

WOLFEBORO BUDGET COMMITTEE

November 29, 2012

Minutes

Members Present: John MacDonald, Chairman, Stan Stevens, Vice-Chairman, Dave Senecal, Selectmen's Representative, Harold Parker, Brian Black, Bob Tougher, John Burt, Matt Krause, Frank Giebutowski, Members.

Member Absent: Robert Moholland, Member (excused).

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

Vice-Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Wolfeboro Inn Ballroom.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

John Burt asked if a Chamber of Commerce representative is a member of the Economic Development Committee.

Charles Wibel replied yes, Mary DeVries.

John Burt asked whether the Chamber of Commerce contributes funding to the Economic Development program.

Charles Wibel replied no, the budget consists of only Town funds.

Frank Giebutowski stated the Chamber of Commerce has co-funded programs with the Town such as advertising.

John Burt questioned consultants.

Charles Wibel stated such was reduced from \$2,000 to \$500; noting the request is related to the development of an economic development page for the Town's website.

Bob Tougher stated he has an issue with the billboard rental.

Charles Wibel stated that due to the number of vehicles going south on Route 16 (11,000/day), the Committee thought it would be worthwhile to place an ad on a billboard; noting the rental is for one year. He stated there is no indication that Wolfeboro exists off of Route 16 except for the State sign.

Bob Tougher asked Mr. Wibel if he feels there is a payback.

Charles Wibel replied yes.

Harold Parker asked what the billboard would say.

Charles Wibel replied Wolfeboro New Hampshire, Jewel of Lake Winnepesaukee, Visit and enjoy its charm and beauty, America's Oldest Summer Resort, now your 4 season destination turn right on Rt. 28. He stated the advertisement will be installed by next week.

John Burt asked if 2012 funds are being used for such.

Charles Wibel replied yes.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

John Burt questioned general operating supplies; noting the five year average is \$20 and \$0 has been spent for 2012.

Phil Morrill stated \$234 has been encumbered for hard hats and raincoats; noting a camera was recently purchased. He stated he hopes he doesn't need emergency supplies and noted the line item is for equipment in case an emergency center needs to be opened.

Dave Owen stated the budget reflects a 0% increase.

It was moved by John Burt to decrease General Operating Supplies, 42900.610, to \$300. There being no second, the motion failed.

Brian Black asked if the Emergency Management Plan has been completed.

Phil Morrill replied yes and noted the plan is required to be reviewed annually.

FIRE/RESCUE

John Burt questioned the number of call member personnel.

Phil Morrill replied 9.

Frank Giebutowski questioned outside services – hydrants.

Phil Morrill stated the amount is set by the BOS.

Dave Owen stated the BOS allocates 20% of the water system costs to fire hydrants; noting such is a general government subsidy of the Water Fund.

Frank Giebutowski questioned the percentage of property value is covered by the water system.

Dave Owen replied 2,200 out of 5,000.

John MacDonald questioned the number of hydrants.

Dave Owen replied approximately 248.

John Burt asked if the purchase of a new fire truck is proposed for 2013.

Phil Morrill replied yes, Engine 1; noting the vehicle would be replaced with the same size apparatus however, such would not be all wheel drive.

John Burt questioned general operating supplies and noted the five year average is \$3,214.

Pete Chamberlain stated year to date expenditure is \$3,944.

It was moved by John Burt and seconded by John MacDonald to decrease General Operating Supplies, 42200.610, from \$6,000 to \$5,000.

Discussion of the motion:

Bob Tougher stated the line item is one that is desired to come in under budget.

John Burt withdrew his motion. John MacDonald withdrew his second.

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

John MacDonald questioned the physical condition of the building.

Phil Morrill stated the apparatus floor was rebuilt, the building was reroofed and the parking lot expanded and paved.

Capital Outlay

- **Pave Fire Substation, 49609.731, \$40,000**
BOS postponed one year to evaluate efficiency of constructed drainage improvements.
- **Chief's Command Vehicle, 49612.761, \$40,000**
BOS denied request.

It was moved by John Burt and seconded by Harold Parker to adjourn the November 29, 2012 Budget Committee meeting. All members voted in favor.

Budget Committee meeting scheduled for December 6, 2012 at the Wolfeboro Inn Ballroom, 6:00 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
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