

Town of Brentwood
Budget Committee Meeting at Brentwood Town Office
Meeting Minutes of April 29, 2019

Present: Keith Levitsky (Chair), Liz Faria, Melissa Litchfield, Bob Mantegari, Michelle Siudut
Excused absences: Melissa Hanlon, Kris Magnusson

Keith called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Motion by Bob Mantegari, seconded by Liz Faria to nominate Keith Levitsky as Chairman;
passed 5-0-0

Motion by Bob Mantegari, seconded by Melissa Litchfield to nominate Michelle Siudut as
Secretary; passed 4-0-1 with Michelle abstaining

Minutes of previous meeting

Motion by Bob Mantegari, seconded by Michelle Siudut to approve the minutes of the February
11 2019 Budget Committee meeting and the February 11 2019 Budget Committee Public
Hearing as amended; passed 4-0-1

Updates from Selectmen & School Board

Selectmen will have three meetings in May - the 7th, 14th, and 21st. They will be looking at
taxpayers who have very large overdue tax bills totaling around \$200K. The Selectmen may be
forced to collect the deeds on some properties.

Melissa Litchfield said the School Board is discussing options for the cafeteria/gymnasium as
well as some security items, but nothing has been decided as of yet. The SAU has hired a new
business administrator, who will start July 1.

The question was raised about impact fees, who gets them, who can use them, where they go.
If they aren't used, they are to be returned to the person who paid them.

Melissa Litchfield asked for clarification about the budget amount listed on the warrant article,
by request of Rep Liz McConnell - should it be the total budget number or the amount actually
raised from taxes (which would be lower, due to funds received from the state). It was
confirmed the higher amount must be listed because the entire amount needs to be raised and
appropriated, regardless of where any of it comes from.

Liz Faria asked about the state of the food service funds at Swasey. Melissa said food services are still run through the Coop, so the Coop absorbs any losses. The Board is currently considering taking over their own food services.

Keith will start posting Budget Committee meeting dates on Brentwood Talks and Brentwood Chats.

Upcoming Meetings

August 26, 2019 at 7 pm - Budget Committee Meeting

Motion by Bob Mantegari, seconded by Melissa Litchfield, to adjourn; carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Siudut, Secretary