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March 28, 2016

Present: Dana Metzler, Amie Stevens, Harold Simmons, Ron Mikol, Christine Muir, Pam Crocker

Also attending: Town Administrator Tracey Hutton

Meeting opened at 7:05 p.m.

FY17 Budget Review

We reviewed the latest working version of the FY17 budget, and corrected the FY16 base, 2.5% and new growth numbers based on the state's data provided to communities to help them prepare for the next fiscal year. These numbers lower revenue estimates by approximately \$200,000. The current anticipated deficit in the recommended budget is over \$1 million when including the certified GDRSD budget, and over \$450,000 when factoring in a lower school budget. Further discussions revolved around whether to combine an override request or separate into school and municipal requests, as well as the "right" number to request. Some board members questioned whether the deficit calculations on the overview tab are accurate, as they expected it to be closer to \$200,000.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the following meetings were unanimously approved by the members in attendance at each meeting: February 22 and 25; March 10, 17, 21 and 25.

We adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Harold K. Simmons
Dana Metzler
Amie Stevens
Pam Crocker
Christine Muir