

**Town of Greenville
Board of Selectmen**

Minutes – February 21, 2024

Call to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 46 Main Street, Greenville. Present: Chairperson Carla Mary, Selectman Kathleen McNamara, and Town Administrator Tara Sousa.

Public Hearing – 6:00 p.m.

Chairperson Mary opened the hearing by reading the following: "Pursuant to RSA 33:8-a, I, the Greenville Board of Selectmen will hold a public bond hearing on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., in the Town Hall Meeting Room (Chamberlin Street entrance), 46 Main Street, Greenville, to discuss the proposed issuance of a \$600,000 bond to finance upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Facility and Intermediate Pump Station, to be voted on at the March 16, 2024 Town Meeting. In the event of inclement weather, the snow date for this hearing will be Thursday, February 22, 2024, at 6:00 pm."

Marshall Buttrick, of 240 Adams Hill Road, asked if there was a possibility that the full \$600,000 would not be bonded or used. Chairperson Mary answered that the Town would be seeking grants or programs which would hopefully limit the debt incurred. The Town Administrator discussed that Congressional Spending requests were not yet open, so the Town had not been able to pursue an additional allocation through Senator Shaheen's office yet, and that the 45% grant through USDA Rural Development was the most generous match/grant program, at 45% grant, identified thus far.

Charles Buttrick, of 365 Adams Hill Road, questioned if the proposed bond amount would put the Town close to its debt maximum, impacting the Town's ability to bond building a new fire station, for example, in the foreseeable future. The Town Administrator discussed that debt related to sewer and water infrastructure is exempt from most debt ceiling calculations. She also noted that the Town had a couple bonds which would be retired in the next 5 years.

Hearing no other questions, Chairperson Mary announced the closure of the public hearing.

Finalize Budget and Warrant

The Town Administrator discussed feedback from the Department of Revenue on the warrant draft, which included gross budgeting of the cruiser to include the revolving fund portion, as discussed at the budget hearing, and the shift of the funding for the "New Fire Station" fund from the Capital reserve article to the Expendable trust article, as that is how DRA has the fund identified. She discussed that next year, a warrant to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend that fund should be put forward, as land acquisition would now be allowed, with the recent adoption of RSA 41:14-a.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectman McNamara, to recommend the proposed general fund budget of \$2,682,508, as presented at the February 14, 2024 budget public hearing, and to approve the 2024 Warrant for posting with technical corrections as recommended by the Department of Revenue.

Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.

The Selectmen signed the 2024 Warrant and MS-636 for posting.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectman McNamara, to adjourn at 6:12 p.m.

Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.

Submitted by: Tara Sousa/Town Administrator

Approved by:

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Carla C. Mary/Chairperson

Douglas A. Reardon/Selectman

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Kathleen J. McNamara/Selectman