

Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS Commissioners' Meeting

Meeting Called By:	Commissioners	Date, Time:	10/29/2019 at 5:30 PM
Transcribed By:	Kathy Tobine	Place:	Tilton Town Hall, Downstairs Meeting Room, 257 Main Street, Tilton

Commissioner Auger called the budget workshop for the 2020 Budget to order at 5:30 PM.

Present: Commissioners Paul Auger, Jon Cilley, Eric Pyra; Chief Michael Sitar and Administrative Assistant Kathy Tobine

Firefighters: Sean Valovanie, Matthew Gilman, Daniel Leathers

Apparatus & Equipment Replacement Fund Budget

740 Fire Equipment - \$384,543

Commissioner Cilley made a motion to fund Line 740 Fire Equipment at \$384,543 for discussion. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. Chief Sitar reviewed each line explaining it and answered any questions regarding that line. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

741 EMS - \$47,870

741.01 EMS Equipment - \$7,690

Commissioner Cilley made a motion to fund this line a \$7,690. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. Discussion ensued about the different pieces of equipment being requested. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

741.02 Disposable Equipment - \$40,000

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to bring Disposable Equipment to the floor for discussion. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Discussion ensued about the disposable equipment. Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund this line at \$40,000. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. There being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

741.03 CLIA Laboratory User Fee - \$180

Commissioner Auger made a motion to fund this line at \$180. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Discussion ensued on what this covered. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

741.04 Advanced Medical Training - \$1,000

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund this line at \$1,000. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. Discussion ensued on what training would be covered. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

760 Vehicles - \$0.00

960 Rescue Equipment - \$8,880

960.400 Water & Ice Rescue - \$3,575

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund this line at \$3,575. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Discussion ensued about the water rescue suits. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

960.600 Rope & Rigging - \$5,305

Commissioner Auger made a motion to fund this line at \$5,305. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. There being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

2020 Operating Budget

4220 Fire

100 Salaries & Wages - \$1,360,768

110 Career Salaries & Wages - \$1,001,209

Commissioner Auger made a motion to fund this line at \$1,001,209. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. Chief Sitar commented this reflects hiring four full-time firefighters starting July 1st. Commissioner Auger commented if we have done a lot in the past couple years. We have a deputy, he has a car, we have someone to help Kathy part-time, we have somebody that is going to help Tim on his. There must be ways to get around this. He is against it. Extensive discussion ensued about adding four additional career firefighters. Adding two-day firefighters was discussed. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion failed.

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund Line 110 at \$961,339.36 to include two additional firefighters starting July 1st. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Discussion ensued about raises and COLA as well as two additional personnel. Commissioner Pyra amended his motion provide a 2.5% step raise and two additional career personnel with the career personnel starting July 1st for \$944,302.09. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, vote was taken. Commissioners Cilley and Pyra for; Commissioner Auger against.

Commissioner Cilley made a motion to fund Line 100 Salaries & Wages at \$1,287,496. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. There being no discussion, vote was taken. Commissioners Cilley and Pyra for; Commissioner Auger against.

685 Uniforms - \$17,230

685.01 New Employees: \$4,880

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund at \$2,440. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. There being no discussion, vote was taken. Commissioners Cilley and Pyra for; Commissioner Auger against.

Other Business

Lieutenant Gilman thanked the Board for allowing them to have a dialog tonight. They really appreciate it. They know they don't have to do it. Commissioner Auger replied they should have input. Commissioner Cilley commented he likes getting all the information before making decisions. Firefighter Leathers agreed with Lieutenant Gilman and commented that everyone came to the meeting with different perspectives, different opinions and they came out with a solution that will work for everyone. We know you are in a hard spot looking out for everyone.

Additional meeting dates were discussed. It was agreed to hold another Budget Workshop on Wednesday, November 6th at 5:30 PM.

Adjournment

Commissioner Auger made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. There being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Tobine

Kathy Tobine,
Administrative Assistant

Next Meeting Date, Time, Place: November 5, 2019 at 5:30 PM. Meeting to be held at Tilton Town Hall, Downstairs Meeting Room, 257 Main Street, Tilton.