

MOULTONBOROUGH ADVISORY BUDGET COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

Present: Jean Beadle, Barbara Sheppard, Kathy Garry, Betsey Patten, Alan Ballard

Absent: None

Chairperson Beadle called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Moultonborough Town Hall meeting room.

The minutes of the August 7th meeting were approved unanimously following a motion made by Kathy and seconded by Betsey.

Carter's memo in response to the June 30th financial statements was reviewed and no further action was deemed to be necessary.

Jean reported that she had attended the latest School Board meeting at which The School Business manager announced that on a preliminary basis it looked like the District would return approximately \$143,000 to the Town. Jean also mentioned that she had had a very productive meeting with Susan Noyes, the new school superintendent. Topics discussed centered on areas that the ABC has been focusing on recently including Technology, providing a world class education to all students insuring each graduate leave the Academy with the necessary skills for a successful post- secondary education or the skills to successfully enter the job market and co-curricular stipends. .

The rest of the meeting was spent discussing what areas the ABC would be focusing on for the upcoming budgets for the Town, School, and Library.

For the Town, the committee felt that there could be additional areas where the Town should explore sharing services provided by other towns or, more likely, services where the Town could provide services to other entities on a fee basis. Specific departments where this might be possible include DPW, WMF, Visiting Nurses, and Police (K-9). It was strongly felt by all members of the ABC that it would be imperative to meet with the department heads in order to learn more and get their input.

The topics for the School would cover insuring that the Students receive a world class education commensurate with the Current level of Town funding, technology and future opportunities for shared services.

The major focus for the Library would be a continuing effort to streamline their accounting procedures in order to keep the decision making process with the appropriate trustees and staff while utilizing existing Town computer capabilities.

It was also felt that there could be some benefit in contacting the LRPC to determine if they have done any studies that could assist us.

The next ABC meeting will be on September 4th at 4:30 PM.

A motion to adjourn was made at 6:05 PM by Alan, seconded by Betsey and approved unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Alan Ballard
ABC Member
August 25, 2012