

Town of Clinton
 54 East Main Street
 Clinton, Connecticut 06413

**Town Council Special Meeting
 Tuesday, March 3, 2020
 7:00 pm
 Town Hall Rose Room
 Minutes**

Present: Chris Aniskovich, Carol Walter, Dennis Donovan, Tim Guerra, Eric Bergman and Christine Goupil

Absent: Mark Richards

Also present: Karl Kilduff, Town Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance.

RADIFY ADJUSTMENTS TO THE TOWN MANAGER’S PROPOSED BUDGET

T. Guerra made a motion, seconded by C. Walter for the Town Council to amend the Town Manager’s proposed budget for fiscal year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 as follows:

REVENUE

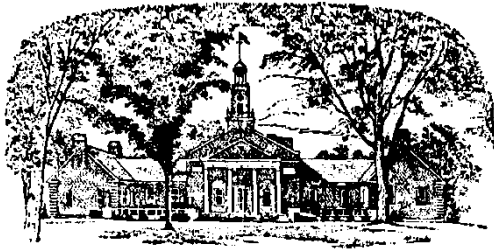
| Dept # | Dept. Name | Account | Account Description | Amount Change | Town Council Recommended |
|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 4000 | General Govt | 014000-41901 | Tax Interest/Liens/Fees | \$20,000 | \$140,000 |
| 070 | Education | 014000-43314 | Special Ed Reimbursement | \$100,000 | \$370,000 |

TOWN OPERATING BUDGET

| Account | Line Item | Amount Change | Town Council Recommended |
|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 01-5100-52300 | State Retirement Contribution | (\$24,180) | \$525,820 |
| 01-5100-52810 | Health Insurance | (\$47,077) | \$2,022,923 |
| 01-4199-53010 | Legal Services | (\$10,000) | \$80,000 |

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

| Department | Project Description | Add | Remove |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Fire Department | Exterior Painting Headquarters | | (\$30,000) |
| Fire Department | Personal Protection Gear | \$27,000 | |
| Public Works | Grounds Mower | | (\$17,500) |



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The Town Council discussed further reducing the mill rate to as close to zero as possible. D. Donovan recommended removing the following capital projects from the operational side of the budget and paying for them with undesignated surplus.

- \$220,000 Public Works 2 medium trucks
- \$40,000 Public Works truck with plow-Director
- \$60,000 Eliot School Roof Replacement
- \$80,000 Town Wide Generator for CFD HQ
- \$75,000 Town Wide WSAM Building Repairs
- \$350,000 Fire Department Fire Apparatus Replacement Reserve
- \$825,000 Total

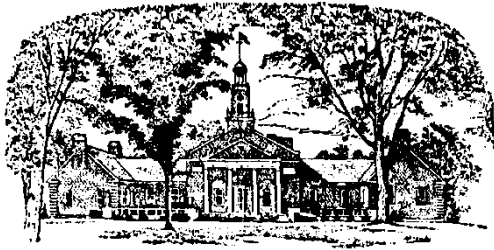
The council discussed increasing the revenue by an additional \$375,000 to fund the capital projects and further lower the mill rate.

D. Donovan amended the motion, seconded by T. Guerra to add \$375,000 to the revenue side of the budget from fund balance which would increase the Applied Fund Balance Capital line item from \$450,000 to \$825,000 total. The motion was unanimously approved with one abstention from C. Walter.

E. Bergman inquired about adding the Planner position back into the budget.

D. Donovan moved the original motion to amend the Town Manager's proposed budget for fiscal year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 which includes the Town Council's amended motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

With the additional revenue added to the budget the proposed mill rate decreased from 31.71 to 31.47 which represents a mill rate increase of 0.22.



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RECOMMEND TOWN AND BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 AND SEND TO PUBLIC HEARING

T. Guerra made a motion, seconded by C. Walter and unanimously recommended a budget for fiscal year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 to public hearing as stated below.

EXPENDITURES

| | Town Council Recommended FY2020-21 |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Town Government | \$16,507,785 |
| Board of Education | \$33,572,391 |
| Debt Service | |
| Town | \$2,142,442 |
| Education | \$3,097,758 |
| Capital Improvements | |
| Town | \$1,346,475 |
| Education | \$433,126 |
| TOTAL | \$57,099,976 |

REVENUES

| | | Town Council Recommended FY2020-21 |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Revenues | Amount to be Raised By Taxes | \$48,538,852 |
| | Intergovernmental Revenue – BOE | \$5,562,084 |
| | Intergovernmental Revenue – Town | 874,332 |
| | All Other, Fees, Permits, Etc. | 1,483,150 |
| | Appropriated Surplus | 250,000 |
| | Applied Fund Balance – Capital | 825,000 |
| Revenue Adjustments | Unfunded Circuit Breaker | (113,000) |
| | Liberty Place Abatement | (51,442) |
| | Vol. Fire Tax Exemption | (59,000) |
| | Tax Relief for Elderly/Disabled | (150,000) |
| | Deferred Tax Revenue | (60,000) |
| | TOTAL REVENUE | \$57,099,976 |



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ADJOURN

D. Donovan made a motion, seconded by T. Guerra and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino
Executive Assistant
Town Manager