

DRAFT DUBLIN BUDGET COMMITTEE
October 31, 2023
Minutes

Present: Nancy Campbell, Bill Gurney (Chair), Judy Knapp, Carole Monroe (Selectmen's Representative), Susie Vogel

Absent: Sturdy Thomas, K Vanderbilt

Also Present: Brian Barden

Bill called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Judy moved and Nancy seconded the approval of the October 24, 2023 minutes. Minutes approved as amended 5-0.

Review of Patriotic Purposes/Memorial Day Budget:

Brian explained that this budget includes money for flowers and wreaths for the monuments, flags for veteran's graves, the flag for the pole in the oval, and popsicles for the kids and marchers. If we have a band (still to be determined), we have not been paying for transportation.

Nancy asked if money should be in this budget for replacing flags on the utility poles. Motion by Judy, second by Susie to increase this budget by \$250 to \$2,000 for flags 5-0.

Review of Town Clerk/Tax Collector Budget:

Re-scheduled to November 14 after Solid Waste.

Carole reported on the tax rate. Every portion of the rate is up; the rate is projected to increase 8.1%. The BOS will use \$150,000 from the unassigned fund balance to reduce the tax rate. This will maintain \$1 million in the unassigned fund balance. Carole also reported on the ConVal re-configuration process. The school board hopes to have a recommendation by mid-December.

Next Meeting: Bill and K will be gone for the meeting Tuesday, November 7, 7 p.m., Town Hall downstairs. Budgets for the ZBA and the Highway Department.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Campbell, Acting Secretary