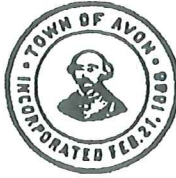


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BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP MEETING APRIL 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Steven P. Rose, Chairman
Eric S. Beckerman, Clerk (via teleconference)
Jason L. Suzor, Associate (via teleconference)

Others Present: Gregory S. Enos, Town Administrator
Shanna M. Faro, Executive Assistant (via teleconference)
Brian Martin, Assistant DPW Director (via teleconference)
Erin Barry, Town Accountant (via teleconference)
Fire Chief Robert Spurr (via teleconference)
Deb Morin, Treasurer/Collector (via teleconference)
William Fitzgerald, DPW Director (via teleconference)

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all members present. The purpose of this Workshop Meeting was to be an informational session and presentation to citizens regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget and warrant articles for the Annual Town Meeting of May 4, 2021.

Annual Town Meeting

Mr. Enos shared his screen to display the FY 22 Budget Presentation and Warrant Information Session PowerPoint presentation.

Budget

Mr. Enos informed the Board that the budget was prepared by using ClearGov for the second consecutive year. Mr. Enos explained that ClearGov is a cloud-based software used for collaborative budget development, communication, and transparency for municipal government. Mr. Enos stated that the Fiscal Year 2021 budget was used as a baseline for the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget. The goal was to maintain level services while focusing on the impact to taxpayers. Mr. Enos stated that a balanced budget was presented to the Finance Committee.

Warrant

Mr. Enos informed the Board that the Warrant was set up slightly differently this year with articles being organized by category. Mr. Enos reminded the Board that this year's Warrant contains two years' worth of capital needs due to COVID-19 restrictions last year. Mr. Enos proceeded to review all articles on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant in detail.

Mr. Beckerman requested the Board be prepared to make amendments on Town Meeting floor for Article 7: Water Operations Housekeeping Articles as it contains four monetary requests within one article for cross connection services, GIS, storm water management/EPA, and interconnection.

After reviewing Article 24 regarding the repair and replacement of life safety system equipment at the Avon Public Library, Mr. Beckerman requested that the Fire Chief and Building Inspector prepare a schedule for inspecting all town buildings on an annual basis.

Chairman Rose asked Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Martin if they had requested enough funding for Article 27 regarding the purchase of a hook lift multi-purpose vehicle and mini excavator to which they replied in the affirmative.

Chief Spurr explained the need for Article 29 regarding the purchase of a new Rescue Pumper truck and its equipment for the Fire Department. With a purchase price of approximately \$525,000, the lease payments depending on interest rates would be about \$120,000 a year. The additional \$80,000 is to equip the vehicle.

Chief Spurr explained the need for Article 30 regarding the purchase of a shift command truck and its equipment for the Fire Department which will replace the current 2007 Ford F250. That truck that it is replacing has significant body rot and other mechanical issues.

Chief Spurr explained the need for Article 31 regarding transferring money from old articles to fund the rehabilitation and life extension of the Fire Department ladder truck.

After reviewing all articles on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, Mr. Enos asked if there were any questions from the Board. Mr. Beckerman commented that the Finance Committee has recommended both the budget and all articles on the Warrant to the residents of Avon. Mr. Beckerman stated that both the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee are in consensus and prepared for the Annual Town Meeting. There was no further commentary from the Board.

Adjournment

Mr. Beckerman made a motion to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at 7:32 p.m. Mr. Suzor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Beckerman voted aye. Mr. Suzor voted aye. Chairman Rose voted aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Shanna M. Faro
Executive Assistant

List of Documents

1. Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Presentation and Warrant Information Session PowerPoint Presentation