

Eliot Select Board and Budget Committee Joint Special Meeting

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 7:30 pm at Town Hall

MINUTES

Rebecca Davis, Jack Murphy, Bob Pomerleau, Brad Hughes, Donna Murphy, Jim Tessier, Steve Furbish, Janie Wang, Denny Lentz, Town manager Dana Lee. Noah Lemire, Ed Strong and Richard Donhauser – all absent with notice.

1. Open Meeting: The Chair opened the meeting at 5:30 pm
2. Roll Call / Quorum: The Chair conducted roll call and quorums existed for both groups.
3. Discuss Winter Roads Budget Issue / Votes Needed: The Chair asked the Town Manager to kick off the meeting. Dana said that the staff was anticipating at least a \$66,000 overage which is in excess of the 15% max overage allowed statutorily. Dana reviewed the legal advice from Atty. Saucier. Dana indicated that the Undesignated Fund Balance (UFB) is at \$2.5 million. After some discussion, primarily by Select Board members, it was determined that the best way to handle this would be through use of UFB. Bob suggested that we could use some of the UFB now and again at the end of the year when total costs are known. Bob also noted that the Contingency should be maintained for any number of big issues which still may face us. Jim Tessier questioned the \$66,000 overage estimate and how the salt inventory values are being handled. Dana said he would send along the basis for our \$66k estimate. Brad made a point to ensure when we do the final accounting, to detail the salt inventory
4. Other Business: There was none.
5. Adjourn: A motion by Bob to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm was seconded by Jack and was so voted 4 – 0.

Approved 4-12-18, DKL