



BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday March 2, 2022

Town Hall Meeting Room – 5:00PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – A meeting of the East Granby Board of Selectmen (BOS) was held on Wednesday March 2, 2022 at the Town Hall Meeting Room. First Selectwoman Wimpfheimer called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. Selectman Doering and Selectman Hall were present.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None
3. **CORRESPONDENCE** – SLFRF Update
4. **MINUTES** – Selectman Doering made a motion to accept the February 23, 2022 minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Hall. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **School Town Building Committee Report** – No new information.
 - b. **Back Office Shared Services Opportunities** – No new information.
 - c. **Wildlife Crossing** – Tabled until Spring.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **ARPA Funds Approval** – First Selectwoman mentioned using \$7191.85 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to replace water fountains for Town buildings. Selectman Hall made a motion to approve the purchase of the water stations. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
 - b. **LoCIP Grant** – The Department of Public Works (DPW) is requesting to apply for a \$312,885.00 grant from the Local Capital Improvement Program to repave the DPW parking lot and build a new salt facility. The current facility will be used as a wood working shop and storage facility. Selectman Hall made a motion to approve the DPW apply for the LOSIP grant. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
 - c. **Tax Refunds** – Selectman Hall made a motion to accept the Tax refunds as presented. Seconded by Selectman Doering. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

- d. 2022/2023 Budget Review** – First Selectwoman Wimpfheimer presented the rough draft of the FY22/23 Budget with the 2.5% increase direction from the BOF. Currently is at 4.9% (\$150,000) which is driven by expenses including insurances and fuel that is currently being relooked at.

Selectman – -3.8% (\$7482) Salary decreases

Registrars – 13.1% (\$6,325) BOF approved salary change to hourly

Assessor – 3.7% \$5,334 Salary raises

Town Clerk – 8.4% (\$10,374) FY22 salary market adjustment

Police Department – 3.5% (\$23,017-\$14,000 Salary; \$5,000 Fuel

Fire Marshal & Emergency Management – 17.7% (\$12,567) Increased hours

Public Works Department – 7.3% \$55,193 Increased snow removal; contractual wag increases and Part time lawn mowing positions

Field Maintenance – 33.3% (\$5,000) Fertilizer increase

Insurance – 8.1% (\$62,656) Several new staff requiring insurance coverage and rates have increased

Animal Control – 136.4% (\$15,000) Shared service with Suffield. \$11,000 was used last year from the operating budget and \$15,000 of the old dog fund balance. FY23 we are reverting to using \$26,000 from the operating budget.

RCC – 10.1% (\$25,446) Tipping fees are increasing to \$111 per ton

- e. EGFD Apparatus Proposal** – Chief Flaherty stated they would like to purchase a Coopersburg Pumper for \$130,000, a Terryville, CT Tower Ladder \$85,000, Pumper & Tower Refurb \$110,000 totaling \$325,000. Chief Flaherty asked the BOS to approve the purchase of these apparatus to purchase before April 1st using their allocated funds from the FY22/23 budget. Selectman Doering stated if proposal was approved by the Board of Selectmen, Chief Flaherty would need to present to the Board of Finance to consider. If approved, BOS would need to set a Town Meeting which would take 5-7 days to publicize, then resident approval. Selectman Doering made a motion to have Chief Flaherty present to the BOF and ask to reconsider the capitol plan from the point of allocating the \$325,000 to be used in FY22. Selectman Hall would like to reconnect during next weeks regular BOS meeting to collect and consider all information to make the most informed decision.
- f. PUBLIC COMMENT** – Additional comments were made regarding the East Granby Fire Department Apparatus proposal.
- g. ADJOURN** – Selectman Doering made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Selectman Hall. **Motion Approved Unanimously** at 7:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicole Sokolowski