

APPROVED

Budget Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 5, 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: None

Others Present:

Michael Capone- Town Administrator, Police Chief Michael Lewis.

Call to Order:

Chairman Lagueux called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

New Business:

The meeting is a deliberative session following the Public Hearing on February 4th.
Warrant articles were reviewed:

Article 13: This warrant article was recommended by the budget committee with a vote 7 in favor 5 opposed. The amount of the article has been reduced from \$15,000 to \$8,000.

- Mark Chevalier made a motion to accept the article at \$8,000, seconded by Jeff Shackett.
- **Vote to recommend the article: 12 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passes** (Paul Manganiello was not present for this vote).
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Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for energy efficiency improvements to the Fire Station and the Town Offices.

- Mark Chevalier made a motion to accept this article, seconded by Ron Preble.
- **Vote to recommend the article: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed Motion Passes**
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Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars (\$59,933) for repairs to the Old Town Hall.

- Barbara Greenwood made a motion to accept this article, seconded by Ron Preble
- **Vote to recommend this article: 9 In Favor 4 Opposed Motion Passes.**

Budget Items were reviewed:

Mr. Capone informed the budget committee that LGC said that a rehearing on the budget must be done if there are any increases to the bottom line department budgets.

- Shaun Lagueux made a motion to add \$200 to the Fire Department line 565 (Public Education-Fire Prevention), seconded by Kerrin Rounds.
Vote: 12 In Favor 1 Opposed Motion Passes.

- Mark Chevalier made a motion to increase Highway Projects line 390 (Resurfacing Roads) to \$250,000, seconded by Barbara Greenwood
Vote: 5 In Favor 8 Opposed Motion Failed.
- Jon Thouin made a motion to increase the Library Department budget to \$149,861, seconded by Barbara Greenwood.
Vote: 1 In Favor 12 Opposed Motion Failed.
- Kerrin Rounds made a motion to reduce Police Department line 190 (Certified Special Police) from \$16,000 to \$12,000, seconded by Paul Manganiello.
Vote: 6 In Favor 6 Opposed 1 Abstention Motion Failed.

Police Chief Michael Lewis was present at the meeting. He was unable to attend the Public Hearing on Monday evening due to a scheduling conflict. Chief Lewis took questions from members of the Budget Committee with regard to the 2013 operating budget.

There were no further motions to amend the budget.

Article 11, Final Budget:

- Mark Chevalier made a motion to accept the 2013 Town Operating budget of \$5,371,156 (Five Million Three Hundred Seventy One Thousand One Hundred Fifty Six Dollars), seconded by Jeff Shackett.
Vote: 11 In Favor 1 Opposed Motion Passes.

Chairman Lagueux thanked the members of the committee for their work on the budget.

Adjournment:

Mark Chevalier made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kerrin Rounds, passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Costigan, Secretary