

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON  
BUDGET COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday – October 27, 2010  
356 Main Street - Farmington, NH**

**Members Present:** Arthur Capello, Brian St.Onge, Ann Titus, Chris Somma and Chris Biron

**Members Excused:** Mike Morin, Steve Henry and Cindy Snowdon

**Selectman's Rep:** Gail Ellis (excused)

**School Board Rep:** Ken Dickie

**Public Present:** Neil Johnson

**Chairman Brian St. Onge opened the meeting at 7:07pm.**

**1. Review of 9-22-10 Minutes:**

*Ann Titus motioned to accept the minutes of 9-22-10 as amended, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Somma. Motion carried with Arthur Capello and Chris Biron abstaining.*

**2. Review of Town Budstats:**

- The committee reviewed the town remittance report and had no questions.
- Arthur asked what line 01-4140-40-834 (registry research 2008) is for and Chris replied that when they do any research at the registry it costs.
- Arthur asked why the Planning Board printing and ads (01-4191-10-565) are overspent when applicants pay for these fees.
- The question was asked why ICMA for the police secretaries and building inspector are overspent but weren't budgeted for.
- Ken asked why the community center water/sewer line is overspent and Brandy explained that there were two water leaks in the building.
- Arthur questioned exactly how much was donated to the Hay Day fund.

**3. Review of School Budstats:**

- The committee reviewed the school revenue report and had no questions.
- Arthur asked why the copier service contract is over for HWMS 4-6 and Ken explained that the service contracts are being split this year for the individual buildings to get truer budgetary numbers.
- Arthur asked what "special ed other services, HS" line (10-1200-53308-30-20) is for and Ken stated that he believes it is for a speech therapist but he will verify this.
- Brian asked why the special ed funds are so low when we still have a significant amount of the year left and Ken explained that this number will fluctuate as the year goes on and funds/grants come in and are expended.
- Arthur asked what line 10-2300-58700-00-90 Misc. School Board Expenses is for and why it has an encumbrance and is overspent. Ken replied that he would check and get

- Arthur asked why money was expended for custodian subs and Ken explained that the School Board had to authorize the funds for subs because they had some custodians out on short disability.
- Arthur asked if the school looked into the program available through PSNH for energy efficiency and Ken replied that they did HWMS a few years ago and just directed Ms. Rioux to run the program at the other schools as well.
- The committee reviewed the food service expense report. Brian asked what the “winsnap system” is for and Ken replied he would check. Brian asked why the USDA commodities supply lines for the schools did not have anything budgeted on them last year and Ken replied he thinks it is because Ms. Rioux has created this report to track certain expenditures but he will get further explanation.
- Arthur asked if a grant line is overspent does the school district then need to pick up any additional and Ken replied no, an amendment to the grant is requested to cover the additional expenditures.

**4. Review and Discuss Dates for 2011-2012 Budgets:**

- Ken informed the Board that the tentative dates for the School Board workshops are November 8th, 15th and 16<sup>th</sup> and he welcomed all committee members to attend.
- Arthur brought up the idea of having the school budget review on one Saturday morning in December instead of several nights over several weeks. *Arthur Capello motioned to hold the school budget review meeting on December 11, 2010 with an if needed date of December 18, 2010, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Somma. Motion carried with all in favor.* Resident, Neil Johnson asked if a copy of the proposed budgets can be posted on the website and Ken said he would check.
- *Arthur Capello motioned to change the November meeting to November 17, 2010, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Titus. Motion carried with all in favor.*

**Next meeting on November 17, 2010 at 7pm.**

*Ann Titus motioned to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Somma. Motion carried at 8:24pm.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandy Sanger  
Recording Secretary

---

Ann Titus, Secretary