

Minutes of the Burrillville Budget board held Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS: Nathan St. Pierre, Chair, Judy Aubin, Vice Chair, Karen Francisco, Robert Tetreault, Michael Lamoureux, and alternate members Donald Davies and Anthony Zampello.

Other Members Present: Leslie McGovern, Finance Director and Christine Mulligan, Deputy Treasurer.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Karen Francisco and Michael Lamoureux.

Budget Board members Karen Francisco and Michael Lamoureux were not in attendance making alternate members Donald Davies and Anthony Zampello voting members.

1. **MINUTES:** That the question of accepting the minutes of the regular meeting held Thursday February 22, 2024 and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes; be now taken up.

Motion by Judy Aubin to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on Thursday February 22, 2024. **Seconded** by Robert Tetreault, all in favor.

2. Consider and act on Town Budgets

- Deliberate and act on Departmental CIP requests
- Deliberate and work on CIP recommendation to Town Manager
- Deliberate and act on Operating budget requests

Tax Assessor

Motion by Judy Aubin to table the discussion regarding the Tax Assessor until next week. **Seconded** by Anthony Zampello, all in favor.

Board of Assessment Review

Motion by Robert Tetreault to fund the Board of Assessment review at \$1,300. **Seconded** by Donald Davies, all in favor.

Tax Assessor

Motion by Judy Aubin to approve the total budget for the Tax Assessor at \$77,900. **Seconded** by Robert Tetreault, all in favor.

Planning Department

Motion by Judy Aubin to accept the request of \$164,418 for the Planning Department. **Seconded** by Anthony Zampello, all in favor.

Planning Board

Motion by Judy Aubin to approve the request for \$13,490 for the Planning Board for FY2025. **Seconded** by Robert Tetreault, all in favor.

Building Department

Motion by Robert Tetreault to table the discussion regarding the Building Department until next week. **Seconded** by Donald Davies, all in favor.

Zoning Board

Motion by Judy Aubin to accept the request of \$15,719 for the Zoning Board. **Seconded** by Anthony Zampello, all in favor.

Police Patrol

Motion by Robert Tetreault to accept the request for two police vehicles at \$142,755 through the operating budget. **Seconded** by Donald Davies, all in favor.

It was mentioned by the Board that this is now a recurring expense that has been moved into the Town's operating budget.

Motion by Judy Aubin to remove the attendance award from the Police Department request. **Seconded** by Anthony Zampello, all in favor.

Motion by Anthony Zampello to fund the K-9 program at \$15,000. **Seconded** by Robert Tetreault, all in favor.

Motion by Robert Tetreault to change the allocation for the major case investigation from \$2,000 to \$1,400. **Seconded** by Judy Aubin, all in favor.

Motion by Judy Aubin to reduce the repair building request from \$20,000 to \$15,000. There was no second, motion failed.

Motion by Robert Tetreault to adjust the repair building request from \$20,600 to \$18,000, **seconded** by Anthony Zampello.

Voting in favor of the motion was Nathan St. Pierre, Robert Tetreault, Donald Davies and Anthony Zampello, opposed was Judy Aubin. **Motion passed** with a vote of four to one.

Motion by Judy Aubin to level fund the tuition reimbursement at \$5,000, **seconded** by Robert Tetreault.

The Board discussed that the Colonel had mentioned his expectations of at least one officer attending this coming year.

Judy Aubin withdrew her motion to level fund the tuition reimbursement.

Motion by Judy Aubin to table the discussion on the tuition reimbursement. **Seconded** by Robert Tetreault, all in favor.

Police Dispatch

Motion by Anthony Zampello to approve the total budget for the Police Dispatch at \$323,387. **Seconded** by Donald Davies, all in favor.

- Deliberate on School Department Budget requests

3. Other Business: None

4. Adjournment

- **VOTED** to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

Motion by Robert Tetreault. Seconded by Judy Aubin, the vote was unanimous.

Karen Francisco, Secretary

Date Approved