

Readfield Budget Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – *Approved*

Present: Andy Tolman (Chair), Chris Sammons, Marty Hanish, Eric Dyer (Town Manager), Teresa Shaw (Finance Officer), Anjelica Pittman (Board Secretary)

Excused Absent: Ed Sims

Call to Order

Communications - 10 min.

- Budget Committee Comments – Eric discussed some minor changes in the budget for the local news channel AV services stipends. Eric also mentioned some changes made by the Select Board at Monday’s meeting regarding the Fire Truck Capital Improvement Articles 16, 17 and 38, that will need to be voted on again.
- Town Staff Reporting - Report given by Eric
- Public Comment - none

Review of Prior Meeting Minutes - 5 min.

Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2023

- Chris **motioned** to approve the minutes as presented, Ellen **seconded**, **3-0 vote** in favor

Budget Review & Presentations - 40 min.

Article 7-9 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 10-15 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 16 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 17 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 18-21 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 22 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 23-27 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 28-35 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 36 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 37 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

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Article 38 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Article 39 & 40 – Ellen **motioned** to accept with a BC approval as presented, **seconded** by Chris, **4-0 vote** in favor

Other Business - 5 min.

- Marty discussed RSU additional funding that may reduce RSU tax impacts.
- Marty mentioned a Select Board member’s disagreement over Open Space in Article 18 of the Budget Draft. A Select Board/Budget Committee meeting is in the works for June 20, 2023 to discuss policy changes for breaking out certain Capital Improvement items in time for next year’s Town Meeting.
- **Motion** made by Ellen to adjourn at 7:10PM, **seconded** by Chris, **vote 4-0** in favor.

Adjourn

Minutes submitted by Anjelica Pittman, Board Secretary