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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 5, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

Tioga Meeting Room, Belmont Mill

It was noted that the meeting was available on Zoom however there were no participants. Chairman Mooney called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., also present were Selectman Jon Pike, Selectman Claude Patten and Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin.

Those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion followed regarding the proposed changes to the Fire Department budget, TA Beaudin explained how the wages and benefits were calculated for the proposed two new firefighters, noting they were computed from April 1. Selectman Pike inquired about what would happen if the department were able to hire a Paramedic, TA Beaudin responded that the Chief would need to work within the adopted budget to cover it. TA Beaudin highlighted the reductions that Chief had proposed from Training Pay, Part Time Call, Overtime, Vacation Buy Back, Computer, Training Expenses, Physicals, Medical & Supply and Radio & repairs. The overall adjustment with the additions and reductions is \$38,216.82 or overall budget change of a 5% increase. Chairman Mooney asked if Chief had provided the statistics on the Canterbury calls, and Police presences at Fire Calls; TA Beaudin advised he had not but that she would follow up. TA Beaudin did note that there are no modifications to the building needed for the added personnel which she had confirmed with the Chief.

Selectman Jon Pike moved to approve the Fire Department budget as amended; Selectman Claude Patten seconded the motion, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote. TA Beaudin will prepare the changes for the Budget Committee for Tuesday night and make certain Chief Newhall is advised.

TA Beaudin inquired about purchasing Chromebooks for the Cemetery Trustees; the Board unanimously agreed that they not be purchased at this time.

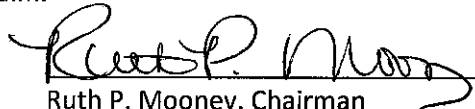
TA Beaudin reviewed for the Board the pre-applications that had been submitted to the State relative to pumpstation improvements to Coon Point and the Asset Management program. She noted that the State has indicated the Town could be eligible for up to a 22% forgiveness on the loan principal which is estimated to be \$1,000,000 for the improvements and \$30,000 for the Asset Management program. The Board unanimously agreed to include the items in the budget and warrant; noting that any loan would be repaid by user fees.

Discussion followed regarding the beach attendant position; the Board unanimously agreed that the attendant may work 24 hours per week during the time the beach is open and she may substitute for

inclement days. TA Beaudin also inquired about an hourly increase for the position from \$15.00 to \$16.25; the Board unanimously agreed. TA Beaudin will make the necessary budget adjustments.

TA Beaudin noted the next Selectmen's meeting is November 15th at 10:00 a.m. and the Budget Committee will begin meeting on Tuesday, November 9th at 6:30 p.m.

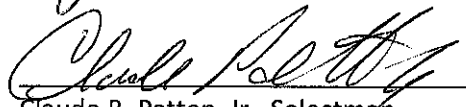
The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.



Ruth P. Mooney, Chairman



Jon Pike, Vice-Chairman



Claude B. Patten, Jr., Selectman