

Minutes of the Burrillville Budget board held Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Building, 105 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Arthur R. Hurley, Chair, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and alternate members Michael Lamoureux and Tom Rambacher (voting member).

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Larocque, Finance Director and Rose Doughty, Treasurer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nathan St. Pierre was excused.

Consider and act on Town Budgets:

1. **VOTED** to approve the minutes of the regular meetings held on February 7 and February 14, 2019 and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes; be now taken up.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

2. Consider and act on Town Budgets:

- Deliberate on School Department Budget requests

Margaret Dudley, former Town Council member and former Budget Board member addressed the Budget Board regarding the School Department budget. She urged the Budget Board to be responsible in their recommendation and propose a School Department budget that does not exceed the school department's portion of the 4% tax cap.

The Budget Board discussed their history of never recommending a budget that would exceed the tax cap; the School Department maintenance of effort for the FY 2020 budget; expected State Aid; contract obligations; and the rationale used to formulate the recommendation for the FY 2019 budget.

**VOTED** to increase the School Department Operating budget by \$728,905 (2.2%) over fiscal year 2019.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Karen Francisco. The motion carried, four in favor, one opposed. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco and Robert Tetreault. Tom Rambacher voted in opposition.

- Deliberate and act on Department Operating Budget Requests

**VOTED** to recommend a Personnel Board budget of \$8,255.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Judy Aubin. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Michael Lamoureux. Tom Rambacher was out of the room.

**VOTED** to recommend a budget of \$46,000 for Elected Officials.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a budget for Town Manager of \$215,603.

Motion by Karen Francisco. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to fund Professional Services at \$136,300.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a budget of \$266,685 for Town Clerk.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to support a budget of \$82,115 for Board of Canvassers.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Karen Francisco. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a Treasurer budget of \$353,360.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to support a budget of \$134,546 for Tax Collector.

Motion by Tom Rambacher. Seconded by Judy Aubin. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a budget for the Budget Board of \$10,400.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Judy Aubin. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to support the Information Technology request of \$262,036.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a budget of \$146,305 for Tax Assessor.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Karen Francisco. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to fund Board of Assessment Review at \$1,300.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a budget of \$142,932 for Planning.

Motion by Karen Francisco. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**MOTION** to fund the Planning Board at \$12,900. Motion by Tom Rambacher. Seconded by Robert Tetreault.

**AMENDMENT** to fund the Planning Board at \$12,750 with postage reduced to \$150.

Amended motion by Tom Rambacher. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**Building Official**

**VOTED** to reduce Repair Equipment to \$300.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to fund Vehicle Supplies at \$10.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to level fund Postage at \$50.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Karen Francisco. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a total Building Official budget of \$137,905.

Motion by Tom Rambacher. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**MOTION** to reduce Zoning Board Office Supplies to \$500. Motion by Judy Aubin.

**AMENDMENT** to reduce Zoning Board Office Supplies to \$750.

Amended motion by Karen Francisco. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

**VOTED** to recommend a total budget of \$15,051 for the Zoning Board.

Motion by Karen Francisco. Seconded by Tom Rambacher. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

- Deliberate and act on Special Appropriation requests: No deliberation

3. Other Business: None

**VOTED** to adjourn at 9:06 p.m.

Motion by Judy Aubin. Seconded by Robert Tetreault. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Arthur R. Hurley, Judy Aubin, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault and Tom Rambacher.

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Judy Aubin, Secretary

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Date Approved: