

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
FINANCE COMMITTEE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SBRSD SCHOOL COMMITTEE
MARCH 27, 2019 6:15 PM
TOWN HALL - 2ND FLOOR MEETING ROOM**

Committee Members Present: Colin Smith, Chairman
Julie Hannum, Vice Chairman
David Macy
Emily Davis
Kenneth Smith

Board Members Present: David A. Smith, Jr., Chairman
Nadine Hawver
Rene C. Wood

Others Present: Rhonda LaBombard, Town Administrator
Jill Hughes, Assistant to Town Administrator
Beth Regulbuto, SBRSD Superintendent
Chris Regan, SBRSD Business Administrator
Ken Knox, School Committee Chairman
E. Bonnie Silvers, School Committee
Dennis Sears, School Committee
Arthur Batacchi, Jr., School Committee
Jonathan Bruno, School Committee
Members of the Public

Select Board Chairman D. Smith called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Selectman Hawver stated her concerns with the school budget and how it affects Sheffield's tax rate. She asked that the Superintendent try to cut the budget by \$100,000. A discussion ensued. Beth Regulbuto explained that the increase in students and programming would make it difficult to cut the budget. A discussion ensued. Selectman Hawver encouraged the school to come to the Town sooner in the budget process to talk with the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee. Chris Regan spoke about the alternative energy credits for the boilers. She explained that once they were installed they did not qualify for the credits due to regulation changes. They are currently working on a grant to bring them into compliance. A discussion ensued on the proposed warrant article for SBRSD apportionment of costs. Beth Regulbuto stated that they were working on sending a mailer to taxpayers explaining the warrant article. A discussion ensued on holding a meeting at the school with all five towns, the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee in mid-April to discuss the Regional Agreement.

Chairman C. Smith called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

Kenneth Smith and Rene Wood left the meeting to attend the Planning Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Julie Hannum moved to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2019 meeting as presented, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 4-0.

FY20 BUDGET REVIEW:

Administrator LaBombard updated the Committee on the changes that have been made to the budget since their last meeting.

Julie Hannum moved to re-approve the Highway budget in the amount of \$387,077 and to re-approve the Snow Removal budget in the amount of \$224,120 for Fiscal Year 2020, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 4-0.

Emily Davis moved to recommend the Unemployment Compensation budget for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$5,000, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried 4-0.

Discussion ensued regarding the Police Department budget. Administrator LaBombard stated that the Police will be getting Narcan for free from Fairview Hospital. Julie Hannum moved to recommend the Police Department budget for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$480,928, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 4-0.

Emily Davis moved to recommend the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$48,200, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 4-0.

Emily Davis moved to recommend the Council on Aging budget for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$104,050, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 3-0, Julie Hannum abstained from the vote.

Emily Davis moved to recommend the Library budget for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$180,600, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 4-0.

David Macy moved to recommend the Group Health Insurance budget for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$446,000, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried 4-0.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the Reserve Fund Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$77,000, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 4-0.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the Emergency Response Fund Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$750, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 4-0.

Emily Davis moved to recommend to raise and appropriate the Fire Department Compensation Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$3,000, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 4-0.

David Macy moved to recommend the Town Building Repairs & Improvements Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$50,000, seconded by Julie Hannum. The motion carried 4-0.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the Information Technology Hardware/Software Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$25,000, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 4-0.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the PD Cruiser Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$49,800, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 4-0.

Kenneth Smith and Rene Wood returned to the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Julie Hannum moved to recommend the Vehicle Stabilization Fund Article for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$100,000, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 5-0.

David Macy moved to recommend the SBRSD Roof and Boiler Debt for Fiscal Year 2020 in the amount of \$195,258, seconded by Emily Davis. The motion carried 5-0.

The next Finance Committee/Board of Selectmen meeting will be April 10th @ 6:15 PM to finalize the budget and review the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

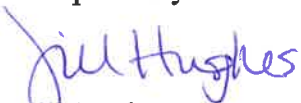
Julie Hannum moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by David Macy. The motion carried 5-0.

C. Smith adjourned the Finance Committee meeting at 8:00 PM.

Selectman Hawver moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman Wood. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill Hughes
Assistant to Town Administrator

Documents reviewed at this meeting:
Draft Meeting Minutes
FY20 Budget