## Selectmen's Work Session Monday, October 30, 2017

Chairman Morgan called the Work Session to order at 2:30 PM. This meeting was held in the upstairs conference room at Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Richard Morgan and Sandra Martin, and Ellen White, Town Administrator, who recorded the minutes. Selectman Robert Freeman was absent-excused.

## Review of Red Folders, Accounts Payable and Payroll Manifests:

The Accounts Payable Manifest, Red Folder and Water & Sewer Red Folder were reviewed.

## **Budget Review:**

Trustees of Trust Funds – Increase due to an increase in wages and applicable taxes. No further discussion.

Conservation Commission – Increase due to an increase in wages and applicable taxes. No further discussion.

Planning Board – Increase due to an increase in wages and applicable taxes. Morgan discussed increasing additionally by \$5,000.00 as the current budget is on track to be overspent.

Recreation Department – White noted the wages and applicable taxes have been recalculated. No further discussion.

Selectmen's Office – White reviewed the increases including cost of living wage adjustments for non-union employees, health insurance plan changes, addition of short-term disability policy for all town employees, water & sewer functions to be billed to the Water & Sewer Department, Lakes Region Planning Commission dues previously paid by the Planning Board, assessing contract fees due to additional building pickups and additional wages for clerical support to the Budget Committee and Zoning Officer. Brief discussion took place on increases and inability to absorb line item increases elsewhere in the budget.

Highway Department - White noted the wages and applicable taxes have been recalculated. No further discussion.

Transfer Station - White noted the wages and applicable taxes have been recalculated. No further discussion.

Government Buildings - White noted the wages and applicable taxes have been recalculated. White also reviewed the adjustment made to the electricity line as the cooperative purchasing agreement with Lakes Region Planning Commission estimated \$10,000 in annual savings. White reported that the agreed upon rate ended up being slightly higher and reduced the savings accordingly but the end result will be a significant savings. No further discussion.

Dog Officer – Increase in wages and applicable taxes requested by Dog Officer. White informed the Board that the Dog Officer may not be able to attend due to storm damage. Morgan suggested tabling the review of the budget if she is not at the meeting to present the budget.

Police Department – Increase due to wage and applicable tax increase and computer maintenance for the new cruiser tablets. No further discussion.

Police Special Duty – Level-funded. No discussion.

White questioned availability this week for a conference call with Westward Shores Camping Area & Resort, FEMA and the NH Office of Energy and Planning. A request for next Monday will be made.

Being no further input, the work session was adjourned.

Adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Richard H. Morgan, Chairman

ABSENT

Robert C. Freeman

Sandra P. Martin

To be approved 11/6/2017