New Durham Budget Committee Meeting August 5, 2020 DRAFT

# TOWN OF NEW DURHAM BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING August 5, 2020, 7:00pm at "ZOOM" Virtual

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Under the emergency provisions of RSA 91A, this meeting took place electronically via Zoom.

IN LIGHT OF THE COVID 19 (CORONA VIRUS) SOCIAL DISTANCING ADVICE MADE BY THE GOVERNOR AND CDC, THE TOWN OF NEW DURHAM NH FOLLOWING A DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY BY THE PLANNING BOARD CHAIRPERSON, IS PROVIDING A MEETING PARTICIPATION VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE FOR YOUR SAFETY.

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#### **PRESENT**

Terry Jarvis, Chair via Zoom Mark Sullivan, Vice-Chair via Zoom Ellen Phillips via Zoom David Swenson, Board of Selectmen Representative via Zoom Joan Swenson via Zoom Rudy Rosiello via Zoom New Durham Budget Committee Meeting August 5, 2020 DRAFT

Kenneth Fanjoy – excused absence

### **ALSO PRESENT**

Scott Kinmond, Town Administrator via Zoom Anina Soucy, Finance Manager via Zoom

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jarvis called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Chair Jarvis confirmed the meeting was posted appropriately with access numbers. She stated that in the event the public is unable to access the meeting, it would be adjourned and rescheduled. Chair Jarvis stated all motions would be taken by roll call. Chair Jarvis asked committee members to identify themselves and confirm whether they are alone or who is present.

#### **Agenda Review**

Town Administrator Kinmond noted there are no minutes for a January 10, 2020 meeting.

## **Second Quarter 2020 Budget Review**

Town Administrator Kinmond gave a summary of the second quarter budget and the committee reviewed the presentation. He stated about 40% has been expended for Planning Board and Legal; Emergency Management is at 735% expended due to the COVID-19 situation. Payments have been made for the Long Term Bonds and Notes. Chair Jarvis asked if the reevaluation will be completed by December 31. Town Administrator Kinmond stated there is a contract but it won't be paid until the hearings have been conducted and the reevaluation is underway with completion expected in October. Mr. Rosiello asked which line item under Personnel has been "frozen". Town Administrator Kinmond stated there were some positions which employees left and the Board of Selectmen chose to freeze those; Selectman Swenson stated the majority of funding which was frozen was on the road repair side but on the operational side, there was about \$10,000 from the Fire Department budget for repair to the ladder truck, which was delayed. Chair Jarvis asked if they anticipate to keep the lines frozen through the fiscal year. Selectman Swenson stated the Board will be discussing this at the next meeting but it is his opinion there won't be a release of the funds in the near future. Mr. Sullivan asked how much the unrecoverable legal fees are; Town Administrator Kinmond replied its in the \$5,000 range. Selectman Swenson explained the communications between towns and the school board relative to their budget and actual expenditures. He stated the board has indicated there may be some refunds, proportionally between the towns. Chair Jarvis asked if the perambulation lawsuit has been resolved; Town Administrator Kinmond stated the petitioner has withdrawn the lawsuit. He stated a staff member at Town Hall has been working on the perambulation project with the other towns. Mr. Rosiello noted there seem to be discrepancies for gasoline expenditures; Town Administrator Kinmond explained there have been some problems through the software transitions but they will be working to clear these up an the data will be provided when available. Chair Jarvis noted the line for Emergency Management is way over the budget but is in the process of being reimbursed. Selectman Swenson noted the Board of Selectmen is doing everything they can to keep TAN at \$1.

#### **2020 Budget Committee Meeting Schedule**

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Review Meeting

October 21, 2020, 7:00pm.

## Joint BOS/Budget philosophy Meeting-

Thursday, August 13, 2020, 6:00pm or August 20, 2020, 7:00pm.

## **2020 Budget Work Sessions**

November 4, 2020, 6:00pm.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Meeting of November 25, 2019 – Edits were made. Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Ms. Phillips seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Phillips – aye; Mr. Sullivan – aye; Selectman Swenson – aye; Ms. Swenson –aye; Mr. Rosiello – aye; Chair Jarvis – aye. Motion passed, 6-0-0.

Meeting of June 10, 2020 – Edits were made. Ms. Phillips made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Phillips – aye; Mr. Sullivan – aye; Selectman Swenson – aye; Ms. Swenson –aye; Mr. Rosiello – aye; Chair Jarvis – aye. Motion passed, 6-0-0.

## **ADJOURN**

<u>Selectman Swenson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote:</u>
<u>Ms. Phillips – aye; Mr. Sullivan – aye; Selectman Swenson – aye; Ms. Swenson – aye; Mr. Rosiello – aye; Chair Jarvis – aye. Motion passed, 6-0-0.</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Riel, Recording Secretary