of \$5,600, Becky Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE RECREATION: Becky Ketchum made a motion to pass in the amount of \$19,705, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE LIBRARY: Tara Desroches made a motion to pass in the amount of \$42,660 Melannie Keister seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE CODE ENFORCEMENT: Becky Ketchum made a motion to pass in the amount of \$20,550, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE PLANNING BOARD: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$2,000, Tara Desroches seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE SOCIAL SERVICES: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$7,000 John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 3-2 (Wilder, Desroches opposed)

ARTICLE SUMMER GROUNDS MAINTENANCE: Becky Ketchum made a motion to pass in the amount of \$45,000, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE DEBT SERVICE: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$91,006, Becky Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE UNCLASSIFIED: John Lynch made a motion to pass in the amount of \$30,334, Becky Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE CONTINGENCY: Melannie Keister made a motion to pass in the amount of \$10,000, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 4-1 (Desroches

opposed).

ARTICLE ROADS: Becky Ketchum made a motion to pass in the amount of \$560,000, John Lynch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

ARTICLE REVENUES: Tara Desroches made a motion to pass in the amount of \$1,472,922.83, Becky Ketchum seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed.

5. Other Business

None.

6. Set Next Meeting

Winter of 2022-23

7. Adjournment

Chair Ketchum adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melannie Keister
Secretary