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11 *Budget Committee Draft Minutes*
12 *September 21, 2015*
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14 1. Call to Order

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16 Chair Hamilton called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

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18 a. Introduce Budget Committee Members.

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20 Those present were Robert Copp, Jonathan Pinette, John Anthony Simmons, Kari
21 Schmitz, Dickie Garnett and James Sununu. Absent Selectman Stanton.
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23 b. Pledge of Allegiance

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25 Chair Hamilton led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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27 Chair Hamilton stated the meeting was supposed to be a workshop before the budget season
28 begins, however because there were members absent it would not be possible.
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30 Chair Hamilton stated Committee Member Sununu will be giving his talk on the economic
31 outlook in New Hampshire, and would be going over wage scale salary structures for both the
32 Town and School at the next meeting.
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34 2. Review of Nominations to fill Budget Committee position until March election

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36 Chair Hamilton stated they would be taking nominations for the position vacated by Margaret Allen. This
37 position will finish out the term that expires in March 2016.
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39 Casey O’Kane stated it was an honor to be considered for this open position. Mr. O’Kane explained his
40 roots in the Seacoast, and would like to do something to help the community.
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42 Mr. O’Kane stated his background is that of a lawyer and understands about budgets, spreadsheets and
43 civil debate.
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45 Terrence Belluche stated he is also interested in serving his community. He stated he is a “marketing
46 guy” in the medical equipment field that has always wanted to help the town.
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48 Chair Hamilton explained the budget committee’s schedule, and the regularity of their meetings.

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50 The members talked at length about having an alternate on the committee and whether or not it would be
51 allowed in the same way as the Planning and Zoning Boards.

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53 Chair Hamilton asked that all those in favor of voting for Mr. O’Kane signify by raising their hand,

54 Those in favor: Mr. Copp, Mr. Sununu, Mr. Garnett and Chair Hamilton. Mr. O’Kane is appointed.

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56 Chair Hamilton thanked Mr. Belluche and stated he would be in touch if an alternate is allowed and or
57 needed on the committee.

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59 3. Workshop Items

60 a. Structure of Salary Schedules for School & Town – Bob Hamilton

61 b. Economic Outlook for New Hampshire – James Sununu

62 c. Floor is Open – In future Budget Committee meetings we tend to focus on specific
63 budgetary items for the School or Town. This workshop is a good opportunity for any
64 Committee member to take whatever time is needed to share or discuss an idea, thought
65 or perspective that is important to you.

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67 *(This agenda item postponed until the next scheduled meeting)*

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69 4. Any new business that comes before the committee

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71 5. Adjourn

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73 Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

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75 Respectfully submitted,

76 Janet L. Facella

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