

BUDGET COMMITTEE
NON PUBLIC MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2004

Following appropriate vote, the Chairman convened a Non Public Session under the terms and conditions of RSA 91A: 3 II c & d.

PRESENT: Lee Carrier-Chairman, Eric Crate, Shirley Green, Gayle Hulva, Richard Martin, Keith Oppenneer-Selectman, David Stewart, Lori Hill, April Whittaker, Town Manager, Nancy Scovner, Selectman and Paula Rowe Recorder.

Prior to any further discussion, TM Whittaker advised new members that non public law does not allow for any public discussion of what was discussed in the session, and is punishable by removal from office.

Sewer Update

In regards to Sewer Contract negotiations with Lebanon, TM Whittaker enlightened the committee that a brand new contract has been written that will need to be placed before the City, attorneys, and Department of Environmental Services. Though there is still some concerns with some of the contract along with the needed approval's of the City Council of Lebanon, DES, and others, it is winding down with a whole new rationale. There are no long boundaries and it has become more of the Upper Valley Sewer District. Chairman Carrier asked how the rate structure compares with Lebanon's rate structure. Mrs. Whittaker discussed the components that made up the Enfield Rate and how they may look following a successful negotiation. Selectman Albanese said that Lebanon is now recognizing that Enfield is part owner of the water and sewer department. Though total review by the town's attorney, Bart Mayer is not completed, and he has been involved in the process. If both parties accept the final contract, it was anticipated that sewer users could see approximately \$2 off the current rate.

Real Estate

The Lebrun family has left the town the family land and buildings with dedication to the to the Town of Enfield's Cemeteries. The monies have been allocated to the current repairs of headstones, with the trustees agreeing. This is a wonderful gift to the town. There is a current Purchase and Sale agreement and the property is currently undergoing a survey per the P & S. Anticipated trust fund money to be approximately \$130 – 140 K.

TM Whittaker advised of discussions with the Cemetery Trustees re reimbursement to the town from the fund for the \$27K appropriated for headstone repair in the 2004 budget.

There being no further business in Non Public session, motion Hulva, second Green to return to regular session at 8:20 PM, vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Rowe