

**TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OFFICE
NEW HAMPTON, NH 03256**

October 14, 2019

MEMBERS

Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour, and Mr. Mertz were present.

PRESENT:

OTHERS

Town Administrator Mrs. Lucas and Finance Officer Ms. Duggan

PRESENT:

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Irvine called the meeting of the Board to order at 5:00 p.m.

**BUDGET WORK
SESSION**

Mr. Irvine reviewed the proposed 2020 Warrant Articles.

Warrant Articles

CIP Subcommittee recommendations:

- Additional monies for paving. Hwy block grant money at roughly \$100,000 with additional \$100,000 as part of the 2020 budget and Warrant Article for additional \$100,000 as supported by CIP subcommittee.
- Blake Brook bridge replacement at \$230,000; the board agreed to request \$20,000 be added to the Town Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund instead of a replacement in 2020 to seek further grant opportunities.
- 2010 International replacement @ \$220,000, 5-yr lease/purchase (Hwy Dept)
- Purchase of 17A1 replacement, 5-yr lease/purchase, with the 1st payment out of Fire Dept Special Revenue Fund. There was discussion on lease payments, repairs, 17E3 replacement, and weighing the need for a 2nd ambulance vs other options. Further discussion with Chief Drake needed.

Relative to whether unanticipated monies could be used to replenish an Expendable Trust Fund Mrs. Lucas advised it could not be done. The board agreed to hold a hearing to use these monies to purchase the workstations and file server that would have been in the form of a warrant article.

- Consideration to replenish Fire Dept Repair and Replacement Expendable Trust Fund at \$5,000 with monies from Fire Dept Special Revenue Fund.
- PD cruiser replacement at \$40,000 – the board considered holding off on the replacement based on the CIP recommendation and whether to switch to a Dodge, and sedan vs SUV. Further discussion needed with Chief Stevens.
- Replacement of Hwy Dept backhoe – discussion on its age, hours run, repair costs and the fact it is the only backhoe in the fleet. Further discussion with Mr. Boucher needed.
- Special Detail Revolving Fund – Ms. Duggan reviewed how the fund would work and monies would be transferred. Board agreed the fund should be used solely for wages & benefits with a policy to be drafted on its accounting.

Review of spreadsheet showing health insurance policy costs. After discussion the board agreed to offer 2 policies with different deductibles.

Mr. Irvine asked Ms. Duggan to inquire what the cost of picnic tables were at the state prison as they were marked on sale.

Conservation Commission mowing at KDCA – Mr. Irvine questioned why this was shown

as part of their budget and the board agreed this should be paid by Conservation Commission Fund.

Relative to Town Clerk/Tax Collector's salary increase proposed the board agreed this should be part of the wage discussion for all employees. Additional items in her budget spreadsheet need further clarification.

OTHER BUSINESS

- The board reviewed dates for: Budget Hearing - 1/ 9, with snow date of 1/15. 1st Deliberative Session - 2/4, with snow date of 2/5. 2nd session 3/10.
- Board agreed to continue budget discussions on 10/21 at 5pm.

Ms. Duggan left the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

NON PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:07 pm Mr. Irvine made a motion, seconded by Mr. Denoncour, to go into Non-Public Session, according to RSA 91A:3 II (c) Personnel. Vote passed. Roll call was taken, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour, Mr. Mertz –Y.

PRESENT

Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour, Mr. Mertz, and Mrs. Lucas.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:15 pm, Mr. Irvine made a motion, seconded by Mr. Denoncour, to come out of Non-Public Session and to seal the minutes for 5 years. Votes were unanimous.

NON PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:16 pm Mr. Irvine made a motion, seconded by Mr. Denoncour, to go into Non-Public Session, according to RSA 91A:3 II (c) Reputation. Vote passed. Roll call was taken, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour, Mr. Mertz –Y.

PRESENT

Mr. Irvine, Mr. Denoncour, Mr. Mertz, and Mrs. Lucas.

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:17 pm, Mr. Irvine made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mertz, to come out of Non-Public Session and to seal the minutes for 5 years. Votes were unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Irvine made a motion, seconded by Mr. Denoncour, to adjourn at 7:18 pm. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Vose