

Budget Advisory Committee Minutes of January 25, 2010

Present: Charlie Pyle, Bob Arpin, Nick Wilder, Henry Kunhardt and Becky Moul.

Participants: Betsy Hardwick, Bill McAulley, Tom Anderson, Sarah Pyle & Sherry Miller

Minutes of January 18, 2010. Nick moves we accept with clarification in Police notes. Charlie seconds, all in favor.

Cemetaries: For the operating budget of the grounds keeping that line item should be the actual cost of the contract: \$12,113. Abbey Dodge came in at \$966 interest at the end of 2009. Perpetual Care is \$900. There needs to be an accurate way to account for these items.

Fire: Dispatch came in at \$1009 more than proposed.. Fire's bottom line is up to \$53,109.

Gov't Buildings: Subtract \$1450 from this budget.

Joined by Selectmen, Sarah Pyle & Sherry Miller at 8:15pm. Charlie asked them if there were any more places we could cut the budget. The following items were adjusted:

- -\$1000 from Highway Dept Protective Clothing. Investigated exactly what the town provides- steel toe boots once a year.
- Change bottom line of Solid Waste to \$113,907.
- -\$2000 from Recreation
- -\$200 from Conservation
- Revaluation will be \$7,900

The Fire Chief has reported that all the town alarms need to be retested because they had been disconnected. This makes the alarms line item \$1400 (instead of \$900). He also reported that the doors on the Fire Station need to be replaced. This will be taken out of Repairs-General Gov't Buildings.

The street light issue was updated. PSNH can not put the old lights back up. Existing bulbs are at 900 lumens. It is a safety vs. aesthetics issue as well. The cost for the lights are \$15 a month, 12 months, 6 fixtures = \$1080. Add \$500 to this line as it will only be for $\frac{1}{2}$ a year at most.

Sara Pyle said to take \$1000 out of the Planning Boards budget. She will inform the rest of the board that they do all the research and then go to the town for the money to purchase the maps.

Charlie will make corrections to the report for the town report and the Selectmen.

Next meeting is Monday, February 8th, 7pm at the Town Offices Meeting Room.

Voting on Budget, CIP and Warrant Articles

Becky motions we adjourn, Henry seconds; all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Moul, Secretary