

**TOWN COUNCIL/BUDGET MEETING WORKSHOP**  
**October 22, 2007**

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2 The Council Meeting/Budget Meeting Workshop of October 22, 2007 was called to order at 7:03  
3 PM in the Moose Hill Conference Room, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH.

4 **PRESENT: TOWN COUNCIL; Chairman, Joe Paradis; Vice Chairman, Marty Bove;**  
5 **Councilors Mark Oswald, Brian Farmer, Kathy Wagner; Town Manager David Caron;**  
6 **Assist. Town Manager/Finance Director Sue Hickey; and Cathy Dirsra, Secretary (Planning**  
7 **Dept.).**

8 **BUDGET COMMITTEE: Chairman Tom Freda; Sean O’Keefe, Mike Brown, Jay Hooley,**  
9 **John Robinson, Tom Dolan. Absent Michael Toth**

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11 **CALL TO ORDER**  
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13 Vice Chairman Joe Paradis opened the meeting at 7:03 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. This  
14 was followed by a moment of silence for the men and women in the service and for those who  
15 have given their lives for this country.

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17 **PUBLIC HEARING**  
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19 Town Manager Dave Caron reviewed the FY07 Financial Performance. He spoke about the  
20 Fiscal Health of the Town and gave a Powerpoint presentation. The FY09 default budget is  
21 \$25,265,724 and the FY09 budget request is proposed for \$25,213,895.

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23 **General Fund**

24 General Fund expenses proposed for \$25,213,895.

25 Caron noted that Jaye Trottier’s position is funded between the Zoning and General Government  
26 budgets.

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28 **Bond Issues**

29 North fire substation is proposed for \$2M

30 Highway road management is proposed for \$1.5M; length of bond is recommended for 15 yrs.

31 Sewer – Councilor Bove asked if debt services paid for Mammoth Rd; Caron responded in the  
32 affirmative, sewer funds pay debt service

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34 **Overlay/Exemptions**

35 Level fund overlay account at \$300K

36 Level fund vet’s exemptions at \$487.5K

37 Offset from state shared revenues of \$104,157

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39 **MHT Revolving Fund**

40 Proposed budget is \$2,402,705, which is 1.1% higher than ’08. The town receives 10%  
41 administrative fee on some expenses (received \$180K in ’07). The FY09 budget includes \$125K  
42 revenue to General Fund resulting from the contract. The item does not require further Town  
43 Meeting approval.

45 **Special Revenue Funds**  
46 Three funds consisting of: Police outside details, Sewer Div. expenses, Cable Div. expenses.  
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48 **Special Warrant Article**  
49 Completion of Mammoth/Litchfield/Stonehenge intersection - \$398K  
50 Highway reconstruction - \$200K – presented should road bond fail  
51 Three collective bargaining agreements - \$TBD  
52 One-time, non-capital costs for North/West fire facilities project - \$175K from UFB  
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54 **Projected Town Tax Rate**  
55 Tax rate impact - \$0.08, increase of 1.9%  
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57 **General Government Appropriations**  
58 Proposed budget is \$490,347, down 5.05%.  
59 Includes funding for all general services not attributable to any department.  
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61 **Budget Review Schedule**

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63 **Town Manager budget**  
64 Projected budget is \$413,579. All operating costs level-funded.  
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66 **Debt Service**  
67 He reviewed the Debt Service anticipated for '09, totaling \$2,870,606.  
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69 **Capital Reserve/Maintenance Trust Fund**  
70 He reviewed the Capital Reserve/Maintenance Trust Fund.  
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72 **Expendable Maintenance Trust**  
73 He identified the needs for the '09 budget totaling \$205,000.  
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75 Councilor Farmer asked if we have a list of properties that have not paid taxes. Caron said yes;  
76 the Town does not receive many tax deeded properties, and code enforcement reviews properties  
77 to check for environmental liabilities.  
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79 Councilor Oswald asked when the Town was doing an energy audit and a baseline with Chuck  
80 Zappala at the school. He also wants to ensure we have a cost effective relationship with regional  
81 transportation.  
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83 Tentative budget workshops will be held 10/25, 10/29, 11/03, 11/05; 11/15.  
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85 **ADJOURNMENT**

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87 **Vice Chair Bove made a motion to close public hearing at 8:15PM. Councilor Farmer**  
88 **seconded the motion. Council's vote 5-0-0.**  
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90 **Notes and Tapes by:** Cathy Dirsa **Date:** 10/22/07

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92 **Minutes Typed by:** Cathy Dirsa **Date:** 10/23/07

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94 **Approved:** Town Council **Date:** 11/05/07