

**Town of York Maine  
Budget Committee  
Budget Season FY23  
January and February, 2022  
Zoom**

**Session 1**

**Tuesday, January 4, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Dean Lessard

Superintendent Lou Goscinski

Zak Harding, School Business Administrator

Chair Nan Graves called the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present: Chair Nan Graves, Vice Chair Marla Johnson, Board Secretary Jim Smith, Heather Campbell, Mike Spencer, Chris Brown and Chris Hartwell. Patience Horton was the Recording Secretary. The motions were decided via roll call.

**Presentation of Capital Items**

**Superintendent Lou Goscinski, School Business Administrator Zak Harding**

- 1) Sections of the parking lot have to be repaved at Coastal Ridge Elementary.
- 2) The intercom system has to be upgraded at Coastal Ridge.
- 3) The second part of the High School HVAC system has to be upgraded.
- 4) The security devices and cameras at the schools have to be updated.
- 5) The previously requested wheel chair access is no longer an issue.
- 6) The freezer and cooler box at Coastal Ridge have to be replaced.
- 7) An upgrade of the audio system at the community auditorium is needed.

**Steve Burns, Dean Lessard**

- 1) Town Hall has the highest priority.
- 2) The plow truck ordered in FY21 has not been delivered. No plow truck is being requested for FY23.
- 3) The Town has received money from FEMA for Phase 1 of the seawall. There are four more phases.
- 4) The Nubble Road project design includes sidewalks between Long and Short Sands. The sidewalk runs up to the Nubble.
- 5) Culvert replacement is needed on Berwick-Ogunquit Road.
- 6) The repair of road wear-and-tear is ongoing.
- 7) A new DPW trailer is needed for carrying excavators and bulldozers.
- 8) Water and Sewer mains are being replaced on High Street.
- 9) Work is needed on Lindsay Road.
- 10) Moulton Lane is being widened.

**The first session (January 4) recessed at 8:20 P.M.**

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**Session 2**

**Thursday, January 6, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

## **Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Wayne Martin

Steve Spofford

Chief Jeff Welsh,

Chief Chris Balentine

Robin Cogger

Chair Nan Graves called the second section of the FY23 Budget Season to order. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

### **Presentation of Capital Items**

#### **Police Department Lieutenant Steve Spofford**

- 1) Three full equipped, hybrid patrol cars are being ordered.
- 2) An emergency services pickup truck is needed.

#### **York Beach Fire Department Chief Jeff Welch**

A corroded firetruck needs to be painted.

#### **Village Fire Department Chief Chris Balentine**

The brush-fire pumper has to be upgraded and replaced.

#### **Parks & Rec Director Robin Cogger**

- 1) Grant house needs to replace a pellet boiler system with propane.
- 2) A feasibility study for the creation of a Community Center is needed.
- 3) A 40-year-old Kubota vehicle is to be replaced.
- 4) A pickup truck used for cemetery maintenance has to be replaced.
- 5) A boat ramp for the Nubble restoration project is requested.

#### **Town IT: Town Manager Steve Burns**

Every five years, a server is replaced, but this is not one of those years.

**The second session (January 6) recessed at 9:00 P.M.**

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## **Session 3 Schools**

**Tuesday, January 11, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

### **Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Superintendent Lou Goscinski

School Business Administrator Zak Harding.

Chair Nan Graves called the third session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

### **Presentation of Schools Operating Budget**

This meeting featured a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the FY23 operating budget for the schools.

**The third session (January 11) recessed at 9:00.**

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## **Session 4**

**Thursday, January 13, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

### **Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Wendy Anderson,

Lynn Osgood

Amber Harrison

Dean Lessard

Rick Mace

Wayne Martin.

Chair Nan Graves called the fourth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

### **Budget Presentations**

#### **Town Hall Building Committee Chair Wayne Martin**

The cost estimates from Allied Cook Construction and Port City Architecture have been handed in as a written report.

#### **Town Hall, Town Manager Steve Burns**

There are six new fulltime positions: a Planner (DiCarlo Brown), a Systems Analyst, a Police Dispatcher, a Harbor Master, and Two Fulltime Firefighters. COLA has been set at 7.5%.

#### **Tax Assessor Rick Mace**

The Assessor's Office budget is up, largely because of a staff increase. Assessments are approximately 20% below fair market value across the board. Town Hall operations like office supplies, repairs & maintenance, cleaning and the legal contract (\$110,000 base) are also in the request.

#### **Town Clerk and Tax Collector Lynn Osgood**

In Lynn's first year, her predecessor, Mary Ann Szeniawski, has been retained as a contract employee/mentor. This year there are two elections (including gubernatorial) and a primary. The election of the governor comes every four years.

#### **Code Enforcement Officer Amber Harrison**

During 2021, about \$50,000,000 of construction was brought into the community.

Over 1,000 building permits were issued. Over 100 new homes were constructed.

#### **Health Officer Amber Harrison**

This position addresses environmental and public health issues. It was created for Covid.

#### **IT and Cable TV: Town Manager Steve Burns**

The TV station is at the library. There is hope of getting a second TV booth for the High School. The expenses include a station manager and booth operators. IT funds are taken out of building permit fees.

#### **Finance Director Wendy Anderson**

The budget is largely for staff salaries. There has been an increase for training.

#### **DPW Director Dean Lessard**

DPW requests include the transfer station, highway maintenance and maintenance of the parking system. Recycled products are in demand. Recently, recycling went from costing \$92-a-ton to remove to generating revenue of \$4 per ton.

**The fourth session (January 13) recessed at 9:00 P.M.**

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**Session 5 Schools**

**Tuesday, January 16, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters

Superintendent Lou Goscinski

Zak Harding

Dr. Barbara Maling

Principal Sean Murphy

Principal Beth Hutchins

Principal Karl Francis

Eric Lawson

Chair Nan Graves called the fifth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

**Budget Presentations**

**School Tech and Libraries Director Eric Lawson**

All students will need a working knowledge of computers for their future employment.

An inter-library consortium allows books to be borrowed from libraries across the state.

**Village Elementary School: Beth Hutchins, Principal**

Some students have gone for 18 months without schooling. The teachers are working to catch students up.

**Coastal Ridge Elementary School: Sean Murphy, Principal**

Coast has students from a broad socio-economic range. To level the playing field, all students are given the same basic tools and supplies, like markers.

**York Middle School: Dr. Barbara Maling, Principal**

Decreasing enrollment has caused the teaching staff to be restructured. For sixth, seventh, and eighth grades, three classroom positions have been eliminated. There are seven teachers per grade level, instead of eight.

**York High School: Karl Francis, Principal**

Cooking, engineering, computing science, coding, gaming design, podcast/broadcast media, CAD, application design, and TV studio broadcasting are some of the creative skills that are offered.

**The fifth session (January 16) recessed at 8:45 P.M.**

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**Session 6**

**Thursday, January 20, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberation**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Wendy Anderson

Patricia Connor

Village Fire Chief Chris Balentine

Beach Fire Chief Jeff Welch

Police Chief Owen Davis  
Dylan Smith

Chair Nan Graves called the sixth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

### **Budget Presentations**

#### **Municipal Social Services Review Board Director Patricia Connor**

This is a program for non-profit organizations that serve the Town. This year's applications were from the following non-profit organizations.

- 1) Aids Response Seacoast
- 2) Care Unlimited, domestic abuse
- 3) Cornerstones Visiting Nurses Association
- 4) Crossroads Emergency Shelter, Portsmouth
- 5) Kids Free to Grow, early child development
- 6) Maine Health Care at Home, servicing 35 York residents
- 7) Southern Maine Agency on Aging, Meals on Wheels
- 8) Strong Girls United Foundation, addressing self-esteem
- 9) Sweetser, mental health organization servicing 260 York residents
- 10) York County Community Action Corp servicing 767 York residents
- 11) York Community Services Association, multiple social services
- 12) York Hospital meals program
- 13) Steve Burns recommended \$100 to go to Maine Public Radio for their broadcast of CDC information. The request was attached ad hoc.

#### **Town Planning Director Dylan Smith**

A firm will be contracted to oversee a Design Charette for the Green Enterprise Overlay, 300-acres along Short Sands Road. The public will participate in the design.

#### **Village Fire Department Chief Chris Balentine**

One firefighter has been added for each station. Because of Covid, answering calls has become stressful.

#### **Beach Fire Department Chief Jeff Welch**

The wellness benefits in the budget will most likely be used this year to address mental health improvement. HR has already provided some mental health counselling.

#### **Public Safety: Owen Davis, Police Chief**

Interviews for a mental health social case manager are pending. The position will be shared with Kittery and Eliot. If successful, York will hire a fulltime manager.

#### **Communications: Owen Davis, Police Chief**

A dispatcher is being added to the staff. That will lower overtime and provide a more flexible schedule for time-off leave.

#### **Harbormaster: Owen Davis, Police Chief**

Full- and part-time harbormasters are being added to the staff. One will be monitoring parking. In the past, officers have had to bicycle from Long Sands to the Harbor to enforce parking.

#### **Animal Control: Owen Davis, Police Chief**

The duties of two parttime animal control officers include continuous calls about the turkeys on Spur Road. There is an increase in funding for the animal hospitals and Center for Wildlife.

**York Ambulance: Town Manager Steve Burns**

This is the third year of York Ambulance’s three-year contract. Every year they have had a \$6,000 increase.

**The sixth session (January 20) recessed at 9:00 P.M.**

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**Session 7 School Department**

**Tuesday, January 25, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Superintendent Lou Goscinski

Zak Harding.

Rosalyn Moriarty

Dr. Ellen Kaschuluk

Whitney Thornton

Melanie Ladd

Lisa Robertson

Chair Nan Graves called the seventh session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

**Budget Presentations**

**Special Education: Rosalyn Moriarty**

The contracts for the board-certified Occupational Therapist assistant and board-certified Behavioral Analysts are being discontinued. Those positions will be hired onto staff, instead.

**School Food Service: Whitney Thornton**

No new positions or equipment are needed this year. All students have free breakfast and lunch available to them. A new fruit or vegetable is introduced every Tuesday and Thursday, which is very popular.

**Curriculum and Professional Development: Dr. Ellen Kaschuluk**

The ESL teacher serves 23 students combined for all four schools. The ESL students are either English language learners or have another language spoken at home.

**Volunteers Mentor Program: Melanie Ladd**

There are 50 mentors who come in and spend an hour a week with a child/teen, sometimes following them for years. Right now, they largely help students who are struggling from having lost so much interaction.

**Adult and Community Education: Lisa Robertson**

Adult Ed include ESL for adults, a Certified Nursing Assistants program and High School equivalency.

**Superintendent Goscinski**

Enrollment has declined significantly in the past 10 years, causing realignment and repositioning of teachers at the Middle School. Mr. Goscinski assured the Budget Committee no teacher is being laid off.

**The seventh session (January 25) recessed at 9:00 P.M.**

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## **Session 8**

**Thursday, January 27, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

### **Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

#### **Public Hearing**

Presenters:

Fire Chief Chris Balentine

Fire Chief Jeff Welch

Sanford Lieutenant Fire Chief Gerry Guy

Firefighters' Union President Jack Cooper

Chair Nan Graves called the eighth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

Chair Nan Graves opened the **Public Hearing**.

#### **Chris Balentine, York Village Fire Chief**

He thanked the Budget Committee for the addition of two firefighters. The addition will reduce the work hours from 56- to 42-hours-per-week. The brush-truck request is being tabled until the FY24 budget process.

#### **Jeff Welch, York Beach Fire Chief**

He thanked the Budget Committee for the addition of two firefighters. It will put York in line with the other Fire Companies in the area for the weekly hours worked and pay scale.

#### **Dave Osgood, President of Fire Fighters' Union**

Because the working hours are not aligned with the other fire departments in the area, it was very difficult for York to hire their most recent firefighter. He thanked the Budget Committee.

#### **Gerry Gay, Lieutenant Fire Chief with the City of Sanford; Maine Fire Commission Vice Chair; Advisory Member of Maine Fire Training; and District Vice President for the Professional Fire Fighters of Maine**

He thanked the Budget Committee and both Fire Chiefs for moving the departments forward to getting an affordable work week for the firefighters.

Chair Nan Graves closed the Public Hearing and opened the Budget Presentations.

#### **Budget Presentations**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Wendy Anderson

Robin Cogger

Michelle Sampson

Dick DiDonato

Michelle Surdoval.

#### **York Community Action Association: Michelle Surdoval, Director**

YCSA administers assistance to help people in the community. People who need assistance go to YCSA, instead of Town Hall. It is more dignified.

#### **Property Tax Relief, Michelle Surdoval, YCSA Director**

This is the first year that the State offers a Property Deferral Program to help older adults keep their homes. York used to provide real estate tax relief by itself.

**General Assistance, Michelle Surdoval, YCSA Director**

The State dictates strict financial limitations on the eligibility and designation of General Assistance funds. York pays 30% of the General Assistance bill.

**“Red Fund” Discretionary Payments: Michelle Surdoval, YCSA Director**

This budget item provides one-time public assistance payments that address devastating situations like trees falling on houses or emergency furnace replacement.

**York Public Library: Michelle Sampson, Director; Rick DiDonato, Finance Director**

The budget has expanded to cover salary adjustments and new parttime positions. During 2021, there were 50,000 physical items checked out and 18,000 visits to Hoopla, the streaming service for videos, music and books.

**Parks and Grounds: Robin Cogger, Parks & Rec Director**

Some mowing services are contracted out. At Sohier Park, the contractor comes in and mows on a weekly, consistent schedule, which is difficult for the Town to keep. Seasonal hires include 15 lifeguards.

**Center for Active Living: Robin Cogger, Parks & Rec Director**

This is senior advocacy and program development for those in the 50+ age range.

**Ellis Park: Robin Cogger, Parks & Rec Director**

Parks and Rec is responsible for the operations of the bathhouse in Short Sands and the increased opening of the bathrooms into the shoulder seasons. Costs include bathhouse supplies, staff, utilities and maintenance.

**Recreation Enterprise: Robin Cogger, Parks & Rec Director**

This supports resources to develop, market, implement, and supervise community recreation programs and special recreation events.

**Center for Active Living Enterprise: Robin Cogger, Parks & Rec Director**

This supports specific programs and activities at the Center for Active Living. Seniors are never turned away if they cannot pay for their meals.

**Mt A: Robin Cogger, Park & Rec Director**

The bathroom and parking infrastructure improvements will hopefully be finished by the first of July.

**Sohier Park: Robin Cogger, Parks & Rec Director**

Postcards are the number one item sold at the Nubble Gift Shop—8,241 in 2021. The second largest items are York Peppermint Patties—2,055 sold. People ask if they are made in York.

**The eighth session (January 27) recessed at 9:20 P.M.**

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**Session 9 School Department**

**Tuesday, February 1, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Lou Goscinski

Zak Harding

Chair Nan Graves called the ninth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

**Diana Janetos read an email from Jerry Allen.** He did not understand why the COLA was 7.5%, or why the CPI was used. Where did that information come from? He said the distribution

of Covid funding should be posted, and that that Zoom broadcasting is inconvenient to watch. He also believed that too little information about Budget Committee meetings is available prior to the meetings.

**Chair Nan Graves responded to the email.** It is Selectboard's policy to increase COLA as set in November. The accounting for Covid is available at Town Hall or at the School District office. Zoom is unavoidable.

**School Reserve Fund: Zak Harding and Lou Goscinski**

A Reserve Fund is proposed for unforeseen circumstances that could be crises for the School District. In addition to a mental health counselor or nurse, supplemental teachers might be needed for additional intervention.

**The ninth session (February 1) recessed at 7:20 P.M.**

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**Session 10**

**Thursday, February 3, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Dean Lessard

**Long Beach Culvert**

Chair Nan Graves called the tenth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

**Budget Presentation**

A winter storm washed out the sand from the Long Beach culvert, revealing damage. According to Maine Municipal Legal, ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds can be used to repair it. The decision to access ARPA funds will come from the Selectboard.

**Budget Committee Schedule**

February 8, 2022      Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact

February 10, 2022     Dollars to Task

February 15, 2022     Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact (Cont.)

February 17, 2022     Public Hearing and Preference Votes

**The tenth session (February 3) recessed at 8:20 P.M.**

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**Session 11 School Department**

**Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Steve Burns

Dean Lessard

Chair Nan Graves called the eleventh session of the FY23 Budget Season to order.

**Present:** Nan Graves, Marla Johnson, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Chris Hartwell, Chris Brown

**Absent:** Mike Spencer

### **School Reserve/Contingency Fund**

**Diana Janetos read an email from Julie Edminster**, who is opposed to the School Reserve Fund that Superintendent Goscinski proposed on February 1. She believed that other budget line items cover much of what he is asking for, and the reserve fund is not needed.

**Diana Janetos read an email from Samara Sarno**, 85 Raynes Neck Road, who supports the School Reserve Fund proposed by Lou Goscinski on February 1. She believes the professional staff of educational administrators are the experts and should be listened to.

### **The Long Sands Culvert: Steve Burns and Dean Lessard**

The Budget Committee members talked about the emergency repairs needed on the Long Sands culvert. Steve Burns and Dean Lessard described the damage and different ways to approach funding for the repair.

- Motion: Nan asked the Committee if they were comfortable moving this forward to Dollars to Task. The result was 6-0.

### **School Reserve Fund Discussion**

The Budget Committee discussed the proposed warrant article for the School Reserve Fund.

- Motion: Nan Graves asked if the individual members of the Committee want to move this warrant article forward as written.  
**Yes:** Marla Johnson, Chris Hartwell, Jim Smith, Heather Campbell, Chris Brown, Nan Graves

### **Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact**

The Committee members spent the balance of the session editing Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact.

**The eleventh session (February 8) recessed at 8:20 P.M.**

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### **Session 12**

**Thursday, February 10, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

### **Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Chair Nan Graves called the twelfth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order.

**Present:** Nan Graves, Marla Johnson, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Chris Hartwell, Chris Brown

**Absent:** Mike Spencer

### **Dollars to Task**

#### **Schools**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$15,865,190 for **Regular Instruction**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$7,373,455 for **Special Education**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$15,000 for **Career Technical Education**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,632,974 for **Instruction**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$3,514,439 for **Student Staff Support**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,372,487 for **System Administration**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,725,102 for **School Administration**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,143,846 for **Transportation**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$4,054,801 for **Maintenance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,886,587 for **Debt Service**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$110,531 for **Other Non-instruction**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$38,694,412 for **All Encompassing Summary** of Prior 11. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$18,644,121 for **Essentials Programs and Services Act**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$641,707 for **Non-tax Revenue use of Fund Balance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,886,587 for **School Dept Service**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$14,553,882 for **Additional Local Funds**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$200,654 for **Adult Education**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$295,211 for **Food Service**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

### **Capital Items**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$140,000 for **CRES Paving**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$60,000 **CRES Intercom Updates**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$235,000 for **York High School HVAC** updates. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$265,000 for **Capital Project Security and Safety**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$103,000 for the **CRES Preschool**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$50,000 for **Upgrade to the York Community Auditorium Sound System**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

## **Town Proposed Budget**

### **Revenues**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$6,974,700 for **Revenues**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

### **Administration**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$39,634 for **Selectmen**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$578,198 for **Town Manager**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$569,141 for **Finance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$370,867 for **Assessor**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$350,330 for **Code**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$289,443 for **Planning**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$399,693 for **Clerk's Office**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$44,989 for **Elections**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$222,200 for **Town Hall Operations**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$406,100 for **Insurance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$100,000 for **Contingency**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$62,000 for **Earned Time Acct, Unemployment Acct & Academic Reimb Acct Funding**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$32,463 for **Cable TV Operations**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$685,328 for **Information Technology**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$71,447 for **Boards and Committees**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$139,245 for the **Elected Clerk/Tax Collector**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

### **Public Safety**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$4,824,853 for **Police**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$997,468 for **Communications**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$65,518 for **Animal Control**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$105,460 for **Harbor Management**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$665,635 for **Village Fire Department**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$656,413 for **Beach Fire Department**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$82,000 for **York Ambulance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,060,504 for **Fire Hydrants**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$4,095,766 for **Highway Maintenance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,545,000 for **Trash & Recycling**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$141,300 for **Transfer Station**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$70,963 for **Parking Operations**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

### **Parks/Grounds/Beaches**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$402,202 for **Center of Active Living**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$8,465 for **Ellis Short Sands Park**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

## **Community Services**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$88,000 for **General Assistance, Public Assistance, Property Tax Relief**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$746,509 for **Library Funding**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$10,000 for **Cemetery Maintenance**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$61,800 for **Public Health**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$65,050 for **Outside Social Services Request**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$2,954,126 for **Municipal Debt Service**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$45,000 for **Cost of Bonding**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

## **Policy Items**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$200,000 for **Two Fire Fighter Positions**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$125,000 for **Design Charette Green Enterprise**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

## **Capital Items**

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$130,000 for **Police Vehicles**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$60,000 for **YB Fire Engine Repairs**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$15,000 for **Grant House Heating Update**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$154,000 for **IT Upgrades**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$22,000 for **Kubota Tractor**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$26,000 for **Parks Cemetery Maint. Truck**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$7,298,000 for **Town Hall Expansion Project**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,300,000 for **Continuation of Seawall Project**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$200,000 for **Nubble Road Reconstruction**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$100,000 for **Community Center Study**. Seconded by Chris Brown, the motion passed 5-1.

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Chris Brown, Jim Smith, Heather Campbell, and Marla Johnson

**No:** Nan Graves

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$250,000 for **Culvert on Berwick-Ogunquit Road**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$1,100,000 for **Town Road and Sidewalk Overlay**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$50,000 for a 25-ton trailer for **DPW**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$200,000 for **Road Reconstruction of High Street and Moulton Lane**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$75,000 for **Lindsay Road Reconstruction**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$55,000 for Three-quarter-ton **Pickup Police Department Emergency Vehicle**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$51,800 for **Nubble Light Restoration Funded by Nubble Light Enterprise Fund**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

Chris Hartwell moved to approve \$570,000 for **Culvert at Long Beach Avenue at Beacon Street**. Seconded by Chris Brown, there was no discussion. The motion passed 6-0.

**The twelfth (February 10) session recessed at 8:10 P.M.**

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### **Session 13**

**Tuesday, February 15, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

#### **Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

Presenters:

Zak Harding

Steve Burns

Wendy Anderson

Town Attorney Mary Costigan

Chair Nan Graves called the thirteenth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present; however, Chris Brown joined at 6:15.

#### **Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact**

- Motion: Heather Campbell moved to reopen the vote on the Contingency Fund conversation. Seconded by Jim Smith, the motion passed 6-0.

## **School Contingency Fund**

Zak Harding presented the School Contingency Fund. Two sections of law were associated with it, §2307 and §1482.b.3.

Town Attorney Mary Costigan said that Statute §2307 is the rule for the budgeting of municipal schools, like the York School Department. Some schools follow the R.S.U. process, but York is an exception to that. York is a Charter Town. The Charter lets the Town's legislative body set the full amount of the school budget and break it into line items.

She continued with the second section. Section 1482.b.3 does not set an authority to create a contingency. Rather, it says that the voters can change the amount of a contingency fund at a Town meeting.

Zak Harding said that this request is for a lapsing contingency. There would be a one-year authority to use Fund Balance for emergencies. It would end at the end of the fiscal year. Changing it would require a three-person vote from the School Committee.

Nan Graves commented that the contingency mirrors what the Selectboard does. This proposed contingency addresses needs that were expressed by Superintendent Lou Goscinski. They are also felt appropriate by the School Department.

Chair Nan Graves read the new wording for the Warrant Article. [Quote] The question: Shall the Town authorize use of up to \$500,000 from the School General Fund Balance for School Budget Contingencies pursuant to Sections 2307 and 1482.b.3, provided that a motion to access said funds shall require a minimum of three affirmative votes of the School Committee and be used only for emergencies and unanticipated cost increases for budgeted item? [End quote]

Zak Harding used an example. If you have seven kindergarten teachers and you suddenly need eight because you get 20 more kids, that is a need for essential goods or services provided to the students. If the schools have two mental health workers, and three are needed, that is another essential goods or services provided to the students. The contingency fund can cover an increase in staff.

- Motion 1: Jim Smith moved to accept the new wording that Nan Graves has proposed. The motion was seconded by Mike Spencer.
- Motion 2: Marla Johnson moved to amend the motion Jim Smith had made to reduce the amount from \$500,000 to \$200,000. Chris Hartwell seconded the motion.

Discussion and voting were taken out of order with Motion 2 going first.

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2), Marla Johnson emphasized that the contingency funds should not be used for additional staffing. Additional staffing should come out of the operating budget and only for emergencies. She said \$200,000 is the right amount because it is in alignment with the Selectboard's contingency.

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2), Mike Spencer supported the \$500,000 figure. The contingency fund does not have to align with the Selectboard. Having less would not hurt the School Department or the Superintendent. Because it comes from fund balance, it does not hurt the taxpayers. Rather, it hurts the kids.

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2), Nan Graves explained that the contingency fund is money the School Department has the authorization to take out of fund

balance in an emergency. It is money that is not budgeted. The \$200,000 figure would be more financially prudent than \$500,000. The lower amount might be more apt to pass.

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2). Heather Campbell said the it seems like a new kindergarten teacher or added nurse is an anticipated cost and does not fit into the category of “emergency.” Two hundred thousand is a better figure. She hoped the Budget Committee would vote unanimously and support \$200,000. She has seen a split vote cause a warrant to fail

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2), Chris Brown said it seems the schools have a lot of money. The contingency fund should be \$200,000, and would carry the schools for three months in an emergency. At that point, it can go to the vote.

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2), Jim Smith said it seems like the schools have a very large budget, but it doesn’t mean they have a lot of extra money to spend. If there is a need for another staff member, it should be in the budget. If the Budget Committee shows unanimity over the amount, whether it is \$200,000 or \$500,000, it looks better to the voters.

Regarding the motion to change the amount (Motion 2), Zak Harding emphasized the contingency will only be needed in a financial emergency. It will come when the search for savings in the operating budget and other places is exhausted.

- Chair Nan Graves called for the vote for Motion 2 to change the amount from \$500,000 to \$200,000. The vote passed 6-1.  
**Yes:** Chris Brown, Jim Smith, Heather Campbell, Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Nan Graves  
**No:** Mike Spencer
- Motion 1: Jim Smith moved to accept the new wording that Nan Graves proposed [Motion 1]. Seconded by Mike Spencer, the motion passed 7-0.

Chris Hartwell had discovered that the amount in Dollars to Task for the Cornerstone Visiting Nurses’ Association was incorrect. Wendy Anderson said she will correct the amount in the warrant.

### **Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact**

The Committee members spent the balance of the session editing the list of Warrant Articles and Statements of Fact, work they had begun on February 8.

**The thirteenth (February 15) session recessed at 8:15.**

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### **Session 14**

**Thursday, February 17, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**

### **Public Hearing**

Chair Nan Graves called the fourteenth session of the FY23 Budget Season to order at 6:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present.

**Nan Graves opened the Public Hearing.**

**Janet Drew spoke.** Police and Fire take up large portions of the budget. Comparatively, a small percentage of the budget goes to the support of vulnerable people. York should be part of the Federal and regional plan for broadband.

**An email had come from Carol Allen.** She stated that a 7.5% COLA increase should be unacceptable when seniors received 5.9% from Social Security. Many cannot afford the continued increase in taxes.

**Nan Graves closed the Public Hearing.**

**Community Center**

In discussion, The Budget Committee discussed removing the Community Center study from the ballot.

- Motion: Jim Smith moved to move Article 55 to the November ballot rather than having it on the May ballot. Heather seconded the motion.

In discussion, Nan supported the change, saying that said the Community Center is tied to the Comp Plan, which has not been finalized. The Town should concentrate on Town Hall renovations and not split attention between two big projects.

Heather said if it is done at a thoughtful pace, the Community Center might have a better chance of being achieved.

Nan Graves called the vote to move the Community Center study to November. The vote passed 6-1:

**Yes:** Chris Brown, Jim Smith, Heather Campbell, Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Nan Graves

**No:** Mike Spencer

**Preference Votes**

**Towns**

Warrant Article 4

\$4,221,883 for **Administration**, 6-1

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves

**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 5

\$139,245 for **Town Clerk/Tax Collector**, 7-1

Warrant Article 6

\$5,993,299 for **Public Safety**, 6-1

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves

**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 7

2,464,552 for **Fire Department**, 7-0

Warrant Article 8

200,000 for **Two Fire Fighter Positions**, 6-1

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 9  
\$5,853,029 for **Public Works**, 7-0

Warrant Article 10  
\$1,439,919 for **Parks Grounds & Beaches**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 11  
\$402,202 for **Center for Active Living**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 12  
\$8,465 for **Ellis Short Sands Park**, 7-0

Warrant Article 13  
\$746,509 for **Library Funding**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 14  
\$10,000 for **First Parish Cemetery Maintenance**, 7-0

Warrant Article 15  
\$61,800 for **Public Health**, 7-0

Warrant Article 16  
\$88,000 for **General Assistance/Property Tax Relief**, 7-0

Warrant Article 17  
\$65,050 for **Social Services Request**, 7-0

Warrant Article 18  
\$2,954,126 for **Debt Service**, 7-0

Warrant Article 19  
\$125,000 for **Design Charette for Green Enterprise**, 7-0

Warrant Article 20  
\$6,974,700 for **Revenues**, 7-0

Warrant Article 21  
\$200,000 for Selectboard Fund Balance, 7-0

### **School Operating Budget**

Warrant Article 25  
\$15,865,190 for **Regular Instruction**, 7-0

Warrant Article 26  
\$7,373,455 for **Special Education**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 27  
15,000 for **Career and Technical Education**, 7-0

Warrant Article 28  
\$1,632,974 for **Other Instruction**, 7-0

Warrant Article 29  
\$3,514,439 for **Student Staff Support**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 30  
\$1,372,487 for **System Administration**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 31  
\$1,725,102 for **School Administration**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 32  
\$1,143,846 for **Transportation**, 7-0

Warrant Article 33  
\$4,054,801 for **Facilities Maintenance**, 7-0

Warrant Article 34  
\$1,886,587 for **Debt Service**, 7-0

Warrant Article 35  
\$110,531 for **Other Non-instruction**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 36  
\$38,694,412 for **All-Encompassing Summary of the Prior 11**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves  
**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 37  
\$18,644,121 for **Essential Services and Programs Act**, 7-0

Warrant Article 38  
\$1,886,587 for **School Debt Service**, 7-0

Warrant Article 39  
\$14,553,882 for **Additional Local Funds**, 6-1  
**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves

**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 40

\$641,707 for **Tax Revenue**, 7-0

Warrant Article 41

\$200,654 for **Adult Education**, 7-0

Warrant Article 42

\$295,211 for **Food Service**, 7-0

Warrant Article

\$200,000 for **School Contingency Account**, 6-1

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Chris Brown, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith

**No:** Nan Graves

### **Capital**

Warrant Article 43

\$7,298,000 for **Town Hall Renovations Expansion**, 7-0

Warrant Article 44

\$50,000 for **Upgrade to York Community Auditorium**, 6-1

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves

**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 45

\$130,000 for **Police Vehicles**, 7-0

Warrant Article 46

\$60,000 for **York Beach Fire Engine Refurbishments**, 7-0

Warrant Article 47

\$265,000, for **School Safety Upgrades**, 7-0

Warrant Article 48

\$1,300,00 for **Seawall**, 7-0

Warrant Article 49

\$235,000 for **York High School HVAC Controls**, 7-0

Warrant Article 50

\$200,000 for **Nubble Road Reconstruction**, 7-0

Warrant Article 51

\$15,000 for **New Heating System at Grant House**, 7-0

Warrant Article 52

\$154,000 **Town IT Upgrades** 7-0

Warrant Article 53

The Budget Committee has voted to move this warrant article, **Community Center Feasibility Study**, to the November, 2022, ballot.

Warrant Article 54

\$22,000 **Park Replacement Tractor** 7-0

Warrant Article 55

\$26,000 for Park **Pickup for Cemetery Maintenance**, 7-0

Warrant Article 56

\$250,000 for **Culvert Replacement Berwick-Ogunquit Road**, 7-0

Warrant Article 57

\$303,000 for **School Freezer and Cooler at CRES**, 7-0

Warrant Article 58

\$1,100,000 for **Town-wide Road and Sidewalk Paving**, 7-0

Warrant Article 59

\$50,000 for **DPW 25-ton Trailer**, 7-0

Warrant Article 60

\$200,000 for **High Street and Moulton Lane Reconstruction**, 7-0

Warrant Article 61

\$75,000 for **Lindsey Road Reconstruction, Parking, Sidewalk**, 5-2

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves

**No:** Chris Brown, Marla Johnson

Warrant Article 62

\$55,000 for **Police Department Emergency Vehicle**, 7-0

Warrant Article 63

\$570,000 for **Culvert Replacement on Long Beach Avenue**, 7-0

Warrant Article 64

\$51,800 for **Nubble Light Restoration**, 7-0

Warrant Article 65

\$45,000 for **Cost of Bonding**, 7-0

Warrant Article 66

For **Five-year Capital Plan**, 6-1

**Yes:** Chris Hartwell, Marla Johnson, Mike Spencer, Heather Campbell, Jim Smith, Nan Graves

**No:** Chris Brown

Warrant Article 67

For **Voter's Approval to Vote Over the State Levy Limit**, 7-0

### **In Other Business**

- 1) Nan Graves Steve Burns, Wendy Anderson, Zak Harding and all the Committee members.
- 2) The next meeting is March 27, at 7:00 P.M.
- 3) Chris Hartwell and Mike Spencer will work as School Liaisons.
- 4) Heather Campbell and Chris Brown will work as Town Liaisons.
- 5) Jim Smith will remain the Library Liaison.
- 6) Location of the next meeting (Library v. Zoom) will be discussed.
- 7) In May, Nan Graves will resign from the Budget Committee to run for Town Treasurer. She has been with the Budget Committee for seven years. Everyone thanked and congratulated her.

**The fourteenth session and the FY23 Budget Season ended February 17 at 8:10 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Patience G. Horton

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**Session 15**  
**Wednesday, March 9, 2022, 7:00 P.M.**  
**Continuation of FY23 Budget Deliberations**  
**Amendment of Article 40**

Presenter  
Steve Burns

Three weeks after the official close of FY23 Budget Season, Chair Nan Graves reopened the meeting by calling this special session to order at 7:00 P.M. All seven members of the Budget Committee were present: Chair Nan Graves, Vice Chair Marla Johnson, Board Secretary Jim Smith, Heather Campbell, Mike Spencer, Chris Brown, and Chris Hartwell. The purpose of the session was to amend Article 40.

Article 40, **Tax Review**, was written incorrectly in the Statements of Fact. In its already-approved form, \$641,707 cannot be appropriated. During this session,

1. A vote was taken to amend the Statements of Fact, and
  2. A second preference vote was taken.
- 1) A motion was made by Chris Hartwell. Chris read the new wording for the Warrant Article. [Quote] Shall the Town accept and appropriate \$641,707 consisting of the estimated sources listed below for the FY23? [End quote] Jim Smith seconded the motion. In discussion, Nan Graves said we do not want the schools to have a \$641,707 shortfall. This will avoid that.
- Nan Graves called the vote to appropriate \$641,707 for Article 40.
- The motion passed 7-0.
- 2) Nan Graves asked for a preference vote for Warrant Article 40. The preference vote passed with all seven members voting yes. As listed here, it still matches the preference vote given during the twelfth session, February 10.

Warrant Article 40  
\$641,707 for **Tax Revenue**, 7-0

**The fifteenth session (March 9) closed at 7:03 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Patience G. Horton