

**Town of Danbury  
Tuesday**

**Selectmen's Meeting**

**Date:** November 20, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM by Chester Martin

**Members Present:** Chester Martin, Jim Larkin and Christie Phelps

**Others Present:** Diane O'Brien/Administrative Assistant is on vacation.

A letter was signed to the Department of Transportation requesting Jim Phelps be given approval for a second driveway on this property on NH Route 104.

Christie made a motion to recommend \$10000 for legal expenses in the budget, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved 3 – 0.

Christie asked what they were going to recommend for the town clerk-tax collector budget. Chet stated they needed to take out the \$450.00 for the cemetery software. He also stated it was hard to determine payroll without time cards to show hours worked. Christie stated someone needed to make a motion to recommend the budget of \$47131. Jim motioned and Christie 2<sup>nd</sup> the town clerk-tax collector budget of \$47131, Chet did not respond.

Personnel administration budget was recommended at \$81625.

Christie noted the budget committee would have to take care of the animal control line in the police department budget as the police department never came in to meet with the selectmen.

Christie also asked if the board was going to recommend the following warrant articles: the fire department pump repair which Jim stated they should and Chet stated he agreed, as well as to the \$2000 for the fire equipment grant and the capitol reserve for fire department equipment.

Christie questioned recommending the \$4160 for a filing clerk for the selectmen's office for 8 hours per week at \$10/hr. Chet asked Christie for her opinion where she has help in Alexandria. Christie stated she had 12 hours help per week but she was open to the public 5 days per week for 40 hours. Christie stated anything to do with Diane would not fly as there was not a good opinion of her, from what she understands. She would prefer to let Jim and Chet make the call on this issue. It was then determined the article would only be for 42 weeks at 8 hrs/wk for at total of \$3360. Jim motioned to recommend a file clerk for the selectmen's office at \$3360, Chet 2<sup>nd</sup>, Christie did not respond.

Newfound Lake Region Association has requested an appropriation of \$500 this year. Christie is not recommending the appropriation and motioned to recommend zero for the appropriation, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved. Chet did not respond.

Christie motioned a health officer costs warrant article of \$500 for clean up costs possibly incurred, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved.

\$190000 for a rescue truck was not recommended. A capitol reserve for future equipment had been previously recommended by the board. The fire department stipend was also not recommended previously

The total of the budget appropriation is \$1,055,890 and the total warrant articles appropriations is \$333,570. Total selectmen's requested budget is \$1,399,982.80. Total Selectmen's recommended budget is \$1,174,750.

Christie asked if Diane has remote access to the town's computer at her home. Jim & Chet stated they did not know. Christie stated she considers this a huge liability to the town as her computer could be hacked into and would like it forbidden. Tabled till Diane returns.

The Waste Management contract was reviewed and signed. Jim will mail the contract. The Comcast final contract was also discussed and copy's made to review.

Chet asked if Christie had read the minutes, she stated she hadn't.

The fire department requested an account be opened with Sanel and it was noted the town already has an account with them. The selectmen do not feel we need a second account.

Chet motioned to adjourn to the budget committee meeting at 6:53 PM, Christie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved 3 - 0.

Respectfully Submitted By: Diane M. O'Brien