

**Buckland Finance Committee Minutes
Monday, November 18, 2019**

Meeting called to order at Buckland Town Hall, 7:07 p.m.

Committee members present: Karen Blom, Ciara Hayden, Larry Langford, Ben Murray.

Others present: Town administrator Heather Butler, Selectboard Member Dena Willmore, MTRSD School Committee Chair Martha Thurber, MTRSD School Committee Member David Parrella and citizen Marilyn Kelsey.

Karen motions to accept the minutes from the October 16, 2019 meeting. Larry seconds. Unanimously approved.

Briefing by School Committee Representatives

1. Martha hands out request for Capital Project Request Form. Estimated \$21,000 for Buckland, (\$115,000 total cost) for the purchase of a new merged HVAC control system for the Middle and High school.
2. Questions/Issues:
 - a. Teachers contract will be negotiated during this fiscal year,
 - b. General OPEB issues discussed,
 - c. Transportation contract is in the second year of a 5-year contract,
 - d. Rural aid is \$235,000, (\$100,000 greater than last year).

Budget Calendar - Handout and review

Debt Amortization Schedule - Handout and review

Buckland Town Departments - Capital Request Submissions and Review

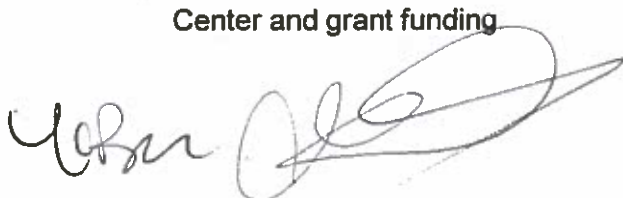
1. Recreation Department
2. Town Clerk
3. Police
4. Town Administrator's Office
5. Town Hall Building
6. Historical Society

Operating Budget - Requests on target for January submission

Public Comments

Marilyn Kelsey

1. Supports the decision to request the historical society to re-submit the capital budget request following the standard format.
2. Shared information regarding the full salary of the Director of the Senior Center and grant funding



Senior Center Discussion Document

Larry shared a document outlining concerns with the Senior Center's efforts to secure a new location and joint ownership and management of the facility.

Marilyn and Heather left at 8:55 pm

Next meeting is scheduled for December 16th, at the Buckland Public Library at 7 pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

Respectfully submitted by Ciara Hayden