

# MOULTONBOROUGH ADVISORY BUDGET COMMITTEE

## Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2015

Present: Amanda Bergquist, Jean Beadle, Linda Murray, Kathy Gary, Cody Gray

Absent: Alan Ballard

Public: Laurie Whitley

Chairperson Amanda Bergquist opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Town Hall conference room.

The minutes of the November 24, 2015 meeting were approved following a motion made by Jean and seconded by Linda.

The Committee reviewed the 2016 Library Budget. At approximately 9:30 Laurie Whitley, chairperson of the Library Trustees, joined the meeting to answer open questions. The discussion centered on staffing, operating expenses and private Library funds in contrast to Town funding,

Next, the Committee reviewed open questions to be sent to the SAU based upon review of the School Budget version #1. The Committee had expected budget version #2 to be distributed on December 8. The SAU informed the Committee that further changes, if any, will be presented at the January School Board meeting currently scheduled for January 12. The Committee was originally scheduled to present its final budget report on January 12. The report will now be presented at a future date to be mutually determined by the ABC, School Board and Administration.

Finally, the Committee reviewed the Town Operating Departments that were presented at the Friday, December 4 at the Selectmen's budget work session. Most of the discussion centered on the financing of the proposed fire truck. Financing of the truck was originally proposed by the CIPC as a lease purchase. The Town will propose a cash purchase utilizing 50% of the purchase price from the Capital Reserve Account and the remainder from the current Fund Balance.

The next ABC regular meeting is scheduled for December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. The Board of Selectmen and the ABC will be meeting again on December 18 at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m. following a motion made by Amanda, seconded by Kathy.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Beadle  
ABC BOS Representative