

APPROVED

March 22, 2022

Budget Committee Meeting for the proposed Town Budget FY 2023.

Meeting held at Macomber Room

Committee members: M Traister, G Rumph, B Stewart, J Lannon, T Smith

Selectboard: D McGuckin Also present: MA Driscoll, 24 additional attendees

A quorum of the Budget Committee members in attendance, the Chairman commenced the meeting at 5:00 pm, with quorum present throughout the meeting.

Minutes of the March 15th meeting were approved as amended.

Another draft of the town budget was distributed, with pages numbered. The Draft of the 2022 Warrant was also presented. The Water and Sewer Commission proposes a warrant article in the amount of \$341,900 for upgrades to the system. The additional \$1.1MM warrant article remains in question and may not be presented at this budget session

A motion was made and seconded to, *'reduce line 01-4909-720-01 Improvements Other from \$50,000 to \$28,200 for the removal of the existing fence and replacement of a new fence at the common along Wentworth Road.'* The moving of utility poles was the reason for the reduction, with the concern a precedent would be set for future similar situations. After significant discussion vote was 3-2 to approve motion.

Next meeting on March 29th to finalize budget and WA's - location TBD.

The Public Hearing for the town budget will take place on April 5th. Proper notice will be posted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Tom F Smith, Chairman