TOWN OF DERRY

Town Council Meeting Derry Municipal Center

April 18, 2013 Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Budget Review Workshop

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Roll Call: Councilors, Cardon, Osborne, Dimmock, Benson, Wetherbee and Chairman Fairbanks (Absent Katsakiores)

Chairman Fairbanks - There will be a Non-Public meeting at 6:30 pm on 4/30/13. Chairman Fairbanks feels because he works for a company that is a vendor for the Public Library that he should abstain from voting on their budget and he will also abstain from voting on the Parks & Recreation budget as he has a family member who works in that department. Councilor Wetherbee stated that, in his view, the library issue is not a conflict of interest.

Town Administrator Anderson – presented an overview of the budget and thanked department heads and staff on holding a 1.39% expense increase. He stated that there are a couple of changes in the Police Departments budget which are good.

Line items to be flagged until further information are as presented: #636 Diesel Fuel, #635 Gasoline, and #411 HVAC. Line item #410 Electricity is a fixed rate at this time.

Planning

George Sioras and Elizabeth Rubidoux were present. George presented the Planning Department's budget and highlighted Revenue and Expense items as level funded. Mr. Sioras explained why there was drop in revenue for FY2014, he stated it is because they do not know what new projects will be in the pipeline for FY2014. He also explained the increases in Line item #200 and #560.

Move the Planning Department bottom line of \$265,654. Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Cardon Vote: 6-0-0

Cable

Chris Martin and Debbie Roy were present. Cable is a self-funded enterprise and is funded through revenues from Comcast. Project that they will fund this year is Security for the Transfer Station.

There was discussion regarding assisting the School Department with their cable television station, Channel 6. We could add their personnel into the Cable budget at an increase of \$44,235. A total upgrade on the fiber project for schools would be \$310,000.

Flag Line item #940 Transfer to Other Governments - Schools

Move the Cable bottom line of \$288,890 pending flagged items. Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Osborne Vote: 6-0-0

Police Department

Chief Garone, Captain Feole, Captain Thomas and Sean Fichera were present: Chief Garone gave an overview of recent repairs and replacements that were listed in the FY2014; but due to repair in the FY2013 budget, an amount of \$10,000 can be reduced from Line item #980. Also Capital Lease Revenue would be reduced by \$30,000 and Sale of Town property would increase by \$30,000 to account for trade-in revenue. Sean Fichera their IT person will be transferred to the Town's IT Department in FY2014. There were questions on the evidence garage building, lease of cars & equipping these cars.

Motion to reduce Line item #140 Overtime by \$50,000. Councilor Osborne/Councilor Cardon Vote: 4-2-0 (Benson, Wetherbee)

Motion to remove from Line item #720 Pol Buildings (HVAC), \$18,000.

Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Cardon

Vote: 6-0-0

Motion to reduce Line item #980 Debt Service/Principal lease to own by \$10,000.

Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Dimmock

Vote: 6-0-0

Councilor Osborne asked to Flag line item #760 & #720

Move the bottom line of the Police Department in the amount of \$9,081,818, pending flagged items. Wetherbee/Osborne 4-2-0 (Benson, Wetherbee)

Animal Control

Chief Garone stated that this budget has been reduced because of a change to debt service.

Move the bottom line of Animal Control in the amount of \$79,866. Councilor Cardon/Councilor Osborne

Vote: 6-0-0

Town Clerk

Denise Neale highlighted the line items containing an increase in the Town Clerk's budget which included Line item #120 Temporary Personnel, for a part-time position and a decrease in Line item #130 Elected Official to create this position.

Move the bottom line of the Town Clerk in the amount of \$128,631. Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Benson

Vote: 6-0-0

Elections

Denise Neale explained the decrease in this budget was due to only one election to be held in FY2014. There is a request in Line item #690 Other Non-Capital for \$2000.00 to purchase one more Accuvote Machine from the Town of Bedford.

Councilor Benson asked if this purchase could happen in the FY2013 budget instead by a supplemental appropriation in June. There was discussion and agreement with the town administrator that the purchase would happen in FY2013.

Motion to reduce Line item #690 other Non-Capital by \$2000. Councilor Benson/Councilor Wetherbee

Vote: 6-0-0

Move the bottom line of Elections in the amount of \$37,022.00. Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Benson

Vote: 6-0-0

IT/GIS

Doug Rathburn gave and overview of issues which require the purchase of a dry system for the main computer room, increase in personnel due to moving the IT person from the Police Department and the GIS mapping costs.

Move the IT/GIS bottom line of \$643,912. Councilor Wetherbee/Councilor Cardon Vote: 6-0-0

The remainder of the Administration budget presentation will be moved to the end of the schedule. Next Budget Workshop will be held on Monday April 22, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjourned 10:00 p.m.

Town Clerk

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