## **BUDGET COMMITTEE WORKSHOP**

## **OCTOBER 29, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Joe Goss. Present were Julie Rosiak, James Fitzpatrick, Matt Trahen, Kathleen Maloney, Tom Kondrat, CO rep. Marie McConarty, OC rep. Lynne Parker, Elaine Sherman, and Selectman Rick Morgan.

Trahan motioned approval of Oct. 15, 2014 minutes. Approved.

Departments presented their proposed 2015 budgets:

**TRESURER** Salary increase of approximately 2.5% was questioned. Fitzpatrick motioned to approve budget of \$10,480.00. Approved. Natalie invited the committee to visit the office.

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS Merrow reported an increase of \$26.00. Questions included the number of hours, how many funds are taken care of for the town, wages are for the three trustees. Fitzpatrick motioned to approve the budget of \$5,289.00. Approved.

CEMETERY Questions included how many part-time? Two. Last water bill for the year not in yet. Amount of \$53.98 spent for new equipment this year was questioned, an old account was used with \$21,000 from that account to total \$21,053.98. The town takes care of \$\forall 7\$ cemeteries with many poor graves and stones down. Question of non-spending of headstone maintenance fund was addressed as future monies will be used. Sel. Morgan stated that the equipment and headstone maintenance line items will become one— "cemetery maintenance." Questions on perpetual care and lot purchase included how much goes to the town to pay for deed filing fees, Trust funds for care, and how we gain responsibility for the care of a cemetery. Goss will ask for a list of the Cemetery Trust funds from the Attorney General. Kondrat motioned to approve the budget of \$29,654.00. Approved.

**CONSERVATION** Only postage has been expended. The Town needs a timber monitor therefore the budget has an increase. Maloney motioned to accept the budget of \$1000. Approved.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** Parker motioned to approve the level funded budget of \$16,364. Approved.

**DAM AUTHORITY** Questions on the monitoring and the authority. The selectmen of the towns around Ossipee Lake are the governing body. The dam is checked every day and reported to Concord. Fitzpatrick motioned to approve budget of \$8595. Approved.

**LEGAL** Maloney motioned the level funding because of current activity, amount budgeted \$30,000. Approved.

**PATRIOTIC PURPOSES** McConarty motioned to approve the budget of \$1502. Approved.

**WELFARE** Discussion of current issues and concerns of distribution improvement. Maloney motioned to approve the budget of \$55269.00 , increase of \$15,000. Approved.

Next meeting Nov. 5, 2014

McConarty motioned to adjourn. Approved.