

Selectmen's Meeting
Monday, February 5, 2018
Town Office Building

Attending: T. Fydenkevez, S. Bergeron, S. Patch

Absent: D. Pierce

Others: E. Demetropoulos, S. Randall, E. Crowe, A. Kajstura, R. Dube

Meeting called to order at 6:40 PM.

FY 19 Police Department Budget Presentation

Chief Demetropoulos gave an overview of the Police Department FY 19 budget request. Chief Demetropoulos advised that the budget represents a 5.6% increase over FY 18.

Increases include \$1300 in expenses, \$1600 in part-time contracted wages, and \$21,000 in full-time wages. Mr. Bergeron noted that this is the first year of the step increase expansion.

Mr. Fydenkevez advised that he is currently working with the Chief to negotiate his contract renewal.

Capital requests for consideration include: Taser Device replacement \$2,759, Bullet Proof Vests \$6,250, Firearms replacement, \$9,000, Cruiser Replacement, \$47,000 approximately (waiting for quote). Public Safety Complex Capital Request: Camera System \$6,657, Key FOB Door System \$7,450.

Approval of Minutes

1/22/18 minutes under advisement pending review of meeting video for clarification.

1/29/18 approval scheduled for 2/12/18.

Updates

- Mr. Bergeron advised that he attended the Frontier Capital Planning Subcommittee meeting last week. Discussion revolved around mechanisms to pay for capital costs and what constitutes needs. Also discussed was capital vs. maintenance needs. Mr. Bergeron advised that a borrowing authorization is probably forthcoming.
- Mr. Fydenkevez provided an update of events planned to celebrate the town's 300th Anniversary. A full list of events is available on the website. Sunderland Fire Department will celebrate its 85th birthday tomorrow residents are invited to attend an open house at the department from 5:30-6:30 PM. Mr. Fydenkevez also noted that the town has received approval from DHCD for the tax incentive program for the 120 North Main Street Senior Housing project.

New Business

- Caucus Warrant
Motion: Mr. Fydenkevez to approve the 2018 Caucus Warrant for posting. Second: Mr. Bergeron. Voted: 2-0.
- Anaerobic Digester Letter of Support
Motion: Mr. Fydenkevez to send letter of support for a regional anaerobic digester. Second: Mr. Bergeron. Voted: 2-0.

Motion: Mr. Fydenkevez to adjourn the meeting. Second: Mr. Bergeron. Voted: 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sherry Patch, Town Administrator