

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD, NH
MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**

George B. White Building
8 Raymond Rd. Deerfield, NH 03037

December 6, 2022
Meeting Minutes - Draft

Meeting called to order by the Vice Chair at 6:00.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present - Bonnie Beaubien, Phil Bilodeau, Joshua Cresswell, Will Huebner, Zach Langlois, Maureen Quinn, Jenifer Lee

Absent - Jocelyn Messier, Kevin Verville, Bill Von Hassel

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Langlois to approve the minutes of the 11/29/22 meeting as written, seconded by Ms. Beaubien. Mr. Cresswell noted one correction to be made; he abstained from voting on the minutes of the 11/17/22 as he was not at that meeting. All were in favor of approving the 11/29/22 minutes as written. Motion passed.

Mr. Langlois gave a brief update on the progress of the school budget.

New Business:

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Water Holes/Forest Fires budget in the amount of \$6252.00. Motion was seconded by Mr. Langlois. Fire Chief Matt Fisher answered questions from the MBC members. All in favor to recommend approval. Motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Fire/Rescue budget in the amount of \$332,334.00, seconded by Mr. Langlois. Chief Fisher answered questions about this budget as well. Mr. Langlois made a motion to add \$1.00 to the Full Time FireFighter line, seconded by Mr. Bilodeau. Vote was Yay - 6, Nay - 2, Abstain - 0. Motion passed. Mr. Langlois then made a motion to subtract \$1.00 from the Safety Compliance line, in order to keep the bottom line of the Fire/Rescue budget the same. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bilodeau. Vote was Yay - 6, Nay - 2, Abstain - 0. Motion passed. All were in favor of recommending approval of the Fire/Rescue budget. Motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Highway Administration budget in the amount of \$246,327.00, seconded by Mr. Langlois. Mr. Huebner and Peter Schibbelhute answered questions from the MBC. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Streets & Roads Expenses budget in the amount of \$476,869.00, seconded by Mr. Langlois. Mr. Huebner and Mr. Schibbelhute also answered questions about this budget. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Equipment, Resurfacing & Tarring budget in the amount of \$5001.00, seconded by Ms. Quinn. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Road Reconstruction budget in the amount of \$266,455.00, seconded by Mr. Langlois. All in favor, motion passed. Mr. Roy made a motion to request that the Board of Selectmen establish a trust fund for the highway dept, seconded by Ms. Quinn. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Gravel budget in the amount of \$20,001.00, seconded by Ms. Quinn. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Langlois left the meeting at 7:18 PM.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Transfer Station Administration budget in the amount of \$84,168.00. **Motion was not seconded**, but discussion did continue and the motion was voted on. Mr. Huebner and Mr. Schibbelhute answered questions about all of the Transfer Station budgets. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Transfer Station Expenses - Waste Disposal budget in the amount of \$42,613.00, seconded by Mr. Cresswell. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Solid Waste Disposal budget in the amount of \$295,901.00, seconded by Ms. Quinn. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Building Inspector budget in the amount of \$43,643.00, seconded by Ms. Beaubien. Kevin Lemieux answered questions from the MBC members. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to recommend approval of the Veasey Park Commission budget in the amount of \$39,997.00, seconded by Ms. Beaubien. Travis McCoy answered questions from the MBC members. Mr. Cresswell made a motion to increase the hourly rate of pay for the lifeguards to \$15/hour, increasing the line to \$19,800, and increasing the bottom line of the Veasey Park Commission budget to \$44,597.00. Motion was seconded by Ms. Lee. Vote was Yay - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 1. Motion passed. All were in favor of recommending approval of the overall Veasey Park Commission budget, motion passed.

Citizen's Comments: None

The next meeting was confirmed to be on 12/13.

Mr. Huebner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Quinn. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned by the Vice Chair at 7:56 PM.

These minutes were transcribed and respectfully submitted by
Tina St. Peter, Recording Secretary
Pending approval by the Municipal Budget Committee