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DRAFT BRIDGEWATER BOARD OF FINANCE SPECIAL MEETING – May 1, 2014 7PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Dennis MacDonald, called the meeting to order @ 7PM.

Present: Walter Barlow, Lori Franklin, Nancy Hawley, Michael Reed

Board of Selectmen: Curtis Read, Alan Brown and Leo Null

Business

Workshop: Review proposed Town Budget for 2014-2015

Discussion included:

*Selectmen's Office

Nancy requested that Discretionary and Miscellaneous line items be combined. Leo gave the Board an overview of this line item and the manner in which the money will be used.

Curtis spoke about the Special Projects within the Town Hall:

Reorganization of records, Locked files, Video to support and promote the Town General clean-up of Town Hall

Curtis spoke about Selectmen salaries and expenses, BOS Clerk salary and an explanation of extra time for mailings.

*Elections
Increase in costs regarding referendums and supplies

- *Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Assessor accounts were reviewed
- *Town Treasurer
 Discussion of duties and salaries
 Financial Administrator position has been adjusted, as to time and salary.

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- *Town Newsletter production and cost discussed
- *Town Hall Operating
 Website Administrator now has increased duties
 Board suggested that Janitorial Services should go out to bid
- *Town Buildings

Figures include all repairs and maintenance

Discussion continued, regarding individual building concerns as well as water and septic concerns in the town center.

Town telephone costs and money-saving improvements were discussed.

- *Senior Services
 Use of the Senior Center building and costs were discussed.
- *Discussion of Employee Insurance and Pension
- *Auditor
 Figure was corrected to \$22,000 for Auditing Services
- *Legal Defense Fees
 Line item is 0. Town will hire as necessary
- *Planning and Zoning Clerk Fee set at \$100
- *Conservation/Inland Wetlands
 Consultant Fee set at \$500
- *Recreation Commission
 Coordinator set at \$5,000
 Discussed Capital request to repair basketball court

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*Police Protection

Town Constables will be on duty 3.5 days per week.

Officer Daniels will be Senior Constable

State Police Officer will be on duty, in Town, 2.5 days per week- approx. \$65,000 per year.

Board also discussed other costs to operate the Department.

*Regional Animal Control

The Board noted a \$ 495 decrease

*Town roads

Discussion of Salt and Sand usage.

Major project for this year, will be the re-surfacing of a portion of Rt. 67 and Second Hill.

Tree work will be an important issue, due to upcoming line work scheduled for this year.

Other line items discussed: Maint/Guard rails, Bridge repairs.

Walter offered to discuss line items and projects with Supervisor Brian Sullivan

A Motion to adjourn, was offered by Walter at 8:59PM and seconded by Nancy. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia D. Barlow, Clerk