

SHARON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Draft until approved at the next regular meeting

A special meeting/budget workshop of the Sharon BOS was held on March 9, 2021 via ZOOM and In-Person at the Town Hall at 2:00PM. Present were the three Selectmen, Barbara & Brent Prindle, Harding Bancroft and the secretary.

First Selectman Colley called the meeting to order at 2PM.

The Selectmen went through their proposed 2021-2022 budget discussing further certain line items and adjusting others:

14 k – Town Hall – computers/maintenance – the amount is okay but a new configurations of components, i.e. server, the cloud, etc. may need to be done

16 – Town Insurance – as CIRMA will no longer offer as part of our package cyber protection, a new separate policy will be needed. A prevention analysis was done and our overall score was 96 so we have a generally low risk. One company offered a policy with a \$2MM limit for \$40,000. CIRMA found a policy with Smart Cyber Insurance which has two options: \$1MM limit for \$9,888 and the other \$2MM limit for \$15,461. This coverage is for the Town and the School. With our low risk, it was the consensus to go with option 1 and increase this line item by \$10,000

18 – Building Official/Fire Marshal salary – it was emphasized that this office offers unique services to our residents and contractors and with the years of experience this request is not out of line with other towns who have two individuals for our one individual. These circumstances will probably not be duplicated in the future as well as one individual handling the other aspects of this office. There may be a time when the permit fees need to be raised to cover the expenses.

19 a-2 – Wetlands Enforcement Officer – this position has been done for about two years with the individual not being compensated for the work. The years of experience warrant the salaried amount the BOS is requesting

26 a – Highway – wages – The first amount placed in the budget was one that Mr. Colley felt comfortable with but after some discussion and the base amount of hours each member works and the proposed 2% increase, this amount was raised to \$415,000 – we now have 8 Road Crew members

26 v – Highway – Guiderails – new line to show expense in replacing existing guiderails for public safety

33 a – Welfare/Social Service Agent – salary – currently this is for one individual serving 2 positions. They become two separate individuals in the future with the resignation of Miriam Jones and a lower salaried figure

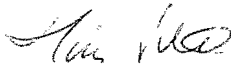
41 b – Miscellaneous – Town Clock – to address some much needed mortar work around the stones and then some interior work in the future

Old Amenia Landfill – after review of the yearly expenses and the amount of the current separate account, it was felt that this line could be reduced this year to \$25,000

Transfer Station Debt Service/USDA – annual payment for 40 year loan based on amortization schedule

With nothing further, Mr. Jones made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Flanagan, with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45.

Respectfully submitted,



Tina Pitcher, Town Secretary

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