

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING**  
**December 18, 2021**  
**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Shawn Talbot, Chair; Jason Somero and Bert Hamill Selectmen  
Jim Coffey, Town Administrator; Susan Mallett

**Also attending in audience:** Alan Doyle, Meredith Lund Fire Chief, Mike Abel Police Chief, Emari Traffic

Open Meeting at 9:00

Jim Coffey handed out the refreshed copies of the "Budget Worksheet – Expenditures" and the "MS-636". He then reviewed the documents briefly. The Board decided to go line by line to see if anything needed updating.

The first item of question was BOS vehicle maintenance, while the amounts stayed the same, it was questioned what would they do with the car. The answer was to auction it off.

The next item was BOS Communication Tel, int, Cell, it was noted there was no amount in there, and that it should in fact be \$8500.

Moving on to BOS Travel Miles, Meals, Lodging, It was determined to change the amount from \$350 to \$1 as there is no anticipated training travel.

As the Fire Chief was in attendance the Board moved onto that department's budget. Chief Lund explained the needs and priorities of the department and explained the line items. While many items were discussed, the final budget number remained the same

The Board moved onto the Police Department budget with Chief Abel in attendance. The only item that needed changing was the PD Health Insurance line, for a reduction of \$20,446.

Elections, Registrations & Vital Stats was the next budget item reviewed. Under the Moderator section it was noted there was a duplicate entry, and it was removed. This reduced the total by \$450.

Under Vital Stats, the line item TC/Tax Retirement, was changed from \$8004 to \$0.

Moving onto the DPW budget, DPW Wildlife Mgmt. was changed to \$0, Tree Removal Subcontractor changed to \$1, Signs and Markers increased by \$500 to \$1500. And the Transfer Station had one change to TS General Supplies, to \$750.

Going to the Legal budget, it was determined to reduce the "Legal Selectmen" from \$30K to \$20K.

The Budget worksheet will be updated to reflect these changes and the discussion will continue at the next BOS meeting on Dec 21, 2022 along with the Warrants.

At 1:00 pm a motion to adjourn was made by Chair Talbot, and seconded by Selectman Somero, all were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Mallett, Land Admin


Minutes approved by BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Shawn Talbot, Chairman:



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Jason Somero:



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Bert Hamill:



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