



**Town of Woodstock
Board of Selectmen
Workshop Minutes
January 19, 2024, at 8 am**

Budgets – Warrant Articles

Board Attendees: Gil Rand, Charyl Reardon, Scott Rice

Staff: Judy Welch

The Board reviewed the police department's amended budget, which included an additional \$8,000 to replace a motor in one of the cruisers. This was added to the vehicle maintenance line and will only be used if the motor is not covered under warranty. Scott motioned to approve the amended budget as presented, noting that the additional money cannot be used on any other expense or to offset any other items or the police budget's bottom line. The \$8,000 must be returned to the general fund if the motor is covered under warranty. Charyl seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Scott motioned to use \$8,981.19 of additional unanticipated Highway Block Grant money received in 2023 for crack sealing on Paradise, Young, and Bell Street. Charyl seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Charyl motioned to approve the \$51,370 Health and Welfare Budget. Gil seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

The Board reviewed Scott's revised Sewer budget. Scott explained that he needed to increase the budget originally presented by \$12,500 due to rising operational costs. Charyl motioned to accept the revised budget in the amount of \$515,652. Gil seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Charyl motioned to appropriate:

- \$10,000 to the Solid Waste Capital Reserve
- \$25,000 to the Revaluation Capital Reserve
- \$5,000 to Main Street Revitalization Capital Reserve
- \$5,000 to Community Center Capital Reserve

Gil seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Charyl motioned to encumber the following amounts:

- \$4,600 Election Expenses (4140-20-225) for deposit on Voting Tabulator and outstanding Poll Pad.
- \$3,000 Police Department Operating (4120-10-430) for Policy Writing and outstanding operating expenses.

- \$7,000 Water Department Operating (02-4332-10-430) for Well & Storage Tank Maintenance and outstanding operating expenses.
- \$20,400.00 Community Center (4589.10-355) to complete the entranceway project.

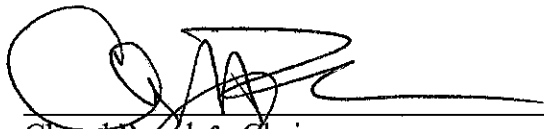
Scott seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Charyl motioned to move ARPA funds received in 2022 and 2023 from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund and utilize them to offset the Norther Borders Grant match to upgrade the sewer pump station. Scott seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

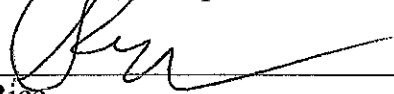
The Board a draft of the 2024 Warrant and the 2024 Budget Worksheet. Charyl motioned to accept the draft 2024 Warrant as represented and motioned to revise the 2024 Budget Worksheet to include the voted amounts in this workshop with a bottom line of \$5,492,022.00. Gil seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Judy suggested dedicating the 2023 Town Report to Roland LeClerc and Edward Wiggett, stating that Roland had been a past police chief. Edward served in the fire department for 40 years and worked for the public works department. Charyl motioned to dedicate the 2023 Annual Town Report to Roland and Edward. Scott seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.

Scott motioned to adjourn the Select Board Workshop at 10:06 pm. Gil seconded the motion, and the vote was affirmative.


Charyl Reardon, Chairperson

April 19, 2024
Date


Scott Rice


R. Gil Rand