



**Town of Montague**  
**Department, Board, Committee, Commission**  
**BUDGET NARRATIVE**

**FY 21**

*Complete this form electronically! Be clear and concise!*

Department: Assessing Department Submitted by: Karen M. Tonelli

**1. Please describe and provide the rationale for any substantial changes in your FY21 line item budget submission.**

*No substantial changes – small increases expected for annual software support.*

**2. Did you receive funding for any special articles in FY20? What is the status of those expenditures/investments?**

*Yes. Received funding at STM 5/4/2019 for the valuation of the 2 hydro facilities. These funds will be needed during our revaluation year and are expected to be expended in FY22.*

**3. Did you receive funding for a discretionary account in FY20? What have you purchased to date, at what cost? Looking forward in FY21, what do you expect to purchase at what cost?**

*No*

**4. To-date in FY20, has your department experienced any notable successes, such as improving or providing new programs or services, or implementing new technologies? If so, please describe.**

*No*

**5. Are there challenges to your department’s ability to meet its goals and objectives that are due to its FY20 operating budget? If so, offer your recommendation(s) for improving the situation.**

Performing annual cyclical inspections to ensure accurate property data continues to be a costly, time consuming (but necessary) process. Without making changes to the structure of the office, I have no recommendations for improving the situation. Future use of new technologies and software could make this process more efficient.