

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MEETING AND WORKSHOP
&
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**January 12, 2023
7:00 p.m.
9:30 p.m.**

**Karen James
Eric Durgin
Cory Hale**

Karen made a motion to go into executive session in accordance with 1 MRSA § 405 (6A) to discuss Personnel matters at 7 p.m. Board voted in favor.
Board voted to come out of executive session at 7:30 p.m.

HFD – Bruce Pyburn – present board with proposed budget of \$19,800 plus the funds in the special reserve account of \$4,800.

SHFD – James Siracuse and Gary Pierce presented to the board a budget request of \$22,700.

Board feels HFD may be too low to cover all current prices of expenses.

Roads – Greg – Fletcher Road needs 3 culverts and will submit under the emergency funds from FEMA since it was due to the major washout of the road during Winter Storm Elliot. Culverts would be 18”x80’.

Triptown Road by Dr. Teg road – needs 1 culvert 36x40 – maybe bid this one out

Durgintown road – needs 2 culvert 18x80 by Ben Murphys

And 1 24”x40

These could go under the emergency repairs since it is due to the washouts.

We received 2 price list for culverts; 1 from Cornish Hardware and 1 from EJ Prescott. Cory will have FW Webb send us a price list as well.

Paving – Greg would like \$50,000 more added to the budget totally \$200,000 for paving and \$100,000 for road maintenance. Total request of \$300,000. Paving to do would be from South Hiram Rd as far as can go on Durgintown or Triptown road from Rt. 160 to Oxen Ridge.

Greg would also like to rent the excavator again in June and July – do the 1st part of Hampshire Street and part of Hiram Hill.

Also rent the flail mower from Maya and he will do 1 mile a day. Do Hiram Hill Road

Board agreed to request the \$300,000 as long as the road commissioner does more tree cutting and brush cutting and uses the rented excavator at least 30 hours a week.

Board showed Greg the plans for Tearcap – Board has requested Sebago Technics to give them a estimate of cost for at least 8 stations of the plans about 560 feet. Need to get quotes on tree removals from the beginning of Tearcap to Buck Warren Way.

Sacopee Rescue is requesting \$2,100 from their reserve account in order to purchase a new generator to replace the current one. The board will hold a public hearing on Feb. 2nd to release the funds.

Eric talked to Bruce Pyburn and Ben McKenney about how 1 fire chief works for Baldwin. It works well but was a struggle at first. Ethan Norcross would be interested in the position if decide to go that route. Invite Ethan in on the 19th.

Personnel Policy – discussed retirement vs resignation. The board voted to have a paragraph added to the policy addressing retirement. Retirement after working consecutively for 20 years will entitle you to get paid for all of the unused vacation and personal/sick time you are eligible for.

Meeting adjourned,
Respectfully submitted,
Terry Day