

**SELECTBOARD REPORT – FY 2018**  
**George Morehouse, Chairman**

The Concord Selectboard held regular monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday of each month. Reports were received and discussed with elected and appointed officials along with dealing with a variety of issues requiring Board attention and/or action. Citizen concerns were frequently received and responded to, and we encourage public participation at our meetings. Special Meetings were held when necessary and Budget Meetings were held in December and January to fund the financial needs and requirements for all Town Departments for the 2020 Budget Year.

Selectboard members are George Morehouse – Chairman, Mike Sorrell – Vice-Chairman, Bill Humphrey, Harold Lunnie, and Roger Wood. Administrative Assistant, Susan LaMadeleine continues to provide support to the board and highway department working three days per week and does an excellent job keeping things running smoothly.

**2020 BUDGET**

Throughout the preparation of this Budget, the Board has been mindful of the needs of the Town in spite of escalating costs of conducting our business, many of which are beyond our control. We feel the increases, where applicable, are necessary to continue to provide the services we all expect. **This year's Budget increase is \$42,954.00 or 5.5% compared to the 2019 Budget.**

**2019 TOWN MEETING**

**Article #3 Fire Truck Replacement**

The 1998 E-One Engine needs to be replaced due to its age. The Selectboard recommends it be replaced during the 2020 Budget Year and to borrow an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00. The balance of the approximately \$300,000.00 purchase price is to be funded by its trade-in value, existing reserve funds and anticipated grants.

**Article #4 Business Personal Property Exemption**

Currently Business Personal Property is taxed in the Town of Concord. However, the tax income is less than \$2,000.00 annually and the property taxed is mainly satellite dishes and fuel tanks that are owned by the providers. The Assessor and Selectboard recommend the exemption be approved.

**CONSLUSION**

The Selectboard wishes to extend its appreciation to all elected and appointed officials, employees and all the many volunteers for their service, contributions and dedication to the Town of Concord. Working together with the support of all our citizens/taxpayers we can continue to benefit the Town.

We welcome and encourage participation at our meetings that are the first Tuesday of each month at 6 PM.