

**TOWN OF BEACON FALLS  
BOARD OF FINANCE  
Board of Selectmen Joint Budget Workshop**

**Tuesday April 13, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson of the Board, W. Hopkinson called the Joint Budget Workshop to order at 8:48 P.M.

Present: Vice Chairman G. Smith and Board Member R.Doiron.

Also present were Selectmen S. Cable, D. Sorrentino and M. Krenesky, Finance Manager M. Gomes and Beacon Falls Resident Susan Dowdell.

G. Smith asked if S. Cable spoke to the Trash Company regarding every other week pickups. S. Cable read the letter that was sent to her which explained that it would require an additional vehicle every other week, an additional person, weight limits on Rte. 8, potential health issues, etc. however he did not give a cost. G. Smith asked that they be provided a cost of every other week pickups. S. Cable said she would ask for one however pointed out that we are currently under contract with them.

It was noted that the budget in front of the workshop included the school budget but for our Public Hearing, it was noted that only the Town of Beacon Falls operating budget should be reflected. The mil rate should also be presented without the school increase. M. Gomes will make appropriate changes. The operating budget without the school increase would be .9.

The Town Public Hearing will be set for Tuesday April 20, 2010 at 7:00 at the Beacon Falls Town Hall. The Public vote has to be 14 calendar days from the Public Hearing. The town vote will be scheduled for May 5, 2010 at 7:00, location to be announced.

It was noted that the Board of Finance is a bit behind from previous years in presenting the budget to the town.

It was discussed that it is generally easier to present the budget to the town without having a school budget number written in stone. Once the school budget has passed, that number has to be included in the presentation of the Town's budget. This year, the

Beacon Falls Town budget will have to included the school budget (if the school budget passes) due to timing.

M. Gomes will have copies of the budget ready for the public in the Town Clerks office by 4/15/10.

The Town vote will be held on May 5, 2010 and the Board of Finance can set the mil rate at their regular May monthly meeting.

M. Gomes will make the following changes in the budget prior to proposing it to the town:

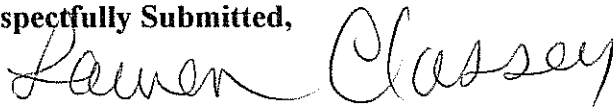
The Police Clerks wage increase will be removed.  
The ambulance must reflect \$25,000 to include training.  
Re-val will be changed from \$60,000 to \$50,000.

B. Ploss was conferenced in to make a quorum for the following motion.

**R. Doiron motioned to send the proposed budget with the noted corrections to a Public Hearing on Tuesday April 20, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. G. Smith 2nd the motion. All voted aye.**

**G. Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 P.M. R. Doiron 2nd the motion. All voted aye.**

Respectfully Submitted,



**Lauren Classey  
Clerk for the Board of Finance**