

Town of Danbury

Municipal Budget Committee – Meeting Minutes

December 29th, 2022

Call to Order 6:30pm

Members present: Lenny Ryan, Anna Hullinger, Jessica Hatch (Selectman’s rep), Doug Boisvert, Tracy Feinauer, Jim Phelps

Members absent: Laura Upton-Baker

Selectmen Present: Tracy Shepard

Old business:

Minutes from December 15th, 2022 reviewed:

Minutes reviewed; no amendments required.

Lenny motioned to approve minutes as is, Anna second, approved by voice vote.

Doug to send approved minutes to Jessica to be posted on the Town of Danbury website.

New business:

Regional Associations:

Request received from Community Action Program in the amount of \$2,100.00

Discussion ensued in regard to the request.

Selectmen recommended request from Community Action Program in the amount of \$2,100.00

Jim motioned to approve selectmen’s recommended budget request of \$2,100.00, Anna second, voice vote taken, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

Total Expenses:

Selectmen recommended increase for Total Expenses of \$105,477.00 from \$1,442,268.00 to \$1,547,745.00

Budget Committee recommended increase for Total Expenses of \$103,277.00 from \$1,442,268.00 to \$1,545,545.00

Jim motioned to accept Budget Committees recommend increase of \$103,277.00 for a total of \$1,545,545.00, Tracy second, voice vote take, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

Capital Reserve:

Discussion ensued in regard to Capital Reserve items on worksheet.

Anna motioned to approve Selectmen recommended total of \$267,000.00 for all line items on the Capital Reserves worksheet, no second to the motion, motion failed, no vote taken.

Road Construction Capital Reserve:

Selectmen recommended \$100,000.00; Budget Committee recommended \$75,000.00

Jim motioned to accept Budget Committees recommendation of \$75,000.00, Lenny second, voice vote taken, 5 in favor, 1 opposed

Highway Loader Capital Reserve:

Selectmen recommended \$35,000.00; Budget Committee recommended an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 to be raised by taxation.

Jim motioned to accept Budget Committees recommendation in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 to be raised by taxation, Lenny second, voice vote taken 5 in favor, 1 opposed.

Highway Equipment Capital Reserve:

Selectmen recommended \$50,000.00; Budget Committee recommended \$0.00

Jim motioned to accept Budget Committees recommendation in the amount of \$0.00, Lenny second, voice vote take, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

Bridge Fund Capital Reserve:

Selectmen recommended \$25,000.00; Budget Committee recommended \$25,000.00

Jim motioned to accept Selectmen's recommendation in the amount of \$25,000.00, Anna second, voice vote taken, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

Property Revaluation Capital Reserve:

Selectmen recommended \$7,000.00; Budget Committee recommended \$7,000.00

Jim motioned to accept Selectmen's recommendation in the amount of \$7,000.00, Lenny second, voice vote taken 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

Emergency Services Building Capital Reserve:

Selectmen recommended \$50,000.00; Budget Committee recommended \$25,000.00

Jim motioned to accept Budget Committees recommendation in the amount of \$25,000.00, Lenny second, voice vote taken, 5 in favor, 1 opposed.

Upcoming dates of importance:

Budget Committee Public Hearing is scheduled for Thursday January 12th, 2023, at 7:00pm, snow date of Friday January 13th, 2023, at 7:00pm

Budget Committee is required to present their final budget to the Selectmen no later than January 26, 2023

First Deliberative Session scheduled for Thursday February 9th, 2023, at 7:00pm, snow date of Friday February 10th, 2023, at 7:00pm

Danbury Town Voting Day scheduled for March 14th, 2023

Jim motioned to adjourn at 7:37 pm, Lenny 2nd, verbal vote taken, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Boisvert