

Budget Committee Meeting: January 19, 2022

1. Meeting opened at 6:00 and ended at 7:35. Members present were Elaine Higgins, Tim Biggs Ron Price, Prentice Grassi and myself. Absent was Laura Greeley and Doug Van Horn. Also present was Dyann Anderson, Town Treasurer.
2. Dyann Anderson provided a new all expense sheet and a Revenue Sheet thru 11/19/2022. Dyann reported the current fund balance at \$440,562.14, an amount which is about two times the amount recommended by the State for a town that has a tax budget of our size.
3. We reviewed all lines as far as the Summer Roads line in Public Works. We had intended to review Summer Roads and Winter Roads, but Travis was absent due to a breakdown on one of the plows. A few of the expense lines had changed and you will see them on the updated budget attached. We made a few changes; added a Payroll Service line in Gen'l Government, lowered the TRIO line, the Registry of Deeds line and the Health Officer line. Also, the extra revenue Solid Waste, over and above the \$15,000 dedicated to a Solid Waste Capital Reserve Account, was carried over to be used to reduce the Tax Budget for this year. The Tax budget is now down to \$804,188.12, but there is still more to do. We also discussed the idea of contracting with another town to do their winter roads. We will be largely focused on summer and winter roads at the next meeting.

We agreed to meet again Tuesday, Jan 25th at 6:00. The budget and the warrant need to be ready no later than Feb 14th.

Steve