

BOARD OF FINANCE
SPECIAL MEETING
TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM
MARCH 11, 2019
MINUTES

Present: D. Onofrio, A. Maklari, K. Carr, J. Scully Welch, O. NejdI, J. Adler, T. Hollinger and L. Santos

D. Onofrio called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

FINALIZE 2019/20 TOWN BUDGET

Selectman

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total budget of \$196,369. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 in favor (NejdI, Hollinger, Maklari and Adler) and 1 opposed (Scully Welch).

Finance

Adler made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to reduce General Supplies by \$1,500. The motion was unanimously approved. NejdI made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$342,902. The motion was unanimously approved.

Elections and meetings

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$36,154. The motion was approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Hollinger, NejdI and Maklari) and 2 opposed (Adler and Scully Welch).

Town Clerk

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total budget of \$148,048. The motion was unanimously approved.

Assessor

Adler made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$188,656. The motion was unanimously approved.

Tax Collector

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$163,466. The motion was unanimously approved.

Probate Court

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by NejdI to approve a total budget of \$4,524. The motion was unanimously approved.

Economic Development

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$42,000. The motion was unanimously approved.

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Inland Wetlands

Adler made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$71,639. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Maklari, Scully Welch, Adler and Hollinger) and 1 opposed (Nejdl).

Planning and Zoning

Nejdl made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to remove the Director of Planning from the budget for a reduction of \$70,000. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 3 in favor (Scully Welch, Nejdl and Hollinger) and 3 opposed (Adler, Onofrio and Maklari).

Adler made a motion to approve a total budget of \$165,534. Maklari seconded the motion. After some discussion Adler withdrew his motion.

Adler made a motion to approve a total budget of \$175,838. There was no second to the motion, the motion failed to pass.

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget of \$165,534. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 1 in favor (Maklari) and 4 opposed (Scully Welch, Nejdl, Hollinger and Adler).

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Nejdl to eliminate the planner position for \$70,000 and approve a total budget of \$105,838. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 3 in favor (Hollinger, Nejdl and Scully Welch) and 3 opposed (Adler, Maklari and Onofrio).

Nejdl made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget less \$70,000 for the planner position. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 3 in favor (Nejdl, Hollinger and Scully Welch) and 3 opposed (Adler, Maklari and Onofrio).

Adler made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget of \$175,838. The motion passed with a vote of 3 in favor (Scully Welch, Adler and Maklari) and 2 opposed (Hollinger and Nejdl).

WSAM Maintenance

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget of \$165,662. The motion was unanimously approved.

Fire Department

Adler made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$335,000. The motion was unanimously approved.

Fire Marshal

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$58,700. The motion was approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Nejdl, Hollinger, Maklari) and 2 opposed (Adler, Scully Welch).

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Communications

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total communications budget of \$605,904. The motion was unanimously approved.

Police

Scully Welch made a motion to approve a total budget of \$2,788,915. There was no second to the motion, the motion failed to pass.

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to reduce clothing allowance by \$10,000 and Uniforms by \$5,000. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 1 in favor (Maklari) and 4 opposed (Hollinger, NejdI, Adler, Scully Welch).

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Scully to restore \$60,000 to the police overtime budget. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, NejdI, Adler and Scully Welch) and 1 opposed (Maklari).

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by NejdI to approve a total budget of \$2,848,915. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, Adler, Scully Welch and NejdI) and 1 abstention (Maklari).

Animal Control

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$59,882. The motion was unanimously approved.

Civil Preparedness

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total budget of \$15,500. The motion was unanimously approved.

Water Hydrants

Adler made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$466,500. The motion was unanimously approved.

Street Lighting

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget of \$126,000. The motion was unanimously approved.

Public Works

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$1,893,028. The motion passed with a vote of 3 in favor (Scully Welch, Adler and Hollinger) and 2 opposed (NejdI and Maklari).

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Technology

Adler made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget of \$389,436. The motion was unanimously approved.

Water Pollution

Nejdl made a motion to eliminate \$10,000 for Professional Services. There was no second to the motion, the motion failed to pass.

Adler made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$73,359. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Maklari, Adler, Scully Welch, Hollinger) and 1 opposed (Nejdl).

Building

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total budget of \$121,068. The motion was unanimously approved.

Health

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$147,753. The motion was unanimously approved.

Park & Recreation

Nejdl made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to eliminate \$47,593 for the Assistant Director position, reduce \$10,000 from repairs and maintenance, reduce \$3,000 from general maintenance and \$2,500 from general supplies for a total reduction of \$63,093. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 2 in favor (Nejdl, Scully Welch) and 3 opposed (Hollinger, Maklari, Adler).

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Maklari to reduce repairs and maintenance by \$10,000, general maintenance by \$3,000 and general supplies by \$2,500 for a total reduction of \$15,500. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, Nejdl, Maklari, Scully Welch) and 1 opposed (Adler).

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total budget of \$222,754. The motion passed with a vote of 3 in favor (Maklari, Scully Welch, Hollinger) and 2 opposed (Nejdl, Adler).

Harbor Commission

The original salaries request from the commission was based on 12 weeks. The commission would like to extend the season to 17 weeks for a total salaries request of \$48,975. Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$48,975. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, Scully Welch, Maklari, Adler) and 1 opposed (Nejdl). Scully Welch amended her motion to approve a full salaries line item of \$18,367.50 and part time salaries line item of \$24,640 for a total budget of \$43,007. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Adler, Hollinger, Maklari, Scully Welch) and 1 opposed (Nejdl).

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Shellfish

Adler made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total budget of \$16,732. The motion was unanimously approved.

Human Services

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total budget of \$261,181. The motion approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Scully Welch, NejdI, Adler and Maklari) and 1 opposed (Hollinger).

General Government

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to reduce travel expense by \$6,500 and misc expenditures by \$8,000 for a total reduction of \$14,500. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, NejdI, Scully Welch, Maklari) and 1 opposed (Adler).

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Hollinger to approve a total budget of \$5,587,085. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, NejdI, Maklari and Scully Welch) and 1 opposed (Adler).

General Government Other

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total budget of \$341,437. The motion was unanimously approved.

Debt

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total Town and Board of Education debt of \$5,284,931. The motion was unanimously approved.

Library

Adler made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total library budget of \$749,820. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Adler, Scully Welch, NejdI, Maklari) and 1 opposed (Hollinger).

Capital

NejdI made a motion to eliminate \$180,000 for the Fire Department Water Supply, reduce infrastructure by \$50,000 and \$75,000 from WPCC. There was no second to the motion, the motion failed to pass.

NejdI made a motion, seconded by Maklari to reduce infrastructure by \$50,000 and eliminate the Fire Department Water Supply for \$180,000. The motion passed with a vote of 3 in favor (NejdI, Maklari, Scully Welch) and 2 opposed (Adler and Hollinger).

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to reduce Police fleet vehicles by \$14,000 for a total budget of \$36,000. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 2 in favor (Adler, Maklari) and 3 opposed (Hollinger, NejdI, Scully Welch).

NejdI made a motion to reduce WPCC by \$75,000. There was no second to the motion, the motion failed to pass.

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Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Maklari to approve a total capital budget of \$755,280. The motion was unanimously approved.

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total Board of Education capital budget of \$554,021. The motion approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Nejdl, Scully Welch, Hollinger, Maklari) and 1 opposed (Adler).

Maklari made a motion, seconded by Adler to approve a total town budget of \$18,695,330. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 2 in favor (Adler, Maklari) and 3 opposed (Nejdl, Hollinger, Scully Welch).

Hollinger made a motion, seconded by Scully Welch to approve a total town budget of \$18,695,330. The motion approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Scully Welch, Adler, Maklari) and 2 opposed (Hollinger, Nejdl).

2019/20 Board of Education Budget

Adler made a motion, seconded by Maklari to reduce the Board of Education by \$250,000 and approve a total operating budget of \$32,961,486. The motion passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Hollinger, Adler, Maklari, Scully Welch) and 1 opposed (Nejdl).

Scully Welch made a motion, seconded by Adler and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino