

Canaan Budget Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 10, 2019
Canaan Fire Station, Canaan, NH

Attendees: Budget Committee members: John Bergeron, Ellie Davis, Patty Duszynski, Jamie Jukosky, Al Posnanski, Mike Riese, Denis Salvail, Sadie Wells; Town Administrator: Mike Samson. Public attendees: Dave McAlister. Committee members not attending: Stephen Freese, Philip Smith Jr. Recorded by Roger Lohr

Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chair Sadie Wells called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Town Administrator Mike Samson stated that there have been some changes required by the DRA and the Select Board will need to approve the changes at an emergency meeting of the Select Board to be held in advance of the Budget Committee's Public Hearing. The Budget Committee meeting was suspended.

Updated budget documents including the MS-DTB, Warrant Articles, Revenue, and the proposed budget were distributed to the committee members.

At 7:35 PM, the Select Board addressed changes in Article 12 which was \$60,000 instead of \$10,000 and Article 14, which is \$130,000 from the Unassigned Fund and \$55,000 from the General Fund. Al Posnanski made a motion which was seconded by Dave McAlister to accept Article 12 as rewritten and Article 14 as rewritten. The motion passed.

Al Posnanski made a motion which was seconded by Dave McAlister to accept the revised 2019 Canaan Revenue Budget in the amount of \$4,461,964. The motion passed.

Town Administrator Samson explained changes to the 2019 Canaan Budget expenses with HW Road Reconstruction at \$15,000 instead of \$55,000.

Al Posnanski made a motion which was seconded by Dave McAlister to accept the revised 2019 Canaan Budget. The motion passed.

The Select Board emergency meeting was continued if needed for any other changes. The Budget Committee meeting was reconvened at 7:40 PM.

Ellie Davis made a motion which was seconded by Sadie Wells to approve the 2019 Canaan default budget and the revised 2019 Canaan Revenue Budget in the amount of \$4,461,964. The motion passed \$ 0.00.

Chair Sadie Wells opened the Public Hearing and the Committee members then proceeded to review the proposed 2019 Canaan budget.

Ellie Davis reviewed the Warrant Articles as presented and the Committee agreed to not address articles 15-18. It was stated that the Tri County Cap petition article was delivered too late to be included on the Canaan Warrant Article document.

A typo was found in Article 12. The Select Board addressed the change.

Al Posnanski made a motion which was seconded by Dave McAllister to accept Article 12 as revised. The motion passed.

Ellie Davis made a motion which was seconded by Mike Riese to accept article 12 as revised. The motion passed 8-0-0.

Ellie Davis made a motion which was seconded by Denis Salvail to accept article 14 as revised. The motion passed 7-1-0 (Davis opposed).

Davis reviewed executive, town administration, town clerk, tax collection, and election expenses. Davis left the meeting.

Wells reviewed printing, bookkeeping, budget committee, assessments, treasurer, trustee expenses, and data processing.

Duszynski reviewed legal, personnel, planning board, and government building expenses.

Bergeron reviewed cemetery, insurance, general government, police, ambulance, fire department, building inspection, and emergency management.

Salvail reviewed mechanic, road agent, highway, bridge inspection, and street lighting expense.

Posnanski reviewed transfer station, health, welfare expenses, and recreation expenses.

Jukosky reviewed library, cultural, patriotic, and conservation accounts.

Wells reviewed debt service, capital equipment, and improvements.

Riese reviewed the sewer and water accounts.

Town Administrator Samson will submit the budget information to the DRA and expects to receive the MS' for the Budget Committee to sign. He asked the members of the Budget Committee to stop by the town office to sign the MS' document by the end of the week.

The public hearing was closed at 8:02 PM. The Select Board emergency meeting was adjourned.

Chair Wells expressed appreciation for the work done on the budget by the committee members, the chair and particularly the Town Administrator Samson.

3. Adjournment

Denis Salvail made a motion which was seconded by John Bergeron to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 7-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.
