FY2022 DANVILLE BUDGET COMMITTEE

Minutes of our December 7th, 2021 meeting

Vice Chair Jeff Steenson called this meeting of the FY2022 Danville Budget Committee to order at 7:31PM. The following members were present:

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| Tom Billbrough  | Present | Ed Lang | Present |
| Rob Collins \* | Excused-Late | Sue Overstreet | Present |
| Sheila Johannesen \*\*\* | Excused | Jeff Steenson \*\* | Present |

\* Chairperson

\*\* Vice Chairperson

\*\*\* BOS Representative

Board of Selectmen (BOS) representative, Sheila Johannesen could not attend this meeting and Selectperson, Dottie Billbrough was present to fill in as BOS Representative for this meeting.

Jeff was delayed in finishing the October 31st minutes. He will distribute on December 8th and will be discussed at our December 14th meeting.

Jim Seaver, the Road Agent, and Andy Ward were present to discuss the budgets the Highway Department is responsible for. We started with The Highway Department budget# 4312.20. The budget is up $148,422 over last year. The bulk of the increase is an additional $125,000 for road repair from $225,000 to $350,000. Jim noted that there are just too many roads in need of repair which would necessitate the increase. The other major contributing line item increases are vehicle maintenance, fuel costs, and the restructuring of last year’s new vehicle lease from 7yrs to 5 yrs. There is a Block grant that usually comes through every year to help offset some of the road repairs. Last year this amount totaled $108,000. Next years’ amount is expected to be $109,000. After a healthy discussion of the budget lines with the largest increases, Tom made a motion to approve the budget in the amount the selectman approved of $707,237. Sue seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously 5-0. Figures are below.

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| **Budget Name** | **Acct Sub** | **2021** | **2022 Proposed** | **BOS Approved** | **Bud Com Approved** | **1st Motion** | **2nd Motion** | **Vote** |
| Road Maintenance | 4312.2 | **$519,674**  | **$707,237**  | **$707,237**  | **$707,237**  | **Tom** |  **Sue**  | **5-0 Pass** |

Next, we covered 4312.30 Stormwater Management. A Clerk was added to work 2hrs/Mo at a budgeted amount of $426 for the year to ease the burden on Jim. However, Jim was able to have our consulting contract lowered from $12,000 to $10,000 for the year. So the overall budget went down from $14,050 in 2021 to a proposed amount of $12,009 for 2022. After a short discussion Tom made a motion to approve the budget at the BOS approved amount of $12009. Ed seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. Results are below.

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| 4312.30 Stormwater Management | 4312.3 | **$14,050**  | **$12,009**  | **$12,009**  | **$12,009**  | **Tom** |  **Ed**  | **5-0 Pass** |

The following budgets were then discussed and approved after short discussions:

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| **Budget Name** | **Acct Sub** | **2021** | **2022 Proposed** | **BOS Approved** | **Bud Com Approved** | **1st Motion** | **2nd Motion** | **Vote** |
| Winter | 4312.5 | **$165,000**  | **$170,000**  | **$170,000**  | **$170,000**  | **Tom** |  **Ed**  | **5-0 Pass** |
| Hazardous Waste Collection | 4324.2 | $7,000  | $15,000  | $15,000  | $15,000  | **Tom** |  **Ed**  | **5-0 Pass** |

Chairperson Rob Collins arrived just before the end of the meeting and asked the committee to discuss a clerk position for the Budget Committee. After a short discussion the committee decided to fund a clerk position for 64 hours total at a rate of $20/hr for a budget of $1280. Tom stated that account# 4199 should be the correct account# to apply this budget amount to. Ed made a motion to approve the amount of $1280. Rob seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0.

Our next meeting will be held on December 14th at 7:30PM. We will be discussing the Police Budget and also considering a Library proposal to increase their salary compensation.

With nothing further to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM.

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Steenson

Vice-Chair