

Ferrisburgh Selectboard Budget Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2024
5:30 pm

Members in attendance: Chris Campbell, Jim Benoit, Walter Reed, Jessica James

Others in attendance: Pam Cousino, Town Clerk, Alison Brigger, Treasurer, Silas Towler

1) Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Chris Campbell.

2) Bixby Library – Catharine Hays

Catharine Hays went over the budget for the Bixby Library, noting some highlights. Their funding request will be the same as last year, as they have been able to get some of the funding that they need through grants.

3) Addison County Sherriff – Michael Elmore

Sherriff Michael Elmore spoke about the staffing levels at this time. They are slightly understaffed. They are down 2 or 3 people with only one person in the pipeline. The budget request for this year will be the same as last year – level funded.

4) Vergennes Area Rescue Squad (VARs) – Brian Goodyear

Jenna Lindemann wasn't available and will attend at the next meeting on December 10th.

5) Lister's Budget/Assessor's Budget – Brian Goodyear and Alyth Hescok

There was discussion regarding the upcoming reappraisal. The current budget has an additional \$10,000 towards the reappraisal. Brian suggested that we keep some money aside for the potential grievances that we will have around the May, June 2026 timeframe. They will keep the Lister's Professional Appraisers line item the same as last year, at \$36,000. The tax mapping line item will go from \$6500 to \$3500.

6) Other Issues

There were no other issues to discuss.

7) Adjourn

At 6:25 p.m. Jim Benoit moved to adjourn the meeting. Jessica James seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Cousino