



**TOWN COUNCIL
WORKSHOP
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 30, 2019**

Christopher Brunelle, At Large 2019
Mark Lunt, District 1 2019
Vacant, District 2, 2019
Fern Larochelle, At Large 2020
Normand Albert, At Large 2021
Kasie Kolbe, District 1 2021
Allen Ward, District 2 2021

CALL TO ORDER. The Chairman, Normand Albert, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL. Members present were Councilors Ward, Albert, Brunelle, Lunt, and Larochelle. Councilor Kolbe was excused. Also present were Diane Barnes, Town Manager; Randy Cyr, Public Works Director and Steve Aievoli, Sewer Superintendent and approximately one citizen in the audience.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

A. TOWN MANAGER

Mrs. Barnes presented her budget, stating that money came out of the printing line and moved to the Town Clerk's budget for the Town Report. She will get the numbers for the Advertising and Revenues to the Council by the end of the week.

B. PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Cyr presented his budget. He stated that the wheeler would be more of a priority to replace than the salt shed. He suggested fixing the part of the roof that is damaged to get them by until they can build a new one. Councilor Ward suggested committing the \$10,000 towards fixing the roof. The council agreed to set aside that money.

Councilor Larochelle suggested they get a more detailed report of the costs of each repair to the buildings in the budget so they can stay on track. Mr. Cyr stated that the new wheeler would cost about \$210,000, which would not be available to use for this winter. He would like to buy a used one at auction for this winter, which will cost about \$12,000-\$18,000. Mrs. Barnes said she would add \$20,000 from the unassigned fund balance to the public works motor vehicle budget to cover it. Councilor Ward said he would get some quotes on a wheeler. The council agreed to discuss the purchase of the new wheeler at the next council meeting.

Mrs. Barnes will add \$2,500 to the gravel line item to cover gravel for next year.

Mr. Cyr talked about the need for a skid-steer to use at Public Works, on job sites, and at Parks and Recreation. They will take the money for this out of the undesignated fund balance.

The Council agreed to add a full time position to Public Works. Councilor Ward asked about the increase in the Professional Services line. Mrs. Barnes stated that is was an error and she will get more information for the Councilors about that. The Council will bring the Rental line down \$5,000. The Council will look closer at Repair and Maintenance and Catch Basins to make sure there is enough in the budget.

C. TRANSFER STATION/SOLID WASTE

Mrs. Barnes stated that the cost for the new solid waste truck would be \$100,000. She will divide that amount and take \$50,000 from operations and \$50,000 from unassigned fund balance.

D. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Mr. Aievoli presented the budget. He stated that there would be a six percent rate increase this year. Councilor Albert stated that this increase is part of the recommendations from Oliver Associates to fix the infrastructure that has been long overdue.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, the Chairman closed the workshop at 7:55 PM.

Lisa B. Smith, Deputy Clerk
Date Approved: May 14, 2019