

WOLFEBORO BUDGET COMMITTEE

April 22, 2010

Minutes

Members Present: John MacDonald, Chairman, Scott Smith, Vice-Chairman, Marge Webster, Selectmen's Representative, Robert Moholland, Bob Tougher, Frank Giebutowski, Brian Black, Members.

Members Absent: Jim Eisenhower, Allan Bailey (excused), Harold Parker, Members.

Staff Present: Dave Owen, Town Manager, Pete Chamberlain, Finance Director, Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

Chairman MacDonald opened the public hearing at 6:00 PM at the Wolfeboro Public Library.

Consideration of Minutes

January 4, 2010 January 11, 2010 February 2, 2010

It was moved by Marge Webster and seconded by Robert Moholland to approve the January 4, 2010, January 11, 2010 and February 2, 2010 Wolfeboro Budget Committee minutes as submitted. John MacDonald, Scott Smith, Marge Webster, Robert Moholland, Brian Black voted in favor. Frank Giebutowski, Bob Tougher abstained. The motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN & VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Marge Webster and seconded by Scott Smith to appoint John MacDonald as Chairman of the Wolfeboro Budget Committee. Scott Smith, Marge Webster, Frank Giebutowski, Bob Tougher, Robert Moholland, Brian Black voted in favor. John MacDonald abstained. The motion passed.

It was moved by Marge Webster and seconded by Brian Black to appoint Scott Smith as Vice-Chairman of the Wolfeboro Budget Committee. John MacDonald, Marge Webster, Frank Giebutowski, Bob Tougher, Robert Moholland, Brian Black voted in favor. Scott Smith abstained. The motion passed.

STATUS OF 2010 BUDGET & EXPENDITURE REPORT

Pete Chamberlain reviewed the memo from Barry Muccio, Director of Operations, Electric Department, dated 4/15/10, specifically the monthly megawatt hour of electricity purchased 2007 - present and ten year perspective on megawatt usage. He stated the property liability insurance decreased by \$15,000 and motor vehicle permit revenues are down. He informed the Committee the budgets are posted online.

Dave Owen stated the Town received taxes from its largest delinquent taxpayer in the amount of \$826,000; noting the Grandview Commons property sold.

Robert Moholland asked what happens to the Historic District Commission budget.

Pete Chamberlain stated the budget will not be used.

John MacDonald questioned 44173.830; noting he does not recall appropriating money to the Red Cross.

Marge Webster stated money was appropriated to Wolfeboro Senior Meals and not the Red Cross.

John MacDonald questioned when agencies are paid.

Dave Owen stated the Town typically makes payment on July 1st however, three agencies have been paid to date.

John MacDonald questioned whether the physicals at the Fire Department are being done.

Dave Owen stated he would check on such.

Frank Giebutowski requested a copy of the professional development and dues and subscriptions line items for all departments.

CIP APPOINTMENT

Bob Tougher volunteered to be the Budget Committee's representative to the CIP.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Dave Owen reviewed the capital projects report. He stated the Town received the Chamber of Commerce's Beautification Award for upgrades to Dockside.

Referencing building evaluations, Bob Tougher stated five buildings were noted in the warrant article to be evaluated and questioned whether all five buildings will get done.

Dave Owen replied yes. He informed the Committee of the following grants the Town has received; Safe Routes to School, Rust Pond Watershed Improvements Study (\$50,000), energy efficiency improvements of Town buildings (via the Energy Committee) (\$127,781) and a Community Development Block Grant for infrastructure costs associated with Harriman Hill (workforce housing project) (\$500,000). He stated the workforce housing project was also awarded tax credits. He stated the BOS have voted to proceed with looking into the cost to renovate the Town Hall (potential warrant article on the 2011 ballot).

John MacDonald questioned the budget guidelines for the 2011 budget and why there is not a warrant article for raises for nonunion employees.

Dave Owen stated he would begin working on the guidelines in June and referencing the latter question, he stated such is not statutorily required.

It was moved by Marge Webster and seconded by Bob Tougher to adjourn the April 22, 2010 Budget Committee meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lee Ann Keathley
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*****Please note these minutes are subject to approval and amendments at a later date.***