

DUBLIN BUDGET COMMITTEE May 2, 2023 Minutes

Present: Nancy Campbell, William Gurney (Chair), Judy Knapp, Carole

Monroe (Selectmen's Representative)

Absent: Sturdy Thomas, K Vanderbilt, Susie Vogel

Also Present: Kate Fuller (Town Administrator)

Bill opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Election of new officers will be postponed to the July meeting.

Approval of Minutes and Election of Officers:

Judy moved and Carole seconded to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2023 budget committee meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Judy moved and Nancy seconded to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2023 budget hearing. Motion passed 4-0.

Review of First Quarter Expenses:

Kate reviewed the notes that she sent with the first quarter reports. The town hired an actuary to help with remedying the problems with our audit (OPEB). Also, we had to do 2 recommital audits due to the TC/TX leaving at the beginning of December. We did receive the PILOT payment from Phoenix House. Avitar's actual will be over due to an increase in the cost of the revaluation software. A possible warrant article for next year will be repairs and mitigation in the Post office building.

Election: Does not include salaries for March election.

Legal: DRA is warning towns that they have seen up to a four-fold increase in legal fees this year due to revaluation/abatements. Therefore they are urging towns to budget accordingly.

Review of Revenue:

There were no questions re the first quarter revenue figures.

Kate said that we got a Bridge grant for \$65,000 to be used in this fiscal year. It can only be used for specific purposes, e.g., it cannot be used for supplies. Roger said that he would be able to make use of this money.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 18, 7 p.m., Town Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Knapp, acting co-secretary