

Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS Commissioners' Budget Meeting

Meeting Called By: Commissioners

Date, Time: 9/28/2021, 5:30 PM

Transcribed By: Beth Joslin

Location: Tilton Town Hall
Downstairs Meeting Room
257 Main Street
Tilton NH

Call to Order

Commissioner Pyra called the meeting to order at 5:51 PM.

Attendance

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

Nonpublic Session

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by Commissioner Pyra to review Disposition Reports. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion.

Specific Statutory Reason cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

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 this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include 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.

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session:	Paul Auger	Yes
	Jon Cilley	Yes
	Eric Pyra	Yes

Entered nonpublic session at 5:51 p.m.

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session by Commissioner Cilley, seconded by Commissioner Pyra.

Roll Call Vote to exit nonpublic session:	Paul Auger	Yes
	Jon Cilley	Yes
	Eric Pyra	Yes

Motion: PASSED

Public session reconvened at 5:55 p.m.

Motion made to seal these minutes? No

New Business

Employees

Chief Sitar stated that they have a SAFER employee leaving and former employee Nick Baker has expressed interest in returning. After speaking with the SAFER Grant officials, they would be able to hire him as a SAFER employee and he could come back at his previous pay. They are looking to have him start November 1st. Discussion ensued regarding hiring back an employee who has left.

Operating Budget

560 Dues & Subscriptions - \$4,233

Discussion ensued regarding what the dues cover and how often the meetings for these groups are held.

Commissioner Auger made a motion to fund line 560 for \$4,233. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. Being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

620 Office Supplies - \$3,150

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund line 620 for \$3,150 for discussion. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding spending so far for the year. Being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

625 Postage - \$500

Commissioner Cilley made a motion to fund line 625 for \$500. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding the price of postage going up. Being no further discussion, vote was taken, motion passed.

630 Equipment Maintenance & Repairs - \$6,500

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to approve line 630 for \$6,500. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion for discussion. Chief Sitar commented that the only thing they know they will need is replacement parts for the gas meters everything else there are no definite but you never know when something may break. Extensive discussion ensued regarding previous repairs.

Commissioner Pyra rescinded his motion. Commissioner Cilley rescinded his second.

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to reduce line 630 to \$5,570. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

631 Service Testing - \$18,898

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to approve line 631 for \$18,898. Commissioner Auger seconded the motion for discussion. Discussion ensued regarding the line items and what has been spent this year. Being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

635 Gasoline - \$5,675

Commissioner Pyra made a motion for discussion to approve line 635 for \$5,675. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding prices. Being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

636 Diesel - \$19,800

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to approve line 636 for \$19,800 for discussion.

Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Fuel consumption and new vehicles were discussed.

Commissioner Pyra rescinded his motion and Commissioner Cilley rescinded his second.

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund line 636 for \$18,000. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Commissioner Auger commented that he would rather see it at \$17,500. Being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed, 2 to 1.

660 Vehicle Repairs - \$51,307

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to approve line 660 for \$51,307 for discussion.

Commissioner Auger seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding scheduled repairs. Being no further discussion, vote taken. Motion passed.

335 School/Training Fees - \$21,175

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to fund line 335 for \$21,175 for discussion. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Extensive discussion ensued regarding the what trainings were included.

Commissioner Pyra rescinded the motion. Commissioner Cilley rescinded his second.

Commissioner Auger made a motion to fund line 335 for \$23,000. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

670 Books & Periodicals - \$111

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to accept line 670 for \$111. Commissioner Auger seconded the motion. Being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

680 Departmental Awards - \$3,000

Commissioner Pyra made a motion to approve line 680 for \$3,000. Commissioner Cilley seconded the motion. Commissioner Pyra asked if there was any way they could encumber the funds for next year. Discussion ensued regarding encumbering the funds and the venue. Being no further discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

Commissioner Auger made a motion to adjourn at 7:40 P.M. Commissioner Pyra seconded the motion. There being no discussion, vote was taken. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Joslin

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Office Clerk

Next Meeting Date, Time, Place: October 5, 2021 at 5:30 PM.
Tilton Town Hall, Downstairs Meeting Room,
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Next Budget Workshop Date, Time, Place: October 12, 2021 at 5:30 PM.
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