

## **Brandon Select Board Budget Workshop Minutes January 7, 2020**

**NOTE: These are unapproved minutes, subject to amendment and/or approval at the subsequent board meeting.**

**Select Board Members in Attendance:** Tim Guiles, Seth Hopkins, Brian Coolidge, Doug Bailey and Tracy Wyman

**Budget Committee Members in Attendance:** Barry Varian, Tony Peduto, Jan Coolidge and Cindy Bell.

**Others in Attendance:** Sue Gage, Bill Moore, Dave Atherton and Jackie Savela

### **1) Call to Order**

Seth Hopkins called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Brian Coolidge made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Tracy Wyman. The motion passed unanimously.

### **2) Budget Workshop FY 2020/2021**

The first budget topic of discussion was the covered walkway for the lower entrance at the Brandon Town Hall. Dave said he has an estimate for \$25,000.

The second budget topic was the Recreation Department. Bill Moore answered general questions about the Rec Dept budget. Bill left the meeting at 7:17 pm.

The third budget topic was Police cars. Tim Guiles suggested the possibility of gradually changing the fleet over to electric vehicles in hopes of reducing the maintenance cost and reducing the use of gasoline. There was also some discussion about reducing the fleet to four vehicles. Doug Bailey brought up some questions about the overtime budget and its relationship to how many positions we are funding.

The fourth budget topic was Appropriations. There was some discussion about the pros and cons of moving items out of the budget to have voters fund items separately through the appropriations process.

The fifth budget topic was a brief discussion about the amount budgeted for signposts and culverts.

### **3) Adjournment**

At 8:43 pm, Brian Coolidge made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Doug Bailey. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Guiles  
Clerk of the Select Board