



Wellfleet Public Library December 16, 2008 Joint Meeting with Finance Committee - Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chairwoman Jacqui Beebe. Selectmen present included Ira Wood and Dale Donovan. Finance Committee present included Berta Bruinooge, Patricia Foley, Robert Kelly, Arlene Kirsch, John Makely, Dennis Murphy, Steve Oliver, Sylvia Smith, Daniel Wexman Town Administrator Paul Sieloff also attended. Selectmen excused were Jerry Houk & Michael May.

II. FY2010 Budget Hearing – Joint Meeting with Finance Committee [8pm]

A. Assessor [Nancy Vail]

Nancy Vail notified the boards that her budget requests are up about \$1,000 from the previous year. Her education line has been cut. Berta Bruinooge asked if every department was requested to level fund their budgets. Nancy agreed that she was requested to do so, however there is a re-evaluation year coming up which will be costing more as well as software maintenances have increased. Questions regarding the mileage came up regarding the field officer.

B. Town Accountant [Marilyn Crary]

Marilyn Crary stated that her department was level funded. With the exception of equipment due to a software program her department needed. Bob questioned about the Reserve Fund. He also requested having Fringe Benefits/Insurance numbers within all department lines rather than have their own section. Marilyn stated that having a separate spreadsheet is possible and beneficial, but having that information in separated within each dept's budget would not be recommended. Arlene Kirsch suggested doing a "Zero" based funding, yet also including the costs (electric, telephone, etc). Jacqui Beebe suggested doing a "service" based funding.

C. Town Clerk/Treasurer [Dawn Rickman]

Dawn Rickman stated that #145 was level funded. #158 Tax Title is up this up coming year. It is used for Land Court. #162 Elections has been reduced since it's not a presidential election. There was discussion regarding #911, County Retirement. There will be 3-5 employees retiring in the next 3-5 years. #914 is just an estimate. She is trying to get employees off the Indemnity Plan. Most though are retirees. #916 is an estimate. #940 was brought down to \$3,000.

D. Library [Elaine McIlroy]

Elaine McIlroy updated the boards on the changes.

E. Recreation Department [Rebecca Rosenberg]

Becky spoke about the Rec Dept's efforts to generate new revenues. Her request was level funded. The TA's request is \$10,000 less. She does not know what services will have to be reduced to meet the TA's requested budget. John Makely spoke about advertising around the baseball field & skateboard park. Dale Donovan would like to revisit the idea. Bob Kelly questioned about the uniforms. Becky stated that the uniform line is team uniforms as well as staff.

F. Department of Public Works [Mark Vincent]

Mark Vincent & Joan Baker updated the boards. #417, Facilities, is pretty much level funded. Any increase is related to the new Fire Station opening in the spring. Arlene Kirsch questioned the proposed reduction in electricity. The Solar Panel being installed at the library will approx. save \$4,000. #420 – Bob Kelly mentioned possibly closing the transfer station for 2 days during the summer for cost savings. Ira Wood mentioned that there has been discussion with other towns for cooperation. Arlene Kirsch suggested maybe looking into closing one day or 2 half days. But options should be looked at. #422 & #423 was level funded. #424 was reduced by \$2,000. #433 was increased by \$1,000. #442 was reduced by \$2,500.

<u>MOTION 08-0346</u>: To move that the Board of Selectmen enter executive session and not to reconvene in open session for union contract negotiation matters.

Motion by:Dale Donovan.Seconded by:Ira Wood.Roll call (Beebe, Donovan and Wood – yea)

Yea 3 Nay 0

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth G. Hartsgrove Executive Assistant

Jacqueline Beebe, Chair

Michael May

Ira Wood

Dale Donovan

Jerry Houk