



Budget Committee

Margaret Allen
Dickie Garnett
Michael Golden

Robert Hamilton
Victoria Kilroy
Larry Miller

David Peck
Richard Stanton
Michael Walzak

Budget Committee Minutes

Wednesday, December 11, 2013 Town Hall

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance 7:05pm

Final Review Town FY15 Proposed Budget: Mr. Stanton made a motion to recommend to the Town of North Hampton an operating budget, not including special warrants, of \$6,129,130 for FY15. Mr. Walzak second. Discussion. Default budget is \$6,123,225. Motion carried 7-1.

Town Warrant Articles: Mr. Apple presented a draft of the warrant articles.

#1. Terms for elected office

#2. Municipal Complex Project – overview of project given.

#3. Operating Budget

#4. Road Resurfacing, \$250.0K. \$30.0K from Capital Reserve, \$220.0 from taxation.

Discussion. Historical expenditures requested.

#5. Police Cruiser Purchase, withdrawal of \$47.0K from Police Revolving Detail Fund.

Discussion. Balance is \$89.0K. Chief Page expects to have \$115.0K at time of withdrawal and expect \$50.0-60.0K per year to be put into the fund.

#6. Portable Radio Purchase, withdrawal of \$18.1K from Detail Fund.

#7. Roof Mounted Lights Purchase, withdrawal of \$10.4K from Detail Fund.

#8. Contribution to Mosquito Control Capital Reserve Fund, \$75.0K through taxation. 11/30 balance is \$176.3K, it was decided to double-check this figure.

#9. Contribution to Health Benefits Stabilization Capital Reserve Fund, \$25.0K through taxation. Balance is \$90.8K, \$30.0K to be withdrawn for FY15 budget.

#10. Contribution to Earned Time Settlement Capital Reserve Fund, \$10.0K through taxation. Balance is \$20.3K.

#11. Establish an IT Capital Reserve Account, \$35.0K through taxation for future server and other technology replacement and maintenance. Mr. Hamilton expressed concern over having maintenance issue in a warrant versus the operating budget. Discussion.

43 Mr. Stanton explained the CIP committee's view and stated he thought the amount of \$35.0K
44 was low. Discussion.

46 Mr. Peck stated that the proliferation of these kinds of funds takes away flexibility to add to the
47 Undesignated Fund Balance. He requested a schedule of all fund balances and to look at what
48 percent the Undesignated Fund Balance is versus all the other fund balances. Discussion.

50 Mr. Stanton suggested a warrant for building maintenance whether or not the municipal complex
51 is approved. Discussion.

53 Mr. Miller asked if there should be a warrant for revaluation, cost of which is approximately
54 \$80.0K. Discussion.

56 Mr. Miller suggested a warrant next year to start saving for revaluation.

58 **Municipal Complex Project Update:** Mr. Apple provided to the committee the presentation
59 he is giving around town to explain the reasoning behind and the cost of a new municipal
60 complex. Conceptual plans were laid out and the approximate price is \$6.1M. Financing and
61 architectural plans are being finalized.

63 **Approve minutes 11/20 and 12/4:**

64 Mr. Hamilton moved to accept the minutes of 11/20 as modified by Mr. Stanton, Mr. Peck
65 second, motion carried 8-0-1.

67 Ms. Kilroy asked for line 20 to be amended on the 12/4 minutes. Mrs. Allen moved to accept
68 the minutes as amended, Mr. Stanton second, motion carried 9-0.

70 **New Business:** Mr. Stanton made a motion to reconsider approval of the town operating
71 budget so Mr. Golden would be able to cast his vote, Mr. Hamilton second, motion carried 9-0.
72 Mr. Stanton moved to recommend to the Town of North Hampton an operating budget, not to
73 include special warrants, of \$6,129,130 for FY15. Motion carried 8-1.

75 **Adjournment:** So moved by Mr. Garnett, motion carried. Adjourned at 9:45pm.