

BUDGET WORK SESSION
FINAL

December 8, 2020

PRESENT: E. B. Beattie, Chairman; L. Gargiulo, Vice Chairman; M. R. Lane, Selectman;
L. A. Ruest, Town Administrator

2021 DRAFT BUDGET REVIEW: The Board reviewed the supporting information and adjustments made by various departments in response to its request to lower the proposed budget and thanked those who were able to do so.

Discussion resulted in additional **reduction(s)** made by the Board as follows:

Account #		Reduction Amount
4153-320	Town General Legal Services	2,000
4155-220	Social Security/Medi The Board acknowledged that this line relates directly to wages but felt that the Employee Benefits line could be reduced.	20,000
4210-120	The Board requested that the Police Chief confirm this budget line.	To be determined
4210-570	Car Washes	250
4210-630	Maintenance and Repairs	2,750
4240-120	Part-time Clerical (Reduce to \$2,500)	5,000
4240-670	The Board requested the Building Inspector determine if Building Code Manuals are needed in 2021.	To be determined
4290-120	The Board requested the Fire Chief determine if these wages are needed in 2021	To be determined
4312-574	Annual Road Maintenance (Budget)	8,000
4312-630	Road Salt	3,000
4324-120	Part-time Positions (Remove Household Waste Day Assistance)	700

As part of the discussion above, the Board agreed to a potential change the hours of the Brush Dump attendant to relate to times actually used by residents as opposed to the current schedule. The schedule may change to reduce the hours during the summer months when there is less activity and adjust other times based on activity. No change to the budgeted hours would result. Additionally, an estimate of offsetting revenue for use of playing fields was added to Line 4520.

The Board determined that it is not ready to seek advisory input through the warrant with regard to curbside collection of recyclables. Questions were raised with regard to annual mosquito control services as it relates to the proposed warrant article.

OTHER: Request was made to add security camera coverage to an area of government buildings that is not presently covered. The Board approved the proposal as presented to be paid from the Police Department budget.

MOTION: To approve the proposal for security camera purchase and installation as presented.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS

3:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL

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MOTION: L. GARGIULO
SECOND: M. R. LANE
UNANIMOUS

MOTION: To adjourn the work session at 5:28 p.m.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO
SECOND: M. R. LANE
UNANIMOUS