

Budge Committee 9/28/2021

Present: Members, Brandon Hubbard, Jason Spaulding, James Rokes Jr. and Ben Kilanski

Karey Miner, Town Administrator.

Meeting called to order at 6:17pm

The July 6th minutes were reviewed. B. Kilanski motioned to approve, J.Rokes second. Vote 3-0-1 (abstention).

The September 14th minutes were reviewed. J.Rokes motioned to approve, J.Spaulding second. Vote 3-0-1 (B.Kilanski)

First Order of business:

The Committee reviewed the applicants for the open Budget Committee seat. There were four residents interested. Kevin Bazan, Richie Pratt, Zack Nutting, and Nate Holmy.

Mr. Nutting was first. J.Spaulding asked how Mr. Nutting might handle budgets differently this year and about his background. Mr. Nutting advised he has owned a few businesses and currently handles a significant vending machine repair route. He noted he has been paying attention to what has been going on and feels he can bridge a gap and wants to be part of what is going on. B. Hubbard asked Mr. Nutting's history of negotiation, Mr. Nutting confirmed he has some background and discussed some process. B. Hubbard questioned why he may be interested now. Mr. Nutting advised he thought there was a chance for some balance and has been paying attention.

Mr. Holmy was next. B.Hubbard asked what interested him in applying for the position. Mr. Holmy advised he works with budgets as part of his job and wants to be more involved. He is fiscally conservative and has a goal to keep the MIL rate as low as possible.

Mr. Pratt noted he felt the Budget Committee is the balance and needs to offer balance. There needs to be a happy medium and we can't keep having a rollercoaster of our tax rate. J.Spaulding asked about Mr. Pratt's experience. Mr. Pratt reported he had multiple business ventures.

The Budget Committee entered into non public at 6:29pm, RSA (b) B. Kilanski motioned, J. Rokes second. Roll call vote, B. Hubbard, yes. J. Spaulding, yes. J. Rokes, yes and B. Kilanski, yes.

While in non public the committee discussed placement of a new member to the BC. Following discussion J. Spaulding made a motion to make Nate Holmy the new member of the BC. J. Rokes second. Vote, 4-0

The Budget Committee left non public at 6:44pm: B. Kilanski motioned, J. Rokes second.

The Budget Committee announced Nate Holmy as the new committee member.

Second Order of business:

The committee discussed future dates which will be Tuesday October 19 at 6PM, Tuesday November 2 at 6pm. There will also be a Saturday meeting with all the department heads and that is scheduled for November 20 at 9AM. Finally, Karey will reach out to the health agencies and confirm either November 9 or 16 as a best date. The Select Board will be advised of the date so both groups can hear from the agencies once.

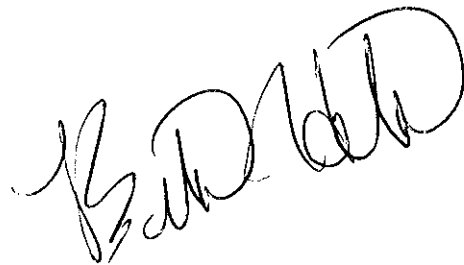
Public comment:

Lindseigh Picard provided an update on the School Board budget process and invited the BC to the upcoming meetings.

Nate Holmy thanked the committee for their decision

J. Spauling thanked all the people who put in interest forms

Motion to adjourn, B. Kilanski. J. Rokes second. Vote, 4-0 at 6:54PM

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