

BUDGET WORK SESSION
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PRESENT: R. McDermott, Chairman; M. Kasprzak, Vice Chairwoman; C.P. Graham, Selectmen; L. Ruest, Administrative Assistant; K.Croteau, Secretary;

ELECTION, REGISTRATION AND STATISTICS

Item 390: It was determined to add a category for Boat Registration for \$350.

Holly asked for assistance to organize the wiring in the Town Clerk office.

POLICE

Chief Dirsa reviewed the budget changes explaining that most of the increase was due to cost of living increases. He will work with selectwoman M. Kasprzak regarding specifics of this budget to assist with her presentation at hearings.

Item 341: C.P. Graham questioned the increase in telephone expense. Chief Dirsa stated this was to cover the cost of a radio repeater and antenna.

Item 395: C.P. Graham questioned why this item was zero. Chief Dirsa proposed budgeting for a prosecution contract. The Board agreed to add \$8,300 to this line for that purpose. The matter of this contract will be addressed at the November 21 Selectmen' meeting.

Item 635: It was recommended the gasoline line be increased to \$15,040 based on current pricing.

Item 740: It was reported that this line be increased by \$412 for a cruiser radio.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Item 120: Increased to include Code Compliance Officer wages. M. Sikorski accepted the part-time position for 2013.

Item 341: Increased for costs associated to a cell phone for M. Sikorski.

Item 670: Change description to read Building Code Manuals.

HEALTH

Item 390: 2012 expenses relate to a contracted interim building inspector.

M. Sikorski requested to order a new chair and keyboard for this office. The Board asked him to work with the Administrative Assistant on this request.

HIGHWAY

Item 570: Dick Robinson reported that no funds were required for heating the town garage. R. McDermott suggested funds in this item be increased from \$3,000 to \$5,000 to cover the cost of tree trimming along the roads. It was also suggested the description for this be changed from tree removal to tree removal/trimming. The major increase in this item was due to winter road maintenance.

C. P. Graham requested L. Ruest contact the Assessor regarding the proposed assessment of the utilities.

MOTION: To adjourn at 12:00 noon.

MOTION: C.P. Graham
SECOND: M. KASPRZAK
UNANIMOUS