

Budget Committee Meeting 11/8/2018 – Started at 6:07 PM

Present: Tim Martin, Brad Winslow, Lynn Walker, Lenny Ryan, Jessica Hatch, Melissa Suckling

Absent: Mike Daughn

Old Business:

Reviewed prior meeting minutes. Discussion brought forward by Tim Martin that in Roberts rules the chairman is not able to make a motion or 2nd a motion. Notation made for going forward. Note made on the bottom of the prior meeting minutes. Tim made a motion to accept the prior meeting minutes, Lenny seconded the motion, and put to a vote with all in favor.

Upcoming schedule – Melissa spoke that Andy would be coming in to present the cemetery budget at 6:15 PM, 11/13 will have the Police Department present at 6PM and Fire Department at 6:30PM; 11/20 will have the Highway department present. Will work with the transfer station to see if they are available to present on 11/27.

New Business –

Andy presented for the Cemetery Budget – he has increased his wages for the budget due to increased need for work in the cemeteries due to winter kill, mold, etc. Andy discussed what is covered under each item of his budget with minimal changes from last year. Burial expense is an in and out for burials, rental & leases is the use of his personal vehicle, general supplies he feels that \$355 should be enough to cover, and maintenance materials for more grass seed, lime, etc.

We then proceeded to look at further budget requests that we have received to date:

TTCC – questions regarding what the TTCC provides for a service to our community, was discussed by Melissa and Jessica about the activities, calendar, etc. Members have requested to see if anyone could come and discuss further information to the budget committee.

Highway Department – many big changes and increases for the overall budget

Transfer Station – big discussion regarding overall increase in pricing for recycling removal at this time with talk that many other local towns have stopped recycling to save money.

Questions answered by Jessica Hatch from prior meeting that the back taxes owed to the town are approximately \$193,000 and the income from selling items from the Highway garage was approximately \$9,500. She explained the way that the revenue is projected for the town to adjust the tax rate.

General Governmental Buildings – the select board will encumber \$7,725 to finish painting the DCC, it was supposed to be completed this year but due to ongoing rain throughout Oct and Nov it will not be completed by the end of the year. They will be scheduling 3 furnace cleanings and get work done on the Highway Garage lights that are having issues.

Fire Department – the select board got quotes for the trim with pine and the pvc siding, which will not be able to get completed this year with our budget, as they are \$12K and \$15K respectively; quote for window replacement of the fire department is \$600/window

The select board was also just recently informed that the vent pipe for the library is having issues with need to have work completed.

Motion made by Tim Martin to adjourn with a second by Jess Hatch, then put to a vote with all in favor with meeting adjourned at 7:49PM