

APPROVED

Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2013

Present:

Shaun Lagueux- Chairman, Ron Preble, Dave Carr, William Cote, Dorcas Gordon, Paul Manganiello, Ashley Dolloff, Kerrin Rounds, Tom Keegan, Barbara Greenwood, Mark Chevalier, Jeff Shackett, and Jon Thouin.

Absent:

Others Present:

Michael Capone- Town Administrator

Call to Order:

Chairman Lagueux called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Review of Minutes:

Chairman Lagueux asked the members to review the January 7th meeting minutes. Barbara Greenwood made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Jon Thouin. All were in favor.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

This meeting is the second deliberative session for the budget committee.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

- Jeff Shackett made a motion to accept the Selectmen's department budget recommendation of \$514,892, seconded by Kerrin Rounds.
- Mark Chevalier made a motion to amend the budget to \$517,892, seconded by Kerrin Rounds. This amendment would add \$1,000 to line 432 (Snowplow/Sander Maintenance) and \$2,000 to line 610 (Materials /Supplies). This brings the amounts closer to what was spent in 2012.
Vote on amendment: 11 In Favor 2 Opposed Motion Passed
- Acceptance of Highway Department budget at \$517,892.
Vote: 13 In Favor 0 opposed

HIGHWAY PROJECTS:

- Jeff Shackett made a motion to accept the Selectmen's department budget recommendation of \$200,000, seconded by Kerrin Rounds. This amount will cover a sufficient amount of paving and some sidewalk work. The town received Round 5 funding from Safe Routes to School this year that will improve 800 feet of sidewalk on School Street and 550 feet of sidewalk on N. Main Street. An application for additional funding under a Round 6 grant will be submitted on Wednesday of this week. Mark Chevalier stated that the CIP report recommends \$305,000 for Highway Projects.
Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

STREETS/BRIDGES:

- Kerrin Rounds made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of

\$42,900, seconded by Mark Chevalier. Line 415 (Smart Start Program) covers payments until May 2013. The improvements will be paid in full at that time.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL:

- Jeff Shackett made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$259,142 seconded by Ron Preble. Line 810(New Equipment) does not include a new roll off container. This was purchased in 2012.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

FIRE BETTERMENT:

- Mark Chevalier made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$10,000 seconded by Kerrin Rounds.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

LAND USE/HEALTH OFFICE:

- Kerrin Rounds made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$16,885, seconded by Jeff Shackett.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

ANIMAL WELFARE:

- Shaun Lagueux made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$1,000, seconded by Kerrin Rounds.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

HEALTH AGENCIES:

- Kerrin Rounds made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$34,350, seconded by Mark Chevalier. Line 350 (NANA) funded at the 2012 amount.

- Dorcas Gordon moved to amend Line 351 (Mid-State Health Center) to \$0.

Vote on Amendment: 9 In Favor 3 Opposed 1 Abstention Motion Passed

- Acceptance of Health Agencies budget at \$32,400.

Vote: 12 In Favor 1 Opposed Motion Passed

WELFARE ADMIN:

- Kerrin Rounds made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$14,302, seconded by Barbara Greenwood.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

WELFARE SERVICES:

- Mark Chevalier made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$54,850, seconded by Kerrin Rounds.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

RECREATION:

- Barbara Greenwood made a motion to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$99,703, seconded by Tom Keegan. The TTCC now owns the building which makes them eligible for grants.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

BEACHES:

- Kerrin Rounds moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$15,874, seconded by Barbara Greenwood.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

KELLEY PARK:

- Barbara Greenwood moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$40,043, seconded by Dorcas Gordon. Dave Carr asked about raising the rent as it has been quite a few years. No specific item was cut in Line 820 (Capital Items).
Vote 13 In Favor 0 opposed Motion Passed

LIBRARY:

- Jon Thouin moved to accept the Department's recommended budget of \$149,861, seconded by Barbara Greenwood. The Selectmen's cuts are from the various wage lines.
Vote: 1 In Favor 12 Opposed Motion Failed
- Mark Chevalier moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$139,718, seconded by Ashley Dolloff.
Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

PATRIOTIC: The Concert Series funding is in the Old Home Day Line.

- Kerrin Rounds moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$10,200, seconded by Ashley Dolloff.
Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

- Mark Chevalier moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$810, seconded by Shaun Lagueux.
Vote: 12 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstention Motion Passed

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION: The Commission successfully got the town accepted as a Certified Local Government. This gives the town accessibility to grants.

- Barbara Greenwood moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$998, seconded by Shaun Lagueux.
Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

SOCIAL SERVICES:

- Jeff Shackett moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$14,300, seconded by Kerrin Rounds.
- Dave Carr moved to amend Line 570 (Tri-County Community Action) to \$0, seconded by Jon Thouin. There is reported legal action being taken against them. More information will be sought so a better informed decision can be made.
Vote on amendment: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed
- Acceptance of Social Services budget of \$12,300.
Vote: 12 In Favor 1 Opposed Motion Passed

TOTAL DEBT SERVICE:

- Ashley Dolloff moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$317,869, seconded by Mark Chevalier.
Vote: 13 In favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT:

- Jeff Shackett moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$37,600, seconded by Shaun Lagueux.
- Paul Manganiello moved to amend Line 760 (Police Cruise/Vehicle) to \$0, seconded by William Cote.
Vote on amendment: 3 In Favor 10 Opposed Motion Failed
- Acceptance of Capital Equipment budget of \$37,600.
Vote: 11 In Favor 2 Opposed Motion Passed

TOTAL SEWER:

- Ashley Dolloff moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended department budget of \$361,350, seconded by Dorcas Gordon.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

TOTAL WATER:

- Jeff Shackett moved to accept the Selectmen's recommended budget of \$402,414, seconded by Mark Chevalier.

Vote: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passed

Member Comments:

The next meeting will be on January 21st at 7pm at the town offices. The meeting will be used for finalizing budget numbers and to review any warrant articles, should there be any.

The public hearing dates will be noticed for February 4 and February 11th (if needed).

Town Administrator's Report:

February 5th is the deadline for petitioned warrant articles. The Selectmen will be looking at potential warrants from the CIP report on January 17th.

The LGC stated that the Contingency Fund is excluded by omission. This budget line can be either called something else or moved to another line.

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Adjournment:

Barbara Greenwood made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark Chevalier, passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Costigan, Secretary