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Selectmen's Work Session

November 21, 2014

MINUTES

SELECTMEN: Jonathan W. Tolman, Joel R. Mudgett, Paul T. Punturieri, Chris P. Shipp, Russell C. Wakefield; Carter Terenzini, Town Administrator

ABC: Jean Beadle, Barbara Sheppard, Amanda Berguist, Linda Murray

ABSENT: Alan Ballard, Kathy Garry (both with prior notification)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

The Town Administrator gave a brief overview of the recommended Operating and Capital tax levy budget for FY 2015. It is down some \$397,000 or 4.1% on an unadjusted basis. He said that after adjusting for the FY '14 application of fund balance on the Taylor acquisition and States Landing articles, and the FY '15 lost revenue on the Police Revolving Fund, the tax levy budget is still down .8%. It will require some \$155,000 less in applied fund balance to maintain a level tax levy budget. He noted that increases in the Library and/or petition warrant articles over FY 2014, which are outside the staff's ability to influence, will impact all of these figures.

Carter said that normally he then goes to a review of any questions on the 3rd Quarter financials but they had not received any. Jean Beadle, ABC Chair, said the group did have some questions on low expended accounts, but thought they could be addressed during the course of this budget review. After a review of how the budget book was constructed, the Board then began a review of the departments scheduled for the day.

1. **Administration (H. Davis):** Russ said he would like to see the \$8k computer support go out to bid saying it was not an issue of price, but that we might get better service. Paul asked what we were getting for the \$3K on our PC's. Carter said it was the PC, monitor, software, set-up, and cleaning of the old hard-drive of all data. Paul thought the price seemed a bit high and perhaps we should be looking at doing more at a time so we could get a better package price. G. Karp (Assessing) joined Ms. Davis to review this budget. There were no questions.
2. **Town Officers (C. Terenzini):** Joel asked for a report on the Red Hill monies and Carter said he would seek one. Chris asked what our Joint Loss Management Committee looked like in terms of activities and Heidi advised him of the obligation to hold regular meetings and periodic trainings. Chris said he felt it was the Town's responsibility to make sure it happens.
3. **Human Services (R.M. Davis):** Her budget is down about 10% overall. She said a big issue is the need for affordable housing and spoke to which area hotels/motels will/won't take our clients and who is responsible for any damage (the client is). There was a discussion of residency requirements, who we are responsible for, and community service requirements as well as whether there was a cap on the total expense we must incur (there is not).

