

PRESENT Chairman Ronald Fedor, John W. Sheehan, George Peteros, Norman Glidden,
Alan Wilensky, Rosalyn Dupuis, G. Brian Vachris

OFFICIALS First Selectman Daniel Steward

RTM Andrea Kanfer, Thomas Dembek, Paul Goldstein

ALSO Bernard Pisacich, Town Treasurer

GUEST Sara Ewing, Student from Ledyard High School Social Studies Department

MEDIA Stephen Chupaska, The Day; Paul Petrone, Waterford Patch

STAFF Ruth Beers, Finance Director; Yvette M. Pier, Secretary

Chairman Fedor called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

He explained the budget review process and asked if anyone had comments regarding the budget. There were no comments.

ITEM 1 Tax Collector

MOTION To tentatively approve the Tax Collector budget in the amount of \$193,075 as designated by the series sub-totals.
Sheehan, Vachris

Mr. Mark Burnham was present. Discussion was held regarding staffing as well as LI 52010 Advertising and LI 52030 Professional Fees. Mr. Burnham explained the lock box system for tax payments. The increase of \$4,875 is a result of a new annual fee of \$2,400 from Quality Date Service for web services and \$2,785 because of the heavy use of the lock box payment system. This cost would include a daily courier service in July and January only. Lengthy discussion was held regarding this item. It was noted that this would allow for timely processing of the payments. Discussion was also held regarding the ability to pay taxes on line.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52030 Professional Fees to \$23,175 reflecting \$2,400 for web services.
Wilensky, Glidden Yes: Fedor, Wilensky, Glidden, Dupuis, Peteros
No: Sheehan, Vachris

MOTION To tentatively approve the Tax Collector budget in the amount of \$190,675.
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

ITEM 2 Assessor

MOTION To tentatively approve the Assessor budget in the amount of \$283,632 as designated by the series sub-totals.
Sheehan, Peteros

MOTION Mr. Michael Bekech was present.
To tentatively reduce LI 51110 Administration to \$167,115 and LI 51920 FICA to \$17,972.
Sheehan, Peteros Yes: Glidden, Dupuis, Vachris, Peteros, Sheehan
No: Fedor, Wilensky

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51810 Overtime to \$300.
Vachris, Sheehan Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51920 FICA to \$17,964.
Glidden, Wilensky Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 51000 series in the amount of \$252,788.
Sheehan, Dupuis Yes: Sheehan, Dupuis, Glidden, Fedor, Vachris, Peteros
No: Wilensky

The Board reviewed the items in Dues, Conferences and Education as well as Postage and Advertising.

MOTION To tentatively approve the Assessor budget in the amount of \$278,199.
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

ITEM 3 Board of Assessment Appeals

MOTION To tentatively approve the Board of Assessment Appeals budget in the amount \$1,328 as designated by the series sub-totals.
Sheehan, Wilensky Unanimous

ITEM 4 Board of Selectmen

MOTION To tentatively approve the Board of Selectmen budget in the amount of \$212,565 as designated by the series sub-totals.
Sheehan, Dupuis

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 51110 Administration to 455,918, and LI 51920 FICA to \$11,561.
Sheehan, Dupuis Yes: Dupuis, Vachris, Peteros, Sheehan
No: Fedor, Wilensky, Glidden

MOTION To tentatively approve the 51000 series in the amount of \$162,637.
Sheehan, Dupuis Yes: Sheehan, Dupuis, Glidden, Fedor, Vachris, Peteros
No: Wilensky

The Board reviewed the 52000 series. LI 52030 Professional Fees – Only the 1303 Contract will require legal counsel in FY12.

MOTION To tentatively reduce LI 52030 Professional Fees to \$42,500.
Wilensky, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the 52000 series in the amount of \$45,842.
Wilensky, Glidden Unanimous

MOTION To tentatively approve the Board of Selectmen budget in the amount of \$210,508.
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

ITEM 5 Utility Commission

MOTION To tentatively approve the Utility Commission budget in the amount of \$1 as designated by the series sub-totals.
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

MOTION To adjourn at 8:25 pm.
Sheehan, Dupuis Unanimous

Submitted by, Prepared by,

Alan Wilensky, Clerk Yvette M. Pier, Secretary

