

**TOWN OF WATERVILLE VALLEY
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: July 29, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Aronson, Chairman, Margaret Turner, Vice-Chair, and Richard Rita.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Decoteau, Judy Rolfe and Sharon Charron.

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00a.m. by Chair Mike Aronson.

2. New Business

• **Review Fire Department Ladder Truck Financing**

M. Decoteau provides the Board with the backup information for the ladder truck financing agreement and refers to the amortization and payment schedules. He explained that the contract lease time frame of one year was not a 12 month period from the point of entry into the contract in September 2018, but rather to the date of 12/30/2018.

This changes the lease buyout amount by having to make a second year lease payment by 12/30/19 in the amount of \$100,236.95, in addition to the Purchase Option Price (POP) of \$831,115.75 valid through 12/30/19. If the POP is exercised prior to the 12/30/19 date, the interest amount is reduced. In our case, if the payment is made on 8/02/19 the interest amount is reduced proportionally. The 2019 Town Meeting appropriated a total amount of \$900K, with \$825,500 in a Bond Issue and \$71,500 from Capital Reserve Funds. The actual Purchase Option Price (POP) for today's discussion is \$921,324. M. Decoteau added that the original estimate for the Bond interest rate was 4%, and the actual rate came in much lower rate and reduced the overall cost of the bond by \$140K. The Long Term Debt Schedule was adjusted and the end yearly totals still fell within the Long Range CIP guidance plan. M. Decoteau did confirm with NH-DRA that the \$21,324 above the appropriated amount of \$900K can come out of contingency funds for 2019. DRA also stated if other contingency expense present in 2019, for the Town to contact them and request use of additional funds from our Fund Balance. Our current Fund Balance is now at 13% of our annual budget and within the range of 5-17% as recommended. The Board asked for a footnote explaining the expenditure for the Contingency Line for the 2019 budget.

Mike Aronson motions to approve the transfer of the Contingency account funds in the amount of \$21,324 for the purpose of paying off the Ladder Truck lease with interest so to only owe on the bonded amount of \$828,500 to the NH Municipal Bond Bank.

Margaret Turner: 2nds.

Motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

3. Non-Public Session

The Board goes into Non Public Session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant. The Motion was made by Mike Aronson and seconded by Rich Rita, followed by a roll call vote as follows: Selectman Aronson – aye, Selectman Turner – aye, Selectmen Rita – aye and the Board went into Non-Public Session at 10:13am. The Board came out of Non-Public Session at 10:40am.

Upon return to the public session a motion was made to seal the minutes by Mike Aronson and seconded by Margaret Turner because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this Board. The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

4. Adjourn

Mike Aronson motions to adjourn the meeting at 10:41am.

Margaret Turner: 2nds.

Motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Charron

Town Clerk/Town Office Assistant