

DOVER WARRANT COMMITTEE
Minutes of the January 5, 2022 Meeting

Members in attendance: Rob Andrews, Melissa Herman, Cam Hudson, Gordon Kinder, Sara Cadena Kinney, Janet McCormick, Steve Migausky, Peter Smith

Members absent: Andy Ursitti

Others in attendance: Peter McGowan, Chief of Police

Location: on-line, via Zoom

Mr. Andrews called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

Mr. Andrews opened the meeting with a review of remote meeting procedures.

Mr. Andrews asked for any citizens' comments; none were made.

The minutes of December 15 were approved unanimously.

Police, Animal Control, & Protective Agencies Building Budgets:

Chief McGowan presented his budget requests for FY23. Most line items are level-funded, those involving contracts are level-service. The exception is the elimination of two part-time special officers who covered weekend and late-night shifts, which will no longer be allowed under new State law. They must be replaced by full-time academy graduates. He also noted that sick time is up due to two extended medical issues. He also expects one officer to retire in March.

Reserve Fund Transfer

Highway has submitted a Reserve Fund Transfer Request for \$153,091.50 to cover repairs to Claybrook Rd. Erosion along the bank of the Charles River is undermining the road, requiring temporary repairs and single-lane travel. Mr. Kinder moved that the request be approved, seconded by Mr. Hudson: the motion passed 8-0-0.

Other Business

The Selectmen have not yet released the final list of warrant articles. There will be several bylaw changes, transfers of Free Cash into stabilization funds, and three citizens' petitions.

The Warrant Committee's contribution to the 2021 Town Report was discussed but not voted. Mr. Smith will circulate the mark-up version so that all can see exactly what was changed from the prior year. A vote will be taken at the next meeting.

There being no further business a motion was made to adjourn, seconded by unanimous proclamation. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Smith, Secretary