# TOWN OF HUDSON



# **Budget Committee**

Bill Cole, Chairman

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# Budget Committee Meeting Minutes 16 March 2022

#### A. Call to Order

Chairman Rich Weissgarber called the meeting to order in the Buxton Community Development Room at Town Hall at 7 pm and declared that a quorum was present.

#### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Weissgarber.

#### C. Attendance

**Members Present:** Richard Weissgarber, William Cole, Ted Trost, Normand Martin, Shawn Murray, Patrick Quinlan, Kathy Leary(A), Robert Clegg, Alejandro Urrutia(E), Selectmen Liaison Bob Guessferd, School Board no one present

### **D. Public Input**

Chairman Weissgarber opened the floor for public input. No member of the public provided input.

### **E.** Acceptance of Minutes

**MOTION**: Approve the Budget Committee Meeting Minutes of 05 & 12 February 2022 (Martin/Clegg). CARRIED 8-0

### F. Reports from Liaisons

Selectman Guessferd stated that he had nothing to report. No School Board Liaison present

#### **G. Budget Discussion**

No budget discussion took place

#### **H. Election of Officers**

**Nomination** by Shawn Murray 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Weissgarber to nominate Bill Cole for Chairman.

Nominations were closed and the Committee elected Bill Cole as Chairman of the Budget Committee for 2022/2023. (8-0)

**Nomination** by Norm Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patrick Quinlan to nominate Bob Clegg for Vice-Chairman.

Nominations were closed and the Committee elected Bob Clegg as Vice-Chairman. (8-0)

**Nomination** by Ted Trost 2<sup>nd</sup> by Norm Martin to nominate Norm Martin as the Clerk of the Committee.

Nominations were closed and the Committee elected Normand G. Martin as clerk of the committee. 8-0)

**Nomination** by Normand G. Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Clegg to nominate Shawn Murray as Alternate Clerk.

Nominations were closed and the Committee elected Shawn Murray as alternate clerk. (7-1) Mr. Murray in opposition.

## I. Review of bylaws

**Motion** by Norm Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted Trost to amend the Hudson Budget Committee bylaws Section VII, F, Number 3 to add, Any and All Hudson Municipal Budget Committee votes will be limited to the nine (9) elected or duly appointed members-at-large. Roll Call vote requested:

Mr. Weissgarber (yes), Mr. Martin (yes), Mr. Murray (yes), Mr. Cole (yes), Mr. Clegg (yes), Mr. Trost (yes), Mr. Quinlan (yes), and Selectman Guessferd (no). The vote being 7 in favor and 1 opposed the motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Trost 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Clegg to amend Section 5, D to the following: "Committee Members may represent the Budget Committee on citizens' or other sub-committees as appointed by the Chairman. Vote of 7-0 motion

carries.

Motion by Mr. Trost 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Weissgarber to amend Section 7, B to the following:

"A quorum shall consist of 5 voting members of the Budget Committee or a majority of the voting members sitting on the Committee in the event the Committee is not fully staffed". Vote of 7-0 motion carries.

Motion by Mr. Trost 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Clegg to strike Section 7, Subsection G, Paragraph A. Motion carries 7-0

Motion by Mr. Trost 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Martin to amend Section 7, Subsection G, Paragraph B to read: "Warrant articles will be voted on at the Budget Committee Public hearing to allow for input and discussion from the public present to be considered. Votes will be taken by raised hand and announced aloud following the vote. The results of the votes will be printed on the Sample Ballots that are to be advertised before the Deliberative Session. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Trost 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Murray to amend Section 8, Subsection D to read, "A copy of any amendment shall be submitted to the Town Clerk for inclusion in the Town records." Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Mr. Weissgarber 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Martin to adopt the Bylaws as amended. Motion carried 7-1 Selectman Guessferd opposed.

## J. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Martin to adjourn 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Weissgarber. Vote by voice 7-0.

Motion carries and the Hudson Budget Committee is adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Prepared by: Normand G. Martin