

TOWN OF ORFORD

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Adams, Fred Kidder II, Tom Steketee

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Tim Surprenant, Bob Palifka, Bill Paxton, Lawrence Hibbard, Tom Thomson

OTHERS PRESENT: Esther Dobbins-Marsh, Ann Green, Jordon Sutherlin

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

The Selectboard reviewed the budget requests and revisions made to the budget by the Selectboard with the members of the Budget Advisory Committee. There were questions on why specific line items are over budget in 2019 (specifically highway salt, highway building maintenance, and legal expenses). There was discussion on the cost of community fields mowing compared to the rate the Town is charging Rivendell to use the community fields, and the status of various paving projects still outstanding.

Reviewing of proposed warrant articles – there was discussion about the proposed warrant article for a bond for the Archertown Road Rebuild project (there will be a public hearing on this topic prior to the annual meeting), and the need to purchase new trucks and fire vehicles.

Adams said the department heads will be attending the meeting on November 25th to discuss their budget and warrant article requests in greater detail. The Budget Advisory Committee will schedule a separate meeting to review the budget report and warrant articles in preparation for the meeting on the 25th.

A motion was made by Adams, seconded by Kidder to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3, II(a) at 7:05 PM. A roll call vote of member's present was taken with a decision in the affirmative

The Board resumed the regular meeting at 7:44 PM. A motion was made by Adams, seconded by Kidder to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session. Motion Approved.

Adjourn

Motion made by Adams, seconded by Steketee adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther Dobbins-Marsh