

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

August 21, 2023 6:30 PM NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL Approved October 30, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Rick Stanton, Vice-Chairman Tom von Jess, Sean Dionne, Little Boar's Head Rep Brian Goode, School Board Rep Lisa Gagalis, Select Board Rep James Sununu

EXCUSED: Andrew Raucci, Larry Miller, Lisa Gallagher

Chairman Rick Stanton welcomed everyone to the Municipal Budget Committee meeting of August 21, 2023 and called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Review and Approve Little Boar's Head FY2024 Operating Budget

LBH Rep Brian Goode presented the Little Boar's Head FY2024 Operating Budget of \$22,500 with no changes over past 3 years: Operating Budget to date consists of Sidewalks \$4,000; Parks & Commons \$8,200; Zoning/Legal/Post & Mail \$7,500; Office Expenses & Insurance \$2,500; Miscellaneous \$200; Zoning Compliance \$100. Year-to-date have spent \$14,000 with biggest difference in Zoning & Legal, only spent \$450 of total \$7,500 due to fluctuations in zoning compliance issues.

Mr. Goode said for this year LBH will take \$15,000 from Fund Balance (currently over \$50,000) and use to reduce our taxation request to \$12,000 for the Operating Budget and Warrant Article Number 7.

<u>Questions</u>: Vice-Chair von Jess asked if any upcoming building was anticipated. Mr. Goode said Zoning can come in from just one ticket item with no anticipation of need to engage lawyers to enforce. Mr. Dionne asked the status on sidewalk work. Mr. Goode met with DPW in spring with plan to start in fall and will need to regroup; LBH has committed to paying for any of the costs and offsetting what Town would incur. Mr. Dionne asked for the fund balance for Sidewalks: Sidewalks & Improvement fund balance is about \$70,000; cost in spring quoted at \$33,000 from Willow to Ocean, not including Police detail or concrete

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for sidewalk but included drainage. Mr. Dionne asked if LBH was responsible for drainage on the ocean side and Mr. Goode said not typically; the State is responsible for clearing the road and LBH tries to maintain walkway over berm.

Motion: Vice-Chair von Jess made a motion to approve the Little Boar's Head Operating Budget for FY2024 of \$22,500 as presented; **Seconded**: Mr. Sununu; **Vote**: Motion approved 6-0.

Motion: Vice-Chair von Jess made a motion to approve Little Boar's Head Improvement Fund Warrant Article 7 in amount of \$7,500; **Seconded**: Mr. Sununu; **Vote**: Motion approved 6-0.

ANY OTHER ITEM THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Next Budget Committee Meeting: October 30, 2023; distribution of Books October 18, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice-Chair von Jess made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Seconded: Mr. Dionne; Vote: All in favor 6-0.

Chairman Stanton adjourned the Municipal Budget Committee Meeting at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary