

01/27/22 7:00pm Carl Brunetti

Carl Brunetti, Bob Turner, Nicholas Rodrigues, Mike Babbitt, Mike O'Connell, Rhonda Lacombe, **Craig Joly**, Ram Maddipudi, Bruce Whitehead, Andrew Esposito

Also in attendance:

*if marked **red** this denotes absent

Minutes: Approve minutes of the 6/2 Bob Turner second Mike Babbitt unanimous

Minutes Approve minutes of 6/21 certification of budget Bob Turner second Mike Babbitt unanimous

Minutes Approve minutes of 9/30/2021 of Bob Turner second Mike Babbitt unanimous

Correspondence:

9/29/21 Email to Superintendent and Brian Sullivan Acting Town Administrator for updates on the FY22 Budget- No response.

12/10/21 Town Council District 3 and District 2 open positions nothing yet still looking.

12/13/21 Town Clerk of Budget Board calendar update with conflicting board meetings.

12/31/21 Town Council President Macksoud – Building Committee every Thursday and this would conflict, the Building Committee agreed to change meeting nights to Wednesday and the committee will hear from Bob Turner and Mike Babbitt so they can leave the meeting when we have the Budget Board meetings the same evening.

1/6/22 Town Administrator Gould re: Electronic Access for the meetings

1/11/22 Carl Attended the School Committee Meeting by Zoom. Asked of the Business Manager FY22 Project status and a copy of the report. Schedule of Date of workshops meeting on the capital.

1/14/22 Replacement for Donna Sullivan's position will be Bruce Whitehead. This was left off the Town Council agenda so it will have to wait to be voted on at the next meeting.

1/20/22 School Committee Operation Budget Sub Committees first time we have had no handouts at the meeting.

Superintendent on the full scope is ready then you will get a copy. Usually a working document is handed out and the Superintendent reminded that we have 2 more meetings scheduled at which time you will receive the documents.

1/24/22 Town Administrator Gould, Town Council Macksoud and John Ward Finance Director regarding the FY21 Audit is delayed hoping by the 28th of February. If not, we will ask for the unaudited version. Bob Turner asked to have the unaudited version sent by the Town Clerk for review.

1/25/22 Capital Subcommittee, Superintendent sent the 5-year capital plan by email.

1/27/22 Mike O'Connell email for a long term fiscal outlook for the town. Also, sent with Budget increases over the last 6 years. Interesting and excellent job showing the trend of the increases.

Public Comment: Nothing

New Business:

Revenues are 55.9% collected which is down slightly. Real Estate taxes are 76% collections. Gaming receipts are coming in close to 1 Million we are expecting to track at 5.1 which will allow us to transfer 1.1 back to the Capital reserve. VLT will be capped at 5.2 overage will go to Fund 50.

School Department reported that as of 1/6/22 there is a surplus of 90,449.

Nicholas Rodrigues welcome to the Budget Board

Bruce Whitehead welcome even though not appointed as of yet. Still attending for the process

Dist. 3 Still has an open position

FY 21 Municipal no update

FY 21 Education Budget no audit will table

FY22 Municipal Budget Carl has sent 1/18/2022

Status of Municipal projects nothing yet

Status of School Department Capital Projects nothing yet

Agenda item- Discussion of Budget History Since 2011- Mike O'Connell email

School Department for the American Rescue money was looking to have all of the HVAC systems and if they are done according to the quote received it will exceed all of the funds received. The total request is 2.795 Million

In addition, the School Department wants to replace the 2 boilers out at the Middle School, this was discussed last year and no need if not being used.

Also looking to add to the Media Center not completely just a portion?

School Committee meeting to make adjustments to the Budget approximately 721K Looking to see what they can reduce total 1,448,036 and 3.34 increase

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn Bob Turner second by Mike O'Connell at 8:45pm

Next Meeting date: 2/16/2022-Budget Presentation