

PENDING APPROVAL

Town of Lincoln  
Minutes of Special Select Board Meeting  
Lincoln Town Office  
January 14, 2019 6:30 p.m.

In attendance at the Special Select Board meeting: Board Members Bill Finger, Chair, Ellie Bryant, Paul Forlenza, Will Sipse, Select Board Assistant/Bookkeeper Ann Kensek. Absent: Oakley Smith.

The agenda included discussion, deliberation and possible approval of Town General Fund and Town Highway Fund proposed budgets for FY 2021 (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021).

Paul presented significant changes in the preliminary proposed budget for FY21.

- Legal services have increased significantly.
- Election expense has increased due to election year.
- Miscellaneous administrative cost has increased.
- NEMRC has doubled their price, which has increased that line item.
- Software Support cost has more than doubled.
- ACRPC consultant cost has increased.
- A question arose about the expense of removing diseased ash trees within Town right of way. An amount of \$5,000 was added to the conservation line item for this purpose.
- The line item for signs was reduced to \$2,000.
- The school generator cost was reduced to \$2,000.
- Miscellaneous Town office line item was reduced.
- Recycling was increased from \$0 to \$6,000 after discussion with Moose Rubbish Removal.
- A savings of \$29,000 is anticipated for highway personnel wages.
- The tires and chains line item was allocated at \$10,000
- Bill presented costs of selling two Town trucks, the Western Star and the 2016 Freightliner, and purchasing a new Town truck for highway use.
- An amount of \$10,000 was added to the highway consultant line item.
- Uniform rental was reduced to \$1,000.
- Fuel was reduced from \$45,000 to \$42,000.
- Lubricants increased by \$1,000.
- Heating fuel increased by \$3,000 to \$5,000.
- It was determined to reduce the annual allocation to the Capital Fund from \$75,000 to \$70,000 and increase the amount for repair/maintenance of the Town Garage from \$2,000 to \$10,000.
- Winter sand was increased by 5%.
- Gravel, salt, chloride, culverts, and roadside mowing costs increased.
- Guard rails doubled to \$10,000.
- Cold patch expense was added to paving reserve.
- Grant match was allocated at \$40,000.

Deleted: has

Deleted: C

Deleted: allocate \$5,000 from the general fund to the capital fund for repairs on Town garage.

- 50 • Major projects grant match was allocated at \$65,000.
- 51 • Overall, the proposed budget was reduced by \$7,000 but ~~still increases~~ by 2.9% over
- 52 • FY 2020.
- 53 • Property taxes would increase by 3.6% according to the current budget proposal.
- 54 • Paul, Ann, and Bill will convene to discuss items where costs can be reduced.

Deleted: increasing the budget

55  
56 Note: Proposed budgets are subject to final adoption by registered voters at Town Meeting on  
57 March 2, 2020.

58  
59 Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

60  
61 Respectfully submitted,  
62 Ellie Bryant

63  
64 *The Lincoln Town Office is accessible for all. If you need additional accommodations to attend*  
65 *this meeting, please call 453-2980 as far ahead as possible.*