



**Town of Milton – Special Selectboard Meeting  
43 Bombardier Road, Milton VT 05468  
In Person and/or via Zoom – Community Room  
Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Selectboard Members Present:** Darren Adams, Chair; Michael Morgan, Vice Chair; Brenda Steady, Member; Chris Taylor, Member

**Selectboard Members Absent:** John FitzGerald, Clerk

**Staff Members Present:** Don Turner Jr., Town Manager; Amber N. Baker, Finance Director; Matthew Davis, Library Director; Michaela Foody, Public Safety Director; Chris Poirier, Fire Chief; Steve Laroche, Police Chief; Sean McCann, Rescue Chief

**Others Present:** None

**I. Call to Order**

D. Adams called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**II. Flag Salute**

D. Adams led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. FY24 Budget**

*Amber N. Baker, Finance Director*

- Library
- Fire
- Police
- Rescue
- Public Safety Admin
- Animal Control

*During budget presentations, the Selectboard reserves the right to review, discuss and consider any and all aspects of the municipal budget, including both general and specific budget categories, line items, and the municipal budget as a whole and in its entirety.*

**Library:**

\$1,722.42 or 0.56% Increase

***Revenue***

- Level funded

***Expense***

- Reconfiguring of staff and programming reduced payroll and benefits.
- Increase to technology, periodicals, books, electronic recourses and furniture/fixtures.

**Fire:**

\$7,989.04 or 3.37% increase

**Revenue**

- Increased based on historical averages.

**Expense**

- \$3,439 Salary/benefits-net increase based on proposed increases
- \$180 Communications increase for cellular services to apparatus.
- \$2795 Increase to diesel fuel
- \$1,000 Increase for changing of reporting program and proposed new life insurance benefit.
- \$600 Streetlight increase; inflation.

**Police:**

\$291,648.49 or 14.65% Increase

**Revenue**

- \$39,843.00 decrease; less Sharp grant hours based on historical averages, Seized asset programming reduction.

**Expense**

- \$243,321.49 Salary/benefits increases.
- \$8,484.00 Operation expense increase.

**Rescue:**

\$27,318.08 or 10.94% increase

**Revenue**

- \$26,000 increase; increased call volume and paramedic services.

**Expense**

- \$46,060 Salary/benefit increases.
- \$20,790 reduction in other professional (bringing on certified staff) photocopier, advertising, printing & binding, travel, office supplies, general supplies, machinery/equipment and professional development.
- \$28,048 operational increases.
  - CAG Fee increase (more call volume)
  - Replacement batteries
  - Repairs – not previously budgeted
  - Postage
  - Aladtech services
  - Diesel fuel
  - Uniform
  - Furniture – couch replacements

**Public Safety:**

\$12,384 or 14.18% increase

**Expense**

- Salary/benefits increase

**Animal Control:**

\$1,020 or 11.67% decrease

**Expense**

- Reduction of operational expenses based on historical data. Hoping to bring back a rabies clinic in 2023.

**IV. Adjournment**

**Motion made by D. Adams to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., with a second by M. Morgan.**

**Motion approved unanimously.**

**Meeting adjourned by D. Adams.**

All documents pertaining to this meeting may be viewed using the following link:

<https://miltonvt.box.com/s/euooxuute3p5yom0ymu28e8op4c1dkp2>

A video recording of this meeting can be found at the following location:

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Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Tradup

APPROVED MINUTES:


 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 12/19/2022  
 John FitzGerald, Clerk

Filed with the Milton Town Clerk's Office on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of Dec., 2022.

ATTEST: Kristi Beas, Milton Town Clerk

