

Budget Committee
Minutes – January 29, 2020

The Vice-Chair, Chris Gilpatrick, opened the meeting at 6:34 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were, Jeri Basko, Chris Gilpatrick, Dan Corliss, Elaine Hall, David White, Deborah Wilson, Skip Wood, Joyce Wood and three Selectmen, Paul Philbrick, Chuck Russell and Corinna Cole. Absent from the Budget Committee was Chip Harlow.

Minutes of January 22, 2020 were read. Motion made by David White, second by Skip Wood and approved by all to accept as submitted.

ANIMAL CONTROL: \$19,000

The Selectmen presented the ACO budget.

- Request amount same as last year.
- Wages with Cola increase
- Outside Services Changing to Cocheco -should be \$300 less per dog – no cats

Suggestion made to reduce budget due to YTD balance – discussed – Selectmen agreed to bring to a Board meeting for a potential \$1,500 decrease.

LIBRARY: \$19,571.20 (INCREASE OF \$355)

Budget presented by Selectmen.

- Wages increase with Cola
- Supplies: request for a \$500 increase for books.
- Equipment: requesting a 'book truck' \$240

CMP: \$32,084.00

Presented by Selectmen

- New contract approved
- Not sure this belongs under CMP and will discuss under CIP \$24,062.39 in CIP (question and discussion on interest?)
- Take to voters for vote on continuing with spraying discussed.

TRANSFER STATION: \$431,644 (Increase of \$33,409)

Present by the Selectmen.

- Wages: increase due to COLA and new State law (1 hour paid time off after 40 hours)
- Utilities up by \$500
- Outside Services: Locked into contract with Waste Management with a 6% increase every year (three-year contract)
- Accepting corrugated cardboard and aluminum cans - will receive some income from these
- Metal, income should double for the metal
- Commercial Haulers – discussed in detail

Next week: Codes & Land Use, General Assistance, Relief Agencies, Recreation and Cemetery Care.

OTHER:

Question about the pay scale schedule for sub-contractors – discussed briefly. Selectmen will be reviewing.

Motion to adjourn by David White, second by Dan Corliss and approved by all.

Meeting adjourned by Chair, Jeri Basko at 8:20.