

Town of Pittsford SELECT BOARD – December 13, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alicia Malay, W. Joseph Gagnon, David Mills, Mark Winslow and Thomas Hooker. OTHERS PRESENT: Ann Reed, Kelly Giard – Recording Secretary.

The Select Board was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chair Malay.

Chair Malay stated that there was a need for Executive Session for Personnel concerns and contracts. Motion by T. Hooker and seconded by M. Winslow to enter into Executive Session for Personnel and contracts. Motion passed 5 – 0.

Chair Malay stated that there was no need to amend the agenda. Motion by D. Mills and seconded by T. Hooker to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed 5 – 0.

SELECT BOARD COMMENTS:

None presented at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None presented at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Budget Discussions:

M. Winslow presented his working copy of the budget, which included the grand list. The grand list went from \$34,659,983 in FY 2021 to \$36,365,020. There was discussion on breaking out the real estate tax and the personal property tax, which A. Reed stated can't be done in the current system.

There was discussion regarding expenses. The Special Appropriations were discussed and T. Hooker stated that the voters vote them in, therefore, they need to vote them out. Green Up Vermont is being over-paid, per their standards that were submitted to the town; the police revenue will see increases in Chittenden coverage, OMYA truck detail, and fines. The ordinance adoption will impact revenue; The General Fund expenses were discussed. The Management increase was due to salary and insurance additions (because previous employees were part time and not on the insurance plan); Administration includes supplies, external audit and legal fees; Zoning is seeing an increase in expenses due to legal fees, insurance and clerical; Planning stipends were discussed – some were rejected, however, most were accepted, trainings decreased, as well as mileage; The Assessor variances include the removal of a clerical position, a lot of taxation was underfunded, mileage and training, office supplies. Fees were increased by the assessor as stated that she is a subcontractor and pays her own insurance and taxes; Health Officer includes Mosquito District membership. Fire Department truck replacement funding was discussed; The Police Department includes a clerical position; insurance increase, having 3 vehicles as opposed to 2; contracted services includes tasers; supplies increased due to the price of ammunition being increased, communications increase to become compliant with

requirements of having a dedicated computer server. The Highway Revenues are waiting for Grant award information.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

T. Hooker made the motion and seconded by D. Mills to go into Executive Session for Contracts and Personnel where premature knowledge could be damaging to the Town and may be jeopardized by public disclosure.

In accordance with 1 VSA 312 (b), where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the Municipality or person involved at a substantial disadvantage, the Board unanimously agreed to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel and contracts at 6:43 PM.

The Select Board exited Executive Session at 6:45 PM.

Motion by D. Mills and seconded by A. Malay to contact the Town Attorney to draft an acceptance letter in response to the Town Manager’s resignation letter with a last day of December 16, 2022. Motion passed 5 – 0.

The Select Board adjourned at 6:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Kelly Giard
Recording Secretary

Alicia Malay, Chair

David Mills, Vice Chair

Thomas Hooker, Selectman

W. Joseph Gagnon, Selectman

Mark Winslow, Selectman