Town of Sherman Board of Selectmen Budget Request Meeting 23 February 2019 9:00 AM. Mallory Town Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Don Lowe, Selectman Bob Ostrosky, Selectman Kevin

Keenan, Liz LaVia, E. Holub

CLERK: Linda Whitney

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Lowe Called the Meeting to Order at 9:01 AM

Candlewood Lake Authority:

P. Schaer and M. Howard presented the proposed budget for 2019-20. The requested budget for 2019-20 is **\$81,900.00**

Parks and Rec. Commission:

J. Wrenn and F. Frattini presented the 2019-20 proposed budget. There was discussion regarding the possible addition of a Park and Rec. maintenance worker. The requested budget is **\$142,074.00**

Senior Center:

S. Berger presented the proposed budget for 2019-20. S. Berger led a discussion regarding a salary increase for clerks and drivers.

The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$95,845.00

Social Services:

B. Trott submitted the proposed budget for 2019-20 to D. Lowe as she was unable to attend the meeting. The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$68,631.00. There was discussion regarding removing the VNA allocation from the Social Services budget to the Senior Center budget. S. Berger gave input as to the Senior Center's usage of VNA programs.

WestCOG:

The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$7,018.00. This reflects no change in the dues amount from 2018-19. There was discussion regarding the advantages WestCOG has to offer the town.

HVA:

The requested budget for 2019-20 is **\$500.00**.

911 Service Contract:

The proposed budget for 2019-20 is \$42,003.79

State Trooper:

The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$180,000.00. This includes budgeting for overtime expenses.

Collections/Recycling:

R. Byrnes presented the budget request for 2019-20 in the amount of \$32,199.00. There was a discussion regarding the services offered by the transfer station and the amount of people in town currently holding recycle stickers.

Probate:

The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$3,356.00 which includes film storage fees.

Building Department:

T. Viola presented the proposed budget for 2019-20. The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$136,675.00.

There was discussion regarding possibly bringing to Town meeting a change in building permit fees.

Health Department:

- T. Viola presented the proposed budget for 2019-20. The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$63,786.00.
- T. Viola also requested \$880.00 to participate in a Blue/Green Algae study through WestConn. This would be an annual cost to test and monitor the lake water. There was discussion about perhaps adding this to the CLA budget or making it a separate budget item.

Inland Wetlands:

T. Viola presented the proposed budget for 2019-20. The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$15,270.00.

There was a discussion regarding the request to lease a scanner at \$343.00 per month with a \$100.00 per month service charge. This will allow the Town Records to be transferred from paper to flash drives. K. Retter will add this to her technology budget.

Town Clerk:

C. Havens presented the 2019-20 budget request. The requested budget for 2019-20 is \$112,605.00.

The next budget meeting dates are:

27 Feb. 2019 11 March 2019

7 March 2019 13 March 2019

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to Adjourn: D. Lowe at 12:00 PM

Seconded: B. Ostrosky

Vote For: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Whitney