

Budget Committee, Grafton, NH

Minutes from meeting 12/27/21 - **Approved 1/5/22**

Attendance: Ed Grinley, Chair, Catherine Mulholland, Pamela Curran

The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm.

Changes to minutes from our meeting on 12/13/21:

- * The Police budget amount is \$214,563.
- * The Town Clerk budget is \$41,248.

The minutes from the 12/13/21 meeting are approved with these changes.

Police budget: Catherine made the motion to pass the police budget for \$214,563. Pam seconded this. This passed with all in agreement.

Town Clerk: The \$500 stipend increase for the town clerk will appear as a warrant article on the warrant. Pam made the motion to pass the town clerk budget for \$41,248. Catherine seconded it. This passed with all in agreement.

Miscellaneous discussions:

- * The selectmen removed \$300 from the town clerk postage budget line while they create a new process for handling late dog license registrations. They will let us know if we are to put the \$300 back in.
- * The police chief and road agent are supposed to be paid by salary. The police chief is paid by salary but the road agent is paid hourly.
- * The ambulance volunteers are being paid per their call responses but there has not been a warrant article for the voters to approve this appropriation.
- * The budget committee needs a minute taker. This position will pay at least \$15/hour unless the last pay for this position was higher, then the pay will be that rate.
- * The budget committee will meet on Wednesday January 5 at 6pm at the town hall to review the public hearing paperwork. The public hearing will be on Friday January 14 at 7pm at the town hall, with the budget committee meeting at 6pm to review the monied warrant articles before the hearing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Curran