

**DURHAM BUDGET COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 10, 2020**

1. Chairman Milton Simon Calls the meeting to Order.
2. Members present: Milton Simon, Brian Pike, Leigh Fisher, Mike Clark, Neil Berry, Jill Gastonguay, and Paul First.
3. Budget Recommendations:

Road Commissioner Calvin Beaumier is present to answer questions from the Budget Committee regarding the Public Works budget.

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to appropriate \$1,006,763 and raise \$225,223 for a total appropriation of \$1,231,986 for Public Works. Milton Simon Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Brian Pike Moves to raise \$50,000 for the Public Works Capital Fund for a future equipment purchase. Paul First Seconds. Motion Carries 6-0 (Clark Abstains).**

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to appropriate \$216,202 from the Public Works Capital Reserve for a replacement truck for Public Works. Milton Simon Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to adjust the Assessing budget to \$20,700 for Assessing expenses, transferring \$1,000 from Undesignated Funds and raising \$19,700. Brian Pike Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Leigh Fisher Moves to raise \$50,000 to pay for a Town Market Value Adjustment. Brian Pike Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Milton Simon Moves to raise \$999,693 for Debt Service. Brian Pike Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to raise \$200 for Donations, with \$100 each for Community Concepts and Seniors Plus, for a total appropriation of \$200. Milton Simon Seconds. Motion Carries 4-3**

**(Berry, Pike, Clark Opposed).**

**Paul First Moves to raise \$5,670 and transfer \$1,240 from rentals for a total appropriation of \$6,910 for the Eureka Center. Brian Pike Seconds. Motion Carries 6-1 (Gastonguay Opposed).**

**Neil Berry Moves to accept the Select Board recommendation for General Assistance, transferring \$359 from General Assistance revenue and raising \$641 for a total of \$1,000. Brian Pike Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Milton Simon Moves to appropriate a total of \$35,038 for the Planning Board/Appeals/Historic District budget, with \$510 transferred from Conditional Use fees and Appeals, transfer \$5,000 from Undesignated Funds and raise \$29,528. Neil Berry Seconds. Motion Carries 6-1 (Pike Opposed).**

**Milton Simon Moves to transfer \$10,986 from Recreation/Conservation Funding to this year's Conservation/Recreation/Parks budget. Paul First Seconds. Motion Carries 6-0 (Pike Abstains).**

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to transfer \$20,689 from user fees and raise \$230,837 for a total appropriation of \$251,526 for the Solid Waste Budget, doing away with Bulky Waste Day. Neil Berry Seconds. Motion Carries 6-1 (Clark Opposed).**

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to transfer \$55,221 from Franchise Fees for a total budget of \$55,221 for Telecommunications. Milton Simon Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Jill Gastonguay Moves to raise \$12,865 for the Raise Pool. Mike Clark Seconds. Motion Carries 6-1 (Pike Opposed).**

**Milton Simon Moves to raise \$0 for Funds for the Town Manager Search. Leigh Fisher Seconds. Motion Carries 7-0.**

**Milton Simon Moves to transfer \$0 from Undesignated Funds for an Emergency Fund. Neil Berry Seconds. Motion Carries 5-2 (First/Pike**

**Opposed).**

4. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Dion  
Meetings Secretary