

Town of Alfred
Budget Committee Minutes
Monday April 6, 2020

Meeting open at 6:00 p.m. via Video Conferencing. Members joining remotely were Ken Gerry, Joe Olszewski, Dennis Brewster, Harold Metcalfe, Jon DeFrance & Fred Holt. Lee Steele joined at the end of the meeting.

The minutes of the March 30, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Metcalfe, second by Gerry to approve as written, motion carried unanimously.

During the discussion on the request for General Assistance, Holt indicated that the 3,500.00 request was submitted prior to the COVID-19 Pandemic that the Town is currently in and in all likelihood would not be enough as residents are being laid off from their jobs and the need for assistance could be increased. Holt had met with the General Assistance Agent prior to this meeting and she felt that increasing the request to 6,000.00 would be more realistic.

The initial motion for the Parsons Memorial Library of 20,010.00 by Metcalfe and seconded by Gerry failed by a 2-4 vote, with Holt and Metcalfe voting to approve. After additional discussion Brewster motioned 18,750.00 and seconded by DeFrance. Motion carried 4-2-0-1 with Holt and Metcalfe voting no.

The following requests were discussed individually and voted on.

<u>Article</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Motion</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Annual Audit	11,025.00	Gerry 11,025.00	Metcalfe	6-0-0-1
General Assistance	3,500.00	Brewster 6,000.00	DeFrance	6-0-0-1
Planning Board	1,945.00	Brewster 1,945.00	Gerry	6-0-0-1
Parsons Memorial Library	20,010.00	Brewster 18,750.00	DeFrance	4-2-0-1
Street Lights	13,750.00	Brewster 13,750.00	Gerry	6-0-0-1
Town Insurance	26,045.00	Brewster 26,045.00	Metcalfe	6-0-0-1
Town Hall Maint/Utilities	14,100.00	Brewster 14,100.00	Gerry	6-0-0-1
Legal	15,000.00	Metcalfe 15,000.00	Gerry	6-0-0-1

Gerry indicated that he would not be able to attend the next scheduled meeting on Monday April 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.