

Board of Selectmen – December 12, 2009

Present: Searle, Babson, Mills, Dugan, Tsagaris

Also present: Larsen, Ketchen, Connolly, Strother, Duggan

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 8:00 am.

Warrant: None.

Citizen Speak: None.

Minutes: None

Business:

A. Budget Overview

- Mr. Larsen and Ms. Duggan gave a brief introduction to the Board's annual Saturday budget meeting.
- Total departmental requests for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 (FY2011) were \$14,178,650 and the total tax impact request, which includes non-departmental budgets, was \$46,765,041.

B. Fire Department

- Chief Richard Delorie and Deputy Chief Jeffrey Peterson appeared before the Board to make a presentation on the budget request for the Fire Department (\$4,434,718) and Emergency Medical Services (\$80,000).

C. Executive Director

- Mr. Larsen made a presentation on the following budget requests:
 - Executive Director's Office (\$390,434)
 - Selectmen's Miscellaneous (\$16,618)
 - Central Administrative Services (\$101,142)

D. Finance Department

- Ms. Strother made a presentation on the budget request for the Finance Department (\$352,099)

E. Treasurer/Collector, Shared Costs and Special Items

- Town Treasurer, Marc Waldman appeared before the Board to make a presentation on the following budget requests:
 - Treasurer & Collector Department (\$370,799)
 - Group Insurance (\$14,559,668)
 - Workers' Compensation (\$225,363)
 - Risk Management (\$312,000)
- Ms. Strother also discussed the request for Retirement (\$1,732,000)

F. Police Department

- Deputy Chief William Brooks and Sergeant Marie Cleary appeared before the board to make a presentation on the budget request for the Police Department (\$5,178,956).

G. Network Information Systems

- Thomas D’Orazio appeared before the Board to make a presentation on the budget request for the Network Information Systems Department (\$649,252).

H. Facilities Maintenance

- Mr. Ketchen and Facilities Director John Moran presented a budget request the Facilities Maintenance Department (\$921,091) which showed conformance with the one-percent guideline established by the Advisory Committee.
- Mr. Ketchen also distributed a handout, which recommended \$77,348 in budget enhancements.
- The Board agreed to add the recommended enhancements and to revisit the \$7,500 line item for use of the Community Center.

I. Traffic and Parking

- Mr. Connolly appeared before the Board to make a presentation on the budget request for Traffic and Parking (\$511,886).

J. Wrap-up

- Mr. Larsen briefly described the steps for approval that would be necessary prior to forwarding the Board’s budget request to the Advisory Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.