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Present: Matthew Naughton, Jim Frey, Jake Lewon, Harold Simmons, Leo Tometich

Meeting called to order 6:30 pm at Dunstable Town Hall, with simulcast on Zoom.

1. Fire Department EOY Transfers/Budget Discussion

- 1.1. Chief Murray made a presentation to the board regarding fire department budget needs and drivers, in order to detail conditions that led to the overage for FY2020 and which may also result in overage in FY2021. The board discussed the presentation and recommended closer interaction for planning next year's budget.

2. Override Discussion

- 2.1. Postponed pending input from Town Administrator.

3. Review 5 Year Projection from GDRSD

- 3.1. Postponed pending input from GDRSD administration and School Committee.

4. Review/Approve Minutes

- 4.1. Minutes from the meeting held on 7 July 2021 reviewed. No changes required.
Motion to accept minutes as presented: Harold Simmons; 2nd: Matt Naughton
Vote: YES: Matt, Jake, Harold, Leo. ABSTAIN: Jim. Motion Passes.

5. Other New Business

- 5.1. Affordable Housing Update: New consultant engaged to re-evaluate town approach to developers. Matt will report to the board once the next meeting is held.
5.2. Water Department Rate Increase: Jim raised concerns that 150% increase in water rates that took effect 8/1/2021 might drive current rate payers off the system, resulting in possible collapse of the rate base and subsequent increase in town funding. Jim will contact the Water Board to investigate and report back to the Advisory Board at a future date.

Motion to adjourn - Harold; 2nd - Jim. Vote: Unanimous to adjourn
Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.