

At 6:04 pm the Board's meeting was called to order in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Annmarie Scribner, Greta St. Germain and Selectmen's Clerk Jeanne Nygren. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

4130 Executive. Selectmen's Office - After review by the Board, adjustments were made back to the default budget or what was actually spent in a line in the previous year. A two percent raise was budgeted for employees. Line items that adjustments were made were on included Community Newsletter (4130050), Postage (4130100), Advertising (4130250), Energy Committee (4130810), and Service Agreements (4130270). Three quotes are needed for the lease or purchase of a copy machine. A motion to recommend this budget in the amount of \$96,618.00 was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was approved 2-0. After receiving the three proposals on a new copy machine there may need to be an adjustment depending on bids.

4140 Town Clerk. The Board added \$500 for the Deputy Town Clerk position stipend. They adjusted Dues (4130200), Mileage (4130210) and Office Equipment (4140400). A motion to recommend \$36,791 was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4141 Elections. The Board added the Moderator's stipend (\$250) into this budget plus one election at \$138 for a total amount of \$388 as there is only one election, and reduced New Equipment (4141260). A motion to recommend \$6,201 was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4150 Tax Collector. There were small adjustments to Postage (4150100), Service Agreements (4150270), and Recording Fees (4150310). A motion to recommend \$25,250 was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4151 Other Financial Administration. Treasurer's Supplies (415110), and Mileage Reimbursement (4151210) were adjusted. A motion to recommend \$6,685 for the Treasurer's portion of this budget was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

Trust Funds stayed at \$700. A motion was made by St. Germain to recommend \$700 for the Trust Fund portion of the budget. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

The Budget Committee expense lines resulted in one reduction to Clerical (4151600). A motion to recommend \$11,650 was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0. The Total budget recommendation for Financial Administration was \$19,035. A motion to recommend this figure was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4152 Legal Services. A motion to recommend \$20,000 was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4191 Planning & Zoning. Adjustments were made in the Board's recommendations of the Postage (4191100), Mileage (4191210), Advertising (4191250), Professional Services (4191700) and Matching Grants (4191750) line items. A motion to recommend \$39,116 for Planning and Zoning was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4195 Cemetery - Adjustments were made to recommendations for Mowing Wages (4195010), Equipment Hire (4195700), Contract Help (4195710), Fuel (4195800), Mower Equipment and Repair (4195850), and Electricity (4195900). A motion to recommend \$6,551 for Cemeteries was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4196 Insurance. A motion to recommend \$41,519 was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4215 Ambulance. A motion to recommend \$7,000 was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4220-Fire Department - This budget was tabled for another meeting.

4240 Building Inspection - This budget was tabled. The Board wanted to know what is to be purchased for equipment.

4312 Highway - This budget was tabled pending a meeting with the Road Agent.

4290 Emergency Management. Reductions were made to recommendations for Training (4190205), Office Supplies (4290300), Equipment (4290310), Materials (4290500), and Meals (4290600). A motion to recommend \$4,130 for Emergency Management was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4414 Animal Control. Reduction were made to recommendations for Kennel & Supplies (4414101), Office Supplies (4414103), Training (4414201), Equipment (4414405), and Truck Fuel (4414601). A motion to recommend the Animal Control budget at \$11,135 was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4415 Health. Selectmen recommended a reduction in office (4415110). A motion to recommend \$626 for Health was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4442 Direct Assistance. The Board discussed reductions based on usage to date. A motion to recommend \$11,000 was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

4610 Conservation Commission. Selectmen made a reduction in the recommendation for Exeter River Local Advisory Committee Dues (4610800). A motion to recommend \$775 was made by Scribner. This was seconded by St. Germain. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Selectmen discussed the minutes for 13 September 2012 but did not approve them as Hunter had not reviewed them. They were tabled for the next meeting.

The well at the Highway shed was dug on Wednesday. It is 340 feet deep with 40 feet of casing and produces 4.5 gallons per minute.

The RSA 32:5-c tax cap would have to be adopted by the Town and the School District according to Jeane Samms at NH DRA. St. Germain will call LGC for additional information on adopting this cap.

The Board reviewed a Court Injunction for signature (forwarded by John Ryan) for the Seacoast Farms Operation on Shirkin Road. The Board signed the document so this injunction could go forward. The Planning Board must also sign the injunction paperwork.

The Board then reviewed and signed the contract from Hartmann Oil, noting that the School District has to sign their contract separate from the Town's.

The Board thought this had been done previously and they signed the letter to the Emergency Management Director and Deputy regarding the School and formulation of a shelter committee. They wanted this information emailed also to the Director and Assistant Director.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion to approve the accounts payable manifest \$29,170.96 for the current week dated 21 September 2012 was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

The Board then reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence and bills for payment with a question on a Fire Department uniform order and who the uniforms being purchased were for.

All outgoing correspondence was reviewed and signed which included three letters from the Building Inspector on code violations on three separate properties in the Town.

The October Newsletter was reviewed and mark ups were made to keep all election data, clerk data, and general information together for more organization in the newsletter. Office closure notices and office hours should be on the front. St. Germain marked up a copy.

A motion to approve a request from the Pitch Pine Village Condo Association to use the Town Hall on Saturday October 20, 2012 from 9:00 am to 12 noon for their annual meeting was made by St. Germain. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

The Board reviewed and signed a Cemetery Deed at the Village Cemetery for lot 393 for Katherine and Steven Arsenault

The Town has been served with the Fairpoint lawsuit and the courts have consolidated all cases to the Merrimack County Superior Court. This has been forwarded to Attorney Ryan as well as MRI.

The Board reviewed and signed a Land Use Change Tax bill and warrant for \$2,142.85 on lot 03-015.001.018.

The Board reviewed and signed the NH PSTC Form A for H D Wood IV.

The Board requested the Beautification Ordinance to be back on the next meeting agenda along with review of the Fire Rescue Department budget, Highway budget and Library budget.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday September 27, 2012. At 8:55 pm St Germain moved to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Scribner. The vote was unanimous 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Nygren
Selectmen's Clerk