

Board of Selectmen
Minutes
October 13, 2022 6:00 pm
(Approved - 11-7-2022)

Chairman B. Mitchell convened the meeting at 6:00 PM.

B. Mitchell led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence. The following staff members were present:

Brock Mitchell, Chairman
Paul LaRochelle, Vice-Chairman
Reuben Wentworth, Selectman
Bob Holt, Selectman
Andrew Morse, Selectman
Ryan Heath, Interim Town Administrator

1. Meeting Purpose:
 - Department Budget Presentations

- Library (4550)

H. Brown, Librarian, approached the table. She highlighted changes to the budget.

R. Wentworth made a motion to approve the Library Budget for 2023 for \$159,445.00 and P. LaRochelle seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- IT Department (4145)

J. Monaco, IT Director, approached the table. He highlighted changes to the budget.

P. LaRochelle made a motion to approve the IT Department Budget for 2023 for \$174,879.00 and B. Holt seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Conservation Commission (4612)

R. Heath, Town Administrator, presented the Conservation Commission Budget. He highlighted changes to the budget.

B. Holt made a motion to approve the Conservation Commission Budget for 2023 for \$22,947.00 and A. Morse seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Benefits (4155)

R. Heath presented the Benefits Budget. He highlighted changes to the budget.

B. Mitchell made a motion to approve the Benefits Budget for 2023 for \$2,352,669.00 and B. Holt seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Administration (4130)

R. Heath presented the Administration Budget. He highlighted changes to the budget. The part-time secretary position will be cut down to \$20,000.00.

B. Holt made a motion to approve the Administration Budget for 2023 for \$416,653.00 and P. LaRochelle seconded with 3 in favor and 1 abstention (RW).

- Welfare Department (4442)

R. Heath presented the Welfare Budget. He highlighted changes to the budget. There is a significant decrease. The guidelines need to be updated due to the current economic changes.

P. LaRochelle made a motion to approve the Welfare Budget for 2023 for \$27,483.00 and B. Holt seconded with 3 in favor and 1 opposed (RW).

- o Water (4331)

C. Mitchell, Water Superintendent, approached the table. She highlighted changes to the Budget.

R. Wentworth made a motion to approve the Water Department Budget for 2023 for \$538,475.00 and P. LaRochelle seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- o DPW

- Highway (4312)

S. Kinmond, Public Works Director, approached the table. He highlighted changes to the budget.

B. Holt made a motion to approve the Highway Budget for 2023 for \$1,884,132.00 and R. Wentworth seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Cemetery (4195)

S. Kinmond remained at the table. He highlighted changes to the budget.

P. LaRochelle made a motion to approve the Cemetery Budget for 2023 for \$9,515.00 and B. Mitchell seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Grounds & Maintenance (4194)

S. Kinmond remained at the table. He highlighted changes to the budget.

B. Mitchell made a motion to approve the Grounds & Maintenance Budget for 2023 for \$147,824.00 and R. Wentworth seconded with all in favor of the motion.

- Solid Waste (4324)

S. Kinmond remained at the table. He highlighted changes to the budget.

B. Holt made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Budget for 2023 for \$369,154.00 and A. Morse seconded with all in favor of the motion.

2. Other Business as deemed necessary

S. Kinmond and C. Mitchell approached the table. During the day today, the generator maintenance was performed by the company contracted to do so. The employee performing the work went to Levey Park and took it upon himself to enter with no one there to let him in. There is no generator at that pump station. A Town employee went to one pump house and the generator employee was accidentally sent to another. It is believed that he opened the gate with a screw driver. There was an exchange between the Water Superintendent and generator employee. She did call his manager. She is asking for the ability to write a letter to the company. It is the consensus of the Town to allow the Water Superintendent to write a letter. The letter will include the fact that employee is not allow to service the generators in Town.

R. Heath stated that at the next meeting the remaining budgets will be presented.

3. Adjournment

B. Mitchell moved at 8:05 pm to adjourn. P. LaRochelle seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy L. Bailey
Recording Secretary