

Ferrisburgh Selectboard Budget Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2024
5:30 pm

Members in attendance: Clark Hinsdale, Chris Campbell, Jim Benoit, Walter Reed

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

1) Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm by Clark Hinsdale.

2) Review Fire Department – Bill Water

Bill Wager went over his budget for the coming year. The biggest issue is insurance. The insurance line item is going from \$17,200 to \$21,000. The total budget is changing from \$132,015 to \$139,715, a 5.8% increase. There was also discussion regarding the timeline of working towards changes with the Vergennes Fire Department. The board thanked Bill for his time and service.

3) Discussion of Capital Budget Plan – Jean Richardson/Planning Commission

Jean Richardson from the Planning Commission gave a brief overview on what a Capital Budget Plan is. She presented a draft of one done in Bristol. She stated that a Capital Budget Plan provides a framework within which the town can work. It is a tool that can strengthen our decision making on when and where to spend money, and how to economize and find collaborative ways to accomplish goals and solve problems. There was some discussion and Jean will work over the winter on putting together a draft plan for the board to review in the spring.

4) Other Issues

There were no other issues to discuss.

5) Adjourn

At 6:20 p.m. Jim Benoit moved to adjourn the meeting. Walter Reed seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Cousino