

ASHLAND BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES

APRIL 9, 2024

Members Present: Hughes, Ruell, Coleman, Roloff, Fitch

Members Excused: Lyford, Unangst

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room at 6 Collins Street.

Hughes noted the passing of former Committee member Lee Nichols.

Election of Officers. On a motion by Ruell, seconded by Roloff, it was voted without opposition to elect Kendall Hughes as Chair. On a motion by Hughes, seconded by Fitch, it was voted without opposition to elect David Ruell as Vice-Chair. On a motion by Ruell, seconded by Hughes, it was voted to elect Michelle Roloff as Secretary.

Procedure. Hughes reported a proposal to have the Town department heads present their budget proposals to both the Selectmen and the Budget Committee at the same time, at a joint meeting. The Selectmen would then vote on their proposed budget, which would then be voted on by the Budget Committee.

There was a discussion of who wanted paper copies and who wanted email copies of the town budget reports.

The school will provide monthly paper budget reports to be picked up at the Town Hall. These reports would be available on the Wednesday following the first Tuesday of the month, when the school board meets.

Next meetings. Hughes proposed and those present were agreeable to meeting on Tuesday, June 11, and Thursday, August 13, both at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room at 6 Collins Street.

On a motion by Fitch, seconded by Roloff, it was voted to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

David Ruell, acting Secretary