Londonderry Budget Committee Minutes October 6, 2011

The Budget Committee meeting was held at several locations in the town, including the newly completed Airport Access Road connecting Londonderry to Routes 3 and 3A (currently not open); the Londonderry Department of Public Works Highway Building on High Range Road; and the David A Hicks Central Fire Station, Mammoth Road.

Committee Members present: Todd Joncas (chair), Rich Dillon (vice chair), Lisa Whittemore (secretary), Chris Melcher and Tom Dalton.

Committee Members absent: Dan Lekas, John Curran.

Town representatives present: David Carron, Town Manager; Cynthia May, Town Planner; Andre Garron, Director of Community Development; Chief Kevin McCaffrie, Londonderry Fire Department; and Janucz Czyzowski, Director of Public Works.

6:00 PM I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairman Todd Joncas.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Committee Business: Tour of Certain Town Facilities

Airport Access Road: The committee met at the site of the Airport Access Road. Dave Carron, Cynthia May and Andre Garron were present for this portion of the tour. Andre Garron discussed the significance of the new linkage over the Merrimack River to Route 3, and the implications for continued economic development in the commercial/industrial zones near the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport.

The several hundreds of acres of prime commercial land will sustain up to 4 million square feet of business space to defray expenses for the residents of our town.

The proximity of the Pettengill Road to this new highway access will provide opportunity for critical economic development in this area in the north of Londonderry.

Department of Public Works, Highway Building: Director of Public Works, Janucz Czyzowski guided the committee through the outbuildings and inside the main facility. There were visible improvements to the exterior and storage buildings; the area was clean and well organized. It was noted that common areas and facilities for the staff were inadequate and outdated.

David A Hicks Central Fire Station: Fire Chief Kevin McCaffrie gave a thorough orientation of the facility - its attributes, key areas and functions. Chief McCaffrie discussed the plans for future expansion of this primary facility, including space for additional equipment and staff as needs require.

7:45pm **IV. Adjournment**

On a motion by Melcher/Dalton the committee voted to adjourn.

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Todd Joncas	X			
Rich Dillon	X			
Lisa Whittemore	X			
John Curran				X
Dan Lekas				X
Chris Melcher	X			
Tom Dalton	X			

Motion passed 5-0-2. The committee adjourned at 8:30pm.

The Budget Committee will meet on Thursday, October 27, 7pm at MHCR, town hall, 268 Mammoth Rd, Londonderry.

If additional meetings are deemed to be necessary in the interim, they will be scheduled with attention to timely public notice.

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.