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David DeVoy Chairman Sanbornton

Glen Waring Vice-Chairman Gilmanton

Hunter Taylor Clerk Alton

Budget Work Session November 26, 2018 2:00 pm.

In Attendance: Commissioners Dave DeVoy, Glen Waring, and Hunter Taylor (via telephone), County Administrator Debra Shackett, and Accounting Manager Lori Sharp. Commissioner Taylor clarified that he was at his home due to a cold and he and his wife were the only ones home.

The Commissioners met with Sheriff Moyer, who answered their questions from the last meeting. The Sheriff also withdrew a request for a third vehicle. He explained that this vehicle would be replaced by the Marshall's office. He agreed to get quotes from other vendors for the radio and light packages. The Commissioners agreed to increase part time Dispatch wages by \$10,000 and to reduce Dispatch overtime by \$15,000. The Commissioners voted unanimously by roll call to add a 32 hour/week dispatch position as soon as possible.

The Commissioners met with the Nursing Home Administrator to reconsider several issues in the Nursing Home budget. As part of the discussion, the Commission voted unanimously, via roll call vote, to award the bid for carpeting and to complete the project using funds from the 2018 budget, and to remove \$30,000 from the 2019 budget.

They reduced part time Dietary wages to \$127,500 based on historical expenditures.

The NHA advised them that the cost for the Steamer would be \$24,480, rather than the \$18,000 that was included in the 2019 budget request.

Each of the Commissioners expressed their opinions regarding removing projects from the 2019 budget to do them in 2018 (using surplus/fund balance). Ultimately, they decided to leave the Steamer in the 2019 budget. Comm. DeVoy made a motion to complete the camera project in the NH from the 2018 budget and to remove the funding from the 2019 budget. Comm. Taylor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; Waring – No, DeVoy – Yes, Taylor – yes.

The Board reduced full time nursing wages to \$2,680.000 and health insurance to \$1,100,000.

Comm Waring made a motion to apply \$1,000,000 from Fund Balance to the 2019 budget, Comm DeVoy seconded. They voted by roll call vote unanimously to approve. Comm Waring

made a motion to approve \$15,646,449 as the amount to be raised by taxes, as presented. Comm Taylor seconded the motion. A unanimous roll call vote was taken in the affirmative.

The Commissioners agreed to consider a continuing resolution at their next meeting.

The meeting was opened for Public comment. Representative Sylvia questioned the difference between a work session and a meeting. Commissioner Waring answered that they were both treated the same.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Debra A. Shackett, County Administrator

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