

TOWN OF FRANCONIA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S BUDGET REVIEW
DECEMBER 18, 2019 AT TOWN HALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jill Brewer, Eric Meth, Jeff Blodgett.

OTHERS PRESENT: Holly Burbank, Karen Foss

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm.

The Board reviewed and signed the weekly transaction reports.

BUDGET REVIEW:

Executive: Chairman Brewer noted that the wages line item shows a decrease in the Administrative Secretary position from 40 hours to 24. In addition, the Town Administrator's contract was re-negotiated.

Town Administrator Burbank reviewed other changes in the executive budget to include a small increase in the trainings line to allow the Trustees of the Trust Funds to attend annual training.

Personnel Administration: The Board reviewed the Personnel Administration budget. The increase in Health Insurance includes the proposed Full-time police officer, as well as the 7.4% increase in the cost of health insurance coverage for 2020.

Chairman Brewer feels that some kind of improvement should happen in the amount of retirement funding that is given to our non-police employees. Eric Meth gave a brief update on the status of New Hampshire Retirement. After a brief discussion, it was decided to increase the amount given to each full-time (non-police) employee from \$20 per pay period to a 5% match per employee based upon their annual salary.

Warrant Review: The Board next discussed warrant articles. Jeff Blodgett asked whether we will be bringing a warrant article for the purchase of portable radar device. After a brief discussion, Holly will reach out the Police Chief to see if he feels there is a need for such a warrant article.

The Board entered non-public session at 4:45 pm pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3, II(a).

The Board left non-public session at 4:55pm.

Jill Brewer made a motion to seal the non-public minutes. Eric Meth seconded, all were in favor.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Holly Burbank
Town Administrator