Meeting December 1st, 2021

Wednesday, December 01, 2021

6:35 PM

Meeting called to order at 7:02

Members of the Budget Committee:

Sean Mamone

John Arico

Paul Lavertu

Robert Haynes

Steve O'Keefe

Joe Conrad

Bill McKinney

Selectboard Representative: Howard Brown

Attendees:

Joe Conrad
Laurie Brown - Selectboard Secretary
Howard Brown - Selectboard Representative
John Arico - Chairman Pro Tempore
Paul Lavertu
Sean Mamone
Bill McKinney

Agenda:

Elect officers:

Chairman

John Arico nominated for Chairman by Bill Seconded by Joe

John Arico elected as chairman

Operating Rules:

Motion to accept proposed rules as read: Bill Seconded by Sean

Motion to amend rule 2 to accommodate persons attending virtually: Bill Seconded by Paul Amendment passes

Proposed rules are accepted.

Operating Rules: Proposed

Meeting Schedule:

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM

We will meet the 8th and the 15th

We will meet with the Selectmen on the 8th.

Budget Committee report is due February 1st.

Town Meeting 9th of March; elections 8th of March

Budget review:

Selectmen asking for an increase in stipend.

Town employees are getting 6% raises.

There are three elections next year. This affects Town Clerk's budget and Town Moderator.

Town Clerk's office needs a new firewall, etc.

419199 Supplies: 2300 for broadcast equipment to broadcast meetings held in the Town Hall meeting room. Should this come out of the planning board budget or Selectboard budget?

Police upfitting: Lease in the budget line 421061, \$17,000. Upfitting \$12,000. Replacing the 2016 cruiser.

Emergency Management: Should the director get a stipend? If the director gets a stipend, the town can hold him accountable.

Bill: There should be a line item under Building Inspector for training. Building codes change every few years and the state is pushing to have building inspectors certified.

Line 424010 Building inspector gets paid for 20 hours a week. There is no requirement for a town to have a certified inspector.

Likely Warrant Articles:

Firetruck
Firetruck capitol reserve
Library capitol reserve
Cemetery/Library road

Heritage commission is asking for \$15,000 for the heritage fund. This is used to attract matching grants. Some of these grants will need an engineering study of the Town Hall.

Department heads to talk to:

Selectboard
Fire
Police Department
Department of Public works
Town Clerk
Heritage Commission
Library

Motion to adjourn Joe Seconded Paul

Meeting adjourned at 9:07