

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD
MINUTES

Date: February 27, 2019
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman Turner, Vice-Chairman McGurn, Selectman Brazie.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

It was announced that the meeting is video and audio recorded.

The board voted unanimously to accept the proposal for Wireless Telecommunications Facility on Town Hall land from Bay Communications as seemingly the most responsive and to negotiate a lease agreement.

The Board approved the following budget requests:

French Park Maintenance	\$3,375
French Park repairs	\$9,700
Building Maintenance Utilities	\$35,650
Building Maintenance General	\$18,675
New Mower and rake	\$9,000 (special article)
Building Improvements	\$8,000
Town Hall Generator	\$11,000 + (special article) Asking for a larger generator.
Town Hall driveway and parking	\$48,000 (special article)
Library	\$13,275.00
Forest Fires	\$1,000
Fire Stipend	\$28,000
Fire Department Expenses	\$53,500
Insurance Health and Dental	\$259,067
Newsletter	\$6,000
Selectmen's Expenses	\$17,050
Computer Expenses	\$81,408
Friends of Prospect Lake	\$5,000 (special article)
Unemployment Insurance	\$10,000
Treasurer/Collector Expenses	\$11,495
Treasurer/Collector Assistant	\$1,500
Social Security/Medicare	\$17,000
Snow & Ice Removal expenses	\$70,000
Snow & Ice Removal wages	\$25,000
Highway Vehicle Maint. & Repairs	\$55,000
Highway Construction & Maint	\$190,800
Highway Road Word	\$75,000 (special article)

The Fire Chief will be asked to attend the March 13 meeting to discuss his request to have establish pay for the Fire Chief, as well as the request for \$10,000 to meet OSHA requirements.

The Board held on the Water Department budget for clarification on the Backup Operator 2, and the Clerk wage.

The Board agreed to ask the Treasurer to look at paying down \$60,000 on the Mount Washington Road engineering debt and \$40,000 on the Rescue Truck debt.

The Police Budget was held until the outcome of negotiations.

The Board will likely recommend that some free cash be transferred to the Stabilization Fund.

The Board received the contract for the Alford Broadband Network engineering.

At 8:38pm the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session for strategy discussions with respect to Union Negotiations as allowed by MGL chapter 30A, Section 21, Paragraph 3. The Board will not return to open session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Mary Brazie
Office Administrator

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