

Selectmen's Work Session & Department Head Meeting Monday, March 16, 2020

The following meeting was held in the upstairs conference room at Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Martha Eldridge, Susan Simpson and Jonathan Smith; Department Heads and Administrators Matt Sawyer, TJ Eldridge, Billy Eldridge, Bo Eldridge, Brewster Vittum, Karen Anthony, Joe Duchesne, Steve McConarty, and Kellie Skehan.

Discussion:

Chairman Eldridge called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM

The conversation went around the table starting with Karen Anthony who reported there is around \$800,000 in the operating account and we have roughly \$3,000,000 in expenses from now until June. There was discussion regarding the timing of payments and trying to hold off on large purchases and expenses for now, and paying the school as late as possible to stretch things out.

Karen asked the Selectmen what the plan is regarding the Covid 19 State of Emergency. Lengthy discussion ensued, and the Board and everyone present decided to close most Town offices to the public and recommend ending all Board meetings until further notice. Kellie Skehan said she needs to stay open through Thursday. Kellie, Karen and the group further discussed being continually short on cash flow as revenues and tax revenue is likely to be impacted by the State of Emergency.

TJ said he can hold off on the loader for around 3 more months.

Brewster asked about Earth Day at the Transfer Station, and was told we would have to continue to evaluate as the Spring comes and the pandemic is a factor, along with cash flow.

Steve said he can continue to do inspections and possibly do permits on a case by case basis as the situation unfolds.

Discussion:

Being no further input, the work session adjourned. Adjourned at 3:00 and immediately went into a non-public session.

Martha B. Eldridge, Chairman

Susan J. Simpson, Selectman

Jonathan Smith, Selectman