

RTM P&Z Budget Meeting for P&Z and ZBA
Friday April 24, 1pm, via Zoom

Attending, Keenan, Braunstein, Rea, Kramer, Batteau, Lautenberg, Mandell
P&Z Mary Young, Director, Danielle Dobin, Chair

Budget for 2021 - PZ \$647,039 ZBA \$27,592

Both budgets are lower than 2020 3K and 2K respectively.

Salaries are lower due to new people replacing longer standing employees at higher scale. There still is a desire by the Director for a Land Use Application Coordinator which was cut a few years back.

Shared cell phone was removed for a savings. Education cost is down due to not enough time to attend classes. Certifications are jeopardy due to this lack of education. Mail use is down as well. These were the savings

Overtime is anticipated to be up due to legal challenges. Fees are up as the cost of WestCog for \$11K has been added to the P&Z budget instead of First Selectman's. Vehicle maintenance has been lacking and shared vehicle needs work. There is a new printer/scanner and that fee has increased, but still a good monthly rate.

The office is looking to decrease our ranking in flood protection to save the residents money in FEMA compliance. Use of online systems is also saving money. Fees are being looked at to bring them up to par with other towns. This will wait until the pandemic has subsided.

Motion by Braunstein, second by Rea. Vote - 7-0 to approve budget.

Submitted by
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Chair RTM PZ
4/25/2020