

## ORFORD BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 1/9/2023, Niles Room

**Members:** Bill Paxton, Larry Duffey, Bob Palifka, Chair

**Meeting called to order at 2:58 PM** with Larry, Bill, and Bob

**Minutes from 1/4/2023:** Moved and unanimously accepted with no changes

**Other business:**

**Prepare Budget recommendations for 1/11/2023 presentation to Selectboard**

**Operating Budget:** Town of Orford Worksheet dated 12/27/2022

This latest version of the Worksheet was reviewed, and a motion was made and seconded to vote it to be reasonable and proper. The unanimous vote was yes, which includes the total Operating Budget of \$1,347,495.

**Warrant Article recommendations:** These recommendations were moved, seconded, and unanimously passed.

**Capital Reserve Account Funding:** It is recommended the total be reduced by \$5,000 to \$426,322, with the reduction being in Highway Dept. Trucks from \$86,799 down to \$81,799.

Words change: **to request funds to cover additional charges for trucks on order** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) to cover the additional charges for the 6-Wheel truck and 10-Wheel truck packages and to authorize the withdrawal of up to forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) from the Highway Department Trucks Capital Reserve fund. This will be a 3-year non-lapsing article per RSA 32:7VI.

Word change: **Highway Equipment:**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to purchase a leaf blower and a segmented grader cutting edge for use by the Highway Department.

Other discussions included recruitment of new members, and possibly considering changing the method of budgeting-both to be discussed in the future. In addition, a MISSION STATEMENT was proposed, revised, and unanimously passed for submission to the selectboard's approval.

**Meeting** adjourned at 4:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Palifka

Chair, Budget Advisory Committee