

**Town of Mount Holly
Special Select Board Meeting
January 5, 2021
Minutes**

In-Person with Zoom Meeting: 894 2972 1301

Present: Select Board: Jeff Chase, Jennifer Matthews, Mark Turco

Town Officials: Susan Covalla, Carol Garrow-Woolley, David Johnson, Stephen Michel, Clinton Woolley

Members of the Public: None in Attendance

1. **Call to Order** by Mark Turco at 4:01 p.m.
2. All recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
3. **Changes and/or additions to the Agenda** - None were necessary.
4. **FY'22 Budget Work Session** - Select Board members working with Town Treasurer David Johnson along with Road Foreman Clinton Woolley went line-by-line through the proposed budget for fiscal year 2022. Using the current COLA of 1.3% and the currently low inflation rate as guides, some budget items were increased slightly, for raises or due to increased costs; a few were actually decreased; and a large number of items were left unchanged, budgeted at last year's amount. The Select Board members' goal was to keep the budget numbers similar to last year's with a minimal, if any, municipal tax increase for residents. Final budget numbers will be reviewed at the next Select Board meeting on January 12th. Mr. Turco had to leave the meeting at 5:23 pm. At the conclusion of the budget discussions, Jennifer Matthews thanked Mr. Johnson for all his good work on the budget.
5. **Executive Session: Title 1 V.S.A. S 313(a)(3) - personnel (if needed)** - Not needed this evening.
6. **Adjourn** - Ms. Matthews adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer Matthews

Minutes Approved: 2.9.2021