

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM  
FEBRUARY 20, 2019  
MINUTES

Present: First Selectman Christine Goupil, Selectmen Jack Scherban, Carol Walter, Tim Guerra and Phillip Sengle

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

Goupil provided a brief budget overview and reviewed the process going forward.

#### Technology

Ivan Bailey recommended reducing IT/Technology Maintenance by \$4,800 and moving \$12,800 from INFRAS Copiers/Printers to the capital budget. The overall budget would decrease from \$407,036 to \$389,436. Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total technology budget of \$389,436. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Selectman

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve a total Selectman budget of \$196,369. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Finance

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve a total finance budget of \$284,402. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Election and Meetings

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban to add \$2,000 to the salaries part-time line item. Sengle amended his motion to reflect \$2,000 each for a total of \$4,000. There was no second to the motion. The motion failed to pass. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Walter to add \$2,000 total to the salaries part-time line item. The motion unanimously approved. Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total budget of \$38,154. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Town Clerk

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

#### Assessor

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

#### Tax Collector

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

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Probate Court

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

Economic Development Commission

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

Inland Wetlands

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve a total budget of \$71,639. The motion was unanimously approved.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Walter to approve a total budget of \$2,800. The motion was unanimously approved.

Planning & Zoning

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve a total budget of \$165,534. The motion was unanimously approved.

WSAM Maintenance

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

Fire Department

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

Fire Marshal

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve a total budget of \$58,700. The motion was unanimously approved.

Communications

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve a total budget of \$605,094. The motion passes with a vote of 3 in favor (Walter, Guerra and Scherban) and 1 opposed (Sengle).

Police

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total budget of \$2,788,915. The motion was unanimously approved.

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Animal Control

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

Civil Preparedness

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

Water Hydrants

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

Street Lighting

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

Public Works

Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve a total budget of \$1,889,122. The motion approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Walter, Scherban and Sengle) and 1 opposed (Guerra).

Water Pollution

Walter recused herself from this discussion. \$1,200 for Program Cost was eliminated from the budget. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve a total budget of \$73,359. The motion unanimously approved with one abstention from Walter.

Building

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

Health

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

Park & Recreation

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to reduce repairs and maintenance by \$5,000 for a total budget of \$238,254. The motion was unanimously approved.

Harbor

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to approve a total budget of \$33,960. The motion was unanimously approved.

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Shellfish

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

Human Services

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve a total budget of \$268,715. The motion was unanimously approved.

General Government

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve a total budget of \$5,681,039. The motion was unanimously approved.

General Government Other

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to reduce contingency by \$20,000. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 2 in favor (Guerra and Scherban) and 2 opposed (Sengle and Walter).

Walter made a motion, seconded by Sengle to approve a total budget of \$341,437. The motion approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Walter, Scherban and Sengle) and 1 opposed (Guerra).

Debt

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total budget of \$5,284,931. The motion was unanimously approved.

Library

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total budget of \$769,820. Guerra recommended reducing the budget by \$10,000. Walter and Scherban withdrew their motion. Guerra made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total budget of \$759,820. The motion was unanimously approved.

Capital

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to recommend to the Board of Finance establishing a capital non-recurring expense account with surplus funds and appropriate \$1,281,250 in surplus funds for various capital projects as listed below. The motion was unanimously approved.

Infrastructure Town Wide Maintenance

Paving (patching)	\$300,000
Crack Sealing	\$60,000
Drainage Repairs	\$25,000
Sidewalks	\$80,000
Walnut Street - Marine Ave	\$24,000
Marine Avenue Drainage	\$36,050

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Heavy Duty Dump	\$200,000
Eliot Eternal Water Pipes Replace	\$556,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,281,250</b>

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to eliminate Police Trailer Replacement for \$12,000 and reduce infrastructure by \$18,300. The motion was unanimously approved. \$12,800 was added to Technology to establish an archiving system for FOI. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to reduce WPCC capital by \$25,000 for a total of \$75,000. The motion was approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Scherban, Guerra and Sengle) and 1 abstention (Walter). Guerra made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve a total capital budget of \$985,290. The motion approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Guerra, Scherban and Sengle) and 1 opposed (Walter).

Total town budget

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Scherban to approve and recommend to the Board of Finance a total town budget of \$18,944,370 which represents an increase of 4.98 percent or \$899,271. The motion approved with a vote of 3 in favor (Scherban, Sengle and Guerra) and 1 abstention (Walter).

**ADJOURN**

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino

Recording Secretary