MOUILTONBOROUGH ADVISORY BUDGET COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes October 29, 2013

Present: Jean Beadle, Kathy Garry, Chris Shipp, Alan Ballard, Barbara Sheppard

Absent: None

Public: Joanne Farnham

Chairperson Beadle called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM in the Town Hall meeting room.

The minutes of the October 10, 2013 meeting were approved unanimously following a motion made by Kathy which was seconded by Barbara.

Jean began the meeting with a review of the October 24, 2013 BoS work session at which Debra Peaslee of the VNS made a presentation proposing the merger of the Moultonborough VNS with the Meredith Center Harbor Visiting Nurse Association. After a discussion of the pros and cons of such a merger the consensus of the committee was to endorse the VNS proposal and the BoS decision to proceed with negotiations with the Meredith Center Harbor group.

Alan gave an update on the meeting with MVSB and passed out a paper with the names of all Moultonborough and bank participants. He will prepare an agenda prior to the meeting which is scheduled for December 17 at 2:30 in the Library Program Room.

The Town third quarter financial report was reviewed and there were no comments since Heidi had done an excellent job of explaining all items which were not in line with the budget.

The Library quarterly was reviewed with several points raised about minor discrepancies between bank account balances listed on separate reports. Barbara will check to see where these differences are. The Library 2014 budget was also reviewed and it will not be finalized until the personnel expenses are finished.

The School budget for several departments was reviewed based on preliminary numbers provided by Kay. Jean has attended various department budget meetings and reported that the preliminary personnel numbers we were looking at take into account four retirements. Some of these departures will be handled by a replacement and by being absorbed by another teacher. The preliminary salary totals result in a decrease of \$145,000.which includes teachers, support staff, administration, and co-curricular.

The Co-Curricular expenses were reviewed and there are several longevity factors which Jean will discuss with Kay.

The Building and Grounds budget showed various planned expenditures for the next fiscal year, the major item being an estimated \$30,000 for repaying and striping the MCS drive and parking lots. Totals for FY15 are \$99,800 of which \$49,200 will come from the B&G reserve.

The next meeting will be at 4:30 on November 25 at which time additional budgets from the Town, School, and Library will be available for analysis and discussion. At 6:05 PM the meeting was adjourned following a motion made by Kathy which was seconded by Chris and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Ballard ABC Member October 30, 2013