

**Bennington Board of Selectmen
Emergency Board Meeting
February 8, 2023 7:39 PM
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Chairman, James Cleary, Tom James, David Foster

Chairman Cleary opened the meeting at 7:15 pm

This meeting was held for the sole purpose of amending the default budget and to further authorize the Town Administrator to amend the default budget with the changes to the original default budget to include \$67,604.00 worth of changes which are mandated by law, and to further reduce any one-time expenditures contained in the default budget.

Motion by Chairman Cleary to amend the Default Budget by \$67,604.00, some lines increased, others decreased.

The changes will result in the default budget being \$7,652.00 more than the proposed budget. Default budget will be amended to reflect a bottom line of \$1,839,457.00. The proposed budget is \$1,831,805.00.

Motion seconded by Selectman Foster. Voted all in favor. Motion passed.

With nothing further, Chairman Cleary adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm. Seconded by Selectmen Foster & James. The next Selectmen's meeting will be Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Debra Davidson, Town Administrator

AMENDMENT TO DEFAULT BUDGET

Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Bennington raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **one million, eight hundred thirty-one thousand, eight hundred five dollars (\$1,831,805.00)**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **one million, eight hundred thirty-nine thousand, four hundred fifty-seven dollars (\$1,839,457)**, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. To further authorize the Town Administrator to file an amended Default Budget Form.