

SELECTBOARD REPORT

Bill Humphrey – Chairman

The Concord Selectboard continued to hold monthly meetings, open to the public on the first Tuesday of each month. State business, Town business, along with concerns of town citizens were heard by both elected and appointed officials. Citizens are encouraged to bring their concerns to the Selectboard as public participation plays a huge role in the management and trajectory of the Town. As a normal course of business, Special meetings were held as necessitated, Budget meetings occurred during December and January to determine funding levels to meet the Town's financial needs and obligations for FY 2024.

Selectboard members are:

Bill Humphrey – Chairman
Chris Fournier – Vice Chair
George Morehouse
Shannon Chapman
Denis LaMadeleine

2024 Budget

Throughout the preparation of the 2024 Budget, the Board heavily weighted the needs of meeting the Town obligations in a challenging business environment of record inflation, supply chain problems, escalating costs, all of which are beyond the Board's capability to control. By adapting to this present business environment, the Board limited the budget increase consistent to that of recent years; however, for the first time, Concord's purposed operating budget has exceeded one million dollars.

Conclusion

Even though the constraints and restrictions of COVID are behind us (hopefully), supply chain failures, inflation, and human resource issues remain, forcing the Board to rethink and adapt to the shifting paradigm of conducting business locally, nationally and globally. As always, the Selectboard wishes to thank the citizenry for trusting us and allowing us the opportunity to serve our community. Additionally, we thank those unmentioned individuals for their service, contribution and dedication to the Town of Concord.