

**TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
BUDGET COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 23, 2021**

Present: Steve Laskowski, Chairman, George Goulet, Vice-Chair, Dan Cotter, Alex Winn, Brad Roscoe, Burt Riendeau, Gary Winn, Selectboard Representative; Joe Parisi, Judy Idelkope, Scott Riddlemoser and Rick Cooper; Chesterfield Fire & Rescue Precinct Representative

Absent: Rob Hodgkins, Spofford Fire Precinct Representative and Genienne Hockensmith, School Board Representative

As Chair of the Chesterfield Budget Committee, due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this Committee is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to the meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, this is to confirm that we are:

*a) Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means;*

We are utilizing the Zoom platform for this electronic meeting. All members of the Committee have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through the Zoom platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone # 1-646-558-8656 (New York) or # 1-312-626-6799 US (Chicago) and password 351178 or by clicking on the following website address:

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*b) Providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing the meeting;*

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*c) Providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access;*

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*d) Adjourning the meeting if the public is unable to access the meeting.*

In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, we will adjourn the meeting and have it rescheduled at that time.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by Roll Call vote.

Brad moved to approve February 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Dan. Dan, Alex, Judy, Scott, Burt, Brad, Gary, Rick, George and Steve voted yes. Joe abstained. The motion passed by majority.

Brad moved to approve February 9<sup>th</sup> as amended. The motion was seconded by Dan. Gary added the update to the Police Department. It will be a couple more weeks until the repairs are complete. There is a mildew issue in the back of the Chief's closet. Any new improvements will be taken out of the expendable trust. Dan, Alex, Judy, Scott, Burt, Brad, Gary, Rick, George and Steve voted yes. Joe abstained. The motion passed by majority.

New Business – Dan moved to nominate Steve as Chairman for coming budget year. George seconded the motion.

Dan moved to nominate George as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Rick. Gary moved to elect Steve and George in a single motion. The motion was seconded by George. Dan, Alex, Judy, Scott, Burt, Brad, Gary, Rick, George and Steve voted yes. Joe abstained. The motion passed by majority.

Ex-Officio Reports –

Chesterfield Fire - There will be a virtual inspection of the new truck on Monday night. The water line to the Fire Department has frozen and broken. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> incident. The Fire Commissioners are meeting with the Selectboard to find a resolution.

Other – Judy asked if the 8 to 10 property transfers on the lake had been contacted about the new health regulation? She pointed out that it would be better to contact them now than 6 months down the road.

The Spofford Fire Precinct and the School Board have a representative that is a full member to the Budget Committee and they should have representation at all the meetings.

The next meeting is tentatively set for June 22<sup>nd</sup> possibly in person. Rick moved to adjourn at 7:32 PM. The motion was seconded by Dan. Dan, Alex, Judy, Scott, Burt, Brad, Gary, Rick, George, Steve and Joe voted Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy LaFontaine  
Secretary