



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
January 18, 2022**

Present: Karl Pruter, Chair, Bob Hamilton and Marybeth Quill, Selectmen, Laurie May, Finance Director, Amanda Urmann, Secretary, Members of the Community.

PUBLIC HEARING (continued): Budget

The continuation of the public hearing on the budget was called to order at 6:21 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Some adjustments have been made in the budget since the last meeting. Some unknown numbers were figured out, and some of the salaries are going to start April first.

Default budget still to be determined at this time because there hasn't been a consensus yet.

Department Head Request amount was at \$4,744,775.

Bob created a proposal to cut out a certain percentage to bring the numbers down. The things to not be cut are things that are fixed costs like insurance, ambulance, legal, treasurer (because there was no increase), mutual aid, debt, ect... Excluding wages, benefits and taxes, this is just the operating side of the budget. He proposes to cut $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% (.0025), which would bring the budget down \$10,870. This cut is an equal cut for everyone. Karl recommends to bring it to a .0052% cut, which brings it to a \$21,740 cut in the budget.

\$5,000 to be cut from Welfare Social Agency Support.

Bringing the COLA down from 5.95% to 4% will bring the budget down to \$4,709,219.

Final budget to be \$4,698,349.

Bob motions to propose the budget of \$4,698,349. Karl seconds. 3-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Urmann
Executive Secretary