



# TOWN OF THOMPSON

## Board of Selectmen

### MINUTES - SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING – BUDGET REVIEWS

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 5:00 pm  
via ZOOM Online Meeting Portal

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call  
The Meeting was called to order by Amy St. Onge, First Selectman, at 5:01 pm  
Present: Selectmen Susanne Witkowski and Ken Beausoleil  
Also in attendance: Finance Director William Steglitz, Members of the Public, Marie C. Mongeau-Recording Secretary
- II. Citizen Comments – None
- III. Budget Reviews/Discussion/Revisions/Possible Action – May include any General Fund Budget Department and Capital Improvement Program

S. Witkowski, Selectman, wanted it on record that this Board of Selectmen has been putting these budgets together for the past 5 years, based on the needs of the town. They have the best interests of the Town of Thompson in mind. She expressed that BOS has been criticized for putting forth higher mill rate budgets but the process includes putting things forward to the Board of Finance for their consideration.

A. St. Onge presented her recommendations for preliminary budget changes. Budget lines which were reviewed included Town Counsel, Fire Departments, Public Works, Snow Removal, Building Official, Human Services, Planning & Zoning, Inland Wetlands, Contingency, Capital, and Capital Transfers

#### **Motion by A. St. Onge to approve the changes to the FY2024-25 budget as presented:**

1701	522031	Town Counsel	Legal-Labor	Reduce	(\$5,000)
2202	522502	Fire Departments	Ambulance Service	Increase	\$ 3,000
3202	522281	Public Works	Tree Service	Reduce	(\$7,500)
3206	533060	Snow Removal	Salt and Sand	Reduce	(\$20,000)
3301	510033	Building Official	Overtime	Remove	(\$5,113)
3301	510038	Building Official	Secretary/Clerk	Increase	\$ 11,317
3301	510065	Building Official	Assistant Bldg Official	Reduce	(\$5,000)
3301	610066	Building Official	Emergency Safety Exp.	Reduce	(\$5,000)
4101	522747	Human Services	Eastern Ct Land Bank	Reduce	(\$2,500)
4101	522720	Human Services	United Services	Reduce	(\$4,616)

**Motion for Budget Changes (continued)**

6101	Line 4	Planning & Zoning	New Shared Land Use Admin	Remove	(\$9,547)
6203	Line 4	Inland Wetlands	New Shared Land Use Admin	Remove	(\$9,547)
8155		Contingency		Increase	\$20,000
8101	544050	Capital	Truck Body Swap	Remove	(\$40,000)
8101	544050	Capital	Asphalt Roller	Remove	(\$71,000)
8101	544060	Capital	Riverside Park Lights	Reduce	(\$42,500)
8101	544060	Capital	Town Hall Parking Lot	Remove	(\$78,000)
8101	544060	Capital	Hallway Lockers	Remove	(\$55,200)
8102	544820	Capital Transfers	Paving	Reduce	(\$50,000)
8102	544820	Capital Transfers	Library Maintenance	Reduce	(\$10,725)

**Motion seconded by S. Witkowski. Motion Carried unanimously.**

Ken Beausoleil noted that some of the capital purchases could be financed which would reduce those budget lines.

- IV. Discussion and Possible Action to send the FY 2024-2025 General Town Government Budget and Capital Improvement Program to the Board of Finance  
No Action Taken.

- V. Adjourn

**Motion to adjourn at 7:14 pm by S. witkowski, seconded by K. Beausoleil. Motion carried unanimously.**

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Submitted by Marie C. Mongeau, Recording Secretary/Assistant to the Selectmen

*These minutes have not yet been approved by the Board of Selectmen.*

*Please refer to next month's meeting minutes for approval of and/or amendments to these minutes*