

BOARD OF SELECTMEN	SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 9:30 A.M.
TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS	TOWN HALL

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Budget Work Session #2

PRESENT: L.M. Smith, Chair, R.P. McDermott, Vice Chair, J.E. Ziolkowski, Selectman, L.A. Ruest, Town Administrator, H.B. Fazzino, Secretary.

4210/4413 Police Department/Animal Control: Chief Robbie Dirsa presented. Change from the current year is 0.31%. Line 740 is higher due to tasers needing a better recharging life as is available in the latest version. When tasers fail, they are replaced. The Department is seeking to purchase one this year, one next year. Currently, the Town has 5 tasers.

Seeking trained officer for 1.5 FTE, and 5-10 years' experience for the Chief's position upon retirement. New recruits have training costs of \$30,000 including the Police Academy. J. Ziolkowski asked about ammunition costs and confirmed that it is for training purposes.

Machinery and Equipment: This line includes the replacement of one computer at \$1,000.

Gasoline is purchased in two ways: at the State pumps, or retail when it is less expensive. Currently, the Department is paying \$2.40 including no taxes, as applied for. Legal Policy that Department Heads may not call the NH Municipal Association. Selectmen indicated that they wanted the policy changed. Animal Control: seeks level funding.

4520: Parks and Recreation: Line 120 Presented by Mark Lane. Funds for payroll of summer camp and related reporting are paid by receipts to the revolving fund. Farmers Market: portable toilets are planned.

Line 630: for guard rails and other maintenance at Gov. Weare Park. J. Ziolkowski reports that there are several broken rails and rotted posts. Lacrosse offsetting revenue for \$1,000 to be added.

Town Common & Gov. Weare Park expenses will be level funded.

Line 610: change to \$50 due to expenses paid by Patriotic Purposes line.

Line 650: Change amount to \$1,000.

M. Lane stated that he is looking to wind down his role as Parks and Recreation Chairman after the 2018 election.

4312/4316: Highway/Street Lights: Road Agent Dick Robinson. R.M. McDermott commented that the road mowing machines are rough. J. Ziolkowski believes mowing shoulders 2 times per year is right.

Line 570: Increased Striping/ Stop Bars to \$1,000. Winter Road Maintenance needs the CPI for September.

Line 630: Reduce signs budget – changed to no change.

Salt/ cold patch budget to leave as is.

Change Annual Road Maintenance to \$50,000, and remove miscellaneous contract services (Road Agent Projects).

Street Lights: L.A. Ruest reduced the budget line based on what has been spent to date.

D. Robinson asked for clarification on installing a stop sign at Sanborn Road, King Street and Frying Pan Lane.

4215/4220/4290 Fire Department/Ambulance/Emergency Management: Reported by Chief Jay Lord: Confirmed that the Fire Department is buying fuel from either Citco or the State. All but one vehicle is diesel.

Fire: Line 430, changing equipment repair to \$1,400 for a total of \$15,000. Emergency Management: Graded exercises and a drill planned for next year.

4191 Planning and Zoning: Line 800: Charlyn Brown requests that the Heritage Commission be under its own budget item, not Planning and Zoning. An inquiry was made to make this a separate budget item.

Remove \$50 from 4191, remove \$300 and apply to the Heritage Commission.

Line 370: Other Culture & Recreation: \$1,000 for the Heritage Commission (reduce by \$700).

Staff time should be split 30% planning, 10% zoning.

Legal: Bills should be marked PB or ZBA.

4195 Cemeteries: Jonathan Bohm, Chairman, Cemetery Trustees

Crabapple trees planted last year. The Committee continues to look at appropriate trees that can tolerate heavy snow. 4 Elms planted on Nason Road this year, anticipate completion of tree planting softening of the cemetery landscape project in 2018.

4611 Conservation Commission: Shawn Hanson unable to attend. Larry questioned why the town is paying for liming if someone is benefitting from the hay. J. Ziolkowski wondered if a recreational use could be made with Raspberry Farm.

4194/4196 Government Buildings/Insurance: L.A. Ruest presented this item. Includes town hall, museum and public safety building. Town Clock painting \$5,000. Current price includes the Church paying for the scaffolding. This line has \$2,000 in a reserve fund, would need to plan for \$3,000.

Electricity: L.A. Ruest to verify the amount of electricity.

Museum: issue of whether to provide air conditioning with a dehumidifier as part of the proposed new furnace.

Line 740: reduce item to \$50.

Directed to update building inspector/ health with update to salary of 20 hours per week.

Patriotic Purposes: L.M. Smith requests that the group support \$3,000 to be used for updating the Town's history.

MOTION: To encumber expenses of \$5,000 from the Tricentennial 2017 Budget.

MOTION: J.E. ZIOLKOWSKI

SECOND: L.M. SMITH

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Solid Waste Disposal: Reviewed report of tonnage, consensus to pay for rental of the grinding machine every other year.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.