

Exeter Budget Recommendation Subcommittee

Human Services Mtg.
Town Offices, 2019

October 4, 2019
1 pm

Meeting began at 1:15 pm

Members Present: Christine Soutter-Subcommittee Chair, Ton Zwaan-Committee Member, Liz Canada-Committee Member, Pam McElroy-Human Services Administrator

Pam gave an overview of the budget and some examples of the demand for services over the past couple of months. Pam also serves as the administrative assistant for the Town Manager and is expected to spend the majority of her time on those duties. Pam is new to the position and has noticed that human services is demanding more of her time than anticipated. She feels it is in part attributed to the discontinuation of a State service called Coordinated Entry. Now all residents in need are told to call 211 and then they are directed back to the town.

The budget is flat except for the request for \$5,000 to cover hotel fees for homeless individuals. This number is based on the demand seen so far this year. Previously those requests came out of miscellaneous and rent budget line items.

Human Services Agency funding request for 2020 is \$103,805 a decrease of \$2,820. The decrease is due to an agency that was funded in 2019 not applying for funds this year. A few minor increases were granted to agencies that showed an increase in demand for services.

Meeting was adjourned at 2 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine J. Soutter