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Present: Clint Keeney, Jim Frey, Jake Lewon, Harold Simmons, Leo Tometich, Matt Naughton; Town Administrator Jason Silva.

Meeting called to order 6:32 pm at Dunstable Town Hall

**Review/Approve Minutes**

Minutes from the Advisory Board meeting on December 21, 2022 were presented for review and approval.

Motion: L. Tometich moved to approve the minutes as presented.

2<sup>nd</sup>: H. Simmons

Vote: In favor: C. Keeney, J. Frey, J. Lewon, H. Simmons, L. Tometich. Abstain: M. Naughton. Motion passed.

**ITEM 1: Initial Budget Discussion FY24**

TA Silva presented current draft operating budget for FY24. There are many elements that still need to be finalized and not all departments have completed their budget and capital submissions. Larger departmental changes were reviewed and discussed, particularly the Fire department, Police department, Highways department, and Groton-Dunstable Regional schools.

Major cost drivers and potential means for closing the gap between requests and total projected revenues were discussed, though more information is necessary and TBD items must be resolved before any definitive steps can be taken.

Next steps are to clarify TBD items and meet again to review options for balancing the FY24 budget.

It was noted that there is a joint meeting between the GDRSD School Committee and the town select and financial boards regarding FY24 budgets next Wednesday, Feb 8, 2023. This will be posted as an open meeting so that all Advisory Committee members can attend as available.

No Action required.

**ITEM 2: Update on Affordable Housing**

M. Naughton reported that two qualified responses were received for the Pleasant Street RFP - MCO and Arch Communities. Both are less in terms of net potential financial impact to the town than had been the case with prior proposals.

No Action required.

Motion to adjourn: J. Frey, 2<sup>nd</sup>: L. Tometich. Vote: Unanimous to adjourn  
Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.