Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Virtual Meeting Via Zoom 6:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm. First Selectman Dan Jerram and Selectman Mary Beth Greenwood were in person at the Sessions Conference Room (Town Hall) and Selectman Alesia Kennerson attended the meeting "virtually" via zoom. The meeting was broadcast for all residents to view. Jerram indicated that Christine Hayward had a prior commitment so he would take notes and record the minutes of the meeting.

There was one Item (#1) on the agenda: 2024-2025 Budget Workshop

The purpose of the meeting was to gain a general approval of the 2024-2025 draft budget for review at the Board of Finances "Budget Workshop" to be held on the following Saturday, March 16, 2024.

With regard to Item #1. First Selectman Jerram reviewed the entirety of the town's operating budget with the Board of Selectmen reviewing the document department by department. Jerram noted that while most of the items within the town's budget were solid, some of the line items were still considered "soft" estimates that required refinement — noting that this is not uncommon at this stage in the budget process.

After a detailed review of the budget, a question-and-answer session was held.

A motion was made by Greenwood, seconded by Kennerson to approve a total budget of \$29,530,694.42 for review by the Board of Finance on March 16, 2024.

Discussion on the specifics of the motion was held - and the topic of a roof repair/replacement on New Hartford Elementary School was also discussed. Mrs. Kennerson indicated that she preferred use of "Fund Balance" (savings) to pay for any roof repair. Greenwood agreed.

Jerram called the motion on the budget, and it was unanimously approved.

As there was no other business to attend to, a motion made by Kennerson, seconded by Greenwood, to adjourn at 6:40pm. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Jerram, First Selectman

3-28-2024