

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE JOINT MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE/ SELECT BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2020 6:00 PM
NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL

Approved September 21, 2020

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jonathan Pinette, Vice-Chairman/Little Boar's Head Rep Brian Goode, George Chauncey, Margaret Delano, Rick Stanton, Select Board Rep Larry Miller,

School Board Rep Tom von Jess VIA ZOOM: Frank Ferraro EXCUSED: Tamara Le

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Selectman Larry Miller, Vice-Chair James

Sununu (arrived late)

ALSO PRESENT: Interim Town Administrator Michael Tully

AGENDA

Chairman Jonathan Pinette welcomed everyone to the August 17, 2020 North Hampton Joint Municipal Budget Committee/Select Board Meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Minutes of the Budget Committee Meeting of May 18, 2020

Motion: To approve the Budget Committee Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2020 as presented.

Motioned: Mr. Stanton Seconded: Mr. Chauncey

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 8-0

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Motion: To allow Mr. Ferraro to participate via Zoom.

Motioned: Chairman Pinette Seconded: Vice-Chair Goode

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 8-0

Motion: To waive Roll-Call Voting.

Motioned: George Chauncey

Seconded: Vice-Chair Brian Goode

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 8-0

Select Board: Chairman Jim Maggiore called the Select Board Meeting to order at 6:05 pm; quorum

present.

Little Boar's Head Presentation

LBH Chairman Brian Goode presented the Little Boar's Head (LBH) Budget for FY2020/2021, and said they were not changing the Budget from last year. He said the LBH Operating Budget consists of: Sidewalks \$4,000, Parks & Commons \$8,200, Legal/Zoning \$10,000, Office Expenses/Insurance/Printing & Mail \$2,500, Miscellaneous \$200, and Zoning Compliance Officer Stipend \$100, for a Total Budget of \$25,000. Expenditures Year-to-Date are \$21,245.39 and their Fiscal Year ends August 31, 2020.

Vice-Chair Goode said they also have a Warrant Article for Sidewalk Repairs, and have a LBH Improvement Trust Fund asking for \$7,500 to be raised through taxation. He said there is a third Warrant for creation of a Zoning/Legal Expenditures Trust Fund and they are looking to transfer \$10,000 from the LBH Fund Balance into that fund with no impact on taxation. Selectman Miller asked the amount in LBH Fund Balance, and Vice-Chair Goode said as of now approximately \$34,000 in the Operating Account and \$46,000 in the Sidewalk Repair Trust.

Vice-Chair Goode said the question has come up in the past regarding the LBH fiscal year, and said since they were incorporated in 1905 their Annual Meeting has not changed. He said the Fiscal Year of the District begins on the first day of September each year, with the Annual Meeting held on the first Tuesday of September.

Motion: To approve the Little Boar's Head District Budget FY2020/2021 as presented.

Motioned: Selectman Miller Seconded: Mr. Chauncey

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 8-0

Motion: To approve Warrant Article 5 in the amount of \$7,500 for the Little Boar's Head Improvement

Trust Fund to be raised through taxation.

Motioned: Mr. Stanton Seconded: Mr. Chauncey

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 8-0

Motion: To approve Warrant Article 6 to establish the Zoning/Legal Expenditures Trust Fund in the

amount of \$10,000 to be transferred from LBH Designated Fund Balance.

Motioned: Selectman Miller **Seconded:** Mr. Stanton

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Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 8-0

Budget Committee Select Board Rep James Sununu arrived at the meeting at 6:13 pm.

FY2020-2021 Budget Committee Schedule

Chairman Pinette reviewed the Budget Committee Schedule for FY2020/2021 and said all meetings will be held at 6:00 pm. It was determined that there were several conflicts with dates: Economic Review scheduled for Labor Day, September 7, 2020; First Review of School Proposed FY2021/2022 Budget, scheduled for November 2, 2020 with only one week before First School Budget Review; Public Hearing scheduled for January 18, 2021, Martin Luther King Day; School Deliberative Session scheduled for Tuesday, February 8, 2021 which should be February 9, 2021.

Chairman Pinette said he inadvertently scheduled a meeting for Labor Day and other dates were brought up as well. Mr. Stanton said February 18th is Martin Luther King Day and the second to last Tuesday is February 9th not February 8th. Chairman Pinette suggested they hold off on February 18th until they get something from DRA. Mr. Ferraro suggested they move the Economic Review to September 14, 2021, and suggested moving the First School Budget Review from November 2nd to November 9, 2020 to allow more time for review after receipt of Books on October 26, 2020.

Interim Town Administrator Tully said there is a Select Board Meeting on September 14, 2020. He suggested they change September 7th to September 21st and have the Economic Review and School Default and Year-End Review on the same night. Mr. Ferraro suggested Thursday, November 12, 2020 for the First Review of the School Budget as November 10th was already scheduled for the Conservation Commission.

Chairman Pinette said he got a message from Matt Ferreira regarding the Meeting Schedule for the School: Winnacunnet High School Deliberative Session on February 6, 2021 at 7:00 pm; North Hampton Public Hearing on January 21, 2021 at 6:30 pm; North Hampton Deliberative Session on Tuesday, February 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Chairman Pinette reviewed the dates agreed upon: Economic Review moved from September 7th to September 21, 2020 to be held with School Year-End and Default; First Review of Proposed School Budget moved from November 2nd to Thursday, November 12, 2020; date for School Deliberative Session corrected to Tuesday, February 9, 2021. Chairman Pinette said he would check with Matt Ferreira on the November 12th date.

Mr. Ferraro said there are 3 programs, 1 in School and 2 in Town, that are routine expenditures with no Budgets provided for the Committee to look at: (1) Pre-K Budget at the School, (2) Recreation Revolving Fund for the Town, and (3) Cable Access TV Revolving Fund in the Town for which there should be anticipated FY Budgets. Select Board Chairman Jim Maggiore said the Town receives funding from the Franchise Fees from Comcast that go into the Revolving Fund for Cable Access. He said a Public Hearing is supposed to be held on ratifying a new contract at the next Select Board Meeting, so they will have some anticipated revenues.

School Board Rep Tom von Jess asked for a point of clarification and said the School Board Budget does have the entire enrollment by grade and has the entire Budget listed, just not broken out by grade level. Mr. Ferraro said if the Budget includes Pre-K, we do not see that in the descriptions or enrollment. Mr.

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von Jess said he would get clarification. Mr. Ferraro said for Recreation Revolving and Comcast he is looking for expenditures not revenues, and Interim town Administrator Tully said he will discuss with the Select Board and get back to the Committee on that.

ANY OTHER ITEM THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

NEXT MEETING: September, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Stanton made a motion to adjourn the Budget Committee Meeting which was seconded by Mr. Chauncey. The motion to adjourn was approved by a vote of 8-0.

Chairman Maggiore adjourned the Select Board Meeting at 6:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary