

Lebanon, Maine
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Town Office Conference Room
Minutes –Meeting
January 10, 2024

HP Paul Philbrick – Chairman
CH Richard Harlow III – Selectman
Shelli Boucher – Selectwoman **Excused**
MW Michael Walsworth - Vice Chair
Kevin Edwards – Selectman **Excused**

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6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Budget

1. Fire Chief Stefano presented his “Lebanon Fire-EMS Proposed Budget FY 2025” to the Select Board. The proposed budget totaled \$983,249.91.
2. Select Board reviewed the budget line by line with Chief Stefano. The Board expressed to Chief Stefano the LD-1 limit imposed on the Town’s budget and the affect that it had on his proposed budget.
3. The Select Board identified line items that needed to be clarified on what expenses will be applied to them to prevent confusion in reviewing the budget next year and to ensure billings are charged to the appropriate line.
4. The Select Board, working with Chief Stefano, identified areas that needed to be addressed on the proposed budget. One of these areas is the monthly rental for the temporary fire operations center on Merchants Row and the associated cost of operating the department under the present conditions.
5. The Select Board and the Chief agreed to send the revised proposed Fire budget to the Budget Committee for review. The revised proposed budget totaled slightly over \$1 million.

8:54 PM

Executive Session

1. Fire Chief Stefano requested an executive session for personnel.
2. **Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to enter into Executive Session for Personnel Issues pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6)(A) – Fire Department. Seconded by Chair Philbrick. Motion passed 3-0.**

9:16 PM

1. **Vice Chair Walsworth motioned to exit executive session and to adjourn the Board meeting. Seconded by Chair Philbrick. Motion passed 3-0.**