

NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN
New Durham Community Room
December 4, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

Final Approved 01-08-18

Present:

Chair David Swenson
Selectman Cecile Chase
Selectman Rod Doherty

Also Present:

Scott Kinmond, Town Administrator

Call to Order

Chair Swenson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2018 Budget Review

A revised listing of the capital reserve accounts was distributed and reviewed by line. Discrepancies between the list and amounts previously approved by the Board of Selectmen were discussed for clarification.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the capital expenditure from the Capital Reserve Funds per the list reviewed on December 4, 2017 in the amount of \$859,700. Selectman Chase seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the ETF expenditures of the 2018 budget in the amount of \$60,700. Selectman Chase seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the general trust fund transfers for the 2018 budget in the amount of \$10,671. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board reviewed the capital expenditures for warrant articles.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the new taxation to CRFs for the 2018 budget in the amount of \$549,000. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board reviewed the ETF expenditures.

Chair Swenson made a motion to rescind the prior motion for the CRF for the new taxation. Selectman Chase seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson approve the CRF new taxation amount per the list of the December 4, 2017 in the amount of \$340,000. Selectman Chase seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve \$209,000 to the 2018 Budget for the roads, going into the Warrant Article to define the road expenditures to be combined with the grant and other CRF withdrawals. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the ETF new taxation for the 2018 budget in the amount of \$70,500. Selectman Chase seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0-0.

The Board reviewed the tax-rate impact for the 2018 budget and compared to the 2017 budget. Chair Swenson noted it is approximately a \$0.80 per thousand valuation increase for the CRF and ETF budgets. The calculations were reviewed and discussed. One option to reduce the tax rate impact was discuss relative to a lease / purchase approach to the SCBA for the Fire Department rather than a straight purchase.

Selectman Chase made a motion to rescind the prior motion to put \$340,000 into CRFs which would be raised from taxation. Chair Swenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson made a motion to approve the CRF new taxation in the amount per the amended list of December 4, 2017 in the amount of \$234,000. Selectman Chase seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Note: This approach accepts the concept of a lease / purchase for the SCBA's with \$51,000 to come from the Ancillary Equipment CRF and the remaining \$106,000 as the lease portion.

Selectman Chase made a motion to rescind the prior vote approving the 2018 expenditures of \$859,700. Chair Swenson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Selectman Chase made a motion to approve \$753,700 to be spent on 2018 project expenditures per the amended list of December 4, 2017. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chair Swenson will summarize the fund balance information and submit to Town Administrator Kinmond.

Selectman Chase made a motion to approve the revenue budget for 2018 in the amount of \$1,721,761 per the detailed list reviewed December 4, 2017. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

Other

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Town Administrator Kinmond stated he received additional information from health insurance providers and will be providing a summary of the options for review by the Board of Selectmen at the next meeting.

Town Administrator Kinmond stated he was made aware of the Copple Crown revenue report may have been incorrectly calculated and thus the tax rate may have been inflated. Chair Swenson stated he discussed this with someone from Copple Crown and it was suggested they look at the assessed value as well and to have a Copple Crown representative meet with the finance officer and Town Administrator Kinmond to work on understanding and perhaps correcting any errors.

Selectman Chase left the meeting at 11 a.m.

Adjourn

Chair Swenson made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Doherty seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary