



**NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BUDGET MEETING
December 10, 2012**

Members Present: Chairman Bickford, Selectman Jarvis, and Selectman Kratovil

Also Present: Town Administrator Jeremy Bourgeois, Greg Kelley- Southern Exposure Trading Co., Jim Ladd- Wolfeboro TV

Chairman Bickford called the meeting to order at 9:04.

New Business- Greg Kelley joined the Board to discuss sources of alternative energy (solar-electric systems) for the Town. He discussed the process of how solar panels produce electricity for residential and commercial buildings. The Board is considering this as an option to supply electricity to the Highway Dept. addition.

Selectman Jarvis asked the Board if they are in support of going forward with researching solar energy for the Highway addition. Chairman Bickford agreed that they are and stated how Selectman Kratovil is doing a lot of the research work already.

2013 Budgets- Personnel Administration #4155

Selectman Jarvis recommended funding lines #336-338 at last year's levels. The Board decided to lower the funding for #337 to \$2,100.

Selectman Jarvis motions to approve account #4155- Personnel Administration in the amount of \$3,775. Second by Chairman Bickford, 3-0 roll call vote.

General Government Buildings #4194

Selectman Jarvis notified the Board that Mr. Capello should have the plumbing and electrical work bids by December 21st, allowing the Board to encumber funds before the end of the year.

Selectman Jarvis motions to approve account #4194 General Government Buildings in the amount of \$27,298. Second by Selectman Kratovil, 3-0 roll call vote.

Police #4210

Selectman Jarvis motions to approve account #4210 Police in the amount of \$528,418.

Second by Selectman Kratovil, roll call vote: Jarvis- Aye, Kratovil- Aye, Bickford-Nay.

Fire #4220

The Board decided to consider the Fire budget at a later date, due to line #41- Oil/Service/Propane being empty.

Public Safety #4299

The Board discussed setting up a revolving fund for the Police detail work.

Selectman Kratovil motions to approve account #4299 Other Public Safety in the amount of \$6,714. Second by Selectman Jarvis, roll call vote: Jarvis- Aye, Kratovil- Aye, Bickford-Nay.

Highway & Streets #4312

The budget needs some additional numbers put into the line items.

Solid Waste #4324

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Library #4550

The Board discussed the salary raise for the Library Assistant, as approved by the Budget Committee.

Selectman Jarvis motions to approve account #4550 Library in the amount of \$123,592. Motion fails due to the lack of a second.

Selectman Kratovil stated that he is against lump sum raises to bring the rate up to a recommendation. Chairman Bickford prefers to level fund it and allow the Department head to give a raise if they choose.

Chairman motions to approve account #4550 Library in the amount of \$119,518. Second by Selectman Kratovil, roll call vote: roll call vote: Jarvis- Opposed, Kratovil- Aye, Bickford-Aye.

Fire Chief Varney came to the Board to speak about the back flush water system. He informed the Board that the Town won't need State approval, only to notify the State of the system's existence.

Improvements Other than Buildings #4909

Selectman Kratovil rescinds his motion to approve #4909. The Board agrees that they need more information.

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Capital Reserve Funds #4915

The Board discussed that they would like to see the CIP numbers included in the budget worksheet to compare to department requests.

Expendable Trust Funds #4916

This will be discussed at a later date.

Selectman Jarvis excused herself at 12:34.

Selectman Kratovil motioned to leave public and enter a nonpublic session at 12:34 pursuant to RSA 91A:3 II (B) - hiring of a public employee (C) - reputation. Second by Chairman Bickford, roll call vote: 2-0.

Selectman Kratovil motions to come out of nonpublic session at 1:15 P.M. Second by Chairman Bickford, roll call vote: 2-0.

Selectman Kratovil motions to seal the nonpublic minutes on December 10, 2012. Second by Chairman Bickford, roll call vote: 2-0.

Chairman Bickford motions to adjourn at 1:18. Second by Selectman Kratovil, roll call vote: 2-0.