

Members in attendance: N. Gorski, L. Annino, Jr., J. Young

Visitors (as identified onscreen): W. Adametz, J. Baird, E. Blewett, K. Emerson, J. Gay, W. Linsley, H. Luk R. Regolo, R. Rimmer, B. Sirignano, E. Sirignano, A. Stirna, E. Unger, D. White

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Review of 22/23 Operating, Capital and MYCIP

HIGHWAY 22/23 Budget: The BOS reviewed the draft 22/23 Highway budget with Adametz. The Snow budget request remains flat. There has been a small increase in salt pricing (\$59 vs \$52 per ton). Negotiations with Morton Salt has reduced treated salt rates from \$95 to \$79. Year to date, 56% of the 21/22 snow budget has been spent 50% through snow season with a 5-year average of \$186K.

Highway Other: Spot paving, including curbing, to remain in the operating budget as it is maintenance work, not a capital improvement. A modest 1% increase in the Highway operating budget, given the current cost of commodities, is a result of long-term maintenance of our roads which is keeping the operating costs in check.

Sanitation & Health: The proposed MIRA amendment increases tipping fees to \$116 per ton. The proposed budget covers the increase. Bulky waste is budgeted correctly. Adametz indicated he received a quote from Eastern for waste management, which will be forwarded to Annino and Young. The potential to charge a fee for tire recycling will be discussed at a future BOS meeting.

Capital: The cost of roll-off containers has been increased due to the cost of steel. Permitting for the Transfer Station and storm water was discussed. Storm water maintenance includes \$65 for the storm water and \$25K for the MS4 permit, if required for Tier 2 towns. The BOF will need to consider how to manage the capital budget for storm water. More information regarding the Transfer Station permit can be found on the state website:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Permits-and-Licenses/Factsheets-Waste-and-Materials-Management/General-Permit-for-a-Municipal-Transfer-Station>

More information regarding the storm water permit can also be found on the state website:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Water-Regulating-and-Discharges/Stormwater/Municipal-Stormwater>

HKYFS 22/23 budget review: Baird introduced members from HKYFS. Emerson reviewed the HKYFS budget request. For the past 5 years, HKYFS used a population-based methodology, similar to the BOE, to distribute funds across Haddam (53%) and Killingworth (47%). The budget request does not include prevention grant funding which has been renewed for two years. Emerson also reviewed funding sources against expenses. Audits are required based on revenue. Grants included in the funding sources also have expenses associated with them. Young asked about the town's distribution. Emerson indicated she starts with the overall ask for municipal funding. Killingworth still honors funding requests. Consequently, any funding increase is rated against the each town. Use of ADM to distribute funds across the two towns

was discussed. Haddam also has a social service office and the town of Killingworth does not, raising Killingworth's percentage slightly. Young also asked whether the 3.4% increase in budget was enough given the price of commodities. Emerson indicated their concern is in personnel, not commodities and they plan to look at that in April. There is an open question where the organization will be housed. Annino asked how much square feet they need and HKYFS will circle back with that number. Annino requested a summary of the services provided annually. Gorski requested a small paragraph to highlight the HKYFS in the Krier.

NEXT STEPS: Gorski, Annino, and Young discussed next steps. Gorski reached out to Jim Duffield to attend Thursday's 2-8-2022 meeting. Annino requested a list of capital assets and their ages.

3. Selectmen Comments
None

4. First Selectmen Comments
The application for the State Resolving Fund to apply for monies to remediate PFAS at the town hall campus and KES has been received.

A BOS Special Meeting to review KVFC/KAA changes to the pension plan as well as incentives is being planned.

5. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Nancy Gorski 2/9/22