

LONDONDERRY BUDGET COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Meeting of
August 28, 2008

The regular meeting of the Budget Committee was held in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry New Hampshire.

Committee Members Present: Jay Hooley, Chairman, Mark Oswald, Vice Chairman, Tom Freda, Secretary, Don Jorgensen, Deb Nowicki, Joseph Green; **Absent:** Tom Dolan

Other Officials Present: Sue Hickey, Asst. Town Manager. Peter Curro, SAU Business Administrator

I. CALL TO ORDER : The meeting was called to order by Jay Hooley.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Presentation by the Greater Manchester Chapter of the American Red Cross, and a request for funding for FY10 and FY11 budgets. The Red Cross made a request for \$1,400.00. They further explained that Manchester and 16 surrounding towns are served by the Chapter. They noted that some towns give in some years while others do not. The Committee then asked questions concerning the Chapter's funding:

Below is a listing of amounts allocated during the meeting of **July 24, 2008**.

	Social Service Organization	FY09 Allocation	Recommended by Budget Committee	Dollar Increase
1	Community Health Services	8,500	10,000	1,500
2	Warm Homes	10,800	12,800	2,000
3	Community Caregivers of Derry	6,000	6,000	0
4	Lamprey Health Care	0	0	0
5	Rockingham Community Action Program	14,000	14,000	0
6	Home, Health & Hospice	800	1000	200
7	Rockingham County Meals on Wheels	2,100	2,736	636
8	Rockingham VNA	17,400	17,400	0
9	The Upper Room	10,000	12,000	2,000
10	Sonshine Soup Kitchen	1,000	1,000	0
11	Londonderry Comforts (Requested to go to WH)	2,000	0	(2,000)
12	Big Brothers/Big Sisters	2,200	2,200	0
13	RSVP	800	800	0
14	American Red Cross	1,400	0	(1,400)
15	Regional Transportation (CART)	4,000	0	(4,000)
	Totals	81,000	79,936	(1,064)
	Requested Increase Percent over Prior Year	-0.013%		

Mark Oswald moved to add \$1,400.00 in funding to the American Red Cross. **Seconded** by Don Jorgenson. With no discussion, the additional funding was approved by a vote of **6 For, 0 Against**. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Jay Hooley, Chairman	X			
Mark Oswald, Vice Chairman	X			
Tom Dolan				X
Tom Freda, Secretary	X			
Don Jorgensen	X			
Deb Nowicki	X			
Joseph Green	X			
Totals	6	0	0	1

As a result of that additional funding, the total for **FY10** and **FY11** is listed below:

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15	Regional Transportation (CART)	4,000	0	(4,000)
	Totals	81,000	81,336	336
	Requested Increase Percent over Prior Year	0.004%		

Tom Dolan, who was unable to attend the meeting, has a statement read into the record.

After a further discussion by members, the above allocations were made for **FY10** and **FY11**. Don Jorgenson moved that we adopt the above-listed allocations. **Seconded** by Mark Oswald. A vote was then called for and the allocation, were approved by a vote of **6 For, 0 Against**. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Jay Hooley, Chairman	X			
Mark Oswald, Vice Chairman	X			
Tom Dolan	X			
Tom Freda, Secretary	X			
Don Jorgensen	X			
Deb Nowicki	X			
Joseph Greene				X
Totals	6	0	0	1

B. Peter Curro provided a brief presentation noting that the School Budget for FY07-08 had a surplus of approximately \$523,000.00. Mr. Curro noted that revenues were lower than expected, of particular note investment interest was down from the budget amount and Medicaid reimbursements were down.

C. Peter Curro then provided a progress report on South School renovations.

III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. **Approval of Minutes of July 24, 2008**

Minutes of the Meeting for **July 24, 2008**, were reviewed by the Committee. Don Jorgensen moved for the minutes to be approved. **Seconded** by Tom Freda. After a discussion by members, the minutes, were approved by a vote of **6 For, 0 Against**. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Jay Hooley, Chairman	X			
Mark Oswald, Vice Chairman	X			
Tom Dolan				X
Tom Freda, Secretary	X			
Don Jorgensen	X			
Deb Nowicki	X			
Joseph Green	X			
Totals	6	0	0	1

B. Liaison Reports-School

C. Liaison Reports-Town

IV. OLD BUSINESS

General discussion concerning possibility of charging fees for those that use school bus services and participation in athletics.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Liaison Reports – School Board – No reports but information provided by Peter Curro. Cost analysis of conversion to Natural Gas from Oil for heating at Mathew Thornton and Middle School as completed by Chuck Zappala was presented. Excess Oil in tanks will be transferred to South School for use. Due to increase in oil costs conversion should result in future savings.

Liaison Reports – Town Council – CIP presentation. Review of workshop and presentation dates.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Don Jorgensen made a motion to adjourn, **Seconded** by Mark Oswald. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Jay Hooley, Chairman	X			
Mark Oswald, Vice Chairman	X			
Tom Dolan				X
Tom Freda, Secretary	X			
Don Jorgensen	X			
Deb Nowicki	X			
Joseph Greene	X			
Totals	6	0	0	1

VIII. UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE:

- A. Budget Committee CIP Tour **September 4, 2008 – Meeting 6:30 PM**
- B. Budget Committee Meeting **September 25, 2008 – Meeting 7:00 PM**

IX. RECORD OF MEETINGS HELD:

- 1. Organizational Meeting **March 15, 2008 – 1:00 PM**
- 2. Second Meeting, **April 24, 2008 – 7:00 PM**
- 3. Third Meeting, **May 22, 2008 – 7:00 PM**
- 4. Fourth Meeting **June 19, 2008 – (5:00 – School Tours) Meeting 7:00 PM**
- 5. Fifth Meeting **July 24, 2008 – 6:00 PM**
- 6. Sixth Meeting **August 28, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.**

RSA: 91-A:2 Meetings Open to Public. –

II. All public proceedings shall be open to the public, and all persons shall be permitted to attend any meetings of those bodies or agencies. Except for town meetings, school district meetings and elections, no vote while in open session may be taken by secret ballot. Any person shall be permitted to use recording devices, including, but not limited to, tape recorders, cameras and videotape equipment, at such meetings. Minutes of all such meetings, including names of members, persons appearing before the bodies or agencies, and a brief description of the subject matter discussed and final decisions, shall be promptly recorded and open to public inspection within 144 hours of the public meeting, except as provided in RSA 91-A:6, and shall be treated as permanent records of any body or agency, or any subordinate body thereof, without exception.
