

Budget Committee Meeting

1/21/19

Attendance:

Budget Committee:

Bonnie Gagnon, Vice Chair
Roxanne Tufts-Keegan, Chair
Dave Maier, Board Member

Joe Bailey – Board of Selectman Rep
Tracy Donovan-Laviolette, Secretary

Absent:

Janet Kalar – Village District Rep

Ken Garry – School Board Rep

6:34 pm – Meeting called to order by Roxanne Tufts-Keegan.

Pledge of Allegiance

Old Business:

Board members signed the MS 27 for the Middleton School District

Bonnie Gagnon made a motion to accept the 12/11/2018 Public Hearing for the Middleton School District minutes as read, seconded by Dave Maier, the committee voted, the motion passed. (5-0-0)

Bonnie Gagnon made a motion to accept the 12/11/2018 budget committee minutes as read, seconded by Dave Maier, the committee voted, the motion passed. (5-0-0)

Bonnie Gagnon made a motion to accept the 12/17/2018 budget committee minutes as read, seconded by Joe Bailey, the committee voted, the motion passed. (4-0-1)

Bonnie Gagnon made a motion to accept the 1/2/19 budget committee minutes as read, seconded by Joe Bailey, the committee voted, the motion passed. (4-0-1)

New Business:

Mary Knapp has come to the meeting as a resident to be considered for the budget committee. No other residents have come forward with an interest.

Joe Bailey makes a motion to accept Mary Knapp as a new budget committee member, seconded by Bonnie Gagnon, the committee voted, the motion passed. (5-0-0) Mary just needs to be sworn in.

School Budget

In regards to the email between the town and SAU 49 and the amount left in the general fund from previous years. It was said the number was off. The amounts that have been originally presented are correct.

Town Budget

The selectman updated their numbers on a couple line items at their last meeting. The board discussed these line items and the change.

Line 4194-40-gov Repairs to OTH – The selectman went from 5,500 to 10,500 proposed.

Line 4194-41-gov Repairs Mun Bld – The selectman 15,000 to 19,000 proposed.

The budget committee went over warrant articles starting with Article 7 and discussed each warrant.

Article 7 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the purpose of road construction and paving of various roads in town. This is a non-lapsing appropriation pursuant to RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until December 31, 2023, whichever is sooner (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 7 (5-0-1)

Article 8 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the highway department building capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 8 (5-0-1)

Article 9 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the milfoil invasive species capital reserve fund established for the purpose of treating exotic milfoil and other exotic aquatic weeds. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 9 (5-0-1)

Article 10 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the SCBA capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 10 (5-0-1)

Article 11 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the reevaluation capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 11 (5-0-1)

Article 12 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the natural or man-made disasters capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 12 (5-0-1)

Article 13 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the fire department addition capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee would like to know the balance of this fund and will hold off for this recommendation.

Article 14 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) for the purpose of purchasing five (5) Motorola APX 4000 digital radios. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 14 (5-0-1)

Article 15 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (1,500,000) for the construction and furnishing of a new highway facility, with one million one hundred thousand dollars (1,100,000) to come from the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the municipal finance act (RSA 33) and to authorize municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and to accept such grants and other revenues as may be available, and to obtain four hundred thousand (400,000) from the fund balance. (Two thirds majority vote required)

The budget committee does not recommends article 15 (0-5-1)

Article 16 – To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) from the fund balance to be placed in the highway department building capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee recommends article 16 (4-1-1)

Article 17 - To see if the town will voted to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for the purpose of researching the feasibility of hiring a town administrator. (Majority vote required)

The budget committee does not recommends article 17 (0-5-1)

Article 18 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand five hundred ninety-two dollars (\$8,792) for the purpose of purchasing one (1) MSA Evolution 6000 plus thermal imaging camera. Funds to come from FEMA grant. (Majority vote required)

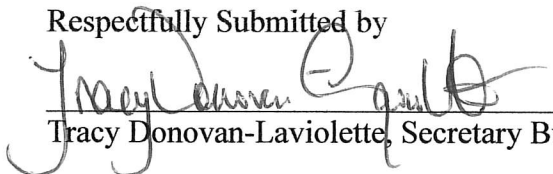
The written article amount and the numeric article amount are not the same. For the purpose of discussion and recommendation the budget committee went with the higher numeric amount of \$8,792. The budget committee recommends article 18 (5-0-1)

Article 19 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) for the purpose of purchasing a 12- foot zodiac C360 with aluminum hull and trailer.

The budget committee recommends article 19 (5-0-1)

Bonnie Gagnon made a motion to adjourn, Tracy Donovan-Laviolette seconded, the committee voted, the motion passed at 8:46 pm. (6-0-0)

Respectfully Submitted by



Tracy Donovan-Laviolette, Secretary Budget Committee