

Town of Boscawen
Work Session
Board of Selectmen
Final Minutes
Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 6:00pm

In attendance: Roger Sanborn, Ed Cherian, Lorrie Carey, Kevin Wyman, Mark Varney, and Kellee Easler.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to approve the revised minutes from 10/03/2019. Selectman Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to approve revised minutes from 10/10/2019. Selectman Sanborn seconded. All in favor.

Selectman Sanborn made a motion to approve revised minutes from 10/24/2019. Chairman Cherian seconded. All in favor.

Chairman Cherian would like to thank Planning and Community Development Director Easler, Finance and Human-Resource Director Phelps, Tax Collector/Town Clerk Hoyt and Welfare Administrator/Deputy Tax Collector Gerlack for all their hard work and dedication while the office has been shorthanded.

The Board spoke with Police Chief Wyman about proposing a contract for the K-9 and Officer Chislett. Discussion ensued and no contract is needed.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to sign the K-9 Grant agreement with the Stanton Foundation.

Finance Director Phelps presented the Board with the three options for a tax rate prior to the meeting. Discussion ensued, and it was agreed to wait to set the tax rate until the following week.

Emergency Management Director Varney presented his proposed 2020 budget to the Board. With an increase of \$1,555.00 due to EM phone and Vehicle Maintenance. For a total budget of \$8,555.00.

Selectman Sanborn made a motion to provisionally accept the Emergency Management 2020 budget. Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Varney updated the Board on the generator project for the municipal building. Discussion ensued and the project will be held off due to funding. The Town office and Police Department will be sufficient as the EOC as well as the Fire Department. Varney mentioned that the radios, and the laptop are in.

Police Chief Wyman presented his 2020 proposed budget to the Board. Wyman mentioned the increases in the Police Department budget for 2020 is due to longevity and an increase in the cost of dispatch. The Board has asked for Wyman to send the dispatch numbers to show the increase in calls. Wyman mentioned that there will continue to be an increase in calls with new construction in

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the neighboring city.

Selectman Sanborn made a motion to provisionally approve the Police Department Budget for 2020. Selectwoman Carey seconded. All in favor.

Cherian mentioned that the planning board met and consulted with counsel concerning the Town plowing private drives. The Board has sent letters to the property owners involved. Easler mentioned that there was a lot line adjustment recently done at one of the properties.

Cherian stated that the Zoning Board is accepting applications for members.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Gerlack.