

SUNDERLAND SELECTBOARD MINUTES

January 10, 2022

Attending: T. Fydenkevez, D. Pierce, C. Drake-Tremblay, G. Kravitz

Others present: P. Gagarin, G. Gottschalk, C. Bennett

Meeting Place: Hybrid: in person and remote, recorded by FCAT and aired on YouTube

Meeting called to order at 6:31PM.

MINUTES

Mr. Pierce motion to accept MINUTES of JANUARY 3, 2022, Ms. Drake-Tremblay second, Vote 3-0.

BUSINESS

- BOAT RAMP USE APPLICATION RECEIVED FOR JULY 16, 2022. Group includes 4 cars and 8 kayaks for a fishing expedition from 6am-2pm. Mr. Fydenkevez asked the group be told to park behind our building in the trailer defined spots and not the library parking lot. No vote required.
- ARPA UPDATE: The Treasury released final assessment of the program. Restrictions have been lifted allowing more flexibility for funds. Funds can be used for all general government services with some exceptions. The town will receive over \$1 million. Changes should allow for less cumbersome management. Capital Planning Committee has been reviewing requirements and applicability to the town. Ms. Drake-Tremblay asked the number of items be included, not just a total request. Mr. Fydenkevez asked the Police Chief consider body cams. It was noted the HVAC at the PSC is being considered by Capital Planning Committee. Mr. Fydenkevez recommends everyone become refamiliarized with the multiple studies, recommendations, and upgrades performed at the facility to date. Any new suggestions should include defined differences from previous work, by whom and how it compares to prior studies or work.
- FY23 BUDGET UPDATE: Budgets were due today. Departments were asked for level service budgets. First budget presentations begin with Police and Fire on Tues. January 18th due to the holiday. Presentations scheduled for most Mondays, ending with Frontier and Sunderland Elementary on March 14th. The School Committee begins review of their budget tomorrow night. The school was complimented for their continued work this past year. Mr. Gagarin agreed and appreciated the Board's compliment. The school's website includes the COVID-19 procedures and cases.

OLD BUSINESS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES: COVID-19 UPDATE: latest numbers reflect 70% of infectious cases in Sunderland were unvaccinated, 20% of cases have been boosted.

SELECTBOARD UPDATES:

- Mr. Pierce - Capital Planning Committee meeting tomorrow and upcoming Union 38 Negotiations.
- Mr. Fydenkevez - upcoming vaccination clinics; all information is on the town's website.
- South County Senior Center Director search continues. 3 strong candidates presented to Deerfield. First candidate declined due to Deerfield's structured pay scale. Other finalists will be contacted.
- Ms. Drake-Tremblay - no reports.
- TOWN OFFICES CLOSED MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022, for Martin Luther King Day.
- NEXT SELECTBOARD MEETING is Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 6:30PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pierce motion to adjourn at 6:54PM, Ms. Drake-Tremblay second, Vote 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Geoff Kravitz,
Town Administrator