#### LONDONDERRY BUDGET COMMITTEE (DRAFT) MINUTES May 30, 2013

The Budget Committee met Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Committee Members Present: Chris Melcher (Chair, Acting Secretary), Bill Mee, Mark Aronson, Tom Dalton, Gary Vermillion

Committee Members Absent: Dan Lekas, Ted Combes

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chris Melcher at 7:01PM. Explained that Dan and Ted were otherwise engaged and would not be able to attend tonight's meeting.

## II. <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

#### IV. <u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u>

a. Adopt April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Minutes

Minutes from April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 were accepted, voting goes as follows:

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Chris Melcher	Х			
Dan Lekas				Х
Tom Dalton			Х	
Bill Mee	Х			
Ted Combes				Х
Mark Aronson	Х			
Gary Vermillion	Х			

b. Discuss Meeting Schedule

To be determined at discretion of Chair. Discussed meeting in August with Town and School to go over audited year end numbers.

c. <u>Dog Park Study Committee Liaison Appointment</u>
i. Tom Dalton volunteered for this assignment.

## V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

a. School Financial Review – Peter Curro. Business Administrator

- Year-end surplus expected to be approximately \$700,000. \$100,000 of this will go to equipment trust fund. How much of \$600,000 will be retained or returned is up for discussion later in the year.
- Lunch program expected to breakeven. Increasing lunch prices next year to meet federal guidelines
- North School bond expected to be refunded in the next couple weeks. Taxpayers should see \$150,000-\$200,000 savings from lower interest rates.
- Major maintenance items will not be completed this year due to lack of funding and legalities involved with failed bond vote. Bond failed by 11 votes. These include the middle school roof and paving MTS parking lot.
- \$300,000 article for maintenance did pass, and will be used for gym floor and some other projects.
- Possibilities for next year are to try for the bond again, or try for \$750,000 maintenance article.
- School security article passed in March; all items should be in place or close to in place by the time school starts. Security issues will be re-evaluated for next budget cycle.
- Legal action between Manchester and Hooksett is not expected to affect Londonderry this year. 60 students will matriculate in September; currently working on self-funded transportation options (fee for service).
- Enrollment numbers were expected to decrease, but with recently approved development projects, this trend may reverse.

# VI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

On a motion by Gary Vermillion, second by Tom Dalton the committee voted 5-0 to adjourn.

Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Chris Melcher	Х			
Dan Lekas				Х
Tom Dalton	Х			
Bill Mee	Х			
Ted Combes				Х
Mark Aronson	Х			
Gary Vermillion	Х			

## VII. <u>Next Meeting: TBD by Chair</u>