

**2022 Budget Review Meeting Minutes
Town of Morristown
October 19, 2021**

Present: Gary Turner, David VanArnam, Shawn Macaulay, Frank Putman

Absent: Chris Coffin

Also Present: Carol Woodcock

Supervisor Putman told the Board that the Budget team has been working steadily on the budget. He also stated that the meeting will be a line review of the 2022 budget, which the Board can then take home to review further.

General A

Raises where they occur will be 3%. The board, supervisor and DCO are unchanged.

The judge position is at \$17 thousand. The clerk was reduced to \$36 thousand.

Personnel is 2.9%,

Buildings reduced to \$49,580.

Insurance is up \$5,000.

Contingent stays unchanged.

Fire Protection \$1,500.

Dog Control no change.

Safety Inspection \$\$35,000.

Ambulance contractual is stable over the next 5 years.

Superintendent up 3%.

Sidewalks up \$10,000.

Marine and Docks no change.

Library \$5,000.

Historian \$1,600.

Celebrations \$5,000 for Fire Department and Museum.

Planning Board \$3,800.

State retirements- Social Securities based on 3% raises.

Medical Insurance raised \$3,000.

Revenues- tax rate for General at \$1.82/thousand and Highway at \$1.82/thousand remains unchanged from 2021.

Fines and Forfeitures down to \$12,000.

State Aid remains the same.

Consolidation stays the same.

Amount to be raised by taxes is \$365,000. Of that amount \$99,000 will be put in budget as cash reserves.

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Highway

The Highway will remain essentially unchanged in the 2022 budget.
Percentages for DPW raises will be 3%.
Teamsters raises will be 3.7 percent.
Part of DPW raises will come from all s sewer districts.
Revenues-\$10,000 extra sales tax plus CHIPS.
No funds are using appropriated fund balance.
Retirement amounts are known.
Highway picked up insurance for 1 DPW position.

Water

The water district has very low revenue.
Supervisor Putman stated that in 2022 the Town needs to reach out to water district users to explain the need to increase rates and fees
Water decreases in salaries because a portion of those salaries will come from Highway.
No change in the principal bond.
The water district is in balance by shifting some expenses over to Highway.

Sewer

Sewer Districts 1,2,and 3 are in balance with no rate changes.

Fire Districts

Budget amounts are a pass through and appear as submitted by those districts.

Other Business

Supervisor Putman asked the Board to submit ideas for the expenditure of ARPA funds.
The Board received the first draft of the water study prepared by DANC.

Supervisor Putman made a motion to set and advertise a public hearing on the 2022 Town Budget for 7 pm on November 9,2021. Councilman Macaulay seconded the motion.
Vote: Gary Turner-Aye, David VanArnham-Aye, Shawn Macaulay-Aye, Frank Putman-Aye

The meeting was adjourned upon motion at 7 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by David Murray Town Clerk