

**Town of Woodstock  
Selectmen's Meeting  
Tuesday, October 29, 2019**

**Selectmen:** Gil Rand, Scott Rice

**Staff:** Judy Welch, Ryan Oleson, Kevin Millar

**Public:** Patrick Griffin, Bill Waterhouse, Michael Donahue, Bob Stahler, Charyl Reardon, Kelly Watts

Gil called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Public Participation:**

Patrick thinks the Board should consider a winter parking ban on all streets from November 1<sup>st</sup> -April 30<sup>th</sup>. The Board took this under advisement and asked Judy to add to the next meeting's agenda.

**Minutes of the October 15, 2019 Meeting:**

Scott motioned to accept the minutes of the October 15, 2019 Selectmen's Meeting. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

**Scott/Unanticipated Municipal Aid:**

Scott explained that the Town received \$29,677.13 in unanticipated municipal aid from the State in early October. This is half of the total aid awarded to the Town of Woodstock. The next anticipated disbursement will be received in October of 2020. This money is strictly for municipal purposes; the formula for distribution was based upon the total number of students in each municipality and the number of students eligible for the free and reduced lunch program in the school year immediately preceding the distribution. Scott motioned to accept the unanticipated municipal aid and use it to reduce the tax rate. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

**Budgets:**

The Board received a copy of the Budget Committee Schedule.

The Board reviewed budgets and equipment replacement schedules for Police, Emergency Management, Public Safety, Executive, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Financial Administration, Legal, Planning Board, Town Building, General Liability, Advertising, Contingency, Building Inspector, Street Lights, Library, Patriotic Purposes, Conservation, and Economic Development.

Judy explained that all payroll budgets included 53 weeks of payroll with a 3% pay increase.

Ryan explained that the increase in the full-time police payroll reflects wage adjustments for two officers, 53 weeks of payroll, and a 3% pay increase. The part-time payroll increased due to additional part-time staff that will be utilized to cover shifts and work special details.

Ryan stated that the police and fire departments are currently dispatched out of Grafton County. Ryan has been approached by the Town of Lincoln pertaining to police dispatch. Lincoln has offered a two-year Inter-Municipal Dispatch Agreement for \$18,000 annually. The fire department has not been approached yet.

Ryan noted that 4055 total calls went through Grafton County last year (3955 Police 100 Fire) costing upwards of \$70,000. Ryan would like to recommend this switch. He pointed out that we currently pay Grafton County quarterly and are paid through December. Grafton operates on a fiscal budget and the Town operates on a calendar year. Ryan would like permission to make this switch beginning in January 2020. Scott motioned to approved this change. Gil seconded the motion and vote was affirmative.

Scott motioned to approve budgets as presented for Police, Emergency Management, Public Safety, Executive, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Financial Administration, Legal, Planning Board, Town Building, General Liability, Advertising, Contingency, Building Inspector, Street Lights, Library, Patriotic Purposes, Conservation, and Economic Development.

**Fadden Donation Fund/Donation:**

Judy presented the Board with a donation for \$428.42, on behalf of Eagle Scout Diego Blaylock, to be deposited in the previously established Fadden Donation Fund. Scott motioned to accept all the donations totaling \$428.42 on behalf of the Fadden Family and requested that the Trustees of Trust Funds deposit it into the Fadden Donation Fund. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

**Woodstock Firefighter Fund/Donation:**

The Woodstock Fire Department presented the Board with gifts totaling \$600.00, on behalf of the Woodstock Firefighters, to be deposited in the previously established Woodstock Firefighter Fund. Scott motioned to accept the gift totaling \$600.00 from the Woodstock Firefighters and requested that the Trustees of Trust Funds deposit it into the Woodstock Firefighter Fund. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

**Application/Cascade Park/Richards & Smith:**

The Board reviewed an application from Rachel Richards and Dan Smith to use Cascade Park on September 12, 2020 for a wedding ceremony. The required fee and insurance coverage has been received. Gil motioned to approve the application. Scott seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

**Application/Cascade Park/Jeralds:**

The Board reviewed an application from William Jeralds to use Cascade Park on October 17, 2020 for a wedding ceremony. The required fee and insurance coverage has been received. Joel motioned to approve the application. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative. Scott abstained.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Other Business:**

Scott motioned to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Gil seconded the motion and the vote was affirmative.

November 12, 2019

R. G. Rand  
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