Budget Recommendations Committee Fire Department Subcommittee October 25, 2021 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Attendees: Chief Wilking, Asst. Chief Pizon, Bob Kelly, Kathy Corson, Judy Rowan

The meeting was held in the conference room of the Fire Dept. from 2 PM to 4:20 PM.

The subcommittee reviewed the FD budget with Chief Wilking and Asst. Chief Pizon. We will present to the full BRC updated figures to be added to the FD budget. We fully discussed the request for 2 new FF/EMTs and the on-going overtime needs, as well as recruitment issues. Chief Wilking introduced the maintenance report of Engine 5 that was to be deferred, but due to rust and corrosion, is in worse condition than previously thought. The Chief proposed a funding alternative for the requested self-contained breathing apparatus using ARPA funds and instead move forward with developing a contact to purchase a new engine. We also discussed the request for car 3 to be replaced by a more practical Ford 250 pickup. Finally, Chief Wilking presented an update regarding the public safety complex project.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rowan