

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON
BUDGET COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday – April 27, 2011
356 Main Street - Farmington, NH**

Members Present: Arthur Capello, Brian St.Onge, Ann Titus, Sam Cataldo, and Neil Johnson

Members Absent: Steve Henry (excused), Chris Somma, Mike Morin (excused) and Cindy Snowdon

Selectman's Rep: Paula Proulx

School Board Rep: Joe Pitre (excused) and Ken Dickie (excused)

Chairman Arthur Capello opened the meeting at 7:03pm.

A. Review of Minutes:

1. *Ann Titus motioned to accept the minutes of 3-23-11 as written, 2nd Neil Johnson. Motion carried with Paula Proulx abstaining.*

B. Review of Town Reports:

1. Neil asked what the “sewer dept. electric rebate” is for on the remittance report and Paula explained Dale Sprague applied for a PSNH grant and this was the money that was awarded for the grant.
2. Brian asked what the town does with the glass at the landfill and Paula explained that at this time the glass is taken care of at the landfill because there is no money in recycling it but when the town goes to single stream it will be sent out with it. Sam asked if anyone looked into sending the glass to an asphalt company for recycling and Paula said she remembers discussing it at a Board meeting and believe it is being looked at.
3. Arthur asked how the Town is doing revenue wise and Paula explained we are a little low but still awaiting word if the highway and rooms & meals tax is going to come in.
4. Sam asked what the cable franchise fees covers and Paula explained the fees are used for the filming of the committee meetings.
5. Sam asked what the SAU lease is and Paula explained it is for the SAU to lease the space upstairs in the Municipal Building and the funds are used for the maintenance of the building.
6. Neil asked why the Administrative Maintenance Agreements line is already almost all spent and Paula explained the bill for the year probably came in already and the line is for the copier leases and such.
7. Brian asked why the Highway dept outside services line (01-4311-10-146) is overspent and Paula explained the answer is two-fold because the department head was new during the budget season but also the snow removal was costly.

Accepted as amended 5-25-11

8. Sam asked who the Emergency Management Director is and Paula explained it is the Fire Chief Rich Fowler and the Civil Defense line is the stipend for this position.
9. Neil asked what the river maintenance line is for and Paula explained it is for work that is required to be done under the AmeriCorps requirement. Sam asked for a copy of the river maintenance manual and Paula said she would get it to him.
10. Arthur asked what the highway radio repair line was spent on and Paula explained there was a large line down that needed to be repaired because there was no radio signal at all.
11. Brian asked if welfare recipients are required to look for jobs and provide proof to the town and Paula replied she did not think so but she would check.

C. Review of School Reports:

1. *Ann Titus motioned to table the school report review, 2nd Arthur Capello. Motion carried with all in favor.*

Next meeting is May 25, 2011.

At 7:33pm, Ann Titus motioned to adjourn, 2nd Brian St. Onge. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandy Sanger
Recording Secretary

Ann Titus, Secretary