

## **TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

April 6, 2017

### **I. ROLL CALL**

Town Council members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President  
Michael G. White, Vice President  
Mary E. Meagher  
Eugene B. Mihaly

Town Council members absent:

Blake A. Dickinson

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator  
Christina Collins, Finance Director  
Cheryl A. Fernstrom, Town Clerk  
Edward A. Mello, Chief of Police  
James Bryer, Chief of Fire Department  
Christopher Costa, Zoning Official  
Michael Gray, Director of Public Works  
Kenneth Gray, Tax Assessor  
Lisa Bryer, Town Planner  
Andrew Wade, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Deb Hagie, Recreation Supervisor  
Donna Fogarty, Library Director  
Mary Lou Sanborn, Library Board of Trustees Chair  
Denise Gamon, Assistant Clerk

### **II. CALL TO ORDER**

A) Town Council Work Session was called to order by Town Council President Kristine Trocki at 6:00 p.m.

### **III. TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

Town Council President Trocki opened the discussion to address any concerns the Town Councilors might have and to discuss any new information or updates from the Town Department Heads as well as Town Administrator Andrew Nota and Finance Director Christina Collins with respect to any of the budgets that are listed.

Town Administrator Nota and Finance Director Christina Collins were able to look at areas of potential reduction in the overall budget. After receiving an update from Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust, Health Case Benefit Costs were reduced by \$30,000.

They then looked at other areas that the Town Council expressed interest in at the last meeting, those being our Human Service and outside agencies. As well as how they could address some outstanding Capital improvements at the Fire Station. There is one additional element, the election. The cost for a primary election is about \$5,000.00.

**Reduction: \$30,000 Health Case Benefit Costs**

**Increase:**

**\$15,000+/- Human Service and Outside Agencies (Council to apportion with recommendations from Finance Director)**

**\$ 5,000 Election and Meetings line items to accommodate election for Senate seat**

**Total: \$10,000 Fire Department Capital to support roof and siding work  
\$30,000**

Fire Department Capital:

**\$10,000 Flooring in large room**

**\$15,000 capital funds for siding**

**\$33,000 allocate premium dollars for bond sale for siding/roofing**

**Total: \$58,000**

Total Capital program for Fire Department of \$25,000 in FY 18, plus premium funds for roofing/siding.

Proposed changes leave no change in bottom line of \$0.10 cent rate raise to \$8.68.

There were no more questions or discussion. President Trocki thanked everyone for their input and hard work in preparing this budget.

#### IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss the work session was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Attest:



Denise Gamon, Assistant Clerk

Copies to: Town Council  
Town Administrator  
Finance Director