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Present: Kevin Welsh, Harold Simmons and Dana Metzler, Pam Crocker and Christine Muir
Absent: Ron Mikol

Also in attendance: Madonna McKenzie

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

The board unanimously approved the minutes of November 3 and December 1, 2014, and January 5, 2015.

Transfers

There were no transfers to consider at this time.

SubCommittee Reports

There were no reports from any subcommittees tonight.

Preliminary FY16 Budget

Madonna now has initial budget requests from all departments except Forestry. The GDRSD budget now includes the debt for the middle school roof (approximately \$15,000). We anticipate this year's debt for the Greater Lowell Regional Vocational Technical school renovation to be about \$25,000.

We do not know the anticipated costs for the update to the Water Dept infrastructure. Those numbers need to be in by March 11 in order to get on the Annual Town Meeting warrant.

At first glance, the budgets for Fire, Highway and Police are probably higher than we can accommodate. We do not know what the stormwater requirements will cost us, and Madonna is recommending a higher Town Administrator salary than we had previously anticipated.

Kevin asked where the GDRSD budget contains the potential increases that will come out of the contract negotiations. We do not know, although they are probably built in to the budget somewhere.

New Business

We will probably move our future meetings to the second Monday of each month instead of the first. We will ask the Water Department whether they prefer to meet on 2/23 or 3/9 to discuss their infrastructure costs.

We adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Harold R. Simmons
Kevin Welsh
Pam Crocker

Christine Muir