

Town of Danville
Selectboard Minutes
Special Meeting – Budget / Warning - 1 VSA § 312 (c)(2),(5)
January 29, 2024
Danville Town Hall

Board Members Present: Eric Bach, Glenn Herrin, Alison Low, and Janice Ouellette

Board Members Absent: Janice Ouellette

Others Present: Audrey DeProspero

Special Public Meeting called to order by Alison Low at 3:01 pm.

1. Issues and Information (All)

- (a) **Budget / Warning** – Alison Low noted the excel spreadsheets add up correctly but the Warning was not written correctly. The discrepancy was in the negative carryover and the amount of revenue. To balance we need to include the negative carry over and delinquent taxes.

Motion by Peter Griffin, 2nd by Glenn Herrin to re-approve the General Fund Article #24 to read "Shall the Town of Danville vote (Australian Ballot) to adopt the proposed General Fund budget of \$1,797,736.588, with other revenue and carryover of \$1,150,836.65 and with \$646,899.93 to be raised through taxes for the ensuing year?" Vote 4-0-0. Motion carries.

Motion by Peter Griffin, 2nd by Glenn Herrin to re-approve the Highway Fund Article #25 to read "Shall the Town of Danville vote (Australian Ballot) to adopt the proposed Highway budget of \$2,161,155.66, with other revenue and carryover of \$878,470.70 and with \$1,282,684.96 to be raised through taxes for the ensuing year?" Vote 4-0-0. Motion carries.

Alison Low discussed how to explain budget, possibly PowerPoint, slides will be just prompts for persons.

Discussed were cost drivers: Callex, county taxes and deficit for Highway as we are waiting on FEMA reimbursements. Other items: Train Station being paid by grants and private fundraising and for a number of years Town has put money toward building fund, it is not coming out of property taxes; ARPA accepted in 2023 to do payroll, avoid claw back, invest in capital projects when appropriate and free up other funds; and signed NEMRC and Bachelder contracts to bring office staff up to speed due to Wendy Somers's passing.

Eric Bach noted Michael Wright of Callex reached out to him regarding his whereabouts for Town Meeting Day. He is being asked to be in various places and not sure if he will be able to attend Danville.

Eric Bach noted he will not be attending either Pre Town-Meetings as he will be out of town, but he will be attending Town Meeting Day.

Alison Low suggested the PowerPoint information be put in the Town newsletter.

2. Adjourn - Motion by Peter Griffin, 2nd by Glenn Herrin to adjourn at 3:30 pm. All in favor.

Minutes taken by Audrey DeProspero submitted January 30, 2023 at 11:00 am.